

## Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan

Annual Actuarial Valuation Report December 31, 2022 - Oscoda Co (6801)





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Oscoda Co

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This report presents the results of the Annual Actuarial Valuation, prepared for Oscoda Co (6801) as of December 31, 2022. The report includes the determination of liabilities and contribution rates resulting from the participation in the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan ("MERS"). This report contains the minimum actuarially determined contribution requirement, in alignment with the MERS Plan Document, Actuarial Policy, the Michigan Constitution, and governing statutes. Oscoda Co is responsible for the employer contributions needed to provide MERS benefits for its employees and former employees.

The purposes of this valuation are to:

- Measure funding progress as of December 31, 2022,
- Establish contribution requirements for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2024,
- Provide information regarding the identification and assessment of risk,
- Provide actuarial information in connection with applicable Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) statements, and
- Provide information to assist the local unit of government with state reporting requirements.

This valuation assumed the continuing ability of the plan sponsor to make the contributions necessary to fund this plan. A determination regarding whether or not the plan sponsor is actually able to do so is outside our scope of expertise and was not performed.

The findings in this report are based on data and other information through December 31, 2022. The valuation was based upon information furnished by MERS concerning Retirement System benefits, financial transactions, plan provisions and active members, terminated members, retirees and beneficiaries. We checked for internal reasonability and year-to-year consistency, but did not audit the data. We are not responsible for the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by MERS.

The Municipal Employees' Retirement Act, PA 427 of 1984 and the MERS' Plan Document Article VI Sec. 71 (1)(d), provides the MERS Board with the authority to set actuarial assumptions and methods after consultation with the actuary. As the fiduciary of the plan, the MERS Retirement Board sets certain assumptions for funding and GASB purposes. These assumptions are reviewed regularly through a comprehensive study, most recently in the Fall of 2021. The MERS Retirement Board adopted a Dedicated Gains Policy at the February 17, 2022 Board meeting. The Dedicated Gains Policy automatically reduces the assumed rate of investment return in conjunction with recognizing excess investment gains to mitigate the impact on employer contributions the first year. The policy was effective with the December 31, 2021 annual actuarial valuation.

The Michigan Department of Treasury provides required assumptions to be used for purposes of Public Act 202 reporting. These assumptions are for reporting purposes only and do not impact required contributions. Please refer to the State Reporting page found at the end of this report for information for this filing.

For a full list of all the assumptions used, please refer to the division-specific assumptions described in table(s) in this report, and to the Appendix on the MERS website at:

https://www.mersofmich.com/Portals/0/Assets/Resources/AAV-Appendix/MERS-2022AnnualActuarialValuation-Appendix.pdf

The actuarial assumptions used for this valuation, including the assumed rate of investment return, are reasonable for purposes of the measurement.

This report reflects the impact of COVID-19 experience through December 31, 2022. At this time, no future assumptions have been adjusted as a result of COVID-19. Actual future experience will be reflected in each subsequent annual valuation, as experience emerges.

This report has been prepared by actuaries who have substantial experience valuing public employee retirement systems. To the best of our knowledge, the information contained in this report is accurate and fairly presents the actuarial position of Oscoda Co as of the valuation date. All calculations have been made in conformity with generally accepted actuarial principles and practices, with the Actuarial Standards of Practice issued by the Actuarial Standards Board, and with applicable statutes.

Rebecca L. Stouffer, Mark Buis, Kurt Dosson, and Shana M. Neeson are members of the American Academy of Actuaries. These actuaries meet the Academy's Qualification Standards to render the actuarial opinions contained herein. The signing actuaries are independent of the plan sponsor. GRS maintains independent consulting agreements with certain local units of government for services unrelated to the actuarial consulting services provided in this report.



The Retirement Board of the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan confirms that the System provides for payment of the required employer contribution as described in Section 20m of Act No. 314 of 1965 (MCL 38.1140m).

This information is purely actuarial in nature. It is not intended to serve as a substitute for legal, accounting, or investment advice.

This report was prepared at the request of the MERS Retirement Board and may be provided only in its entirety by the municipality to other interested parties (MERS customarily provides the full report on request to associated third parties such as the auditor for the municipality). GRS is not responsible for the consequences of any unauthorized use. This report should not be relied on for any purpose other than the purposes described herein. Determinations of financial results, associated with the benefits described in this report, for purposes other than those identified above may be significantly different.

If you have reason to believe that the plan provisions are incorrectly described, that important plan provisions relevant to this valuation are not described, that conditions have changed since the calculations were made, that the information provided in this report is inaccurate or is in anyway incomplete, or if you need further information in order to make an informed decision on the subject matter in this report, please contact your Regional Manager at 1.800.767.MERS (6377).

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## **Executive Summary**

#### **Funded Ratio**

The funded ratio of a plan is the percentage of the dollar value of the actuarial accrued liability that is covered by the actuarial value of assets. While the funded ratio may be a useful plan measurement, understanding a plan's funding trend may be more important than a particular point in time. Refer to Table 7 to find a history of this information.

	12/31/2022	12/31/2021
Funded Ratio*	71%	71%

<sup>\*</sup> Reflects assets from Surplus divisions, if any.

Throughout this report are references to valuation results generated prior to the 2018 valuation date. Results prior to 2018 were received directly from the prior actuary or extracted from the previous valuation system by MERS's technology service provider.



#### **Required Employer Contributions**

Your required employer contributions are shown in the following table. Employee contributions, if any, are in addition to the employer contributions.

Effective with the December 31, 2021 valuation, the MERS Retirement Board adopted a Dedicated Gains Policy which allows for recognition of asset gains in excess of a set threshold in combination with lowering the assumed rate of investment return. Effective with the 2020 and 2019 valuations respectively, the MERS Retirement Board adopted updated demographic and economic assumptions. The combined impact of the prior 2020 and 2019 demographic and economic assumption changes may be phased in. This valuation reflects the last year of phase-in. The combined impact of the past economic and demographic changes will be fully reflected in the 2023 annual actuarial valuation.

By default, MERS will invoice you based on the amount in the "No Phase-in" columns. This amount will be considered the minimum required contribution unless you request to be billed the "Phase-in" rates. If you wish to be billed using the phased-in rates, please contact MERS, at which point the alternate minimum required contribution will be the amount in the "Phase-in" columns.

		Percentage	Monthly \$ Based on Projected Payroll									
	Phase-in	No Phase-in	Phase-in	No Phase-in	Phase-in		Phase-in No Phase-in		Phase-in		No	Phase-in
Valuation Date:	12/31/2022	12/31/2022	12/31/2021	12/31/2021	12	/31/2022	12	/31/2022	12	/31/2021	12	/31/2021
	January 1,	January 1,	January 1,	January 1,	Ja	January 1,		anuary 1,	l, January 1,		January 1,	
Fiscal Year Beginning:	2024	2024	2023	2023	2024			2024	2023		2023	
Division												
01 - Gnrl Union	12.92%	13.20%	12.45%	13.01%	\$	10,955	\$	11,191	\$	10,585	\$	11,057
02 - Shrff Union	20.31%	21.14%	20.22%	22.13%		15,491		16,127		13,499		14,771
10 - Gnrl Non Union	-	-	-	-		19,228		19,723		17,355		18,345
11 - Emplys 1/93	10.42%	10.70%	9.85%	10.44%		5,319		5,464		4,832		5,122
12 - Division Trans	8.28%	8.50%	7.99%	8.47%		1,398		1,436		1,265		1,341
13 - 23rd Circuit Crt EEs Assoc	4.52%	4.94%	3.08%	3.84%		512		560		390		486
Total Municipality -												
<b>Estimated Monthly Contribution</b>					\$	52,903	\$	54,501	\$	47,926	\$	51,122
Total Municipality -												
Estimated Annual Contribution					\$	634,836	\$	654,012	\$	575,112	\$	613,464

#### Employee contribution rates:

	Employee Contribution Rate				
Valuation Date:	12/31/2022	12/31/2021			
Division					
01 - Gnrl Union	2.50%	2.50%			
02 - Shrff Union	5.08%	5.08%			
10 - Gnrl Non Union	4.50%	4.50%			
11 - Emplys 1/93	2.50%	2.50%			
12 - Division Trans	2.50%	2.50%			
13 - 23rd Circuit Crt EEs Assoc	3.00%	3.00%			

The employer may contribute more than the minimum required contributions, as these additional contributions will earn investment income and may result in lower future contribution requirements. Employers making contributions in excess of the minimum requirements may elect to apply the excess contribution immediately to a particular division, or segregate the excess into one or more "Surplus" divisions. An election in the first case would immediately reduce any unfunded accrued liability and lower the amortization payments throughout the remaining amortization period. An election to set up one or more Surplus divisions would not immediately lower future contributions, however the assets from the Surplus division(s) could be transferred to an unfunded division in the future to reduce the unfunded liability in future years, or to be used to pay all or a portion of the minimum required contribution in a future year. For purposes of this report, the assets in any Surplus division have been included in the municipality's total assets, unfunded



accrued liability, and funded status; however, these assets are not used in calculating the minimum required contribution.

MERS strongly encourages employers to contribute more than the minimum contribution shown above. With the implemented Dedicated Gains policy, market gains and losses will continue to be smoothed over five years; however, since excess returns are used to lower the investment assumption, there will be fewer gains to smooth in down markets. Having additional funds in Surplus divisions will assist plans with navigating any market volatility.

Assuming that experience of the plan meets actuarial assumptions:

• To accelerate to a 100% funding ratio in 10 years, estimated monthly employer contributions for the fiscal year beginning in 2024 for the entire employer would be \$66,044, instead of \$54,501.

#### **How and Why Do These Numbers Change?**

In a defined benefit plan, contributions vary from one annual actuarial valuation to the next as a result of the following:

- Changes in benefit provisions (see Table 2),
- Changes in actuarial assumptions and methods (see the Appendix), and
- Experience of the plan (investment experience and demographic experience); this is the difference between actual experience of the plan and the actuarial assumptions.

These impacts are reflected in various tables in the report. For more information, please contact your Regional Manager.

#### **Comments on Investment Rate of Return Assumption**

A defined benefit plan is funded by employer contributions, participant contributions, and investment earnings. Investment earnings have historically provided a significant portion of the funding. The larger the share of benefits being provided from investment returns, the smaller the required contributions, and vice versa. Determining the contributions required to prefund the promised retirement benefits requires an assumption of what investment earnings are expected to add to the fund over a long period of time. This is called the **Investment Return Assumption**.

