

# **Board of Retirement Regular Meeting**

Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System

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| MEETING DATE: | January 18 | , 2023 |
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SUBJECT: Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for Fiscal Year

**Ended June 30, 2022** 

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| SUBMITTED FOR: | X Consent | and Action   | and File |

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Receive and file the SCERS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (the ACFR) based on the audited financial statements and auditor reports as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, issued by SCERS' independent auditor, Brown Armstrong Accountancy Corporation (Brown Armstrong).

## **PURPOSE**

This item supports the Strategic Management Plan by maintaining transparent communications to stakeholders and promoting fiscal responsibility and stewardship.

## **DISCUSSION**

This item fulfils the requirements of Sections 25250 and 25253 of the Government Code of the State of California to prepare an Annual Financial Report. The ACFR is prepared in consult with the external auditors selected by the Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System's Board of Retirement. The financial section of the ACFR is the audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022.

On November 15, 2022, Brown Armstrong presented the June 30, 2022, SCERS financial statement audit results to the Audit Committee. On December 7, 2022, the SCERS Board of Retirement approved the audit financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022.

## <u>ATTACHMENTS</u>

- Board Order
- SCERS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report

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| Margo Allen              | Eric Stern              |  |  |
| Chief Operations Officer | Chief Executive Officer |  |  |



# Retirement Board Order

# **Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System**

# Before the Board of Retirement January 18, 2023

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# Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT hereby approves Staff's recommendation to receive and file the SCERS Annual Comprehensive Financial Report based on the audited financial statements and auditor reports as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, issued by SCERS' independent auditor, Brown Armstrong Accountancy Corporation.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above order was passed and adopted on

| Janu | uary 18, 2023 by the following vote of the | e Board of Retirement, to wit:                         |
|------|--|--|
|      | AYES:                                      |  |
|      | NOES:                                      |  |
|      | ABSENT:                                    |  |
|      | ABSTAIN:                                   |  |
|      | ALTERNATES:<br>(Present but not voting)    |  |
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|      | n DeVore<br>d President                    | Eric Stern Chief Executive Officer and Board Secretary |





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# **FINANCIAL** REPORT WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022 PENSION TRUST FUND OF THE COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

Sacramento, California

Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System

Issued By:

**ERIC STERN** 

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**MARGO ALLEN** 

CHIEF OPERATIONS OFFICER

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM** 

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# **SECTION 1**

# **INTRODUCTION**

### **CORE VALUES**

# **STEWARDSHIP**

By recognizing the trust members put in us to manage assets and resources prudently, to sustain SCERS for future generations.



# LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL



Eric Stern, Chief Executive Officer

Margo Allen, Chief Operations Officer

Steve Davis, Chief Investment Officer

Stephen Lau, General Counsel

Mario Sierras, Chief Benefits Officer

November 17, 2022

Board of Retirement Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System 980 9th Street, Suite 1900 Sacramento. CA 95814

#### Dear Board Members:

As Chief Executive Officer of the Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System (SCERS or the System), I am pleased to present this Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR or the Report) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022.

I trust that readers of this Report and members of the System will find this information helpful in understanding SCERS and its commitment to financial integrity and customer service.

Responsibility for both the accuracy of the data and the completeness and fairness of the presentation in this Report rests with the management of the System. To the best of management's knowledge and belief, the enclosed data is accurate in all material respects and is reported in a manner designed to present fairly the financial position and results of operations of the System.

### THE SYSTEM

SCERS is a cost-sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement system, enacted and administered in accordance with the provisions of the County Employees Retirement Law of 1937 (California Government Code Section 31450, et seq) (1937 Act) and the California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA). Since its establishment by the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors in 1941, SCERS has provided retirement, disability, and survivors' benefits to eligible participants of the System Under Article XVI, Section 17 of the Constitution of the State of California, the SCERS Board of Retirement (the Board) is vested with plenary authority and fiduciary responsibility for the investment of monies and the administration of the System. Together, the provisions of the State Constitution and the 1937 Act establish SCERS as a separate and independent governmental entity from the public employers that participate in SCERS. At June 30, 2022, the County of Sacramento (and its Elected Officials); Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento; and nine Special Districts participated in SCERS.

