

THE RETIREMENT BOARD  
of the  
**FIREMEN'S ANNUITY AND BENEFIT FUND  
OF CHICAGO**  
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August 1, 2025

**In addition to the benefits granted to members and spouses each month, the Secretary will also be presenting, for informational purposes only, items of interest that may affect our members. Questions regarding any member's specific situation should be addressed directly to the Fund Office.**

**MONTHLY NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM YOUR RETIREMENT BOARD**

**NOTICE OF ACTIVE MEMBER ELECTION**

Under provisions of the Illinois Pension Code, an election will be held to fill the office of **Active Firefighter Member Trustee** of the Retirement Board. The position will become vacant **on December 1, 2025**, because of the expiration of the term of an incumbent. Ballots will be mailed to all active members eligible to vote no later than **September 17, 2025**.

Please see the posted election notice or visit the link [2025 Active Member Election](#) for more details. All members are encouraged to exercise their right to vote.

Active in-service members should confirm their current address with the City of Chicago Office of Public Safety Administration. Members receiving a disability annuity are encouraged to have their current address registered with the Fund Office. A list of members eligible to be a candidate and to receive a mailed ballot for the fall election will be finalized as of August 31, 2025.

**NOTICE OF ANNUITANT MEMBER ELECTION**

Under provisions of the Illinois Pension Code, an election will be held to fill the office of the **Annuitant Member Trustee** of the Retirement Board. The position will become vacant **on December 1, 2025**, because of the expiration of the term of an incumbent. Ballots will be mailed to all active members eligible to vote no later than **September 17, 2025**.

Please see the posted election notice or visit the link [2025 Annuitant Member Election](#) for more detail. All members are encouraged to exercise their right to vote.

Annuitant Members who are encouraged to have their current address registered with the Fund Office. A list of annuitant members eligible to be a candidate and to receive a mailed ballot for the fall election will be finalized as of August 31, 2025.

**REQUIRED DISCLAIMER**

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## **ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

Active members and members receiving a disability benefit will be receiving **Contribution Statements** by USPS in mid-August reflecting each member's accrued and vested 9 1/8% contribution of "pensionable salary" to the Fund as of December 31, 2024. "Pensionable Salary" is the salary attached to rank and grade as negotiated by Local 2, it does not include overtime and other pay additions except for "duty availability time." Employee contributions are split across various benefit funding reserves: Retirement Annuity - 7 1/8%, Spousal (Widow) Annuity - 1 1/2%, Automatic Increase (COLA) - 3/8 of 1%, and Ordinary Disability - 1/8 of 1%. All members contribute to each reserve through bi-monthly payroll deduction while in active service.

Employee contributions, except Ordinary Disability, are refundable to the members should they leave active service and not be eligible for a benefit from the Fund. If the member is unmarried at the time of receipt of a retirement annuity, Spousal (Widow) Annuity contributions may also be refundable to the member. Should the member pass away, contributions for retirement and spousal annuity in excess of benefits paid by the Fund are refundable to the member's estate. Contributions for retirement and the spousal annuity received are improved with 3% interest while the member is in active service. The definition of active service includes members receiving a disability annuity from the Fund.

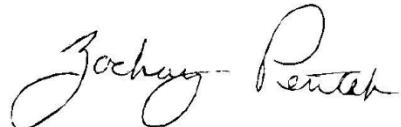
It is important to remember that contributions to the Fund do not determine or impact the benefit that you may be entitled to at retirement or should you become incapacitated. CFD sworn members are all participants in the Annuity and Benefit Fund which is a **Defined Benefit Plan**. Benefits paid to retiring members are determined by creditable service, final average salary, and age. Article 6 of the Illinois Pension Code is our governing plan document.

## **CITY OF CHICAGO EMPLOYER FUNDING RESOLUTION**

At its July 23, 2025, regular meeting, the Retirement Board ("Board") of the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago (the "Fund") passed a funding resolution setting forth the statutory required employer contribution from the City of Chicago (the "City") for the City's budget year 2026 with payment to be made to the Fund in 2027. Pursuant to Article 6 of the Illinois Pension Code, the statutory employer contribution owed to the Fund in 2026 is \$443,443,101 and contains the following elements:

- The actuarially calculated required statutory contribution of \$440,840,000 [ILCS 40, Act 5, Article 6-165(a)], plus the Retiree Healthcare (OPEB) Subsidy of \$795,000 [40 ILCS 5/6-164.2], plus the Exempt Rank Contribution of \$1,666,101 [ILCS 40, Act 5, Section 6-211(g)], and the Death Benefit Contribution of \$142,000 [ILCS 40, Act 5, Section 6-168].

