

Member Update

Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System
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[Meet IPERS' New CEO | Greg Samorajski](#)

Welcome Message from IPERS CEO, Gregory S. Samorajski

On May 1, Greg Samorajski joined IPERS as its CEO. Please [enjoy this welcome message from him](#). When the public health emergency is over, Greg looks forward to meeting our members and partners in person.

IPERS Trust Fund Stability

IPERS understands that our members may be concerned about recent investment market challenges and how those may impact our ability to pay promised retirement benefits now and in the future. We want to reassure you that IPERS has a diversified investment portfolio that is managed with a long-term outlook. IPERS' Trust Fund is strong and secure, and IPERS has the liquid assets necessary to pay monthly benefits for years to come.

COVID-19 and IPERS Services

To mitigate the spread of COVID-19, IPERS continues to modify the way we provide services to our members.

Recent changes for members include:

- Members applying for a refund (after leaving IPERS-covered employment) may be eligible for reduced federal tax withholding. Submit this waiver with your refund application.
- [Notarization requirements](#) on some applications are waived until further notice.
- [In-person counseling appointments](#) take place either by phone or online. If you have an in-person appointment scheduled, IPERS will contact you to discuss your options.
- [Retirement education workshops](#) are held via livestream. If you are scheduled to attend an upcoming workshop, IPERS will contact you before the scheduled workshop with instructions for accessing the livestream.

Visit the COVID-19 section on our website to view the latest information. If you have any questions about these updates, please contact us 800-622-3849 or email us at info@ipers.org.



Upcoming Trainings

Take advantage of these upcoming opportunities to learn more about IPERS as part of your retirement planning process.

- **May 20, 2020, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.** – Creating a Secure Retirement livestream (for any IPERS member within five years of retirement)
- **May 21, 2020, Noon – 1 p.m.** – Understanding Your Retirement, An IPERS Overview, [register today](#) (for all IPERS members)
- **June 10, 2020, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.** – Creating a Secure Retirement livestream (for any IPERS member within five years of retirement)
- **June 17, 2020, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.** – Creating a Secure Retirement livestream (for any IPERS member within five years of retirement)

To register for one of the workshops, call us at 800-622-3849.



Annual Statement Digital Delivery in 2021

[My Account](#) is your IPERS retirement toolkit. Beginning in 2021, IPERS members who have logged in to My Account will receive their annual benefit statement online rather than by mail.

Digital delivery is good for you and IPERS because:

- Electronic delivery costs less which means more money stays in the Trust Fund that pays benefits.
- My Account includes more information and options than the paper statements.
- My Account provides 24/7 access to your benefits so you don't have to wait for a paper statement each year. The statement is uploaded to My Account several days before it will reach you by mail.
- Digital access is better for the environment.

Enter your email address at www.ipers.org/digital-delivery to receive a notification when you can manage your delivery preferences in My Account.

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