



Retirement Plan Services Communicator

July 2026

From the Desk of the Director

Hello Milwaukee County Retirees,

Thank you for taking the time to read this edition of the Communicator. I am pleased to announce that our **annual audit** has concluded and we received a clean "bill of health" from the Legislative Audit Bureau of Wisconsin. Their audit report and my response are published on their website: <https://legis.wisconsin.gov/lab/by-year/2026-2026/report-26-06-employees-retirement-system-of-the-county-of-milwaukee/>. We are always grateful when our commitment to strong controls, accuracy, and transparency is affirmed and we look forward to continuing to improve on our processes.

At this time, we do not have major updates regarding our two largest ongoing projects: the ERS system upgrade and our team relocation.

- **Relocation:** We are awaiting final details from Milwaukee County regarding our move and, as of now, anticipate relocating in February.
- **System Upgrade:** Our team is currently in the testing phase of the new system, and we are planning for a late-August cutover. We do not expect significant changes to the Digital Self-Service Site, but if any functionality is expected to be impacted, I will include that information in the next edition of *The Communicator*.

As always, if you have any questions about your pension, please don't hesitate to contact us at ERS@MilwaukeeCountyWI.gov or 414-278-4207.

Sincerely,
Erika Bronikowski

In Memoriam

Please keep the families of these recently deceased retirees in your thoughts:

Dolores Choinski	Bonnie Lewitzke	Randall Robinson	Theodore Subel
Robert Dettmann	Marcus Little	Mary Rose	Pamela Terrell
Patricia Ellis	Monika Mangione	Darlene Shaw	Daniel Trost
James Kerr	Gary Mick	Lena Sparks	Luanne Walsh
Arthur Kobza	Jerry Parsons	Denis John Stingl	Michael Waters
Wayne Koepke	Helen Quarles		

Upcoming Retiree Webinars – Stay Informed and Connected

Don't forget! We host a monthly retiree webinar to provide ongoing education, resources, and support in retirement. The webinars feature **Empower's "Maximizing Your Retirement"** and **RPS's "Life After Retirement – Income, Lifestyle & Legacy."** Topics include financial planning, income strategies, lifestyle adjustments, and legacy planning. Each webinar also includes time for questions and practical tips you can use right away.

Tuesday, August 11th 2:00 – 3:30 pm

Registration links will be available on the DSS page, the ERS website, and the Deferred Compensation website at www.milwaukeecounty457.com. Check these sites regularly for updates, schedules, and new offerings.



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Market Value of Pension Fund: Period Ending May 31, 2026

Total Fund Composite	\$1,889,853,097
Fixed Income Composite	\$366,164,439
Private Debt Composite	\$71,917,734
US Equity Composite	\$514,997,393
International Equity Composite	\$297,977,646
Hedged Equity Composite	\$117,641,242
Real Estate Composite	\$85,509,403
Infrastructure Composite	\$189,304,832
Private Equity Composite	\$230,441,997
Cash Equivalents	\$15,898,411

Congratulations to Our Newest Retirees!

Steven Anderson
Sarah Blomme
Mary Bryar

Kevin Callahan
David Frank

Wanda Keyes
Sean Mahin

Linda Oczus
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From the ADRC - Regular Blood Pressure Check Reminder

Regular blood pressure checks are an important part of maintaining heart health, especially for older adults. To support easy access to monitoring tools, tabletop blood pressure kiosks are available at Kelly Senior Center, Washington Park Senior Center, Wilson Park Senior Center, and Clinton Rose Senior Center. Portable units are also available to rent for those who prefer to check their blood pressure at home.

Monitoring blood pressure regularly can help people notice changes early. High blood pressure often develops without clear symptoms, yet it can increase the risk of heart disease, stroke, and other health concerns over time. Having the ability to check blood pressure in familiar community settings provides a simple way for individuals to stay aware of their numbers and share that information with their healthcare provider when needed.

In addition to regular blood pressure checks, there are everyday habits that can support overall heart health. Staying physically active, eating balanced meals, managing stress, getting enough sleep, and keeping up with routine health visits all contribute to long-term wellness. Using the resources available at Milwaukee County senior centers or elsewhere in the community—such as fitness classes, meal programs, or social activities—can also help people stay engaged and support a heart-healthy lifestyle.

Upcoming Pension Disbursement Schedule

August 31	September 30
October 30	November 30