

Your guide to PERA's website



www.mnpera.org

Whether you are an active member, a retiree, or a member who has not yet started to collect benefits, you'll find information on PERA's website—everything from how your retirement benefit is calculated to a calendar of educational programs on retirement. You'll learn the latest in PERA news, legislative updates, and actions by PERA's Board of Trustees. Visit www.mnpera.org today.

Top 10 Topics

These are the most popular topics on our website

How to use this guide: A slash separates each action. For example, if you are looking for information about how to retire, from the home page go to *Forms & Publications*, click *Members*, then to *Application for Retirement*.

How to...

Visit here...

1. Retire	<i>Forms & Publications/Members/ Application for Retirement. Also see Retirement Toolkit (right side of page).</i>
2. Calculate my retirement estimate	<i>MY PERA. If you are a first-time visitor of MY PERA, you must register.</i>
3. Take a refund	<i>Forms & Publications/Members/ Application for Refund</i>
4. Change my address, name or beneficiary	<i>Forms & Publications/Members/ Change Form or visit MY PERA</i>
5. Attend a conference	<i>Calendar of Events (right side of page)</i>
6. See if you are vested	<i>Members/Select your Plan/Service Credit</i>
7. Review Plan Handbooks	<i>Forms & Publications/Members/Handbooks</i>
8. Understand how divorce will impact my benefit	<i>Members/Divorce and Your PERA Pension</i>
9. Learn about disability benefits	<i>Members/Select your Plan/Disability Benefits. Go to MY PERA to run a disability estimate. Questions? Call our office.</i>
10. Read about Phased Retirement Option (PRO)	<i>Members/Phased Retirement Option</i>

MY PERA

Your personal link
to your online
PERA account



Q: I forgot my password?

A: Select the *Forgot Password* link on the left side of the Log On window after selecting MY PERA. Once you validate your information, you will be allowed to reset your password.

Q: Once I am in MY PERA, how do I return to Forms & Publications page?

A: The forward and back arrows will not work once you are in MY PERA. To return to the home page, open a new tab in your browser and return to www.mnpera.org.

MY PERA allows you to:

- Update your personal information on file with PERA.
- Receive an estimate of your retirement benefits.
- Register for an educational conference or workshop.
- Go Green. Sign up to receive publications and information by email.
- Retirees can:
 - Review benefit statements
 - Receive 1099s
 - Change their address
 - Sign up for direct deposit
 - Change tax withholding

Website Directory

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Welcome to PERA's website. Watch our home page for the latest PERA news, including upcoming conferences and workshops, board action, and legislative updates. On the left side of the home page, you'll find a menu. The right side of the home page features important announcements, along with links to our *Calendar of Events*, *Retirement Tool Kit*, videos, and other information.

Here's a highlight of the website's most popular features located in the menu on the left side of the home page.



MEMBERS

Click on the name of your retirement plan and a drop down menu will give you more information about your retirement benefits, service credit, disability and survivor benefits, refunds or repaying a refund.

In addition to plan specific information, the member tab also features information about:

- Combined service
- Deferred members
- Divorce
- Education programs
- Estimate request
- Leaves
- Phased Retirement Option
- Privatization
- Statewide Volunteer Firefighter Retirement Plan

RETIREES

- Direct deposit
- FAQs
- Increases in your PERA pension
- Tax withholding/1099s
- Working after retirement

EMPLOYERS

- Reporting requirements
- Employer manual
- Employer newsletters
- Forms and brochures
- Social Security
- GASB Public Pension Accounting Standards

RESOURCES

- Ballpark Estimate
- DIY Retirement Tool Kit
- Education programs
- Estimate request
- Newsletters
- Video viewing room

ABOUT PERA

- Office locations
- Board of Trustees
- Financial information
- History of PERA
- Myth vs. Fact
- Request for data

FORMS AND PUBLICATIONS

Under the *Forms & Publications* tab, you'll find forms, handbooks, brochures, and workbooks.

The most popular publications include:

- Application for Retirement
- Application for Refund
- Change your name, address, or beneficiary form
- Verification of Termination form
- Plan Handbooks
- Phased Retirement Option
- Working After Retirement



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