The MERS Investment Return Assumption is **7.00%** per year. This, along with all of our other actuarial assumptions, is reviewed at least every five years in an Experience Study that compares the assumptions used against actual experience and recommends adjustments if necessary. If your municipality would like to explore contributions at lower assumed investment return assumptions, please review the "What If" projection scenarios later in this report.

#### **Assumption and Method Change in 2022**

Effective February 17, 2022, the MERS Retirement Board adopted a dedicated gains policy that automatically lowers the assumed rate of investment return by using excess asset gains to mitigate large increases in required contributions to the Plan. Full details of this dedicated gains policy are available in the Actuarial Policy found on the MERS website. Some goals of the dedicated gains policy are to:

 Provide a systematic approach to lower the assumed rate of investment return between experience studies, and



• Use excess gains to cover both the increase in normal cost and any increase in UAL payment the first contribution year after application (i.e., minimize the first-year impact (i.e., increase) in employer contributions).

The dedicated gains policy was implemented with the December 31, 2021 annual actuarial valuation and was reflected in the computed employer contribution amounts beginning in fiscal year 2023.

Investment performance measured for the one-year period ending December 31, 2022 did not result in excess gains for use in lowering the assumed rate of investment return. As a result, this assumption remains at 7.00%.

Furthermore, there were no other assumption or method changes in 2022.

#### **Protecting MI Pension Grant Program**

On July 1, 2022, Michigan lawmakers passed the state budget for the 2022-23 fiscal year. As a part of the budget, \$750 million was earmarked for underfunded municipal pension plans in counties, cities, townships, villages and road commissions across the state. Known as the *Protecting MI Pension Grant Program*, the legislation is designed to support municipal plans that are under 60% funded.

As of the valuation date the amount of funds and list of grant recipients is not yet known. Any funds received by municipalities will be considered in a future valuation.

#### **Comments on Asset Smoothing**

To avoid dramatic spikes and dips in annual contribution requirements due to short-term fluctuations in asset markets, MERS applies a technique called **asset smoothing**. This spreads out each year's investment gains or losses over the prior year and the following four years. After initial application of asset smoothing, remaining excess market gains are used to buy down the assumed rate of investment return and increase the level of valuation assets, to the extent allowed by the dedicated gains policy. This smoothing method is used to determine your actuarial value of assets (valuation assets), which is then used to determine both your funded ratio and your required contributions. **The (smoothed) actuarial rate of return for 2022 was 3.51%, while the actual market rate of return was (10.61%).** To see historical details of the market rate of return compared to the smoothed actuarial rate of return, refer to this report's Appendix or view the "How Smoothing Works" video on the Defined Benefit resource page of the MERS website.

As of December 31, 2022, the actuarial value of assets is 116% of market value due to asset smoothing. This means that there are deferred investment losses, which will put upward pressure on contributions in the short term.

If the December 31, 2022 valuation results were based on market value instead of actuarial value:

- The funded percent of your entire municipality would be 61% (instead of 71%); and
- Your total employer contribution requirement for the fiscal year starting January 1, 2024 would be \$767,844 (instead of \$654,012).

## Alternate Scenarios to Estimate the Potential Volatility of Results ("What If Scenarios")

The calculations in this report are based on assumptions about long-term economic and demographic behavior. These assumptions will never materialize in a given year, except by coincidence. Therefore, the



results will vary from one year to the next. The volatility of the results depends upon the characteristics of the plan. For example:

- Open divisions that have substantial assets compared to their active employee payroll will have more volatile employer contribution rates due to investment return fluctuations.
- Open divisions that have substantial accrued liability compared to their active employee payroll will have more volatile employer contribution rates due to demographic experience fluctuations.
- Small divisions will have more volatile contribution patterns than larger divisions because statistical fluctuations are relatively larger among small populations.
- Shorter amortization periods result in more volatile contribution patterns.

Many assumptions are important in determining the required employer contributions. In the following table, we show the impact of varying the Investment Return assumption. Lower investment returns would generally result in higher required employer contributions, and vice versa. The three economic scenarios below provide a quantitative risk assessment for the impact of investment returns on the plan's projected financial condition for funding purposes.

The relative impact of the economic scenarios below will vary from year to year, as the participant demographics change. The impact of each scenario should be analyzed for a given year, not from year to year. The results in the table are based on the December 31, 2022 valuation and are for the municipality in total, not by division. These results do not reflect a phase-in of the impact of the actuarial assumptions updated in the 2020 and 2019 valuations. There is no phase-in of dedicated gains.

It is important to note that calculations in this report are mathematical estimates based upon assumptions regarding future events, which may or may not materialize. Actuarial calculations can and do vary from one valuation to the next, sometimes significantly depending on the group's size. Projections are not predictions. Future valuations will be based on actual future experience.

	Lower Future	Lower Future	Valuation
12/31/2022 Valuation Results	Annual Returns	Annual Returns	Assumptions
Investment Return Assumption	5.00%	6.00%	7.00%
Accrued Liability	\$ 17,619,265	\$ 15,640,195	\$ 14,002,075
Valuation Assets <sup>1</sup>	\$ 9,958,404	\$ 9,958,404	\$ 9,958,404
Unfunded Accrued Liability	\$ 7,660,861	\$ 5,681,791	\$ 4,043,671
Funded Ratio	57%	64%	71%
Monthly Normal Cost	\$ 44,208	\$ 33,540	\$ 25,399
Monthly Amortization Payment	\$ 47,687	\$ 37,647	\$ 29,102
Total Employer Contribution <sup>2</sup>	\$ 91,895	\$ 71,187	\$ 54,501

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Valuation Assets include assets from Surplus divisions, if any.

#### **Projection Scenarios**

The next two pages show projections of the plan's funded ratio and computed employer contributions under the actuarial assumptions used in the valuation and alternate economic assumption scenarios. All three



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If assets exceed accrued liabilities for a division, the division may have an overfunding credit to reduce the division's employer contribution requirement. If the overfunding credit is larger than the normal cost, the division's full credit is included in the municipality's amortization payment above but the division's total contribution requirement is zero. This can cause the displayed normal cost and amortization payment to not add up to the displayed total employer contribution.

projections account for the past investment experience that will continue to affect the actuarial rate of return in the short term.

The 7.00% scenario provides an estimate of computed employer contributions based on current actuarial assumptions, and a projected 7.00% market return. The other two scenarios may be useful if the municipality chooses to budget more conservatively and make contributions in addition to the minimum requirements. The 6.00% and 5.00% projection scenarios provide an indication of the potential required employer contribution if these assumptions were met over the long term.

Please note that one or more of your divisions trigger the 3 times benefit payout minimum contribution requirement during the projection period (see table following the projections and the graphs). This contribution requirement was designed so that a plan does not run out of money. This means that if assets in the plan are not enough to pay 3 years of benefit payouts, a minimum contribution is required to raise the level of the assets to be equal to at least 3 years of benefit payments. See the Appendix on MERS' website for a full description of this contribution requirement.

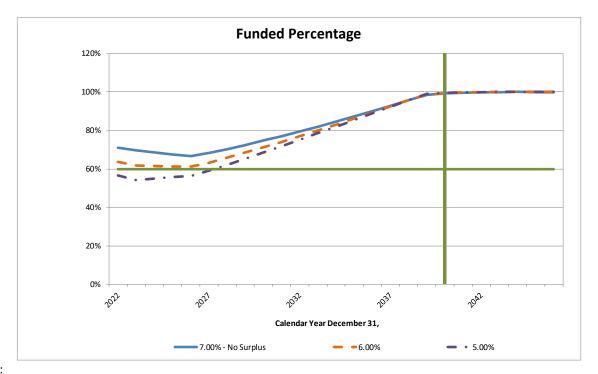
Valuation	Fiscal Year		Actuarial				Esti	mated Annual
Year Ending	Beginning	Accrued		Valuation		Funded	Employer	
12/31	1/1	Liability			Assets <sup>2</sup>	Percentage	Contribution <sup>3</sup>	
7.00% <sup>1</sup> - NO	PHASE-IN							
2022	2024	\$	14,002,075	\$	9,958,404	71%	\$	654,012
2023	2025	\$	14,400,000	\$	10,000,000	70%	\$	704,000
2024	2026	\$	14,900,000	\$	10,200,000	69%	\$	754,000
2025	2027	\$	15,400,000	\$	10,400,000	68%	\$	844,000
2026	2028	\$	15,900,000	\$	10,600,000	67%	\$	894,000
2027	2029	\$	16,400,000	\$	11,200,000	68%	\$	907,000
6.00% <sup>1</sup> - NO	PHASE-IN							
2022	2024	\$	15,640,195	\$	9,958,404	64%	\$	854,244
2023	2025	\$	16,100,000	\$	9,930,000	62%	\$	922,000
2024	2026	\$	16,600,000	\$	10,200,000	61%	\$	981,000
2025	2027	\$	17,200,000	\$	10,500,000	61%	\$	1,060,000
2026	2028	\$	17,700,000	\$	10,900,000	61%	\$	1,130,000
2027	2029	\$	18,300,000	\$	11,600,000	63%	\$	1,150,000
5.00% <sup>1</sup> - NC	PHASE-IN							
2022	2024	\$	17,619,265	\$	9,958,404	57%	\$	1,102,740
2023	2025	\$	18,100,000	\$	9,830,000	54%	\$	1,190,000
2024	2026	\$	18,800,000	\$	10,300,000	55%	\$	1,250,000
2025	2027	\$	19,400,000	\$	10,800,000	56%	\$	1,320,000
2026	2028	\$	20,000,000	\$	11,300,000	56%	\$	1,400,000
2027	2029	\$	20,700,000	\$	12,200,000	59%	\$	1,440,000

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Represents both the interest rate for discounting liabilities and the future investment return assumption on the Market Value of assets.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Valuation Assets do not include assets from Surplus divisions, if any.

