



"It is our mission to provide retirement benefits and superior service to advance the financial security of our members."

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A quarterly newsletter of the Employees' Retirement Fund of the City of Dallas for retired City members.

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## Don't Miss Your Monthly Pension Payment!

### BE SURE TO UPDATE ERF WHEN YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION CHANGES

Pension checks are direct deposited into your account. If your bank account changes, the day of the month you report the change makes all the difference.

To receive your monthly pension without delay, ERF must be made aware of the change by the 15th day of the month. When the 15th falls on the weekend or a holiday, the cutoff is the previous business day.

### IF YOU HAVE MOVED OR PLAN TO MOVE, YOU NEED TO LET ERF KNOW

You may think that because you are receiving your check by a direct deposit that you do not need to let us know when your address, email address or phone number changes.

But, ERF must have the ability to contact you, if necessary, to verify account activity. And to prevent any fraudulent activity on your account, we will need your current contact information.



### THERE ARE TWO WAYS TO UPDATE YOUR ADDRESS, EMAIL ADDRESS & PHONE NUMBER WITH ERF

1. You can log into **\*myERF** by clicking **HERE** and click on your address in the Addresses section to update it and click the pencil in the Contact Info section to edit your email address and phone number.

MY INFORMATION						
Prefix	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Suffix	Birth Date	
Mr.	CHRISTOPHER	A				
Masked SSN	Sex	Account Number	Status	Marital Status	Marriage Date	
	Male		Retired	Married		
ADDRESSES			CONTACT INFO			
Mail			Home Phone			
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			Cell Phone			
			US • (214)			
			Primary Email			
			@gmail.com			

2. You can complete a change of address form located on the ERF website. **CLICK HERE** to download the Change of Address Form.

\* For help registering, resetting your password or username in your myERF account, click **HERE** to download a step-by-step myERF printable tutorial or, if you prefer watching a video, you can **CLICK HERE** to view short How-To myERF Tutorial Videos.

## Congratulations to Some of our Newest Retirees

*Employees who Retired April through July 2021 and Agreed to let us Share the News*

DEPARTMENT	SERVICE	DEPARTMENT	SERVICE	DEPARTMENT	SERVICE
<b>City Controller's Office</b> Carla L. Hill	26	<b>Library</b> Jill A. Azarla	45	<b>Public Works</b> Frantz L. Orozco	35
<b>City Secretary's Office</b> Michelle A. Young	24	Iris E. Ball	23	Chiamin H. Korngiebel	25
<b>Code Compliance Services</b> Arturo Rico	20	Dale K. Mitchell	10	Kirk M. Sherhart	22
James B. Adams	11	Pamela D. Whaley	10	Abelardo M. Rodriguez	21
<b>Development Services</b> Amy L. Jaeger	24	David Campos	8	<b>Sanitation Services</b> Sergio Lopez	27
Kavette M. Darden	16	Cossette E. Ratliff	7	Cynthia D. Conwright	25
<b>Equipment &amp; Fleet Management</b> Veronica C. Ugalde	36	<b>Management Services</b> Friheiwot F. Baraki	23	Tony R. Benjamin	21
<b>Equipment &amp; Building Services</b> Mark K. Ries	5	<b>Office of Environmental Quality</b> William T. Clemons	26	Veronica D. Rogers	21
<b>Employees' Retirement Fund</b> Re'Gine Green	18	<b>Park &amp; Recreation</b> Barbara Avendano	22	Kenneth M. King	14
<b>Fire</b> Demetra L. Jackson	27	Elgi B. Anderson	20	<b>Transportation</b> Terrie L. Rodriguez	30
Ralph S. Woodruff, Sr.	20	Calvin W. McGee	20	<b>Water Utilities</b> Babukutty James	34
Elroy A. Williams, Jr.	8	Julio H. Garcia	16	Gary Martos	34
<b>Housing</b> Faye N. Nickleberry	14	Donny D. Hill	16	Steven H. Smith	32
		Ira J. Rhoden	13	Randall L. Payton	30
		Nan Brock	10	George E. Brooks, Jr.	29
		Darlene D. Harris	5	Joel Tillery	29
		<b>Police</b> Carol L. McFarland	28	Scottie R. Frederick	28
		Leticia M. Alvarez	27	Jaime R. Arpero	27
		Gracie M. Johnson	26	Jose R. Garcia	25
		Alva D. Robinson	21	Charles F. Vernon	25
		James M. Ball	14	Murtada M. A. Basha	22
				Andres P. Tavera	19
				Roy E. March	18



