

## San Luis Obispo County Retired Employes Association



## San Luis Obispo County Pension Trust (SLOCPT)

- Independent trust established to administer the SLO County Employees Retirement Plan
- Pension Benefits are determined by the County Board of Supervisors
- SLOCPT Board of Trustees
  - Administers the Retirement Plan
  - Sets the overall contribution rates to fund the Plan
  - Governs the investment of the Plan's assets
  - Seven (7) Trustees:
    - ❖ Three (3) appointed by the Board of Supervisors: **Jeff Hamm, Lisa Howe, Gere Sibbach**
    - Three (3) elected by Employees: Michelle Shoresman, Geoff O'Quest, David Grim
    - County Auditor-Controller-Treasurer-Tax Collector: Jim Hamilton

## SLOCPT - Staff

#### **Executive Director**

► Katie Girardi (2024)

### **Deputy Director**

► Amy Burke (2012)

## **Retirement Benefit Specialist**

- Lisa Winter (2015)
- ► Anna Bastidos (2015)

#### **Retirement Technician**

- ► Ros Harding (2013)
- ▶ Josh Lopez (2019)

#### **Accountant**

▶ Jennifer Alderete (2015)

#### **Administrative Assistant**

► Suzette Lopez (2019)



# TOPICS TO BE COVERED TODAY:

**Statistics** 

Membership

Investments/Funding

All Weather Portfolio, Investment Earnings, Funding

**Retiree COLA** 

**2024 COLA, Future Outlook** 

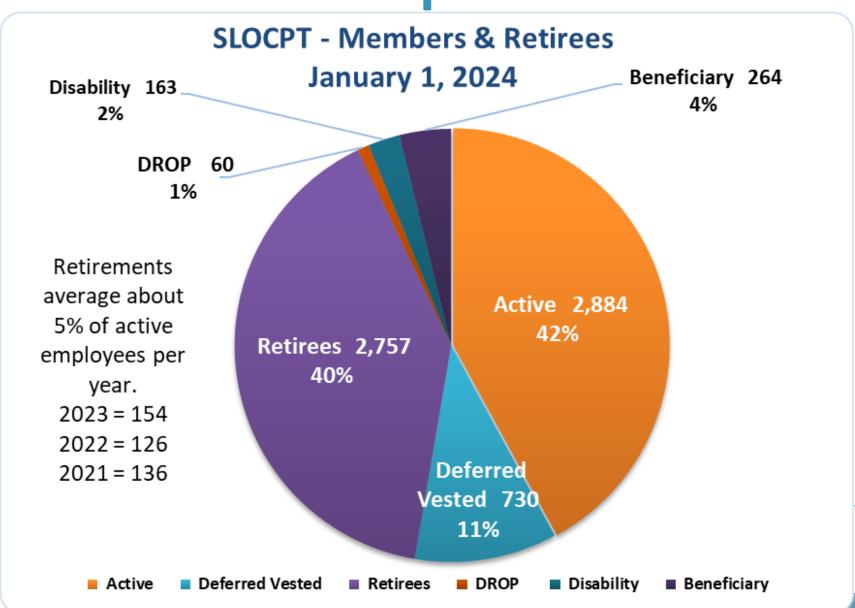
**Risks/Security** 

Investment, Economic, Inflation, Headline California Rule, SLO County, Cyber/Fraud

How do I...?