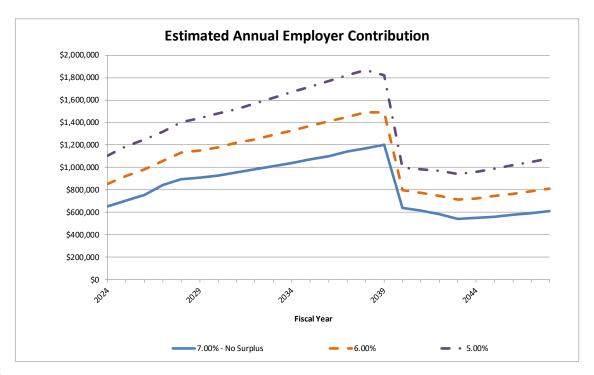
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> All projected contributions are shown with no phase-in.



Notes:

All projected funded percentages are shown with no phase-in.

The green indicator lines have been added at 60% funded and 18 years following the valuation date for PA 202 purposes.



#### Notes:

All projected contributions are shown with no phase-in.



Valuation Year	Fiscal Year	7.00%	6.00%	5.00%
<b>Ending 12/31</b>	Beginning 1/1	No Phase-In	No Phase-In	No Phase-In
2022	2024	No	No	No
2023	2025	No	No	No
2024	2026	No	No	No
2025	2027	10	10	10
2026	2028	10	10	10
2027	2029	10	10	No

This table shows in any given year which division(s) are impacted by the 3 times benefit payout minimum required contribution. If "No" appears in the table, it means none of the divisions are impacted.



Table 1: Employer Contribution Details for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2024

				Emp	loyer Contribut	ons <sup>1</sup>					
					Payment of the	С	omputed	Computed			Employee
	Total	Employee	Emplo	yer	Unfunded	E	mployer	Employer	Blended ER	Blended ER	Contribution
	Normal	Contribution	Norm	nal	Accrued	Co	ntribution	Contribution	Rate No	Rate With	Conversion
Division	Cost	Rate	Cost	6	Liability <sup>4</sup>	N	o Phase-In	With Phase-In	Phase-In⁵	Phase-In <sup>5</sup>	Factor <sup>2</sup>
Percentage of Payroll											
01 - Gnrl Union	13.38%	2.50%	10	0.88%	2.32%	5	13.20%	12.92%			0.86%
02 - Shrff Union	16.53%	5.08%	1:	1.45%	9.69%	5	21.14%	20.31%			0.91%
10 - Gnrl Non Union	0.00%	4.50%		-		-	-	-	49.31%	48.06%	
11 - Emplys 1/93	12.30%	2.50%	9	9.80%	0.90%	5	10.70%	10.42%	49.31%	48.06%	0.81%
12 - Division Trans	11.00%	2.50%		8.50%	0.00%	5	8.50%	8.28%			0.65%
13 - 23rd Circuit Crt EEs Assoc	11.82%	3.00%		8.82%	-3.88%	S	4.94%	4.52%			0.83%
Estimated Monthly Contribution <sup>3</sup>											
01 - Gnrl Union			\$ 9	9,224	\$ 1,967	\$	11,191	\$ 10,955			
02 - Shrff Union			8	8,735	7,392		16,127	15,491			
10 - Gnrl Non Union				0	19,723		19,723	19,228			
11 - Emplys 1/93			5	5,005	459		5,464	5,319			
12 - Division Trans			1	1,436	0		1,436	1,398			
13 - 23rd Circuit Crt EEs Assoc				999	(439	)	560	512			
Total Municipality			\$ 25	5,399	\$ 29,102	\$	54,501	\$ 52,903			_
Estimated Annual Contribution <sup>3</sup>			\$ 304	4,788	\$ 349,224	\$	654,012	\$ 634,836			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The above employer contribution requirements are in addition to the employee contributions, if any.

#### Please see the Comments on Asset Smoothing in the Executive Summary of this report.



If employee contributions are increased/decreased by 1.00% of pay, the employer contribution requirement will decrease/increase by the Employee Contribution Conversion Factor. The conversion factor is usually under 1% because employee contributions may be refunded at termination of employment and not used to fund retirement pensions. Employer contributions will all be used to fund pensions.

For divisions that are open to new hires, estimated contributions are based on projected fiscal year payroll. Actual contributions will be based on actual reported monthly pays, and will be different from the above amounts. For divisions that will have no new hires (i.e., closed divisions), invoices will be based on the above dollar amounts which are based on projected fiscal year payroll. See description of Open Divisions and Closed Divisions in the Appendix.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Note that if the overfunding credit is larger than the normal cost, the full credit is shown above but the total contribution requirement is zero. This will cause the displayed normal cost and unfunded accrued liability contributions not to add across.

For linked divisions, the employer will be invoiced the Computed Employer Contribution No Phase-in rate shown above for each linked division (a contribution rate for the open division; a contribution dollar for the closed-but-linked division), unless the employer elects to contribute the Blended Employer Contribution rate shown above, by contacting MERS at 800-767-MERS (6377).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> For divisions with a negative employer normal cost, employee contributions cover the normal cost and a portion of the payment of any unfunded accrued liability.

## **Table 2: Benefit Provisions**

#### 01 - Gnrl Union: Open Division

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	2022 Valuation	2021 Valuation				
Benefit Multiplier:	2.25% Multiplier (80% max)	2.25% Multiplier (80% max)				
Normal Retirement Age:	60	60				
Vesting:	10 years	10 years				
Early Retirement (Unreduced):	55/15	55/15				
Early Retirement (Reduced):	50/25	50/25				
Final Average Compensation:	3 years	3 years				
Employee Contributions:	2.50%	2.50%				
Act 88:	Yes (Adopted 9/9/1980)	Yes (Adopted 9/9/1980)				

#### 02 - Shrff Union: Open Division

	2022 Valuation	2021 Valuation
Benefit Multiplier:	2.50% Multiplier (80% max)	2.50% Multiplier (80% max)
Normal Retirement Age:	60	60
Vesting:	10 years	10 years
Early Retirement (Unreduced):	50/25	50/25
	55/15	55/15
Early Retirement (Reduced):	-	-
Final Average Compensation:	3 years	3 years
<b>Employee Contributions:</b>	5.08%	5.08%
Act 88:	Yes (Adopted 9/9/1980)	Yes (Adopted 9/9/1980)

#### 10 - Gnrl Non Union: Closed to new hires, linked to Division 11

Gill Holl Gilotti closed to hew lines, mixed to bivision 11					
	2022 Valuation	2021 Valuation			
Benefit Multiplier:	2.50% Multiplier (80% max)	2.50% Multiplier (80% max)			
Normal Retirement Age:	60	60			
Vesting:	10 years	10 years			
Early Retirement (Unreduced):	55/15	55/15			
Early Retirement (Reduced):	50/25	50/25			
Final Average Compensation:	3 years	3 years			
COLA for Future Retirees:	2.50% (Non-Compound)	2.50% (Non-Compound)			
<b>COLA for Current Retirees:</b>	2.50% (Non-Compound)	2.50% (Non-Compound)			
<b>Employee Contributions:</b>	4.50%	4.50%			
Act 88:	Yes (Adopted 9/9/1980)	Yes (Adopted 9/9/1980)			



#### 11 - Emplys 1/93: Open Division, linked to Division 10

	2022 Valuation	2021 Valuation
Benefit Multiplier:	2.25% Multiplier (80% max)	2.25% Multiplier (80% max)
Normal Retirement Age:	60	60
Vesting:	10 years	10 years
Early Retirement (Unreduced):	-	-
Early Retirement (Reduced):	50/25	50/25
	55/15	55/15
Final Average Compensation:	5 years	5 years
<b>Employee Contributions:</b>	2.50%	2.50%
Act 88:	Yes (Adopted 9/9/1980)	Yes (Adopted 9/9/1980)

#### 12 - Division Trans: Open Division

	2022 Valuation	2021 Valuation
Benefit Multiplier:	2.25% Multiplier (80% max)	2.25% Multiplier (80% max)
Normal Retirement Age:	60	60
Vesting:	10 years	10 years
Early Retirement (Unreduced):	55/15	55/15
Early Retirement (Reduced):	50/25	50/25
Final Average Compensation:	3 years	3 years
Employee Contributions:	2.50%	2.50%
Act 88:	Yes (Adopted 9/9/1980)	Yes (Adopted 9/9/1980)

#### 13 - 23rd Circuit Crt EEs Assoc: Open Division

15 - 2510 Circuit Crt EES ASS	oc. Open Division	
	2022 Valuation	2021 Valuation
Benefit Multiplier:	2.25% Multiplier (80% max)	2.25% Multiplier (80% max)
Normal Retirement Age:	60	60
Vesting:	10 years	10 years
Early Retirement (Unreduced):	-	-
Early Retirement (Reduced):	50/25	50/25
	55/15	55/15
Final Average Compensation:	5 years	5 years
<b>Employee Contributions:</b>	3.00%	3.00%
Act 88:	Yes (Adopted 9/9/1980)	Yes (Adopted 9/9/1980)



## **Table 3: Participant Summary**

	202	2 Va	aluation	202	1 V	aluation	2	2022 Valuat	tion
								Average	Average
			Annual			Annual	Average	Benefit	Eligibility
Division	Number		Payroll <sup>1</sup>	Number		Payroll <sup>1</sup>	Age	Service <sup>2</sup>	Service <sup>2</sup>
01 - Gnrl Union			<u> </u>			<u> </u>			
Active Employees	23	\$	958,915	24	\$	961,085	45.5	4.7	6.2
Vested Former Employees	2		10,302	1	'	937	57.9	6.3	17.9
Retirees and Beneficiaries	15		108,861	14		95,929	69.7		
Pending Refunds	26			23					
02 - Shrff Union									
Active Employees	16	\$	862,953	16	\$	754,885	39.2	8.0	9.0
Vested Former Employees	10		68,223	11		89,286	41.4	6.3	15.3
Retirees and Beneficiaries	14		186,408	13		175,260	65.9		
Pending Refunds	3			3					
10 - Gnrl Non Union									
Active Employees	0	\$	0	0	\$	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Vested Former Employees	0		0	1	'	5,002	0.0	0.0	0.0
Retirees and Beneficiaries	24		410,212	24		403,981	75.2		
Pending Refunds	1			1					
11 - Emplys 1/93									
Active Employees	17	\$	577,712	16	\$	554,961	49.2	5.8	7.0
Vested Former Employees	2		10,319	2		8,353	50.2	6.5	17.3
Retirees and Beneficiaries	15		87,044	12		65,408	69.9		
Pending Refunds	23			23					
12 - Division Trans									
Active Employees	4	\$	191,060	4	\$	179,109	61.5	32.6	32.6
Vested Former Employees	0		0	0		0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Retirees and Beneficiaries	2		17,606	2		17,606	63.4		
Pending Refunds	0			0					
13 - 23rd Circuit Crt EEs Assoc									
Active Employees	4	\$	128,115	5	\$	142,978	43.9	5.6	5.6
Vested Former Employees	0		0	1		14,985	0.0	0.0	0.0
Retirees and Beneficiaries	1		9,114	0		0	55.8		
Pending Refunds	6			5					
Total Municipality									
Active Employees	64	\$	2,718,755	65	\$	2,593,018	45.8	7.6	8.7
Vested Former Employees	14		88,844	16		118,563	45.0	6.3	16.0
Retirees and Beneficiaries	71		819,245	65		758,184	70.5		
Pending Refunds	<u>59</u>			<u>55</u>					
Total Participants	208			201					

Annual payroll for active employees; annual deferred benefits payable for vested former employees; annual benefits being paid for retirees and beneficiaries.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Descriptions can be found under Miscellaneous and Technical Assumptions in the Appendix.