### NEVER MISS AN UPDATE, JOIN US ON FACEBOOK!

Interested in ERF updates, special discounts and upcoming ERF and DCREA events? You can follow ERF and DCREA on Facebook to stay up to date!

To follow us, **CLICK HERE** to visit the Facebook website or open the Facebook app on your phone or tablet and search @DallasERF to like ERF and then search @DCREA to like the Dallas City Retired Employees Association.

# Find us on



# OUR SINCERE SYMPATHY

TO THE FAMILIES OF OUR DECEASED MEMBERS FROM APRIL THROUGH JULY 2021

DEPARTMENT	AGE	DEPARTMENT	AGE	DEPARTMENT	AGE
<b>Aviation</b>		<b>Equipment &amp; Building Services</b>		<b>Police</b>	
Jimmy L. Hayes	71	Ramiro Lopez, Jr.	67	Sherry Y. Gilbert	70
Jeffrey L. Horton	51				
Juanita Delgado-Cruz	44	<b>Event Services &amp; Cultural Affairs</b>		<b>Public Works</b>	
		Steven D. Heise	63	Guillermo A. Vidaud	92
<b>City Auditor's Office</b>				Alice Mathis	79
Charlotte A. Shumake	71	<b>Housing</b>		Paul E. Frederiksen	53
		Mark G. Obeso	72		
<b>City Attorney's Office</b>		Richard F. Salisbury	70	<b>Sanitation Services</b>	
John Molstad	80			Henry L. Gray	72
Madelyn C. Ates	71	<b>Library</b>		Richard W. Tadlock	72
		Joan L. Dobson	83	Zachary O. Guthrie	64
<b>Code Compliance Services</b>		Robert C. Eason, Jr.	79	Juan A. Rodriguez	63
Wilfred N. Codogen	52	Nancy W. Diggs	76	Tony O. Scruggs	59
		Espiridiona Z. Sullivan	70		
<b>Court &amp; Detention Services</b>		Norma Garcia	42	<b>Water Utilities</b>	
Walter F. Raabe	85			D. J. Vanderburg	93
Rodney L. Gagnon	71	<b>Management Services</b>		Harold E. Craft	90
Genette Tilley	65	John L. Welborn III	89	Henry J. Goodnight	79
		Jimmy L. Hill	61	Jose Vela	79
<b>Communication &amp; Information Services</b>		Renee S. Soto	43	Vicki K. Vinson	74
Wayne E. McCullough	88			Rogelio Garza	71
		<b>Office of Community Care</b>		Michael E. Smith	71
<b>Consumer Affairs</b>		Ella M. Allen	64	Lane Underwood	71
James C. Blackwood	81			Dwight K. Wiley, Sr.	68
		<b>Park &amp; Recreation</b>		Henry R. Crawford	65
<b>Development Services</b>		Edward R. Supina	78	Jon N. Murray	59
Tommy D. Calabaza	74	Roy J. Crew	74	Reginald J. Isaac	58
		Michael L. Hannah	72	Charles E. Washington	53
<b>Employees' Retirement Fund</b>		Thomas M. Hunt	68	Derrick R. Shead	50
Sheila Willis	61	L. C. Mason, Jr.	68		
		Rodlon C. Nix	61		
		Carlos L. Strickland, Jr.	60		
		Letifa O. Hollins	48		



## 2021 FALL TRAINING SCHEDULE

With the introduction of the new myERF portal, everyone is required to register for a new account to get access to their myERF information, including paystubs and 1099-Rs. To make it easier for our members to navigate the new system, we have recorded short tutorials specific to registering for your account and the Retiree & Beneficiary sections of myERF. **CLICK HERE** to watch.

