

## MONTGOMERY COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

July 1, 2020

Effective July 1, 2020 eligible retirees, and others receiving annuity payments from the Montgomery County Employees' Retirement System (ERS), will receive a Cost-of-Living-Adjustment (COLA). The amount of the adjustment is based on the change in the Consumer Price Index-All Urban Consumers, Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-WVA (CPI-U) from May 2019 to May 2020. As noted below, those individuals in the Optional and Optional Integrated Plan, whose benefits began prior to 7/31/2019, will receive a reduction of (0.088%) in their benefit beginning July 1, 2020. For individuals in the Mandatory Integrated Plan, who began receiving benefits prior to 11/1/01, their benefit will reduce by (0.053%) and individuals who began receiving benefits from 11/1/01 through 7/31/19 will receive a reduction of (0.088%) effective July 1,2020.

Shown below is the percentage that each retirement benefit will change based on the plan and retirement date:

# **OPTIONAL & OPTIONAL INTEGRATED PLAN**

| <b>Retirement Date</b>   | <u>COLA</u>  |  |
|--|--|--|
| 07/31/2019 OR PRIOR<br>08/01/2019 - 09/30/2019<br>10/01/2019 - 11/30/2019<br>12/01/2019 - 01/31/2020<br>02/01/2020 - 03/31/2020<br>04/01/2020 - 05/31/2020 | (0.088%) 0.212% 0.088% 0.267% 0.000% 0.131% 0.000% |  |
| 06/01/2020 - 06/30/2020  | 0.000%   |  |

### MANDATORY INTEGRATED PLAN \*

| Retirement Date  | <u>COLA</u>     |  |
|--|-----------------|--|
| PRIOR TO 11/01/2001<br>11/01/2001 - 07/31/2019<br>08/01/2019 - 09/30/2019<br>10/01/2019 - 11/30/2019<br>12/01/2019 - 01/31/2020<br>02/01/2020 - 03/31/2020<br>04/01/2020 - 05/31/2020<br>06/01/2020 - 06/30/2020 | U.U88% <b>《</b> | who became members<br>ERS on or after 7/1/78 |

<sup>\*</sup> Sworn police and fire officers in the Mandatory Integrated Plan who retired from March 1, 2000 through October 31, 2001 receive (0.088%).

Questions regarding this information, please call (240) 777-8230 or email us at retirement@montgomerycountymd.gov.

\*\*See page two for individuals who are receiving a vested retirement benefit.\*\*

### VESTED OPTIONAL PLAN OPTIONAL INTEGRATED PLAN

| Payment Date            | <u>COLA</u> |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| 07/31/2019 OR PRIOR     | (0.088%)    |
| 08/01/2019 - 09/30/2019 | 0.212%      |
| 10/01/2019 - 11/30/2019 | 0.088%      |
| 12/01/2019 - 01/31/2020 | 0.267%      |
| 02/01/2020 - 03/31/2020 | 0.000%      |
| 04/01/2020 - 05/31/2020 | 0.131%      |
| 06/01/2020 - 06/30/2020 | 0.000%      |
|                         |             |

#### VESTED MANDATORY INTEGRATED PLAN Separated service on or after 11/1/01 Separated service prior to 11/1/01 Payment Date **COLA** Payment Date COLA 07/31/2019 OR PRIOR (0.088%)07/31/2019 OR PRIOR (0.053%)08/01/2019 - 09/30/201908/01/2019 - 09/30/2019 0.212% 0.127% 10/01/2019 - 11/30/2019 0.088% 10/01/2019 - 11/30/20190.053% 12/01/2019 - 01/31/202012/01/2019 - 01/31/2020 0.267% 0.160% 02/01/2020 - 03/31/2020 0.000% 02/01/2020 - 03/31/20200.000% 04/01/2020 - 05/31/2020 04/01/2020 - 05/31/20200.079% 0.131% 06/01/2020 - 06/30/202006/01/2020 - 06/30/2020 0.000% 0.000%