Member Portal, Address, Tax Withholding, Direct Deposit, Beneficiaries, Death

## **SLOCPT Membership**



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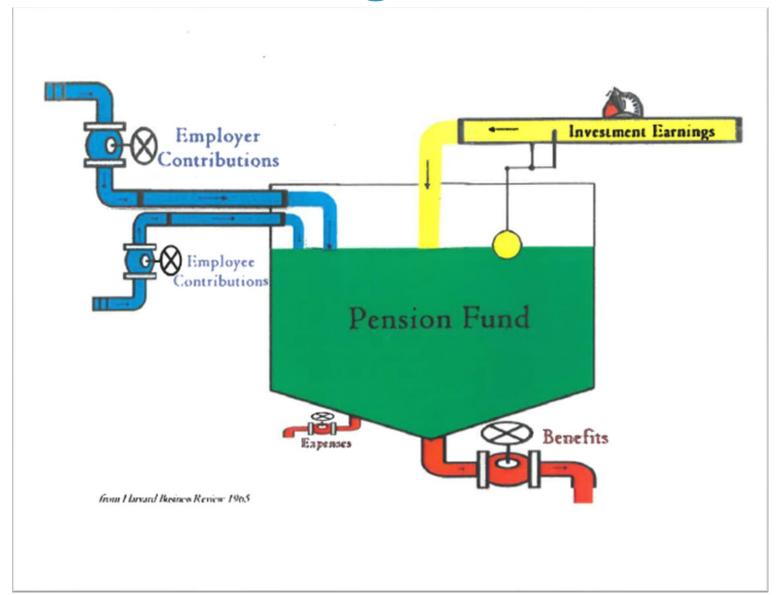
## Active Employees (12/31/2023)

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    2,466 Miscellaneous = 85%
    118 Probation = 4%
    300 Safety = 11%
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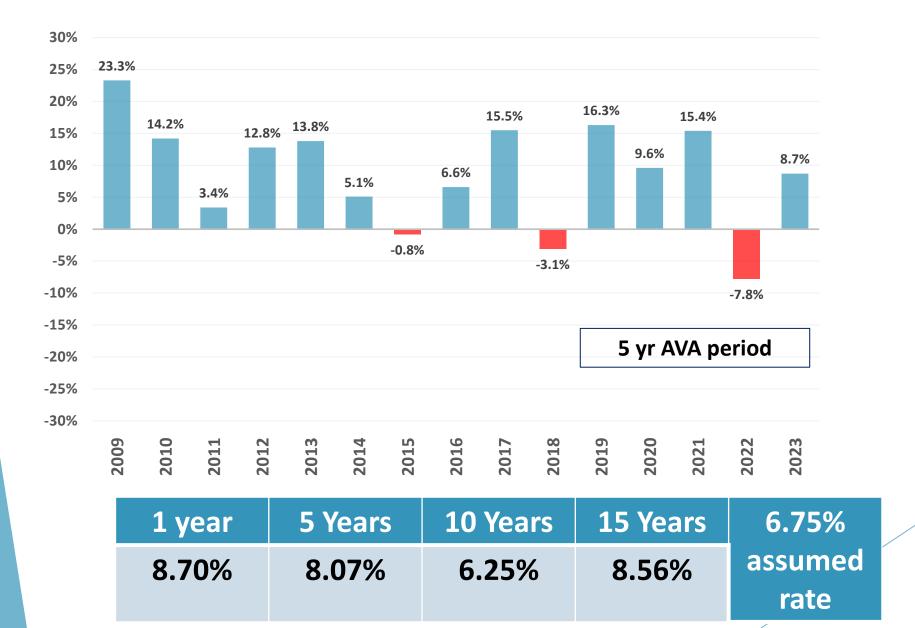
Avg. Active member pay approx. = \$86,700/yr

Retiree Payroll: \$11.3 million/mth or \$135.6 million/year Avg. Retiree Benefit approx. = \$41,133/yr

## **How Pension Funding Works**



## SLOCPT Investment Returns (12/31/2023)



# SLOCPT Strategic Asset Allocation (SAA)

Strategic Asset Allocation Policy		
Adopted Feb. 27, 2023	Composite Target	Target
GROWTH <sup>1</sup>	75.0%	
Public Market Equities		30.0%
US Equities		16.0%
US Large Cap		12.0%
US Small/Mid Cap		4.0%
Non-US		14.0%
Real Assets		15.0%
Core Real Estate		5.0%
Value Add Real Estate		5.0%
Global Infrastructure		5.0%
Private Markets <sup>2</sup>		30.0%
Private Equity		18.0%
Private Credit		12.0%
Opportunistic		0.0%
RISK DIVERSIFYING	15.0%	
US Treasury		8.0%
US Inflation Protected Securities (TIPS)		7.0%
LIQUIDITY <sup>4</sup>	10.0%	
Cash		4.0%
Short duration Gov't/Investment Grade Credit		6.0%
TOTAL	100%	