Fraternally,



Zachary Pentek  
Active Trustee / Fund Secretary



Dan Fortuna  
Annuitant Trustee / Fund President

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## ELECTED OFFICIALS

DANIEL A FORTUNA, Annuitant Trustee, President  
ZACHARY PENTEK, Active Trustee, Secretary  
JOSEPH SENORSKI, Active Trustee  
MICHAEL FLISK, Active Trustee

**EX-OFFICIO TRUSTEES**

City Clerk, Vice-President ANNA VALENCIA  
City Treasurer, MELISSA CONYEARS-ERVIN  
City Comptroller, MICHAEL BELSKY  
Deputy Fire Commissioner, BRANDON KELLER

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## To All Members:

Listed below are the names of individuals who have applied for a 75% Duty Disability benefit from the Pension Board. Their applications will be presented before this Board at the 08/20/2025 meeting.

Rank, Name, Assignment:

**Date of Injury:**

EMT/FF MAXIMILIAN AVALOS, TRUCK 32  
FF MICHAEL J MILLER, ENGINE 113  
FF MARK E RANGEL, ENGINE 127  
PIC ALISON M WADOLNY, AMBULANCE 14  
PIC BENJAMIN J WELLS, AMBULANCE 11

07/25/2024  
09/24/2024  
07/16/2024  
07/21/2024  
05/01/2024

Please contact the Pension Fund's Secretary, in writing, using the attached form, if you have any information could assist the Board in its investigation of whether or not it should grant a 75% disability benefit to any of the above individuals.

The Board can subpoena witnesses (Illinois Revised Statutes, Article 6-189) and compel them to attend and before it upon any matter concerning the Fund. Your cooperation will help maintain the integrity of this Fund.

Zachary Pentek,  
Secretary

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ COMPANY ASSIGNMENT \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME OF APPLICANT \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME(S) OF WITNESS(ES) \_\_\_\_\_  
FORWARD TO: Secretary  
Firemen's Annuity & Benefit Fund  
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**MINIMUM FORMULA ANNUITIES:**

017934	GRADY K CLARK, EMT FIRE MARSHAL, OFI	Ent CFD: 06/01/1999	<b>\$6,478.91</b>	beginning 06/07/2025
	Retired: 06/07/2025		<b>\$194.37</b>	based on 67.5% of Final Average Salary annuity increment, 3%, begins 07/01/2026
●	REFUND \$73.46 FOR 2012 EID			
016938	JOHN M DONOHOE, EMT FIRE ENGINEER, ENGINE 70	Ent CFD: 02/01/2006	<b>\$4,935.59</b>	beginning 06/12/2025
	Retired: 06/12/2025		<b>\$148.07</b>	based on 50% of Final Average Salary annuity increment, 3%, begins 07/01/2026
015465	RICHARD E DRABIK, EMT FIREFIGHTER, TRUCK 32	Ent CFD: 02/02/1998	<b>\$6,801.26</b>	beginning 06/17/2025
	Retired: 06/17/2025		<b>\$204.04</b>	based on 70% of Final Average Salary annuity increment, 3%, begins 07/01/2026
018711	ANGELA HORTON, EMT FIREFIGHTER, MIDWAY	Ent CFD: 06/01/1999	<b>\$6,478.91</b>	beginning 06/27/2025
	Retired: 06/27/2025		<b>\$194.37</b>	based on 67.5% of Final Average Salary annuity increment, 3%, begins 07/01/2026
●	COLLECT \$375.40 FOR 2020			
●	REFUND \$26.47 FOR 2015 EID			
014957	GLENN G JOHNSON, FIREFIGHTER, TOWER LADDER 5	Ent CFD: 05/16/1996	<b>\$6,989.75</b>	beginning 05/17/2025
	Retired: 05/17/2025		<b>\$209.69</b>	based on 75% of Final Average Salary annuity increment, 3%, begins 04/01/2030
014795	KEITH J MC DERMOTT, FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC, ENGINE 19	Ent CFD: 03/16/1995	<b>\$7,570.25</b>	beginning 06/21/2025
	Retired: 06/21/2025		<b>\$227.11</b>	based on 75% of Final Average Salary annuity increment, 3%, begins 07/01/2026
015772	ROGER STAPLETON, FIREFIGHTER, 5-0-1 HAZMAT	Ent CFD: 12/01/1999	<b>\$5,867.07</b>	beginning 06/17/2025
	Retired: 06/17/2025		<b>\$176.01</b>	based on 65% of Final Average Salary annuity increment, 3%, begins 07/01/2026
016848	GORDON T STEWART, EMT FIREFIGHTER, TRUCK 9	Ent CFD: 08/01/2005	<b>\$4,572.34</b>	beginning 06/25/2025
	Retired: 06/25/2025		<b>\$137.17</b>	based on 50% of Final Average Salary annuity increment, 3%, begins 07/01/2026
●	REFUND \$34,915.78 FOR SPOUSE CONTRIBUTIONS			