## **Table 4: Reported Assets (Market Value)**

		2022 Va	tion		2021 Va	aluatio	on	
	E	mployer and			Ei	mployer and		
Division		Retiree <sup>1</sup>	ı	Employee <sup>2</sup>		Retiree <sup>1</sup>	En	nployee <sup>2</sup>
01 - Gnrl Union	\$	1,482,557	\$	112,070	\$	1,636,965	\$	91,416
02 - Shrff Union		2,297,062		387,464		2,563,036		352,795
10 - Gnrl Non Union		1,200,539		6,403		1,547,001		6,114
11 - Emplys 1/93		1,295,426		97,846		1,465,619		93,937
12 - Division Trans		1,368,344		66,338		1,542,644		58,781
13 - 23rd Circuit Crt EEs Assoc		270,067		18,028		293,269		22,046
Municipality Total <sup>3</sup>	\$	7,913,996	\$	688,149	\$	9,048,533	\$	625,089
Combined Assets <sup>3</sup>		\$8,60	15	\$9,673,622				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Reserve for Employer Contributions and Benefit Payments.

The December 31, 2022 valuation assets (actuarial value of assets) are equal to 1.157665 times the reported market value of assets (compared to 0.998523 as of December 31, 2021). Refer to the Appendix for a description of the valuation asset derivation and a detailed calculation of valuation assets.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Reserve for Employee Contributions.

Totals may not add due to rounding.

#### **Table 5: Flow of Valuation Assets**

				Investment				
Year				Income		Employee		Valuation
Ended	Employer Co	ntributions	Employee	(Valuation	Benefit	Contribution	Net	Asset
12/31	Required	Additional	Contributions	Assets)	Payments	Refunds	Transfers	Balance
2012	\$ 261,039	\$ 36,015	\$ 38,415	\$ 280,564	\$ (542,990)	\$ (15,436)	\$ 0	\$ 6,508,984
2013	303,545	18,014	43,150	381,770	(557,606)	0	(1)	6,697,856
2014	436,030	0	43,916	389,911	(560,198)	(1,062)	0	7,006,453
2015	389,627	10,000	48,727	350,172	(588,613)	(9,726)	0	7,206,640
2016	362,567	50,820	47,907	376,121	(617,562)	(6,726)	16,946	7,436,713
2017	419,230	28,800	50,084	433,167	(628,817)	(14,684)	(132,842)	7,591,651
2018	437,768	2,975	55,323	279,758	(649,467)	(4,458)	0	7,713,550
2019	440,935	16,893	57,970	364,679	(695,171)	(436)	0	7,898,420
2020	482,373	9,231	75,523	632,292	(717,180)	(1,765)	0	8,378,894
2021	530,533	8,393	84,882	1,419,821	(745,267)	(17,922)	0	9,659,334
2022	627,796	1,255	94,608	353,061	(772,614)	(5,036)	0	9,958,404

#### Notes:

Transfers in and out are usually related to the transfer of participants between municipalities, and to employee payments for service credit purchases (if any) that the governing body has approved.

The investment income column reflects the recognized investment income based on Valuation Assets. It does not reflect the market value investment return in any given year.

The Valuation Asset balance includes assets from Surplus divisions, if any.



# Table 6: Actuarial Accrued Liabilities and Valuation Assets as of December 31, 2022

			Actu	aria	al Accrued Lia	bili	ity						Unfunded
			Vested										(Overfunded)
	Active		Former	R	etirees and		Pending				Percent		Accrued
Division	Employee	s	Employees	В	eneficiaries		Refunds	Total	Val	uation Assets	Funded		Liabilities
01 - Gnrl Union	\$ 821,	966	\$ 117,404	\$	1,149,492	\$	37,262	\$ 2,126,124	\$	1,846,044	86.8	% \$	\$ 280,080
02 - Shrff Union	1,651,	58	348,188		2,147,960		20,652	4,168,758		3,107,782	74.5	%	1,060,976
10 - Gnrl Non Union		0	0		4,221,386		44	4,221,430		1,397,235	33.1	%	2,824,195
11 - Emplys 1/93	632,	06	71,570		937,776		28,625	1,670,877		1,612,943	96.5	%	57,934
12 - Division Trans	1,309,	78	0		218,703		0	1,528,381		1,660,882	108.7	%	(132,501)
13 - 23rd Circuit Crt EEs Assoc	156,	352	0		125,754		4,399	286,505		333,518	116.4	%	(47,013)
Total	\$ 4,572,	860	\$ 537,162	\$	8,801,071	\$	90,982	\$ 14,002,075	\$	9,958,404	71.1	% \$	\$ 4,043,671



The following results show the combined accrued liabilities and assets for each set of linked divisions. These results are already shown in the table on the prior page(s).

Table 6 (continued)

		Actuarial Accrued Liability													ľ	Jnfunded
				Vested											(0	verfunded)
		Active		Former	Re	etirees and		Pending					Perc	ent		Accrued
Division	En	nployees	E	imployees	Ве	eneficiaries		Refunds		Total	Valu	uation Assets	Fun	ded	L	iabilities
Linked Divisions 11, 10	\$	632,906	\$	71,570	\$	5,159,162	\$	28,669	\$	5,892,307	\$	3,010,178		51.1%	\$	2,882,129

#### Please see the Comments on Asset Smoothing in the Executive Summary of this report.

The December 31, 2022 valuation assets (actuarial value of assets) are equal to 1.157665 times the reported market value of assets. Refer to the Appendix for a description of the valuation asset derivation and a detailed calculation of valuation assets.



**Table 7: Actuarial Accrued Liabilities - Comparative Schedule** 

Valuation Date	Actuarial		Percent	Unfunded (Overfunded) Accrued		
December 31	Accrued Liability	Valuation Assets	Funded	Liabilities		
	·					
2008	\$ 8,513,442	\$ 6,084,355	71%	\$ 2,429,087		
2009	8,711,783	6,155,240	71%	2,556,543		
2010	8,891,801	6,333,725	71%	2,558,076		
2011	9,191,920	6,451,377	70%	2,740,543		
2012	9,380,409	6,508,984	69%	2,871,425		
2013	9,349,319	6,697,856	72%	2,651,463		
2014	9,768,493	7,006,453	72%	2,762,040		
2015	10,838,241	7,206,640	67%	3,631,601		
2016	10,903,641	7,436,713	68%	3,466,928		
2017	11,003,519	7,591,651	69%	3,411,868		
2018	11,180,146	7,713,550	69%	3,466,596		
2019	11,907,933	7,898,420	66%	4,009,513		
2020	12,671,120	8,378,894	66%	4,292,226		
2021	13,533,712	9,659,334	71%	3,874,378		
2022	14,002,075	9,958,404	71%	4,043,671		

Notes: Actuarial assumptions were revised for the 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2015, 2019, 2020 and 2021 actuarial valuations.

The Valuation Assets include assets from Surplus divisions, if any.

Years where historical information is not available will be displayed with zero values.

Throughout this report are references to valuation results generated prior to the 2018 valuation date. Results prior to 2018 were received directly from the prior actuary or extracted from the previous valuation system by MERS's technology service provider.



### **Tables 8 and 9: Division-Based Comparative Schedules**

#### **Division 01 - Gnrl Union**

Table 8-01: Actuarial Accrued Liabilities - Comparative Schedule

		-		Unfunded
Williams a Barr	A			(Overfunded)
Valuation Date	Actuarial		Percent	Accrued
December 31	Accrued Liability	Valuation Assets	Funded	Liabilities
2012	\$ 958,513	\$ 799,457	83%	\$ 159,056
2013	1,056,782	859,812	81%	196,970
2014	1,159,298	924,755	80%	234,543
2015	1,279,858	935,440	73%	344,418
2016	1,388,235	1,030,782	74%	357,453
2017	1,427,735	1,148,565	80%	279,170
2018	1,455,448	1,221,161	84%	234,287
2019	1,608,254	1,300,585	81%	307,669
2020	1,788,015	1,436,413	80%	351,602
2021	1,987,070	1,725,828	87%	261,242
2022	2,126,124	1,846,044	87%	280,080

Notes: Actuarial assumptions were revised for the 2012, 2015, 2019, 2020 and 2021 actuarial valuations.

The percent funded does not reflect valuation assets from Surplus divisions, if any.

**Table 9-01: Computed Employer Contributions - Comparative Schedule** 

	Active Em	nployees	Computed	Employee
Valuation Date December 31	Number	Annual Payroll	Employer Contribution <sup>1</sup>	Contribution Rate <sup>2</sup>
2012	15	\$ 380,714	12.58%	1.00%
2013	15	428,582	12.80%	1.00%
2014	15	440,230	13.36%	1.00%
2015	17	545,937	14.18%	1.00%
2016	26	913,690	12.90%	1.00%
2017	19	680,866	12.38%	1.50%
2018	18	694,709	12.36%	1.50%
2019	21	811,429	12.48%	1.50%
2020	21	860,795	12.48%	2.50%
2021	24	961,085	13.01%	2.50%
2022	23	958,915	13.20%	2.50%

<sup>1</sup> For open divisions, a percent of pay contribution is shown. For closed divisions, a monthly dollar contribution is shown.