## Periodic table of returns

BEST		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	YTD	5-Year	10-Year
<b>8</b>	Large Cap Growth	56.3	26.0	34.5	32.6	39.8	5.2	79.0	29.1	14.3	18.6	43.3	13.5	13.3	31.7	37.3	6.7	36.4	38.5	28.3	16.1	42.7	19.5	14.9
<b>1</b>	Large Cap Equity	48.5	22.2	21.4	26.9	16.2	1.4	37.2	26.9	7.8	18.1	38.8	13.2	5.7	21.3	30.2	1.9	31.4	34.6	27.6	9.4	26.5	15.5	11.8
	Small Cap Growth	47.3	20.7	20.1	23.5	15.8	-6.5	34.5	24.5	2.6	17.9	34.5	13.0	0.9	17.3	25.0	0.0	28.5	21.0	27.1	1.5	18.7	10.9	8.4
	International Equity	46.0	18.3	14.0	22.2	11.8	-21.4	32.5	19.2	1.5	17.5	33.5	11.8	0.6	12.1	22.2	-1.5	26.5	20.0	26.5	-4.7	18.2	10.0	7.4
	Small Cap Equity	39.2	16.5	7.5	18.4	11.6	-25.9	28.4	16.8	0.4	16.4	33.1	6.0	0.0	11.8	21.7	-3.5	25.5	18.3	25.2	-7.5	16.9	10.0	7.2
	60/40 Global Portfolio	30.0	14.5	7.1	16.6	10.9	-28.9	27.2	16.7	0.1	16.3	32.5	5.6	-0.4	11.3	17.1	-4.8	22.4	14.0	17.7	-13.0	15.4	9.2	7.2
	Small Cap Value	29.9	14.3	6.3	15.5	10.3	-33.8	23.3	16.1	-2.1	15.3	23.3	4.9	-0.8	11.2	14.6	-6.0	22.0	10.3	14.8	-14.5	14.6	8.2	6.8
	Large Cap Value	29.7	12.9	5.3	15.1	7.0	-35.6	20.6	15.5	-2.9	14.6	12.1	4.2	-1.4	8.0	13.7	-8.3	18.6	7.8	11.3	-14.5	11.5	7.2	5.1
	Emerging Markets Equity	25.2	11.4	4.7	13.3	7.0	-36.8	19.7	13.1	-4.2	11.5	11.0	3.4	-2.5	7.1	7.8	-9.3	18.4	7.5	8.9	-17.3	9.8	7.0	4.3
	Hedge Funds of Funds	23.9	9.1	4.6	10.4	5.8	-37.6	18.9	10.2	-5.5	10.5	9.0	2.8	-3.8	5.7	7.7	-11.0	8.7	4.6	6.5	-19.1	6.3	5.3	3.3
	US Bonds	11.6	6.9	4.6	9.1	4.4	-38.4	11.5	8.2	-5.7	4.8	0.1	0.0	-4.4	2.6	7.0	-11.2	7.8	2.8	2.8	-20.1	5.5	5.1	2.7
	Cash	9.0	6.3	4.2	4.8	-0.2	-38.5	5.9	6.5	-11.7	4.2	-2.0	-1.8	-7.5	1.0	3.5	-12.9	7.7	0.5	0.0	-20.4	5.0	3.7	1.8
	Real Estate	4.1	4.3	3.2	4.3	-1.6	-43.1	0.2	5.7	-13.3	0.1	-2.3	-4.5	-14.9	0.5	1.7	-13.8	6.4	0.5	-1.5	-26.4	-5.1	1.8	1.2
	Commodities	1.0	1.4	2.4	2.1	-9.8	-53.2	-16.9	0.1	-18.2	-1.1	-9.5	-17.0	-24.7	0.3	0.9	-14.6	2.1	-3.1	-2.5	-29.1	-7.9	1.1	-1.1
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ST	Large Cap Equity					Small Cap Growth					Commodities													
WORST	Large Cap Value				International Equity					Real Estate														
		Large Cap Growth					Emerging Markets Equity						Hedge Funds of Funds											
	Small Cap Equity					US Bonds						60% MSCI ACWI/40% Bloomberg Global Bond												
	Small Cap Value					Cash																		

