

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.

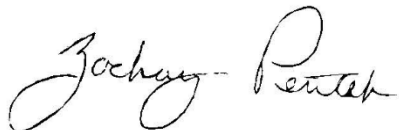
It is important to remember that contributions to the Fund do not determine or impact the benefit that you may be entitled to at retirement or should you become incapacitated. CFD sworn members are all participants in the Annuity and Benefit Fund which is a **Defined Benefit Plan**. Benefits paid to 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:

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

Date of Injury:

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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Chicago, IL 60603

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MINIMUM FORMULA ANNUITIES:

017934 GRADY K CLARK, EMT FIRE MARSHAL, OFI
 Ent CFD: 06/01/1999 **\$6,478.91** beginning 06/07/2025
 Retired: 06/07/2025 based on 67.5% of Final Average Salary
\$194.37 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 **\$4,935.59** beginning 06/12/2025
 Retired: 06/12/2025 based on 50% of Final Average Salary
\$148.07 annuity increment, 3%, begins 07/01/2026

015465 RICHARD E DRABIK, EMT FIREFIGHTER, TRUCK 32
 Ent CFD: 02/02/1998 **\$6,801.26** beginning 06/17/2025
 Retired: 06/17/2025 based on 70% of Final Average Salary
\$204.04 annuity increment, 3%, begins 07/01/2026

018711 ANGELA HORTON, EMT FIREFIGHTER, MIDWAY
 Ent CFD: 06/01/1999 **\$6,478.91** beginning 06/27/2025
 Retired: 06/27/2025 based on 67.5% of Final Average Salary
\$194.37 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 **\$6,989.75** beginning 05/17/2025
 Retired: 05/17/2025 based on 75% of Final Average Salary
\$209.69 annuity increment, 3%, begins 04/01/2030

014795 KEITH J MC DERMOTT, FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC, ENGINE 19
 Ent CFD: 03/16/1995 **\$7,570.25** beginning 06/21/2025
 Retired: 06/21/2025 based on 75% of Final Average Salary
\$227.11 annuity increment, 3%, begins 07/01/2026

015772 ROGER STAPLETON, FIREFIGHTER, 5-0-1 HAZMAT
 Ent CFD: 12/01/1999 **\$5,867.07** beginning 06/17/2025
 Retired: 06/17/2025 based on 65% of Final Average Salary
\$176.01 annuity increment, 3%, begins 07/01/2026

016848 GORDON T STEWART, EMT FIREFIGHTER, TRUCK 9
 Ent CFD: 08/01/2005 **\$4,572.34** beginning 06/25/2025
 Retired: 06/25/2025 based on 50% of Final Average Salary
\$137.17 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 Recieved 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
 Deceased: 03/25/2025 \$600.00 to RICHARD A THORNTON, SON
- 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:

Yeas: 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:

Yeas: 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:

Yeas: 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:

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|-------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| ALVINA CALLAHAN | Widow's Annuity | Died 06/10/2025 |
| MAUREEN O'DONNELL | 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 O'CONNELL | 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 |
| Total Minimum Formula Annuities Granted | 8 | 52 |
| Total Earned Annuities Granted | 0 | 0 |
| Total Annuities Granted | 8 | 52 |

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 |
| Total Disabilities Granted | 3 | 26 |
| Total Disabilities Denied | 0 | 4 |

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 |
| Total Widow's Annuities Granted | 5 | 40 |

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 |
| Total Children Annuities Granted | 0 | 4 |



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PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF CHICAGO FIREFIGHTERS AND PARAMEDICS

DONATIONS REPORTED IN JUNE 2025

| <u>CONTRIBUTOR</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> |
|---|----------------------|
| 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

| <u>CONTRIBUTOR</u> | | <u>AMOUNT</u> |
|---------------------------|--|----------------------|
| 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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