Note: The contributions shown in Table 9 reflect the employer contribution requirement without phase-in. If applicable, the current phase-in contribution is shown in Table 1.

See the Benefit Provision History, later in this report, for past benefit provision changes.



<sup>2</sup> For each valuation year, the computed employer contribution is based on the employee rate. If the employee rate changes during the applicable fiscal year, the computed employer contribution will be adjusted.

Table 8-02: Actuarial Accrued Liabilities - Comparative Schedule

				Unfunded (Overfunded)		
Valuation Date	Actuarial		Percent	Accrued		
December 31	Accrued Liability	Valuation Assets	Funded	Liabilities		
2012	\$ 2,271,702	\$ 1,862,600	82%	\$ 409,102		
2013	2,544,477	1,697,968	67%	846,509		
2014	2,698,342	1,770,470	66%	927,872		
2015	3,070,751	1,915,831	62%	1,154,920		
2016	2,910,952	2,021,170	69%	889,782		
2017	2,943,844	2,136,246	73%	807,598		
2018	3,184,086	2,208,806	69%	975,280		
2019	3,364,202	2,295,505	68%	1,068,697		
2020	3,660,358	2,485,907	68%	1,174,451		
2021	3,982,629	2,911,524	73%	1,071,105		
2022	4,168,758	3,107,782	75%	1,060,976		

The percent funded does not reflect valuation assets from Surplus divisions, if any.

**Table 9-02: Computed Employer Contributions - Comparative Schedule** 

	Active Em	ployees	Computed	Employee
Valuation Date December 31	Number	Annual Payroll	Employer Contribution <sup>1</sup>	Contribution Rate <sup>2</sup>
2012	13	\$ 487,688	13.88%	4.08%
2013	15	619,571	17.34%	4.08%
2014	15	641,532	17.63%	4.08%
2015	16	709,679	19.65%	4.08%
2016	14	569,382	19.04%	4.08%
2017	14	608,819	18.13%	4.08%
2018	15	645,195	19.77%	4.08%
2019	16	725,611	19.38%	5.08%
2020	15	696,401	22.85%	5.08%
2021	16	754,885	22.13%	5.08%
2022	16	862,953	21.14%	5.08%

<sup>1</sup> For open divisions, a percent of pay contribution is shown. For closed divisions, a monthly dollar contribution is shown.

Note: The contributions shown in Table 9 reflect the employer contribution requirement without phase-in. If applicable, the current phase-in contribution is shown in Table 1.

See the Benefit Provision History, later in this report, for past benefit provision changes.



<sup>2</sup> For each valuation year, the computed employer contribution is based on the employee rate. If the employee rate changes during the applicable fiscal year, the computed employer contribution will be adjusted.

Table 8-10: Actuarial Accrued Liabilities - Comparative Schedule

				Unfunded (Overfunded)	
Valuation Date	Actuarial		Percent	Accrued	
December 31	Accrued Liability	Valuation Assets	Funded	Liabilities	
2012	\$ 4,630,817	\$ 1,853,664	40%	\$ 2,777,153	
2013	4,013,079	1,604,348	40%	2,408,731	
2014	4,005,672	1,630,338	41%	2,375,334	
2015	4,292,187	1,350,403	32%	2,941,784	
2016	4,240,370	1,022,739	24%	3,217,631	
2017	4,140,517	2,203,464	53%	1,937,053	
2018	4,059,356	1,921,389	47%	2,137,967	
2019	4,205,904	1,633,526	39%	2,572,378	
2020	4,221,563	1,504,318	36%	2,717,245	
2021	4,297,089	1,550,821	36%	2,746,268	
2022	4,221,430	1,397,235	33%	2,824,195	

The percent funded does not reflect valuation assets from Surplus divisions, if any.

**Table 9-10: Computed Employer Contributions - Comparative Schedule** 

	Active Em	nployees	Computed	Employee	
Valuation Date		Annual	Employer	Contribution	
December 31	Number	Payroll	Contribution <sup>1</sup>	Rate <sup>2</sup>	
2012	2	\$ 66,198	258.76%	4.50%	
2013	3	100,599	\$ 12,811	4.50%	
2014	3	104,207	\$ 13,089	4.50%	
2015	1	38,600	\$ 16,846	4.50%	
2016	1 37,541		\$ 30,129	4.50%	
2017	1	38,041	\$ 10,232	4.50%	
2018	1	38,840	\$ 13,374	4.50%	
2019	0	0	\$ 16,693	4.50%	
2020	0	0	\$ 18,049	4.50%	
2021	0	0	\$ 18,345	4.50%	
2022	0	0	\$ 19,723	4.50%	

 $<sup>{\</sup>bf 1} \ \ {\bf For \ open \ divisions, a \ percent \ of \ pay \ contribution \ is \ shown.} \ \ {\bf For \ closed \ divisions, a \ monthly \ dollar \ contribution \ is \ shown.}$ 

Note: The contributions shown in Table 9 reflect the employer contribution requirement without phase-in. If applicable, the current phase-in contribution is shown in Table 1.

See the Benefit Provision History, later in this report, for past benefit provision changes.



<sup>2</sup> For each valuation year, the computed employer contribution is based on the employee rate. If the employee rate changes during the applicable fiscal year, the computed employer contribution will be adjusted.

Table 8-11: Actuarial Accrued Liabilities - Comparative Schedule

				Unfunded (Overfunded)
Valuation Date	Actuarial		Percent	Accrued
December 31	Accrued Liability	Valuation Assets	Funded	Liabilities
2012	\$ 607,772	\$ 1,089,341	179%	\$ (481,569)
2013	694,612	1,548,259	223%	(853,647)
2014	780,414	1,618,318	207%	(837,904)
2015	896,336	1,864,734	208%	(968,398)
2016	977,504	2,138,254	219%	(1,160,750)
2017	1,042,920	781,497	75%	261,423
2018	1,042,737	972,292	93%	70,445
2019	1,193,438	1,191,901	100%	1,537
2020	1,383,758	1,333,835	96%	49,923
2021	1,543,991	1,557,252	101%	(13,261)
2022	1,670,877	1,612,943	97%	57,934

The percent funded does not reflect valuation assets from Surplus divisions, if any.

**Table 9-11: Computed Employer Contributions - Comparative Schedule** 

	Active Em	ployees	Computed	Employee
Valuation Date		Annual	Employer	Contribution
December 31	Number	Payroll	Contribution <sup>1</sup>	Rate <sup>2</sup>
2012	11	\$ 341,912	0.00%	1.50%
2013	15	432,390	0.00%	1.50%
2014	17	465,833	0.00%	1.50%
2015	18	517,350	0.00%	1.50%
2016	17	17 508,815		1.50%
2017	19	592,710	14.14%	1.50%
2018	12	409,419	10.37%	1.50%
2019	18	607,987	9.34%	1.50%
2020	15	482,423	10.49%	2.50%
2021	16	554,961	10.44%	2.50%
2022	17	577,712	10.70%	2.50%

<sup>1</sup> For open divisions, a percent of pay contribution is shown. For closed divisions, a monthly dollar contribution is shown.

Note: The contributions shown in Table 9 reflect the employer contribution requirement without phase-in. If applicable, the current phase-in contribution is shown in Table 1.

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<sup>2</sup> For each valuation year, the computed employer contribution is based on the employee rate. If the employee rate changes during the applicable fiscal year, the computed employer contribution will be adjusted.

Table 8-12: Actuarial Accrued Liabilities - Comparative Schedule

				Unfunded (Overfunded)
Valuation Date	Actuarial		Percent	Accrued
December 31	Accrued Liability	Valuation Assets	Funded	Liabilities
2012	\$ 807,906	\$ 770,858	95%	\$ 37,048
2013	911,502	836,315	92%	75,187
2014	975,075	893,260	92%	81,815
2015	1,176,975	983,644	84%	193,331
2016	1,248,304	1,051,291	84%	197,013
2017	1,299,222	1,132,024	87%	167,198
2018	1,257,229	1,183,347	94%	73,882
2019	1,318,325	1,249,395	95%	68,930
2020	1,376,560	1,358,956	99%	17,604
2021	1,463,069	1,599,060	109%	(135,991)
2022	1,528,381	1,660,882	109%	(132,501)

The percent funded does not reflect valuation assets from Surplus divisions, if any.

**Table 9-12: Computed Employer Contributions - Comparative Schedule** 

	Active Em	ployees	Computed	Employee
Valuation Date December 31	Number	Annual Payroll	Employer Contribution <sup>1</sup>	Contribution Rate <sup>2</sup>
2012	4	\$ 146,264	10.60%	1.50%
2013	4	150,686	12.15%	1.50%
2014	4	150,840	12.35%	1.50%
2015	5	195,217	15.39%	1.50%
2016	5 209,912		14.96%	1.50%
2017	5	213,432	14.05%	1.50%
2018	4	167,770	11.89%	1.50%
2019	4	167,862	12.12%	1.50%
2020	4	172,478	8.11%	2.50%
2021	4	179,109	8.47%	2.50%
2022	4	191,060	8.50%	2.50%

 $<sup>{\</sup>bf 1} \ \ {\bf For \ open \ divisions, a \ percent \ of \ pay \ contribution \ is \ shown.} \ \ {\bf For \ closed \ divisions, a \ monthly \ dollar \ contribution \ is \ shown.}$ 

Note: The contributions shown in Table 9 reflect the employer contribution requirement without phase-in. If applicable, the current phase-in contribution is shown in Table 1.

See the Benefit Provision History, later in this report, for past benefit provision changes.



<sup>2</sup> For each valuation year, the computed employer contribution is based on the employee rate. If the employee rate changes during the applicable fiscal year, the computed employer contribution will be adjusted.

