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The Retirement Register

Be Alert For Scammers

There are a lot of people these days who are trying to scam people out of their personal information and money. They can try to call, text, or email you to try to get your personal information. Please be very careful answering any phone calls, emails, or texts that are requesting personal information from you. The Retirement Systems office will never make recommendations to contact a particular firm. If you suspect that you may have been a victim of fraud, please be sure to contact the three major credit bureaus (Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion) to monitor your credit. It is very important that you keep your contact information up to date with our office. Please contact our office if you need a retiree update form.

Need to Make Changes to Your Address, Direct Deposit or Withholding?

If you need to make changes to your address, direct deposit, or Federal or State withholding, please note that we require these changes in writing, with your original signature (no computer generated signatures). Any of the aforementioned changes **must be signed by the person receiving the pension benefits**, unless a valid Power of Attorney document is on file with the Retirement Systems Office. If you spend the winter months elsewhere, you must notify us in writing when you go and again when you come back to avoid your pension correspondence being returned. Generally, our cutoff with Northern Trust for entering changes on their system is around the middle of each month for the pension check that is generated at the end of that month. Listed below are our cutoff dates for the remainder of 2024:

August 19 September 17 October 18 November 15 December 17

Please note these changes need to be submitted to: **City of Grand Rapids Retirement Systems Office, 233 Fulton Street E., Suite 216, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 by no later than 4:00 p.m. on the above listed dates for changes that month.**

Recent Retirement Statistics

Year	# of Retirees	Barg. Unit	Type of Retirement	Average # of Service Years
2021	44	15 APA/APA-CT. 1 ECO 24 GREIU/GREIU CT. 3 Non-Brg. Mgmt. 1 Museum	37 Age & Service 5 Deferred 1 Death Benefit 1 Non-Duty Disability	24.9328
2022	32	5 APA 2 ECO 18 GREIU/GREIU CT. 7 Non-Brg. Mgmt.	26 Age & Service 6 Deferred	23.6888
2023	33	9 APA/APA-CT. 21 GREIU/GREIU Library & Museum 2 Non-Brg. Mgmt. 1 Judge	23 Age & Service 8 Deferred 2 Early	23.5556

New Retirees

The Trustees and staff of the General Retirement System are pleased to congratulate the following new retirees:

Tonya Bannister	(Parks & Recreation)	1/3/2024	Walter Gutowski*	(Executive)	2/1/2024	Andrew Weber	(Streets & Sanitation)	4/17/2024
Dolores Franklin	(Parking Services)	1/3/2024	David Feldpausch	(Water-Field Ops.)	2/13/2024	Lisa Angus	(Motor Equipment)	6/15/2024
Dannie Owens	(Police-Dispatch)	1/3/2024	Penny Skrycki	(Police-Dispatch)	2/19/2024	Patrick Snyder	(EP-UEDCD)	6/15/2024
Wayne Wasilenski	(61st District Court)	1/3/2024	Deidra Edmond Mayweather*	(Museum)	3/1/2024	Margaret Brunett*	(Engineering)	7/1/2024
Ken Deering	(Human Resources)	1/9/2024	Kelly Criner	(Purchasing)	3/2/2024	Kenneth Dahlman	(Library)	7/2/2024
Dean Dodgson	(Facilities Management)	1/10/2024	Richard Mickam, Jr.	(Motor Equipment)	3/2/2024	Jackie Frey	(Comptrollers)	7/2/2024
Douglas Gay	(Water-Lake MI Filtration)	1/16/2024	Craig Coulson	(Human Resources)	3/5/2024	Jody Bluml	(61st District Court)	7/6/2024
Christine Barfuss	(Engineering)	1/17/2024	Terry Smith	(Streets & Sanitation)	3/27/2024	Daryl Clemens	(Police)	7/6/2024
Tracey Roerig	(Engineering)	1/23/2024	Roy King	(Streets & Sanitation)	4/2/2024	Brad Wishowski	(Neighborhood Improvement)	7/9/2024
Carol Capek*	(Comptrollers)	2/1/2024	Jeanette Boggiano	(61st District Court)	4/9/2024	Patricia Taylor	(Water-Field Ops.)	7/18/2024

*Deferred member.

City Retiree Health Insurance Questions

If you have questions regarding City retiree health insurance, questions should be directed to Insurance Services at **(616) 456-3300**.
Seniors Choice insurance questions should be directed to **(480) 776-5041**.

In Memory of Departed Friends

Cathy Hayden*	10/31/2023	Susanne DeVries*	1/10/2024	Lozia Davis	3/31/2024
Joan Welke*	11/8/2023	Gordon Olson	1/18/2024	Suzanna Heidloff	4/10/2024
Joseph Winterhalter	11/13/2023	Steven Wilson	1/18/2024	Charles Ausberger	4/21/2024
Bonnie Malkewitz	11/19/2023	Marcia Leonhardt	2/25/2024	Sue Stubbs	4/22/2024
Stephan Dreyer	11/22/2023	Mary Romanowski ³	2/1/2024	Donna Peterson*	4/25/2024
Audrey Ulanowicz*	12/3/2023	Elisabeth Klifman*	2/8/2024	Margaret Schmidt	5/3/2024
Gerald Park	12/13/2023	Concetta Bridge	2/21/2024	Richard Swendroski	5/21/2024
Ralph Hammond	12/14/2023	Margaret Kammert	3/5/2024	Richard Litts	5/22/2024
Ronald Jermanski	1/3/2024	Leon Blum	3/9/2024	John Lesiewicz	5/25/2024
Lorraine Chernoby*	1/4/2024	John Hornbach	3/11/2024	Barbara Voshel	5/25/2024
Mary Jean Gilligan*	1/8/2024	Laura Campione*	3/12/2024	Janet Dzwonek	6/9/2024
William Henderson*	1/8/2024	Henry Herron**	3/26/2024		

*Denotes Beneficiary

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