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**WIDOW'S ANNUITIES:**

907162 EMILY ME EDWARDS, widow of TIMOTHY J EDWARDS, Retired since 07/13/1988.

Ent CFD: 01/16/1956 **\$2,479.34** beginning 03/15/2024  
Deceased: 03/14/2024

906513 JOAN LINNANE, widow of THOMAS J LINNANE, Retired since 01/21/1995.

Ent CFD: 01/16/1954 **\$4,010.95** beginning 06/01/2025  
Deceased: 05/31/2025

908104 BARBARA MARINO, widow of NICK P MARINO, Retired since 09/09/1990.

Ent CFD: 03/07/1961 **\$2,268.72** beginning 06/20/2025  
Deceased: 06/19/2025

911050 MARTHA NORRIS, widow of GREGORY NORRIS, Retired since 11/04/2011.

Ent CFD: 02/14/1980 **\$3,868.47** beginning 02/25/2025  
Deceased: 02/24/2025

909739 LARAE PAGE, widow of GERALD D PAGE, Retired since 04/11/2001.

Ent CFD: 09/02/1969 **\$4,458.69** beginning 06/02/2025  
Deceased: 06/01/2025

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REFUNDS:

019989 JOSEPH R BABIC, PARAMEDIC IN CHARGE, AMBULANCE 11  
Ent CFD: 03/22/2021 **\$32,741.02** Refund of Contributions  
RESIGNATION 04/28/2025

020573 KELLIE A BERANEK, FIREFIGHTER, CANDIDATE  
Ent CFD: 12/01/2023 **\$2,651.88** Refund of Contributions  
RESIGNATION 05/11/2024

019601 BRIAN P FERREL, FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC, ENGINE 82  
Ent CFD: 11/18/2019 **\$49,907.63** Refund of Contributions  
RESIGNED 06/20/2025

019996 STEPHEN M GALLAGHER, PARAMEDIC, AMBULANCE 34  
Ent CFD: 03/22/2021 **\$94.96** Refund of Contributions  
2025 04/19/2025

additional salary from City

020912 TAYLOR L HARTSOUGH, FIREFIGHTER, CANDIDATE  
Ent CFD: 12/03/2024 **\$2,775.54** Refund of Contributions  
RESIGNATION 05/23/2025

013428 JAMES R HAMPE, EMT LIEUTENANT, TRUCK 58  
Ent CFD: 08/03/1987 **\$109.18** Refund of Unpaid Contributions in Account of Deceased  
Deceased: 01/08/2025 FF to ESTATE OF JAMES HAMPE, MARCUS HAMPE,  
INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATOR

Additional Contributions Received From City

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**DEATH BENEFITS:**

007687 MICHAEL F BARRY, DEPUTY DISTRICT CHIEF, 6TH DISTRICT, Retired since 11/30/2000.  
Ent CFD: 02/17/1958 **\$6,000.00** to THE BARRY FAMILY REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST,  
SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE  
Deceased: 06/28/2025

