



Employees' Retirement System of the City of Milwaukee

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March 2022 Retiree Newsletter

Investment Update

As of January 31, 2022, the fund value was \$6.12 Billion, and the year-to-date return was -2.1%, gross of fees.

1099R Forms

If you received a monetary benefit from the ERS in 2021 (except for Duty Disability benefits, because this benefit is neither taxable, nor reportable to the IRS), you should have received your 1099R form for 2021. If you have not, please contact the pension office so we can mail a new form to you. You will need this form for filing your income tax return for 2021. **Do not wait until the last minute.** Replacement forms for 2021 will be issued, free of charge, through April 15, 2022. 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.

ERS Offices Remain CLOSED to the Public

As a precautionary measure related to COVID-19 and recent outbreaks, the ERS office is currently closed to the public. All meetings and walk-ins are being cancelled at this time until further notice.

Please be advised that the ERS's daily operations and services are **NOT** interrupted, including the processing of benefit-related updates and annuity payments.

Please email us at norm@cmers.com with your questions. Please be advised that responses may be delayed

IMPORTANT DATES:

- April 5 – Spring Election
- April 15 – Good Friday, **Office is closed**
- April 17 – Easter Sunday

APRIL 2022 PENSION PAYMENTS:

- Processing affidavits for lost March checks will start on **Monday, April 11th**.
- Payments will be mailed **Thursday, April 28th** and payable **Friday, April 29th**.
- Direct deposits will be posted to your account **Friday, April 29th**.

Recently Retired ERS Members

Joseph Anderer- MPD
Kay Bragg- Election Commission
Melanie Brooks- MPS
Ruben Cardenas- MPD
Ronald Carpenter- DPW – Water
Gregg Danes- MFD
Willie Daniels- DPW – Operations*
Darryl Eastern- MPS
Paul Fowler- DPW – Operations
Dexter Garner- DPW –
Infrastructure*
Claudette Harris- MPS
Nader Jaber- DPW – Sewer
Donald Johnson- MPS
Peter Kloss- DPW – Infrastructure
Michael Kostich- MPS
Alton Lewis- MPD
Jessie Liston- MPS
Gregg Marshall- MPD*
Phillip Martinez- DPW – Towing
Raymond Monfre- MPD
Keyellia Morris- MPD
John Neeley- MPS
Wilma Negron- MPS
Bertha Redd- Neighborhood Services
Cassandra Reynolds- MMSD*
Noel Rodriguez- MPS
David Schlabowske- DPW –
Infrastructure*
Carol Schmidt- Housing Authority
Wendell Sloan- DPW – Operations
Cheryl Stepniewski- DPW – Water*
Donna Tender- MPS
Marilyn Tyson- MPS*
Steven Walker- MPS
Neil Welch- DPW – Operations
Michael Wolak- United Water
Service*
Maiyia Yang- MPS*

*Deferred

ERS Retirees who have recently died:

Sandra Abuya-MPS
Michael Baginski-MPD
Leonard Bortmann-Sanitation
James Brackinridge-Library
Lillie Buford-MMSD
Laverne Carberry-MPS
Robert Carrara-MPS
Ellen Chipman-MPS
Daryl Condon-MPS
Donald Cook-Municipal Equipment
Charles Cortte-MFD
Robert Cramer-DPW - Infrastructure
Geraldine Czajkowski-MPS
Barbara Deam-MPS
Robert Ehlert-MMSD
Emily Elert-MPS
Silvia Glenn-DPW - Administrative Services
Joyce Hertig-MPS
Glenn Hutchens-Sanitation
Joyce Jefferson-DPW - Traffic Engineering
Phillip Koehler-MPD

Retirees who have recently died (Continued):

Frederick Krause-Municipal Equipment
Eugene Lord-MPD
Penny Manke-MPS
Harry Mazurkiewicz-DPW - Sewer
Michael McCabe-MMSD
Earnest Mitchell-MPS
David Muench-City Records
Judith Narloch-DPW - Infrastructure
Karen Reifschneider-DPW - Operations
Matthew Scibek-DPW - Infrastructure
Shirley Sobocinski-MPS
Delores Strehlow-MPS
William Sullivan-DPW - Infrastructure
Kenneth Tappendorf-MMSD
Gotry Thomas-Municipal Equipment
Mark Voelz-DPW - Water
John Walsh-MPS
John Ware-DPW
Dean Wassenberg-MFD
Dennis Zigan-Sanitation

From the MRA: Celebrating 63 Years of Service

The Milwaukee Retiree Association, Inc. was founded in 1959 by retirees concerned about protecting and improving their pensions and other benefits. This valuable work continues today. MRA membership is open to all retirees and their spouses who receive a pension from ERS. Join the MRA and attend their luncheon/membership meetings, receive informative newsletters and email messages to learn what is happening to your pension, health insurance, Social Security, Medicare, and more.

Fill out the application now and send it with your check for \$15 to the address at the top of the application. For questions our E-mail and phone number are also on the application. The \$10 assessment is an optional contribution.

Do NOT send to the ERS

MILWAUKEE RETIREE ASSOCIATION, INC

Application/Renewal - Effective January 1 - December 31 Annually
P.O. Box 342055, Milwaukee, WI 53234-2055 Phone No. 414-297-9215 leave message
Email: info-mra@milwaukeeeretired.org Website: www.milwaukeeeretired.org

New Retiree Member Renewal Spouse Gender: Male Female

Name (Print): _____ **Phone:** () _____

Address: _____ **Apt/Unit/Lot #:** _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip+4:** _____

Year Retired: _____ **Agency/Department:** _____

Your Email Address: _____

\$15 Annual Membership Fee

\$15 Annual Membership Fee Spouse (Name:) _____

\$10 Optional Assessment

\$ _____ **Additional Donation for Assessment**

\$ _____ **Additional Donation for Postage, etc.**

Total Enclosed: \$ _____ **Check/Money Order Number:** _____

Member's Signature: _____ **Date:** ____/____/20____

Make payments payable to: MILWAUKEE RETIREE ASSOCIATION, INC. Rev: 2/24/2021-fr/ers
(The MRA effectively represents all City of Milwaukee's Employees' Retirement System retirees and spouses)