We will also be offering four additional webinars in September covering topics such as Social Security & Your Pension Benefit. We have added a new session, **MONEY & CREDIT!**

All sessions will be offered live and recorded to ensure all members have access anytime, anywhere. Sessions will be held in GoToWebinar from 11a - 1p with a live presentation and Q&A with speakers.

If you want to stay updated on the next series of live sessions, join our email list by visiting [www.dallaserf.org/retirees](http://www.dallaserf.org/retirees). ERF will also notify members on the website, [www.dallaserf.org](http://www.dallaserf.org), and Facebook @DallasERF.

To register for upcoming sessions, click on the webinar title below. To access previously recorded sessions, **CLICK HERE**.

### FALL 2021 WEBINARS

Sept. 9th - Social Security & Your Pension

Sept. 15th - Health Benefits

Sept. 16th - Taxes After Retirement

Sept. 21st - Your Pension Benefit

Sept. 28th - Money & Credit

# Howdy Folks! The State Fair of Texas is Back for 2021!!

Big Tex is eager to welcome you back to Fair Park this year! The State Fair of Texas will open to the public Friday, September 24th, and run through Sunday, October 17th.

The Fair's return was confirmed in a press release on June 2nd, "The State Fair of Texas is known for celebrating all things Texan with more than 2.5 million guests from around the globe each year. After a year hiatus, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the time-honored tradition is returning in all its Lone Star glory on Friday, September 24th.

It has been nearly two years since we closed the gates and said so long after the 2019 State Fair, and with more anticipation for fall than ever before, we are counting the days until we welcome back people from all walks of life with a great, big, "Howdy, Folks!" at the 2021 State Fair of Texas." Read the full announcement [HERE](#).

Keeping with Fair tradition, you will find new food, family attractions and plenty of college football at the Cotton Bowl!



## FOOD AT THE FAIR

The Big Tex Choice Awards will not disappoint this year with a Deep Fried Halloween Treat, Brisket Brittle, Pork Shots and Deep Fried I-35 in the list of finalists! [CLICK HERE](#) to see all ten finalists.

But don't forget about must have Fair classics like Fletchers Corny Dogs, Turkey Legs, Funnel Cakes and Deep Fried Ice Cream.

## FEATURED ATTRACTIONS

With new attractions like free admission to the State Fair of Texas Rodeo and Showstoppers! giant inflatable characters joining returning favorites including the Starlight Parade, World of Magic, Pig Races, Mighty Mike and the Fiestas de Marionetas, there is something for everyone to enjoy at the Fair this year.

## FAIR TIME FOOTBALL

The State Fair Classic and Red River Showdown are returning to the Cotton Bowl for the 2021 State Fair of Texas!

As they have for over thirty years, Grambling State University and Prairie View A&M will face-off Saturday, September 25th, for The State Fair Classic, bringing with it the stunning half-time Battle of the Bands.

The University of Texas Longhorns and The University of Oklahoma Sooners will go head to head in The Red River Showdown on Saturday October, 9th. Join the over 100,000 people who flock to The State Fair of Texas for this iconic game played at the Cotton Bowl since 1929.

## TICKETS & TRANSPORTATION

Daily ticket prices range from \$15-\$25, but you can get into the Fair for \$20 on opening day or for Fair super-fans, get a season pass for \$50 to enjoy the Fair everyday!

Dr. Pepper Tuesdays and \$10 Thursdays return with a special promo code. [CLICK HERE](#) to receive all 2021 Fair promo codes.

Thursday is also Senior Day at the Fair with \$5 tickets for Seniors over 60, grab your ID and take advantage of this special discount day or grab 5-canned food items on any Wednesday to support the North Texas Food Bank in exchange for \$5 admission!

## COVID PRECAUTIONS AT THE FAIR

The State Fair of Texas is following all CDC guidelines for all guests, staff, vendors and contractors. For details about COVID safety precautions at the Fair, visit [www.BigTex.com/covid-19-update](http://www.BigTex.com/covid-19-update).



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