



## *April 2026 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 2025 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.

### **2025 Tax Filing**

If you need a replacement 1099-R tax statement for 2025 (or any earlier year), please contact the ERS office. Replacement forms for 2025 were issued, free of charge, through **April 15, 2026**. After that date all requests for replacement forms for 2025 and previous years are 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. **You may also view or print your 1099-R free of charge on our website at [www.cmers.com](http://www.cmers.com) by following the instructions on our homepage.**

### **May 2026 Pension Payments**

- Payments will be **mailed May 28<sup>th</sup>** and **payable May 29<sup>th</sup>**.
- Direct deposits will be posted to your account on **May 29<sup>th</sup>**.
- Processing affidavits for lost April checks will start **May 11<sup>th</sup>**.

### **Other Dates of Note**

- Cinco de Mayo – May 5<sup>th</sup>
- Mother's Day – May 10<sup>th</sup>
- Armed Forces Day – May 16<sup>th</sup>
- Memorial Day – May 25<sup>th</sup>  
– ERS OFFICE CLOSED

## Investment Update

As of February 28, 2026, the Fund value was \$6.74 Billion, and the year-to-date return was 3.6%, net of fees.

### Recently Retired ERS Members



Christian Asmussen - MFD  
Daniel Baron - MFD\*  
Paul Bounyong - MPS\*  
Antonia Buford - MPS  
Jeffrey Collum - MFD  
Gentle Dills - DPW - Operations  
Edward Easley - MPS  
Anthony Edwards - MPD\*  
Vincent Elam - MPS  
Michael Emmrich - MFD  
Jose Esteves - MPS\*  
Daniel Feld - DPW - Water  
Peter Gulbranson - DPW\*  
Mark Hinkens - MPS  
Jeffrey Kanderski - MPS  
Sarah Kickhaver - MPS\*  
William Kirby - Neighborhood Services  
Lynn Kresse - MPD\*  
James Loucks - MFD  
Donna Max - MMSD  
Gina Metz - MPD  
Antricia Morgan - Library  
Joseph Pichotta - MFD  
Steven Puyleart - Housing Authority\*  
Steven Sanders - MPS  
Ann Scaglione - DOA  
Daniel Sell - MMSD  
Brent St John - MFD  
Eunice Thomas - DPW - Operations  
Joshua Whiten - MPD  
Laura Zanoni - MPS\*

\*Deferred

### In Memoriam

#### *ERS Retirees who have recently died:*

Yvonne Brilliant - MMSD  
Russell Britton - MPS  
Dorothy Colburn - Health  
Helen Dziomba - MPS  
Catherine Felber - MPS  
Margaret Gross - MATC  
Thomas Herriges - MPS  
Calvin Hornick - MPS  
Denice Hurlebaus - MPS  
Gerald Jaczynski - MFD  
John Kalwitz - Common Council  
Ross Lang - Forestry  
Anita Lemke - MPS  
Judith Leszczynski - MPS  
Dennis Ludka - MPD  
Barbara May - MPS  
Richard Miszewski - MPD  
Ralph Modjeska - MFD  
Lyn Rohner - MPS  
Ronald Smith - Forestry  
Daniel Stoltz - DPW - Infrastructure  
Janet Tesch - DPW - Water  
Bernard Totsky - MPS  
Spencer Vassel - MFD  
William Wilks - MPS  
Rudolph Williams - MPS  
Hilda Witte - MPS  
Thomas Wolf - MMSD