Table 8-13: Actuarial Accrued Liabilities - Comparative Schedule

				Unfunded (Overfunded)
Valuation Date	Actuarial		Percent	Accrued
December 31	Accrued Liability	Valuation Assets	Funded	Liabilities
2012	\$ 103,699	\$ 133,064	128%	\$ (29,365)
2013	128,867	151,154	117%	(22,287)
2014	149,692	169,312	113%	(19,620)
2015	122,134	156,588	128%	(34,454)
2016	138,276	172,477	125%	(34,201)
2017	149,281	189,855	127%	(40,574)
2018	181,290	206,555	114%	(25,265)
2019	217,810	227,508	104%	(9,698)
2020	240,866	259,465	108%	(18,599)
2021	259,864	314,849	121%	(54,985)
2022	286,505	333,518	116%	(47,013)

The percent funded does not reflect valuation assets from Surplus divisions, if any.

**Table 9-13: Computed Employer Contributions - Comparative Schedule** 

	Active Em	ployees	Computed	Employee
Valuation Date December 31	Number	Annual Payroll	Employer Contribution <sup>1</sup>	Contribution Rate <sup>2</sup>
2012	5	\$ 136,189	5.36%	1.00%
2013	5	139,218	6.06%	1.00%
2014	5	134,643	5.36%	2.00%
2015	4	103,996	4.20%	2.00%
2016	5	5 144,206		2.00%
2017	5	133,608	4.81%	2.00%
2018	5	152,838	6.16%	2.00%
2019	5	161,702	6.96%	2.00%
2020	4	133,463	6.83%	2.00%
2021	5	142,978	3.84%	3.00%
2022	4	128,115	4.94%	3.00%

<sup>1</sup> For open divisions, a percent of pay contribution is shown. For closed divisions, a monthly dollar contribution is shown.

Note: The contributions shown in Table 9 reflect the employer contribution requirement without phase-in. If applicable, the current phase-in contribution is shown in Table 1.

See the Benefit Provision History, later in this report, for past benefit provision changes.



<sup>2</sup> For each valuation year, the computed employer contribution is based on the employee rate. If the employee rate changes during the applicable fiscal year, the computed employer contribution will be adjusted.

### **Table 10: Division-Based Layered Amortization Schedule**

#### **Division 01 - Gnrl Union**

**Table 10-01: Layered Amortization Schedule** 

					Amounts for Fiscal Year Beginning 1/1/2024					
				Original	Remaining			Anı	nual	
	Date	Origina	l	Amortization	Outs	standing	Amortization	Amort	ization	
Type of UAL	Established	Balance	1	Period <sup>2</sup>	UAL	Balance <sup>3</sup>	Period <sup>2</sup>	Payı	ment	
Initial	12/31/2015	\$ 344	,418	23	\$	349,728	16	\$	29,628	
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2016	4	,923	22		5,202	16		444	
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2017	(79	,580)	21		(83,789)	16		(7,092)	
Amendment	12/31/2017	(2	,111)	21		(2,227)	16		(192)	
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2018	(40	,961)	20		(42,931)	16		(3,636)	
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2019	35	,929	19		37,433	16		3,168	
Assumption	12/31/2019	39	,512	19		40,160	16		3,408	
Experience	12/31/2020	38	,804	18		40,685	16		3,444	
Experience	12/31/2021	(92	,302)	17		(97,395)	16		(8,256)	
Experience	12/31/2022	29	,712	16		31,792	16		2,688	
Total					\$	278,658		\$	23,604	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For each type of UAL (layer), this is the original balance as of the date the layer was established.

The unfunded accrued liability (UAL) as of December 31, 2022 (see Table 6) is projected to the beginning of the fiscal year for which the contributions are being calculated. This allows the 2022 valuation to take into account the expected future contributions that are based on past valuations. Each type of UAL (layer) is amortized over the appropriate period. Please see the Appendix on the MERS website for a detailed description of the amortization policy.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> According to the MERS amortization policy, each type of UAL (layer) is amortized over a specific period (see Appendix on MERS website).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This is the remaining balance as of the valuation date, projected to the beginning of the fiscal year shown above.

**Table 10-02: Layered Amortization Schedule** 

				Amounts for Fiscal Year Beginning 1/1/2024				
			Original			Remaining	Anı	nual
	Date	Original	Amortization	Ou	tstanding	Amortization	Amort	ization
Type of UAL	Established	Balance <sup>1</sup>	Period <sup>2</sup>	UAI	L Balance <sup>3</sup>	Period <sup>2</sup>	Payı	ment
Initial	12/31/2015	\$ 1,154,920	23	\$	1,172,232	16	\$	99,300
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2016	(291,734)	22		(309,206)	16		(26,196)
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2017	(69,808)	21		(73,481)	16		(6,228)
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2018	167,239	20		175,279	16		14,844
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2019	(29,796)	19		(31,033)	16		(2,628)
Assumption	12/31/2019	111,563	19		112,642	16		9,540
Amendment	12/31/2019	(5,074)	19		(5,290)	16		(444)
Experience	12/31/2020	101,821	18		106,778	16		9,048
Experience	12/31/2021	(107,642)	17		(113,580)	16		(9,624)
Experience	12/31/2022	12,064	16		12,908	16		1,092
Total				\$	1,047,249		\$	88,704

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For each type of UAL (layer), this is the original balance as of the date the layer was established.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> According to the MERS amortization policy, each type of UAL (layer) is amortized over a specific period (see Appendix on MERS website).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This is the remaining balance as of the valuation date, projected to the beginning of the fiscal year shown above.

**Table 10-10: Layered Amortization Schedule** 

				Amounts for Fiscal Year Beginning 1/1/2024					
			Original		Remaining	Aı	nnual		
	Date	Original	Amortization	Outstanding	Amortization	Amo	rtization		
Type of UAL	Established	Balance <sup>1</sup>	Period <sup>2</sup>	UAL Balance <sup>3</sup>	Period <sup>2</sup>	Pa	yment		
Initial	12/31/2015	\$ 2,941,784	23	\$ 2,847,854	16	\$	241,224		
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2016	207,172	22	219,560	16		18,600		
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2017	(1,322,626)	21	(1,392,465)	16		(117,948)		
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2018	423,761	20	444,118	16		37,620		
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2019	265,176	19	276,304	16		23,400		
Assumption	12/31/2019	129,625	19	125,882	16		10,668		
Experience	12/31/2020	119,694	18	125,524	16		10,632		
Experience	12/31/2021	28,377	17	29,943	16		2,532		
Experience	12/31/2022	109,770	16	117,454	16		9,948		
Total				\$ 2,794,174		\$	236,676		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For each type of UAL (layer), this is the original balance as of the date the layer was established.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> According to the MERS amortization policy, each type of UAL (layer) is amortized over a specific period (see Appendix on MERS website).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This is the remaining balance as of the valuation date, projected to the beginning of the fiscal year shown above.

**Table 10-11: Layered Amortization Schedule** 

				Amounts for Fiscal Year Beginning 1/1/2024				
Type of UAL	Date Established	iginal lance <sup>1</sup>	Original Amortization Period <sup>2</sup>	Remaining Annua Outstanding Amortization Amortizat UAL Balance <sup>3</sup> Period <sup>2</sup> Paymei		zation		
Experience	12/31/2022	\$ 57,934	15	\$	61,989	15	\$	5,508
Total				\$	61,989		\$	5,508

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For each type of UAL (layer), this is the original balance as of the date the layer was established.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> According to the MERS amortization policy, each type of UAL (layer) is amortized over a specific period (see Appendix on MERS website).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This is the remaining balance as of the valuation date, projected to the beginning of the fiscal year shown above.

**Table 10-12: Layered Amortization Schedule** 

					А	mounts for I	Fiscal Year Begini	ning 1/1/	/2024
				Original			Remaining	An	nual
	Date	(	Original	Amortization	Out	standing	Amortization	Amor	tization
Type of UAL	Established	E	Balance <sup>1</sup>	Period <sup>2</sup>	UAL	Balance <sup>3</sup>	Period <sup>2</sup>	Pay	ment
Experience	12/31/2021	\$	(137,036)	15	\$	(143,421)	14	\$	(13,416)
Experience	12/31/2022		1,537	15		1,645	15		144
Total					\$	(141,776)		\$	(13,272)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For each type of UAL (layer), this is the original balance as of the date the layer was established.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> According to the MERS amortization policy, each type of UAL (layer) is amortized over a specific period (see Appendix on MERS website).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This is the remaining balance as of the valuation date, projected to the beginning of the fiscal year shown above.

#### Division 13 - 23rd Circuit Crt EEs Assoc

**Table 10-13: Layered Amortization Schedule** 

				Amounts for I	Fiscal Year Begin	ning 1/1/2	2024
			Original		Remaining	Ann	ual
	Date	Original	Amortization	Outstanding	Amortization	Amorti	zation
Type of UAL	Established	Balance <sup>1</sup>	Period <sup>2</sup>	UAL Balance <sup>3</sup>	Period <sup>2</sup>	Payn	nent
Initial	12/31/2015	\$ (34,454)	10	\$ (23,260)	8	\$	(3,420)
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2016	33	15	42	9		12
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2017	(8,073)	15	(7,443)	10		(912)
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2018	14,316	15	13,786	11		1,560
(Gain)/Loss	12/31/2019	8,571	15	8,494	12		900
Assumption	12/31/2019	4,252	15	4,264	12		444
Experience	12/31/2020	(11,333)	15	(11,596)	13		(1,152)
Experience	12/31/2021	(36,618)	15	(38,323)	14		(3,588)
Experience	12/31/2022	9,289	15	9,939	15		888
Total				\$ (44,097)	)	\$	(5,268)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For each type of UAL (layer), this is the original balance as of the date the layer was established.

The unfunded accrued liability (UAL) as of December 31, 2022 (see Table 6) is projected to the beginning of the fiscal year for which the contributions are being calculated. This allows the 2022 valuation to take into account the expected future contributions that are based on past valuations. Each type of UAL (layer) is amortized over the appropriate period. Please see the Appendix on the MERS website for a detailed description of the amortization policy.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> According to the MERS amortization policy, each type of UAL (layer) is amortized over a specific period (see Appendix on MERS website).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This is the remaining balance as of the valuation date, projected to the beginning of the fiscal year shown above.

#### **GASB Statement No. 68 Information**

The following information has been prepared to provide some of the information necessary to complete GASB Statement No. 68 disclosures. GASB Statement No. 68 is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2014. Additional resources, including an Implementation Guide, are available at <a href="http://www.mersofmich.com/">http://www.mersofmich.com/</a>.

