



## *April 2021 Retiree Newsletter*

### **Employees' Retirement System Of The City of Milwaukee**

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### **Reminder**

ERS does not take the following changes over the phone: **address, banking information, beneficiary changes or tax withholding elections.** This policy is to protect our retirees from fraud and/or identity theft.

If you need to make any changes, you can visit [www.cmers.com](http://www.cmers.com), click on the green "Forms" button, and then click on the form you want to print. Once you have completed the form, send it to the ERS address listed at the top of the form. If you do not have online access, please call our office and ask to have the form you need sent to you.

**The post office will not forward your pension check or direct deposit notification to a new address, even if you have completed a change of address form with the post office.** You must notify ERS of any permanent or temporary address changes. If ERS does not have your correct address, the post office will return your check or direct deposit notification to our office. In addition, if you are having your mail temporarily held at the post office, your check or direct deposit notification will be returned to our office.

### **Tax Withholding**

If you have completed your tax filing for 2020 and discovered that you owe too much or are getting a refund that is bigger than it needs to be, you may want to adjust the amount withheld from your pension payment. Withholding forms can be obtained by calling our office or by visiting the ERS website [www.cmers.com](http://www.cmers.com). On the website, click on the "Forms" button, and then click on the form you want to print. Go to the second page, print the withholding form, complete it, and send to the address listed on the top of the first page. If you are unsure how much you should have withheld, please consult a tax professional. The ERS staff are not allowed to give tax advice.

### **2020 Tax Filing**

If you need a replacement 1099-R tax statement for 2020 (or any earlier year), please contact the ERS office. Replacement forms for 2020 will be issued, free of charge, through **May 17, 2021**. Any requests for replacements received after that date, and all requests for replacement forms for previous years, will be filled only upon receipt of a \$15.00 processing fee per form. You will need to submit a check payable to the Employees' Retirement System and a note with your name, mailing address, social security number or payee ID number, and the year(s) for which you will need a replacement.

### **Investment Update**

As of March 31, 2021, the fund value was \$5.69 Billion, and the year-to-date return was 3.5%, net of fees.

## Recently Retired ERS Members

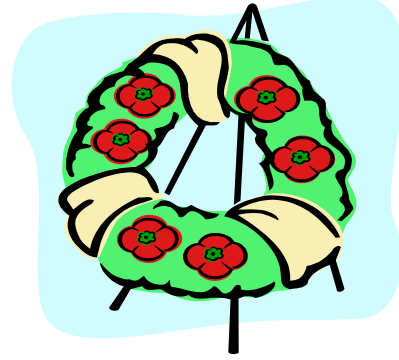


Bradley Behling- MFD  
Anthony Brzozowski- DPW - Water  
Edward Chaim- MPD  
Kevin Cingatura- Library  
Ronaale Dietzman- MPS  
Joel Fells- MPD  
John Gibbons- MPS\*  
David Ginster- MFD  
John Hinkel- MPD  
Ollie King- MPS  
Sandra Lange- Wisconsin Center\*  
Tracy Lange- MMSD  
Anthony Lewis- MFD  
Daniel Lipski- MFD  
Annie Mansfield- MPS  
Dwayne Mc Kay- MPD\*  
Thomas Neal- DPW - Operations  
Richard Pawlitzke- Housing Authority  
John Rupcic- MPD  
Michael Schenzel- MFD  
Steven St Louis- Veolia  
Jay Unora- City Attorney  
Kathryn Zacharyasz- DER\*

\*Deferred

## In Memoriam

*ERS Retirees who have recently died:*



Wilma Barnes-MPS  
Leo Bell-MPD  
Gerald Doyle-DPW  
Arthur Ellis-DPW - Water  
Eugene Farmer-MPD  
Ralph Fedor-DPW - Water  
Oneita Gardner-MPS  
John Garland-DPW - Fleet  
Michael Gehrke-MFD  
Elder Grueneberg-MPS  
Mildred Hooks-MPS  
Dennis Keller-MPD  
Joanne Kollenbroich-MPS  
James Lathrop-MFD  
Vivian Lucci-MPS  
Herman Meyer-MFD  
Lora Monfre-DPW - Water  
Bernard Parys-MPD  
Addie Redic-MPS  
Walter Redmon-MPS  
Paul Ropel-DPW - Parking  
Delbert Troskey-MPD  
Arthur Walter-MFD  
Mary Wicker-DPW - Water  
Rosemary Young-MPS

## May 2021 Pension Payments

- Payments will be **mailed May 27<sup>th</sup>** and **payable May 28<sup>th</sup>**.
- Direct deposits will be posted to your account on **May 28<sup>th</sup>**.
- Processing affidavits for lost April checks will start **May 10<sup>th</sup>**.

## Other May Dates of Note

- Cinco de Mayo – May 5<sup>th</sup>
- Mother's Day – May 9<sup>th</sup>
- Armed Forces Day – May 15<sup>th</sup>
- Memorial Day – May 31<sup>st</sup> – **ERS OFFICE CLOSED**

