

# Pension E-News



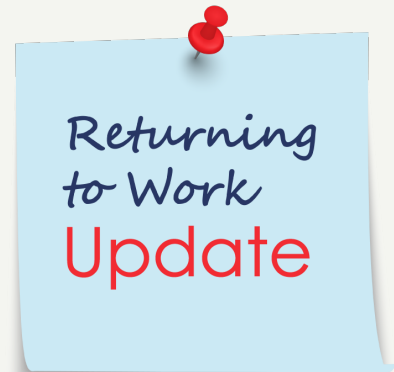
## Holiday Office Closings

The CTPF office will be closed on Monday, July 4, 2022 in observance of Independence Day. The office will reopen at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 5, 2022.

## Returning to Work After Retirement

During the spring legislative session, the Illinois General Assembly unanimously passed two measures designed to help address the shortage of Chicago Public School (CPS) substitute teachers/administrators, and another which allows the purchase of prior teaching service in private schools for a limited time.

1. SB 4000 Return to Work changes for CTPF Teachers and Administrators.
2. SB 3465 Return to Work in shortage areas.
3. PA 102-0822 (SB 2989) Private school service credit purchase.



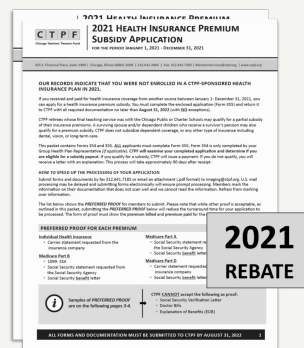
CTPF is working to align Fund policy with current legislation and will be sharing additional information with members this spring. [Learn more here.](#)

## Medicare Plan F Update

CTPF has had members inquire with concerns about the phasing out of the AARP Medicare Supplement Plan F, an individual Medigap plan administered by UnitedHealthcare and endorsed by AARP. At this time, the plan remains open to members who turned age 65 before January 1, 2020. The plan was limited due to the Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015 (MACRA), and the decision to limit enrollment was determined by Medicare. [Learn more here.](#)

# Health Insurance Rebate Reminder

Annuitants who have health insurance coverage from another source between January 1- December 31, 2021, received a mailing detailing the process for applying for a premium subsidy. Applicants **must complete and return the application (Form 355)**. The deadline to submit applications is August 31, 2022, with a grace period to September 16, 2022. Applications postmarked after September 16 will not qualify for a 2021 rebate.



## New This Year: Outside Health Insurance Rebate Webinars

CTPF offered webinars with information about eligibility requirements, required documentation, the timeline for the rebate process, and share pitfalls to avoid when completing the outside rebate application. Find a recorded version at [ctpf.org](http://ctpf.org).

# 2022 Trustee Elections

This fall, CTPF will hold an election for:

- Two Teacher Trustees to serve three-year terms from November 2022 – November 2025
- One Principal/Administrator Trustee to serve a three-year term from November 2022 – November 2025

Candidate nomination packets are now available. Contact Election Coordinator Gail Davis: **312.604.1400**, ext. 402, or email [elections@ctpf.org](mailto:elections@ctpf.org) to request a packet.

Visit the [Election Central page](#) for additional information.

# Preparing for Retirement

Here are a few steps to take now if you intend to retire in June:

- Download and complete a [Retirement Application Packet](#). Read and review the forms and collect your required documentation. Refer to the retirement checklist in the Application for Service Retirement to help gather the necessary documentation. An incomplete form will delay the processing of your retirement benefit.
- Review the slides and recorded version of the 2022 retirement webinar.
  - [2022 Retirement Webinar Presentation](#)
  - [2022 Retirement Webinar Recording](#)
- Collect or obtain the required personal identification documents listed on the checklist. (Applications missing any documentation will not be accepted).
- Member Services now offers remote notarization for CTPF documents, in accordance with Illinois law. Members who would like assistance notarizing CTPF documents should call or email Member Services at 312.641.4464 or email [memberservices@ctpf.org](mailto:memberservices@ctpf.org), and request a videoconference for notarization.

# myCTPF Offers Helpful Features

New features have been added to the *myCTPF* Member Self-Service Portal, which is now available to surviving spouses. These updates offer an even more accessible and efficient *myCTPF*

experience. Register at [myCTPF.org](https://myCTPF.org) to:

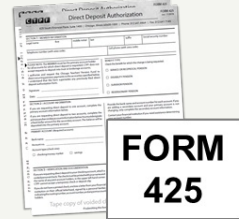
- Request an estimate of your CTPF retirement benefit (for active members who meet the eligibility requirements) and then view, download, and print when they are available.
- View your address, contact information, and benefit status
- Download a pay advice or 1099R (retirees) or Member Statement (members with service credit with CTPF)



Register today at [myCTPF.org](https://myCTPF.org)

## Pension Payment Schedule

CTPF encourages all members to switch to direct deposit. Call Member Services at 312.641.4464 to request a direct deposit form. The schedule for mailing checks and direct deposit dates through November 2022 is listed below. [Click here for the full schedule.](#)



Month	Last Day to Submit an Address or Tax Withholding Change	Check Mailing Date	Direct Deposit Date
July 2022	June 15, 2022	June 29, 2022	July 1, 2022
August 2022	July 15, 2022	July 29, 2022	August 1, 2022
September 2022	August 17, 2022	August 30, 2022	September 1, 2022
October 2022	September 16, 2022	September 29, 2022	October 3, 2022
November 2022	October 17, 2022	October 28, 2022	November 1, 2022

## Employee Contribution Reporting

Each pay period, Employers remit employee pension contributions to CTPF. Illinois law requires that these contributions be made within a certain time period. If the Employer does not send the funds within the required time, penalties may be assessed. Find the most recent list of delinquent employers [here](#).

## Lost Payees

CTPF is trying to contact members who are over age 72, but who have not commenced benefits or taken a refund of their contributions. If you or someone you know is included on the [Lost Payees Listing](#), please contact Member Services, 312.641.4464 or email [memberservices@ctpf.org](mailto:memberservices@ctpf.org).

## CTPF COVID-19 Information & Resources

CTPF is committed to doing our part to stop the spread of COVID-19. For the health, safety, and wellbeing of all CTPF Members, the Fund continues to deliver all member services remotely. The physical office remains closed to all but essential employees whose duties cannot be performed offsite. In-person services and counseling are suspended until it is safe

to resume these operations.

CTPF has implemented the following changes for the health and safety of all:

- In-person appointments and services are suspended.
- Phone assistance, video counseling, and remote notarization appointments are available. Members should call 312.641.4464 or email [memberservices@ctpf.org](mailto:memberservices@ctpf.org) for assistance.
- US Mail processing may be delayed. Send benefit applications, forms, and documents by fax 312.641.7185 or email an attachment (.pdf or .jpg format) to [imaging@ctpf.org](mailto:imaging@ctpf.org) to ensure prompt processing.

Learn more on the COVID-19 Response Page [ctpf.org/covid-19](https://ctpf.org/covid-19).

## CTPF Appreciates Your Feedback

CTPF always appreciates feedback on its publications. Complete this brief [survey](#) and help us improve Pension E-News.



All current meeting dates, office information, and upcoming event information can be found on the CTPF Calendar at [ctpf.org/calendar](https://ctpf.org/calendar).

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