Source Data: Morningstar, Inc., Hedge Fund Research, Inc. (HFR), National Council of Real Estate Investment Fiduciaries (NCREIF). Indices used: Russell 1000, Russell 1000 Value, Russell 1000 Growth, MSCI EAFE, MSCI EM, Bloomberg US Aggregate, T-Bill 90 Day, Bloomberg Commodity, NCREIF Property, HFRI FOF, MSCI ACWI, Bloomberg Global Bond. NCREIF Property Index performance data as of 9/30/23.



## **SLOCPT Actuarial Status - 2023**

2023 Actuarial Valuation – 12/31/22 data

Actuarial Value of Assets (AVA) \$ 1,680 million

Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) \$ 2,622 million

Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liab. (UAAL) \$ 942 million

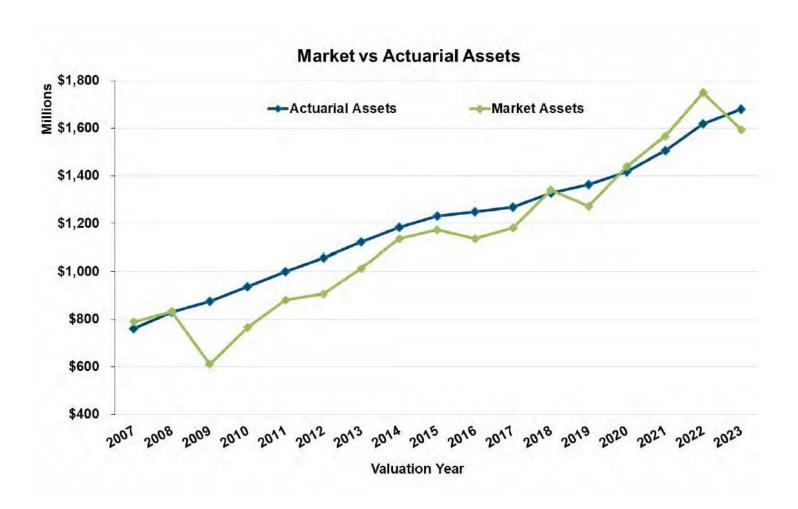
**Funded Ratio = 64.1%** 

Market Value of Assets (MVA) \$1,595 million

Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) \$2,622 million

Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liab. (UAAL) \$1,028 million