Actuarial Valuation Date:  Measurement Date of the Total Pension Liability (TPL):		12/31/2022 12/31/2022
At 12/31/2022, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms: Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits: Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits (including refunds): Active employees:		71 73 <u>64</u> 208
Total Pension Liability as of 12/31/2021 measurement date:	\$	13,180,788
Total Pension Liability as of 12/31/2022 measurement date:	\$	13,636,908
Service Cost for the year ending on the 12/31/2022 measurement date:	\$	362,789
Change in the Total Pension Liability due to:  - Benefit changes <sup>1</sup> :  - Differences between expected and actual experience <sup>2</sup> :  - Changes in assumptions <sup>2</sup> :	\$ \$ \$	0 (69,587) 0
Average expected remaining service lives of all employees (active and inactive):		3
<sup>1</sup> A change in liability due to benefit changes is immediately recognized when calculating pension expense for the ye <sup>2</sup> Changes in liability due to differences between actual and expected experience, and changes in assumptions, are recognized in pension expense over the average remaining service lives of all employees.  Covered employee payroll (Needed for Required Supplementary Information):	ear. \$	2,718,755
	Ų	2,710,733
Note: Covered employee payroll may differ from the GASB Statement No. 68 definition.		
Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to changes in the discount rate:		
1% Decrease Current Discount (6.25%) Rate (7.25%) Change in Net Pension Liability as of 12/31/2022: \$ 1,564,980 \$ 0	\$	1% Increase (8.25%) (1,308,689)

Note: The current discount rate shown for GASB Statement No. 68 purposes is higher than the MERS assumed rate of return. This is because for GASB Statement No. 68 purposes, the discount rate must be gross of administrative expenses, whereas for funding purposes it is net of administrative expenses.



#### **GASB Statement No. 68 Information**

This page is for those municipalities who need to "roll forward" their total pension liability due to the timing of completion of the actuarial valuation in relation to their fiscal year-end.

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Actuarial Valuation Date:  Measurement Date of the Total Pension Liability (TPL):		12/31/2022 12/31/2023
At 12/31/2022, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms: Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits: Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefits (including refunds): Active employees:		71 73 <u>64</u> 208
Total Pension Liability as of 12/31/2022 measurement date:	\$	13,600,730
Total Pension Liability as of 12/31/2023 measurement date:	\$	14,014,590
Service Cost for the year ending on the 12/31/2023 measurement date:	\$	369,523
Change in the Total Pension Liability due to:  - Benefit changes¹:  - Differences between expected and actual experience²:  - Changes in assumptions²:	\$ \$ \$	0 38,803 0
Average expected remaining service lives of all employees (active and inactive):		3
<sup>1</sup> A change in liability due to benefit changes is immediately recognized when calculating pension expense for the ye <sup>2</sup> Changes in liability due to differences between actual and expected experience, and changes in assumptions, are recognized in pension expense over the average remaining service lives of all employees.	ar.	
Covered employee payroll (Needed for Required Supplementary Information):	\$	2,718,755
Note: Covered employee payroll may differ from the GASB Statement No. 68 definition.		
Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to changes in the discount rate:		
1% Decrease Current Discount (6.25%) Rate (7.25%) Change in Net Pension Liability as of 12/31/2023: \$ 1,620,852 \$ 0	\$	1% Increase ( <u>8.25%)</u> (1,354,406)

Note: The current discount rate shown for GASB Statement No. 68 purposes is higher than the MERS assumed rate of return. This is because for GASB Statement No. 68 purposes, the discount rate must be gross of administrative expenses, whereas for funding purposes it is net of administrative expenses.



## **Benefit Provision History**

The following benefit provision history is provided by MERS. Any corrections to this history or discrepancies between this information and information displayed elsewhere in the valuation report should be reported to MERS. All provisions are listed by date of adoption.

01 - Gnrl Union	
1/1/2021	Probationary Period 1 Month
1/1/2021	Voter-Elected Officials - Included
1/1/2021	Short Term Disability - Service Granted
1/1/2021	FMLA - Service Granted
1/1/2021	Appointed Officials - Included
1/1/2021	Public Safety Employees - Yes
1/1/2021	Long Term Disability - Service Granted
1/1/2021	Workers Compensation - Service Granted
1/1/2021	Service Credit Qualification - 130 hrs
1/1/2021	Custom Wages
7/1/2020	Participant Contribution Rate 2.5%
1/1/2018	Participant Contribution Rate 1.5%
12/1/2016	Service Credit Purchase Estimates - Yes
1/1/2009	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2009)
4/1/2008	Day of work defined as 130 Hours a Month for All employees.
1/1/2008	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2008)
1/1/2007	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2007)
1/1/2006	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2006)
1/1/2005	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2005)
1/1/2004	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2004)
1/1/2003	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2003)
1/1/2002	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2002)
1/1/2001	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2001)
1/1/2000	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2000)
1/1/1999	Flexible E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1999)
1/1/1991	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1991)
1/1/1990	Flexible E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1990)
1/1/1989	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1989)
5/1/1988	Benefit FAC-3 (3 Year Final Average Compensation)
5/1/1988	Benefit B-3 (80% max)
5/1/1988	Benefit F55 (With 15 Years of Service)
1/1/1988	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1988)
1/1/1987	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1987)
1/1/1985	Member Contribution Rate 1.00%
9/9/1980	Covered by Act 88
4/1/1977	Benefit FAC-5 (5 Year Final Average Compensation)
4/1/1977	10 Year Vesting
4/1/1977	Benefit C-1 (Old) (No Max)
4/1/1977	Member Contribution Rate 3.00% Under \$4,200.00 - Then 5.00%
4/1/1977	Fiscal Month - January
	Defined Benefit Normal Retirement Age - 60
	Early Reduced (.5%) at Age 50 with 25 Years or Age 55 with 15 Years



#### 02 - Shrff Union

- Shrff Union	
1/1/2021	Probationary Period 1 Month
1/1/2021	Voter-Elected Officials - Included
1/1/2021	Short Term Disability - Service Granted
1/1/2021	FMLA - Service Granted
1/1/2021	Appointed Officials - Included
1/1/2021	Public Safety Employees - Yes
1/1/2021	Long Term Disability - Service Granted
1/1/2021	Workers Compensation - Service Granted
1/1/2021	Service Credit Qualification - 80 hours
1/1/2021	Custom Wages
1/1/2020	Participant Contribution Rate 5.08%
12/1/2016	Service Credit Purchase Estimates - Yes
7/1/2011	Member Contribution Rate 4.08%
1/1/2009	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2009)
1/1/2008	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2008)
1/1/2007	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2007)
1/1/2006	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2006)
1/1/2005	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2005)
1/1/2004	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2004)
1/1/2003	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2003)
1/1/2002	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2002)
12/1/2001	Benefit B-4 (80% max)
12/1/2001	Member Contribution Rate 3.58%
1/1/2001	Benefit F50 (With 25 Years of Service)
1/1/2001	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2001)
1/1/2000	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2000)
1/1/1999	Flexible E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1999)
1/1/1990	Flexible E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1990)
1/1/1989	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1989)
5/1/1988	Benefit FAC-3 (3 Year Final Average Compensation)
5/1/1988	Benefit B-3 (80% max)
5/1/1988	Benefit F55 (With 15 Years of Service)
1/1/1988	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1988)
1/1/1987	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1987)
1/1/1985	Member Contribution Rate 1.00%
9/9/1980	Covered by Act 88
4/1/1977	Benefit FAC-5 (5 Year Final Average Compensation)
4/1/1977	10 Year Vesting
4/1/1977	Benefit C-1 (Old) (No Max)
4/1/1977	Member Contribution Rate 3.00% Under \$4,200.00 - Then 5.00%
4/1/1977	Fiscal Month - January
	Defined Benefit Normal Retirement Age - 60
	Early Reduced (.5%) at Age 50 with 25 Years or Age 55 with 15 Years

#### 10 - Gnrl Non Union

12/1/2016	Service Credit Purchase Estimates - Yes
7/1/2011	Member Contribution Rate 4.50%
4/1/2008	Day of work defined as 130 Hours a Month for All employees.
1/1/2003	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/2003)



#### 10 - Gnrl Non Union

1/1/1992	Member Contribution Rate 4.00%
12/31/1991	Member Contribution Rate 0.00%
1/1/1991	E1 2.5% COLA for past retirees (09/01/1990)
1/1/1991	E2 2.5% COLA for future retirees (09/01/1990)
9/1/1990	Benefit FAC-3 (3 Year Final Average Compensation)
9/1/1990	10 Year Vesting
9/1/1990	Benefit B-4 (80% max)
9/1/1990	Benefit F55 (With 15 Years of Service)
9/1/1990	Member Contribution Rate 1.00%
1/1/1990	Flexible E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1990)
1/1/1989	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1989)
1/1/1988	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1988)
1/1/1987	E 2% COLA Adopted (01/01/1987)
9/9/1980	Covered by Act 88
4/1/1977	Fiscal Month - January
	Defined Benefit Normal Retirement Age - 60
	Early Reduced (.5%) at Age 50 with 25 Years or Age 55 with 15 Years

#### 11 - Emplys 1/93

1/1/2021	Probationary Period 1 Month
1/1/2021	Voter-Elected Officials - Included
1/1/2021	Short Term Disability - Service Granted
1/1/2021	FMLA - Service Granted
1/1/2021	Appointed Officials - Included
1/1/2021	Public Safety Employees - Yes
1/1/2021	Long Term Disability - Service Granted
1/1/2021	Workers Compensation - Service Granted
1/1/2021	Service Credit Qualification - 130 hrs
1/1/2021	Custom Wages
4/1/2020	Participant Contribution Rate 2.5%
12/1/2016	Service Credit Purchase Estimates - Yes
1/1/2012	Day of work defined as 130 Hours a Month for All employees.
1/1/2012	Member Contribution Rate 1.50%
8/1/2000	Benefit B-3 (80% max)
1/1/1993	Benefit FAC-5 (5 Year Final Average Compensation)
1/1/1993	10 Year Vesting
1/1/1993	Benefit C-1 (New) (No Max)
1/1/1993	Member Contribution Rate 1.00%
9/9/1980	Covered by Act 88
4/1/1977	Fiscal Month - January
	Defined Benefit Normal Retirement Age - 60
	Early Reduced (.5%) at Age 50 with 25 Years or Age 55 with 15 Years

