

# RETIREMENT NEWSLETTER

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## APR 2026

### 2026 Cost-of-Living Increase

StanCERA retirees were approved for a cost-of-living (COLA) increase this year. For eligible members, the May 1, 2026 benefit payment reflects your annual Cost of Living increase as follows:

- Tiers 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 retired April 2, 2023 - April 1, 2025 - 3.0%
- Tiers 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 retired April 1, 2023 and prior - 3.0%
- Tier 3 retirees and beneficiaries are not eligible.



### Connect With Us On LinkedIn!

StanCERA is now on LinkedIn!

Follow us at

<https://www.linkedin.com/company/stancera> for highlights on StanCERA news and happenings.





## Protecting Your Information - Phone Safety

Want to keep your information safe over the phone? Here are some tips to keep in mind:

- Beware of any caller urgently demanding your personal information. If you are unsure a call is legitimate, hang up, lookup the institution's number, and call them directly.
- Learn about AI voice scams. Fraudsters can now call and impersonate a loved one in danger or in urgent need of financial help. With AI voice cloning technology, these scams can sound very convincing.
- Never leave a voicemail with full banking account numbers or social security numbers.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Pre-Retirement Seminar

May 27<sup>th</sup> 9am to 11am

Registration opens April 27<sup>th</sup> via EventBrite. See flyer on the next page for registration information.

### Upcoming Office Closures

MEMORIAL DAY - MAY 25<sup>TH</sup>

JUNETEENTH - JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup>

INDEPENDENCE DAY (OBSERVED) - JULY 3<sup>RD</sup>

### Meet Our Admin Services Officer



Alaine Taa joined StanCERA in 2012 and currently serves as the Administrative Services Officer and Clerk of the Board for the Board of Retirement. She has 14 years of experience in retirement plan administration and 22 years in public service. Her goals for StanCERA are to enhance service quality for the public, vendors, and Board of Retirement, ensure excellent support for Board meetings and meet the needs of Board members, staff, and our members.

# PRE-RETIREMENT SEMINAR

Now with online  
registration!

<https://stancera-seminar-may-2026.eventbrite.com>

LEARN ALL ABOUT YOUR PENSION AND YOUR  
RETIREMENT OPTIONS.



SPEAKER:

**DONNA  
WOOD**



DATE:

**MAY 27<sup>TH</sup>,  
2026**



TIME:

**9AM -  
11AM**



LOCATION:

**STANCERA  
BOARDROOM  
(6TH FLOOR)**  
Free 2-Hr Parking at  
820 12th Street

## AGENDA / TOPICS

- About StanCERA Retirement
- Retirement Eligibility
- Retirement Planning
- Post-Retirement Benefits
- Q & A Session

REGISTER STARTING  
APRIL 27TH  
VIA EVENTBRITE

Spouses / Registered Partners Welcome!

**YOUR RETIREMENT  
INFORMATION, 24/7**



Want 24/7 access to self-service information and tools regarding your pension?



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PORTAL ACCOUNT  
TODAY! >>>>

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Step-by-step registration guide  
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