**Funded Ratio = 60.8%** 



## 2023 Projections – Funded Ratio

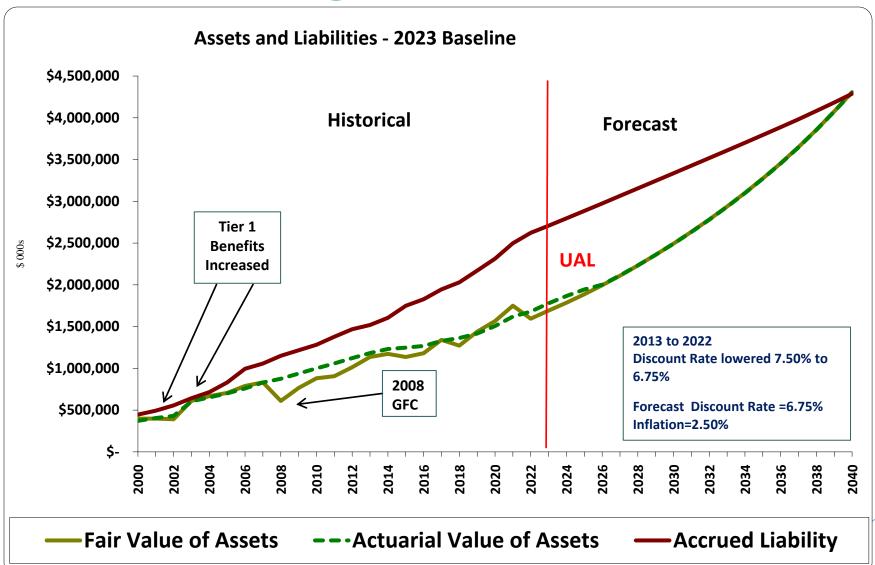




- SLOCPT is projected to make some funding progress over the next five years
- Recognition of the \$85 million deferred assets losses causes the slower progress
- UAL payment is still large enough to pay down interest and principal
- Current funding policy is sufficient for SLOCPT to reach full funding by the end of the projection period shown



## **SLOCPT Funding**





## SLOCPT Cost of Living Adjustment

## **COLA**

**Dependent on which Tier you retired from:** 

- □ <u>Tier 1</u>
  - COLA based on CPI inflation with 3.0% max and a carryover if inflation is over 3.0%
- □ <u>Tiers 2 & 3</u>
  - COLA based on CPI inflation with 2.0% max, no carryover

Effective April 1<sup>st</sup> if retired on or before January 1<sup>st</sup> of current year

## SLOCPT Cost of Living Adjustment COLA

Based on the two (2) year average change of San Francisco and Los Angeles Consumer Price Index (CPI)

	Annual	Average
	<b>Average CPI-U</b>	<b>Annual Increase</b>
LA metropolitan area: 2021:	289.244	
2022:	310.782	7.446%
2023:	321.583	3.475%
SF metropolitan area: 2021:	309.721	
2022:	327.060	5.598%
2023:	339.050	<u>3.666%</u>
		5.046%

(rounded to nearest 1/10 percent = 5.0%)

# **SLOCPT Cost of Living Adjustment COLA**

**Tier 1 Retirees** 

Initial Retirement Date	CPI Change	COLA Granted	COLA Bank
On or before 1/1/79	5.0%	3.0%	20.4%
1/2/79 to 1/1/1980	5.0%	3.0%	16.1%
1/2/80 to 1/1/1981	5.0%	3.0%	9.4%
1/2/81 to 1/1/2023	5.0%	3.0%	4.0%
1/2/23 to 1/1/2024	5.0%	3.0%	2.0%

Tier 2 & 3 Retirees

CPI Change	COLA Granted
5.0%	2.0%

## **SLOCPT Risks**

#### **Investment Risk:**

## Market fluctuations can impact the value of investments

Risk falls on SLOCPT, not individuals

**Verus** 

## Economic/Political Risk:

War, trade disputes, political unrest ripple effect on economies

#### **Election year**

 Since 1936, the 10 year annualized return of U.S. stocks made at the start of an election year was 11.2% when a Democrat won or 10.5% in years a Republican prevailed