009871 EDMUND J BEAUREGARD, FIRE ENGINEER, RESCUE 3, Retired since 02/13/1993.  
Ent CFD: 12/16/1970 **\$6,000.00** \$3,000.00 to KATHLEEN M BRENNAN, STEP-DAUGHTER  
\$3,000.00 to KRIS GWALTNEY, STEP-DAUGHTER  
Deceased: 05/11/2025

007162 TIMOTHY J EDWARDS, FIRE ENGINEER, ENGINE 45, Retired since 07/13/1988.  
Ent CFD: 01/16/1956 **\$6,000.00** to EMILY ME EDWARDS, WIFE  
Deceased: 03/13/2024

010517 RICHARD E ERVIN, FIREFIGHTER, TRUCK 62, Retired since 08/03/2001.  
Ent CFD: 07/16/1977 **\$6,000.00** \$4,800.00 to CHARITY DRAKE, DAUGHTER  
\$600.00 to MELISSA ERVIN, DAUGHTER  
\$600.00 to RICHARD A THORNTON, SON  
Deceased: 03/25/2025

006513 THOMAS J LINNANE, CAPTAIN, ENGINE 99, Retired since 01/21/1995.  
Ent CFD: 01/16/1954 **\$6,000.00** to JOAN C LINNANE, WIFE  
Deceased: 05/30/2025

008104 NICK P MARINO, FIREFIGHTER, TRUCK 49, Retired since 09/09/1990.  
Ent CFD: 03/07/1961 **\$6,000.00** to BARBARA MARINO, WIFE  
Deceased: 06/18/2025

011050 GREGORY NORRIS, FIREFIGHTER, ENGINE 10, Retired since 11/04/2011.  
Ent CFD: 02/14/1980 **\$6,000.00** to MARTHA E NORRIS, WIFE  
Deceased: 02/23/2025

009739 GERALD D PAGE, BATTALION CHIEF, BATTALION 12, Retired since 04/11/2001.  
Ent CFD: 09/02/1969 **\$6,000.00** to LARAE PAGE, WIFE  
Deceased: 05/31/2025

013312 DANIEL P POWER, FIRE ENGINEER, ENGINE 95, Occupational Disability since 06/14/2016.  
Ent CFD: 02/17/1987 **\$6,800.00** to SHERRI POWER, MY WIFE  
Deceased: 07/15/2025

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## **HEARINGS:**

**THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS FOR DUTY DISABILITY WERE GRANTED:**

016598 JEANNE B CRONIN, AMBULANCE COMMANDER, AMBULANCE 33  
Ent CFD: 01/03/2005 \$8,914.25 beginning 06/08/2025

The vote was:

Years: BELSKY FLISK FORTUNA KELLER PENTEK SENORSKI VALENCIA

Nays: (None)

Not Present: CONYEARS-ERVIN

016908 DANIEL C REESH, AMBULANCE COMMANDER, FIELD DIVISION NORTH

Ent CFD: 12/16/2005 **\$8,658.50** beginning 06/07/2025  
**\$30.00** a month for 2 minor children, GABRIEL, CORALINE

The vote was:

Years: BELSKY FLISK FORTUNA KELLER PENTEK SENORSKI VALENCIA

Nays: (None)

Not Present: CONYEARS-ERVIN

019330 DANIEL VASQUEZ, PARAMEDIC, AMBULANCE 72

Ent CFD: 04/01/2019 \$6,065.75 beginning 06/16/2025

The vote was:

Years: BELSKY FLISK FORTUNA KELLER PENTEK SENORSKI VALENCIA

Nays: (None)

Not Present: CONYEARS-ERVIN

**THE FOLLOWING APPLICATION FOR DUTY DISABILITY WAS DEFERRED:**

019489 BENJAMIN J WELLS, PARAMEDIC IN CHARGE, AMBULANCE 11

Ent CFD: 07/16/2019

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The following annuitants have passed away since the last regular meeting of the Board:

ALVINA CALLAHAN	Widow's Annuity	Died 06/10/2025
MAUREEN ODONNELL	Widow's Annuity	Died 05/30/2025
LUCE H ZOLNA	Widow's Annuity	Died 05/26/2025
MARY E HOLLAND	Widow's Annuity	Died 06/11/2025
NICK P MARINO	Annuity	Died 06/19/2025
JAMES FRIEL	Annuity	Died 06/21/2025
ALEXANDER F ROSSI	Annuity	Died 06/21/2025
FRANCIS J PAUKERT	Annuity	Died 06/28/2025
MICHAEL F BARRY	Annuity	Died 06/29/2025
NANCY E ROCHE	Widow's Annuity	Died 06/29/2025
PHILIP MURAWSKI	Annuity	Died 07/02/2025
MARY R NEUBAUER	Widow's Annuity	Died 07/02/2025
ROBERTA J OCONNELL	Widow's Annuity	Died 07/02/2025
ROBERT T OLSON	Annuity	Died 07/06/2025
CASIMER W JABCZYNSKI JR	Annuity	Died 07/08/2025
FRANCIS J MCMILLIN	Annuity	Died 06/24/2025
AMELIA M ADAMSON	Widow's Annuity	Died 06/25/2025
GERALDINE K CORR	Widow's Annuity	Died 07/12/2025
JOHN J MORIARTY	Annuity	Died 07/14/2025
DANIEL P POWER	Occupational Disease Disability	Died 07/16/2025

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**ANNUITIES GRANTED**

<u>Resigned From:</u>	<u>Month:</u>	<u>Year to Date:</u>
Active Duty	8	36
Duty Disability	0	9
Occupational Disease Disability	0	3
Ordinary Disability	0	4
<b>Total Minimum Formula Annuities Granted</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>52</b>
<b>Total Earned Annuities Granted</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Annuities Granted</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>52</b>

**DISABILITIES GRANTED**

<u>Type:</u>	<u>Month:</u>	<u>Year to Date:</u>
Duty Disability	3	11
Occupational Disease Disability	0	12
Ordinary Disability	0	3
<b>Total Disabilities Granted</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>Total Disabilities Denied</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>

**WIDOW'S ANNUITIES GRANTED**

<u>Type:</u>	<u>Month:</u>	<u>Year to Date:</u>
Regular Widow's Annuity	5	39
Compensation Widow's Annuity	0	1
<b>Total Widow's Annuities Granted</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>40</b>

**CHILD'S ANNUITIES GRANTED**

<u>Type:</u>	<u>Month:</u>	<u>Year to Date:</u>
Full Child's Annuity	0	0
Child of Duty Death Annuity	0	0
Child of Ordinary Death Annuity	0	4
<b>Total Children Annuities Granted</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>



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**DONATIONS REPORTED IN JUNE 2025**

<b>CONTRIBUTOR</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
CFD Active Member Donations 1/15/2025 Payroll	\$ 3,646.73
CFD Retired Member FABF Donations May	\$ 10,044.82
CFFU Charity Fund Member Dave Bernicky	\$ 55.00
CFD Retired Member FABF Donations June	\$ 9,994.82
Online Square/PayPal Donations	\$ 768.57

Dan Fortuna, EMWQ President, Anthony R. Martin, EMWQ Secretary, and the entire EMWQ Board of Directors would like to thank all Active, Retired, Disabled and Widowed members that support the neediest CFD Widows & Children on a monthly basis through automatic payroll deductions.

Thank you to the community for your generous support.



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**ONLINE DONATIONS DETAIL JUNE 2025**

<b>CONTRIBUTOR</b>		<b>AMOUNT</b>
Brian Kehoe	Monthly PayPal	\$ 10.00
Mary Rose McNamee	Monthly PayPal	\$ 20.00
Raymond Cullen	Monthly PayPal	\$ 25.00
Laura Greco	Donation in memory of: Nicholas Marino	\$ 50.00
Christine Barbich	Donation in memory of: Nicholas Marino	\$ 100.00
Michele Paladino	Donation in memory of: Nicholas Marino	\$ 100.00
Catherine Hufford	Donation in memory of: Nicholas Marino	\$ 50.00
Morton and Mary Joy Debs	Donation in memory of: Nicholas Marino	\$ 100.00
Susan Graan	Donation in memory of: Nicholas Marino	\$ 100.00
Jennifer Marino	Donation in memory of: Nicholas Marino	\$ 20.00
Deborah Schnell	Donation in memory of: Nicholas Marino	\$ 250.00
Steve Koruna	Donation in memory of: Nicholas Marino	\$ 20.00

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