



Employees' Retirement System

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September 2026 Retiree Newsletter

2027 Open Enrollment-City Retirees Only

Health Insurance

The 2027 Open Enrollment period will be October 19, 2026 through October 30, 2026. Packets will be mailed out **starting early-October to all City of Milwaukee retirees presently enrolled in a City health insurance plan. This excludes MATC, MMSD, MPS, United Water Services, and Veolia.** If you do not receive your packet by **October 26, 2026**, call the ERS Open Enrollment Hotline at (414) 286-3689 and request that one be sent to you. If you are not currently enrolled in a City health insurance plan and wish to receive a City Open Enrollment packet, or want to request an enrollment form, call the ERS Open Enrollment Hotline at (414) 286-3689 and request that one be sent to you.

Please note that the premium rates will increase for retirees under the age of 65 years (non-Medicare) by 8.2%. For **Medicare retirees**, premium rates will increase by 20.9%.

You can find the answers to your questions in your Retiree Benefits Guide or on the ERS website – www.cmers.com. Click on “Read More” under Open Enrollment to find links to frequently asked questions, 2027 rate charts and an online copy of the 2027 Benefits Guide. Please read your Benefits Guide carefully. **Rate information and the Retiree Benefits Guide will be available around the beginning of October.**

When submitting a new health enrollment form, please keep a copy for your records. ERS does not send out confirmation letters. However, if you want confirmation of receipt of this form, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope for this purpose.

Due to the high volume of forms received each year, we cannot confirm by phone if we have received your health enrollment form.

Life Insurance

There are **no changes** to the life insurance benefit design for current retirees. No action is required on your part if you currently participate in the City's Life Insurance plan as a retiree. If you currently do not participate in the City's plan as a retiree, you are **not** eligible to enroll in the plan. You can reduce or cancel your coverage at any time, but please note you **cannot** then increase or reenroll in the future.

Open Enrollment Fairs

The City will be holding five (5) Open Enrollment Fairs that are open to all City employees and retirees.

Wednesday, October 21st – 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. City Hall Rotunda

200 E. Wells Street

Thursday, October 22nd – 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. DPW Field Headquarters

3850 N. 35th Street, Cafeteria

Monday, October 26th – 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. DPW Field Headquarters

3850 N. 35th Street, Cafeteria

Tuesday, October 27th – 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. DNS Lake Tower

4001 S. 6th Street

Thursday, October 29th – 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Fire & Police Academy

6680 N. Teutonia Avenue

The ERS will also hold two (2) virtual fairs. You can visit our website www.cmers.com for more information.

Tuesday, October 20th – 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 28th – 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Investment Update

As of July 31, 2026, the Fund value was \$6.69 billion, and the YTD return was 5.9%, net of fees.

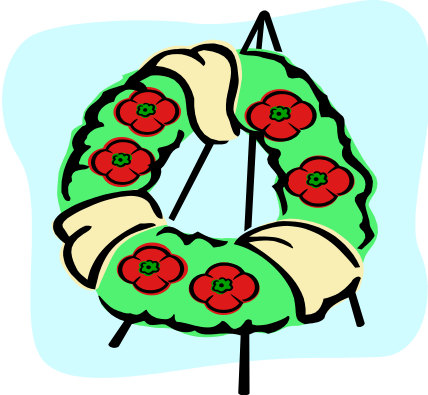
Recently Retired ERS Members

Michael Anderson - MPS*
Marina Andino - Municipal Court*
Solomon Bekele - DPW - Sewer
Lillian Carson - DPW - Infrastructure*
Domingo Castro - DPW - Operations
Richard Cordero - Housing Authority
Carolyn Davis - MPS
Jeanne Dawson - Housing Authority
Marilyn Dejohnnett - Emergency Communications
Nancy Dominski - City Attorney*
David Droster - MPD*
Wanda Easterling - Housing Authority*
Gwendolyn Evans - City Attorney*
Rachel Goldbeck - MPD
Joseph Hemphill - MPS*
Nicholas Ince - MPD*
Joan Johnson - Libaray
Timothy Keller - MPD
Carol Kilgren - MPD
Kathy Kroeger - MPD*
Scott Lackovic - MPD
Dustin Langfeldt - MPD
Douglas Lemke - MPD
Todd Lewan - MPD
Angel Lewis - MPS
Emmet McCarthy - MFD*
Jodi Pero - MPS
Gary Peterson - Neighborhood Services*
Danielle Richardson - MPS*
Fernando Rojas - MPD
Kristen Ruegg - MPD
Stuart Sajdak - MPD
Marvece Sandles - MFD*
Sheila Sisk - MPD
Jean Smith - Health*
David Sturma - MPD
Ronald Tate - MPS*
Paul Vornholt - Mayor*
Catherine Watson - DPW - Infrastructure
Evelyn Zollicoffer Lay - DPW - Water

*Deferred retirement

In Memoriam

ERS Retirees who have recently died:



Wayne Armon - MPD
Joseph Bucher - MPS
Tove Case - MPS
Antonio Deleon - DPW - Operations
Jerome Dombrowski - MFD
Frank Eismonth - DPW - Infrastructure
Joseph Finn - DCD
Gary Grundy - MPD
Gary Guenthner - MPS
Richard Huntemann - MFD
Robbin Kipp - DPW - Parking
Robert Lambrecht - Municipal Equipment
Sandra Lovrine - MPS
Eugene Marks - DPW - Water
Jeanne Marusic - Health
Nancy Morrison - MPS
Thomas Sbonik - MPD
Sue Schmidt - United Water
Louise Severson - MPS
Frederick Sommer - DPW - Operations
Patricia Stawicki - Mayor
Radojka Tomic - Health
John Wachowiak - MPD
Clement Wagner - MPD
Karen Weiner - MPS
Laverne Wittig - MPS

Your **October 2026** benefit payment will be...

- mailed on October 29th and
- made payable October 30th.

Those retirees with **direct deposit** will have their pension payment in their account...

- on October 30th.

Affidavits for lost September checks will begin **October 9th**.