Minimal recession risk

#### **Inflation Risk:**

Eroding purchasing power

COLA adjustments & Tier 1 bank

Social Security – Full CPI increase

## Pension Headline Risk:

"Lawmakers still turn a blind eye toward pension debt" *Funding policy* 

"Retirement crisis looms as Americans struggle to save" *Lifetime income* 

"The market meltdown threatening pension for millions.." *Investment policy* 

## **SLOCPT Security**

#### "California Rule"

 Terms and conditions of pension cannot be reduced

#### **SLO County**

AAA/AA+ bond rating

#### **PEPRA - 2013**

Reform for long-term sustainability

## Cyber/Fraud

- Validate identity
- Member portal PIN/Dual Authentication



## **SLOCPT Member Portal**



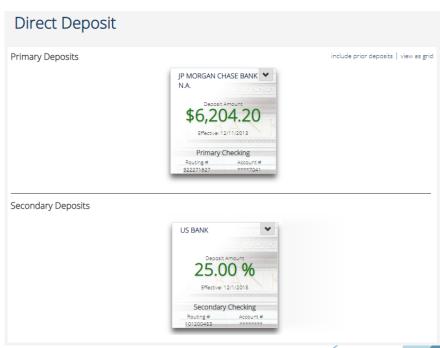
#### New User PIN letter

Call SLOCPT

## Returning User Username/Password

Forgot Username/Password

https://Members.SLOCPT.org





# How do I change my address?

1) MemberDirect Portal

Member Information > Personal Information

- 2) Call SLOCPT for paper form
  - Monthly payment advices
  - Annual 1099R
  - Notice letters

#### Withholding Certificate for Periodic Pension or Annuity Payments

Give Form W-4P to the payer of your pension or annuity payments.

and middle initial	Last name	(b) Soc
tate, and ZIP code		

ngle or Married filing separately

tarried filing jointly or Qualifying surviving spouse

ead of household (Check only if you're unmarried and pay more than half the costs of keeping up a home for yourself

**DNLY if they apply to you; otherwise, skip to Step 5.** See pages 2 and 3 for more informator at <a href="https://www.irs.gov/W4App">www.irs.gov/W4App</a>, and how to elect to have no federal income tax withheld (if per

nplete this step if you (1) have income from a job or more than one pension/annuity, or (2) ε thy and your spouse receives income from a job or a pension/annuity. See page 2 for examplete Step 2.

- only one of the following.
- ) Use the estimator at www.irs.gov/W4App for most accurate withholding for this step (and your spouse have self-employment income, use this option; or
- b) Complete the items below.
  - (i) If you (and/or your spouse) have one or more jobs, then enter the total taxable annufrom all jobs, plus any income entered on Form W-4, Step 4(a), for the jobs le deductions entered on Form W-4, Step 4(b), for the jobs. Otherwise, enter "-0-"

  - (iii) Add the amounts from items (i) and (ii) and enter the total here . . . . . . .

TIP: To be accurate, submit a new Form W-4P for all other pensions/annuities if you have withholding since 2021 or this is a new pension/annuity that pays less than the other(s), your job(s) if you have not updated your withholding since 2019.

eps 3-4(b) on this form only if (b)(i) is blank and this pension/annuity pays the most annual on this form.

## **Tax Withholding**

**Federal and State withholding** 

Tables updated annually

Log in to MemberDirect

Adjust withholding to see net pay

Call SLOCPT for W-4P Form

Complex

https://apps.irs.gov/app/tax-withholding-estimator

**SLOCPT Employees are not Tax Advisers** 



# How do I change my Direct Deposit bank?

#### **Requirements:**

- Signed paper Direct Deposit Authorization
  - Call SLOCPT or download form from MemberDirect
- Back up bank-issued documentation showing name, account number, and bank routing number (i.e., voided check or bank statement)
- At least five (5) business days prior to next pension payment date

For your security, NO online or phone authorizations are accepted!

How do I change my Beneficiaries?

#### **Pension Continuance Benefits:**

Elected at the point of retirement

 Eligible Survivor or named Beneficiary if no survivor at retirement

Irrevocable once elected in most situations

If changes are allowed a reduction in benefit is required

Beneficiaries - \$1,000 lump sum death benefit

 Call SLOCPT or download form from Member Direct

Spousal/RDP consent





# What happens when a Retiree dies?

#### **SLOCPT** notification

Executor or Trustee calls SLOCPT

### Benefits are paid in advance

 Possible ACH retraction of the last payment

Continuance benefits to named beneficiary chosen at the point of retirement

#### **Lump sum death benefits**

• After Retirement - \$1,000

## QUESTIONS?

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