#### 12 - Division Trans

1/1/2021	Probationary Period 1 Month
1/1/2021	Voter-Elected Officials - Included
1/1/2021	Short Term Disability - Service Granted
1/1/2021	FMLA - Service Granted
1/1/2021	Appointed Officials - Included



#### 12 - Division Trans

1/1/2021	Public Safety Employees - Yes
1/1/2021	Long Term Disability - Service Granted
1/1/2021	Workers Compensation - Service Granted
1/1/2021	Service Credit Qualification - 130 hrs
1/1/2021	Custom Wages
4/1/2020	Participant Contribution Rate 2.5%
12/1/2016	Service Credit Purchase Estimates - Yes
7/1/2011	Member Contribution Rate 1.50%
4/1/2008	Day of work defined as 130 Hours a Month for All employees.
7/1/2000	Benefit FAC-3 (3 Year Final Average Compensation)
7/1/2000	10 Year Vesting
7/1/2000	Benefit B-3 (80% max)
7/1/2000	Benefit F55 (With 15 Years of Service)
7/1/2000	Member Contribution Rate 1.00%
9/9/1980	Covered by Act 88
4/1/1977	Fiscal Month - January
	Defined Benefit Normal Retirement Age - 60
	Early Reduced (.5%) at Age 50 with 25 Years or Age 55 with 15 Years

#### 13 - 23rd Circuit Crt EEs Assoc

3/1/2021	Participant Contribution Rate 3%
1/1/2021	Probationary Period 1 Month
1/1/2021	Voter-Elected Officials - Included
1/1/2021	Short Term Disability - Service Granted
1/1/2021	FMLA - Service Granted
1/1/2021	Appointed Officials - Included
1/1/2021	Public Safety Employees - Yes
1/1/2021	Long Term Disability - Service Granted
1/1/2021	Workers Compensation - Service Granted
1/1/2021	Service Credit Qualification - 130 hrs
1/1/2021	Custom Wages
12/1/2016	Service Credit Purchase Estimates - Yes
1/1/2015	Participant Contribution Rate 2%
10/1/2011	Day of work defined as 130 Hours a Month for All employees.
10/1/2011	Benefit FAC-5 (5 Year Final Average Compensation)
10/1/2011	10 Year Vesting
10/1/2011	Benefit B-3 (80% max)
10/1/2011	Member Contribution Rate 1.00%
9/9/1980	Covered by Act 88
4/1/1977	Fiscal Month - January
	Defined Benefit Normal Retirement Age - 60
	Early Reduced (.5%) at Age 50 with 25 Years or Age 55 with 15 Years



# Plan Provisions, Actuarial Assumptions, and Actuarial Funding Method

Details on MERS plan provisions, actuarial assumptions, and actuarial methodology can be found in the Appendix. Some actuarial assumptions are specific to this municipality and its divisions. These are listed below.

#### **Increase in Final Average Compensation**

Division	FAC Increase Assumption
All Divisions	2.00%

#### **Miscellaneous and Technical Assumptions**

Loads - None.

**Amortization Policy for Closed Not Linked Divisions:** The default funding policy for closed not linked divisions, including open divisions with zero active members, is to follow a non-accelerated amortization, where each closed period decreases by one year each year until the period is exhausted. In select instances, closed not linked division(s) may follow an accelerated amortization policy.



#### **Risk Commentary**

Determination of the accrued liability, the employer contribution, and the funded ratio requires the use of assumptions regarding future economic and demographic experience. Risk measures, as illustrated in this report, are intended to aid in the understanding of the effects of future experience differing from the assumptions used in the course of the actuarial valuation. Risk measures may also help with illustrating the potential volatility in the accrued liability, the actuarially determined contribution and the funded ratio that result from the differences between actual experience and the actuarial assumptions.

Future actuarial measurements may differ significantly from the current measurements presented in this report due to such factors as the following: plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions; changes in economic or demographic assumptions due to changing conditions; increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operation of the methodology used for these measurements (such as the end of an amortization period, or additional cost or contribution requirements based on the Plan's funded status); and changes in plan provisions or applicable law. The scope of an actuarial valuation does not include an analysis of the potential range of such future measurements.

Examples of risk that may reasonably be anticipated to significantly affect the plan's future financial condition include:

- Investment Risk actual investment returns may differ from the expected returns;
- Asset/Liability Mismatch changes in asset values may not match changes in liabilities, thereby altering
  the gap between the accrued liability and assets and consequently altering the funded status and
  contribution requirements;
- Salary and Payroll Risk actual salaries and total payroll may differ from expected, resulting in actual future accrued liability and contributions differing from expected;
- Longevity Risk members may live longer or shorter than expected and receive pensions for a period of time other than assumed; and
- Other Demographic Risks members may terminate, retire or become disabled at times or with benefits other than assumed resulting in actual future accrued liability and contributions differing from expected.

The effects of certain trends in experience can generally be anticipated. For example, if the investment return since the most recent actuarial valuation is less (or more) than the assumed rate, the cost of the plan can be expected to increase (or decrease). Likewise, if longevity is improving (or worsening), increases (or decreases) in cost can be anticipated.



#### PLAN MATURITY MEASURES

Risks facing a pension plan evolve over time. A young plan with virtually no investments and paying few benefits may experience little investment risk. An older plan with a large number of members in pay status and a significant trust may be much more exposed to investment risk. Generally accepted plan maturity measures include the following:

	12/31/2022	12/31/2021	12/31/2020	12/31/2019	12/31/2018
1. Ratio of the market value of assets to total payroll	3.2	3.7	3.7	3.2	3.3
2. Ratio of actuarial accrued liability to payroll	5.2	5.2	5.4	4.8	5.3
3. Ratio of actives to retirees and beneficiaries	0.9	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.9
4. Ratio of market value of assets to benefit payments	11.1	12.7	12.0	11.2	10.8
5. Ratio of net cash flow to market value of assets (boy)	-0.6%	-1.6%	-1.9%	-2.6%	-2.1%

#### RATIO OF MARKET VALUE OF ASSETS TO TOTAL PAYROLL

The relationship between assets and payroll is a useful indicator of the potential volatility of contributions. For example, if the market value of assets is 2.0 times the payroll, a return on assets 5% different than assumed would equal 10% of payroll. A higher (lower) or increasing (decreasing) level of this maturity measure generally indicates a higher (lower) or increasing (decreasing) volatility in plan sponsor contributions as a percentage of payroll.

#### RATIO OF ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY TO PAYROLL

The relationship between actuarial accrued liability and payroll is a useful indicator of the potential volatility of contributions for a fully funded plan. A funding policy that targets a funded ratio of 100% is expected to result in the ratio of assets to payroll and the ratio of liability to payroll converging over time.

#### RATIO OF ACTIVES TO RETIREES AND BENEFICIARIES

A young plan with many active members and few retirees will have a high ratio of actives to retirees. A mature open plan may have close to the same number of actives to retirees resulting in a ratio near 1.0. A supermature or closed plan may have significantly more retirees than actives resulting in a ratio below 1.0.

#### RATIO OF MARKET VALUE OF ASSETS TO BENEFIT PAYMENTS

The MERS' Actuarial Policy requires a total minimum contribution equal to the excess (if any) of three times the expected annual benefit payments over the projected market value of assets as of the participating municipality or court's Fiscal Year for which the contribution applies. The ratio of market value of assets to benefit payments as of the valuation date provides an indication of whether the division is at risk for triggering the minimum contribution rule in the near term. If the division triggers this minimum contribution rule, the required employer contributions could increase dramatically relative to previous valuations.

#### RATIO OF NET CASH FLOW TO MARKET VALUE OF ASSETS

A positive net cash flow means contributions exceed benefits and expenses. A negative cash flow means existing funds are being used to make payments. A certain amount of negative net cash flow is generally expected to occur when benefits are prefunded through a qualified trust. Large negative net cash flows as a percent of assets may indicate a super-mature plan or a need for additional contributions.



#### **State Reporting**

The following information has been prepared to provide some of the information necessary to complete the Public Act 202 pension reporting requirements for the State of Michigan's Local Government Retirement System Annual Report (Form No. 5572). Additional resources are available at <a href="https://www.mersofmich.com">www.mersofmich.com</a> and on the State <a href="https://www.mersofmich.com">website</a>.

Form 5572 Line Reference	Description	Result
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10	Membership as of December 31, 2022	
11	Indicate number of active members	64
12	Indicate number of inactive members (excluding pending refunds)	14
13	Indicate number of retirees and beneficiaries	71
14	Investment Performance for Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2022 <sup>1</sup>	
15	Enter actual rate of return - prior 1-year period	(10.37)%
16	Enter actual rate of return - prior 5-year period	4.95%
17	Enter actual rate of return - prior 10-year period	6.79%
18	Actuarial Assumptions	
19	Actuarial assumed rate of investment return <sup>2</sup>	7.00%
20	Amortization method utilized for funding the system's unfunded actuarial accrued liability, if any	Level Percent
21	Amortization period utilized for funding the system's unfunded actuarial accrued liability, if any <sup>3</sup>	16
22	Is each division within the system closed to new employees? <sup>4</sup>	No
23	Uniform Assumptions	
24	Enter retirement pension system's actuarial value of assets using uniform assumptions	\$9,292,305
25	Enter retirement pension system's actuarial accrued liabilities using uniform assumptions <sup>5</sup>	\$14,229,128
27	Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC) using uniform assumptions, Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2023	\$722,520

<sup>1.</sup> The Municipal Employees' Retirement System's investment performance has been provided to GRS from MERS Investment Staff and is included here for reporting purposes. The investment performance figures reported are net of investment expenses on a rolling calendar year basis for the previous 1-, 5-, and 10-year periods as required under PA 530.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2.</sup> Net of administrative and investment expenses.

<sup>3.</sup> Populated with the longest amortization period remaining in the amortization schedule, across all divisions in the plan. This is when each division and the plan in total is expected to reach 100% funded if all assumptions are met.

<sup>4.</sup> If all divisions within the employer are closed, "yes." If at least one division is open (including shadow divisions), "no."

<sup>5.</sup> Line 25 actuarial accrued liability is determined under PA 202 uniform assumptions which differ from the valuation assumptions. In particular, the assumed rate of return for PA 202 purposes is 6.85%.