### **ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AND REPORTS**

Management of SCERS is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal controls designed to ensure that the System's assets are protected from loss, theft, or misuse. Responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, and fair presentation of information, and all disclosures in this Report and in the System's records, rests with SCERS' management. Brown Armstrong Accountancy Corporation, a certified public accounting firm, has audited the financial statements and related disclosures. The financial statement audit provides reasonable assurance that SCERS' financial statements are presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States and are free from material misstatements. The internal controls are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that these objectives are met. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that: (1) The cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived; and (2) The assessment of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management.

This report has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). GAAP requires that management provide a narrative introduction, overview, and analysis to accompany the basic financial statements in the form of management's discussion and analysis (MD&A). This letter of transmittal is designed to complement the MD&A and should be read in conjunction with it. The System's MD&A can be found immediately following the independent auditor's report.

### **INVESTMENTS - GENERAL AUTHORITY AND SCERS**

Article XVI, Section 17 of the Constitution of the State of California provides that "...notwithstanding any other provisions of law or this Constitution, the Retirement Board of a public pension or retirement system shall have plenary authority and fiduciary responsibility for investment of monies and administration of the system...." Article XVI, Section 17(a) further provides that "...the Retirement Board of a public pension or retirement system shall have sole and exclusive fiduciary responsibility over the assets...."

SCERS maintains an overall investment policy designed to achieve a diversified investment portfolio. An integral part of the investment policy is the strategic asset allocation, which is designed to provide an optimal mix of asset classes with return expectations that correspond to expected liabilities. The strategic asset allocation also emphasizes maximum diversification of the portfolio to protect the System from the possibility that a particular asset class may experience poor investment performance in a given period.

The current strategic asset allocation model was established as a result of an asset allocation study conducted in 2021. SCERS' strategic asset allocation views risk exposures through multiple lenses, including functional and common factor exposures, in order to manage and maintain allocations that are aligned with SCERS' investment philosophy and objectives. This multiple lens approach uses a functional framework to group and classify segments of SCERS' portfolio in order to link segments that are exposed to similar economic environments and risk factors, and which would be expected to have similar roles and outcomes in a portfolio. The functional grouping takes a simplified approach at the asset category level, by breaking the portfolio into three asset categories, with greater complexity reserved at the asset class level.

The asset categories include: (1) Growth, (2) Diversifying, and (3) Real Return. With greater complexity reserved at the asset class level. The asset categories include: (1) Growth, (2) Diversifying, and (3) Real Return.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, SCERS' investments provided a -3.5% rate of return (net of fees). SCERS' strategic asset allocation has heavy allocations to growth assets that can drive returns. However, it also maintains meaningful diversification, especially to investment strategies with low and negative correlations to equity markets that can reduce portfolio volatility and protect against significant market draw downs. It is also expected to generate meaningful cash flow for SCERS.

More detailed information regarding SCERS' strategic asset allocation, professional investment advisors, and investment performance can be found in the Investment Section of this Report.

### **ACTUARIAL FUNDING STATUS**

SCERS' overall funding objective is to meet long-term benefit promises by maintaining a well-funded plan status through a combination of superior investment returns and employer and member contributions, which are both minimized and maintained as level as possible for each generation of active members. The greater the level of overall plan funding, the larger the ratio of assets accumulated to the actuarial accrued liability and the greater the investment potential. The advantage of a well-funded plan is that the benefits earned by participants are funded during their working careers and not by future generations of taxpayers.

To help reduce year-to-year volatility in employer contribution rates due to fluctuations in investment performance, SCERS smooths the investment gains and losses over a seven-year period. This not only stabilizes contribution rates, but also improves the ability of the employer to plan for possible future increases or decreases in the contribution rates.

SCERS engaged an independent actuarial consulting firm, Segal, to conduct its annual actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2022. Triennially, the System requests that its actuary perform an analysis of the appropriateness of all economic and non-economic assumptions. The most recent triennial analysis was performed as of June 30, 2019, and as a result of that analysis, the Board approved certain changes to the actuarial assumptions, which were incorporated in the actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2021. Most significantly, the Board adopted a 6.75% assumed rate of return, a decrease from 7%.

At June 30, 2022, SCERS' funding ratio on a market (fair) value of assets basis was 87.1%. On an actuarial basis, the funding ratio was 85.8%, with the actuarial value of assets totaling \$11.6 billion and the actuarial accrued liability totaling \$13.6 billion. Deferred gains under the smoothing methodology as of June 30, 2022, is \$182.5 million (as compared to \$1,634.6 million as of June 30, 2021). Deferred investment gains/(losses) are recognized over a rolling seven-year period.

### **BUDGET**

The Board approves SCERS' annual budget. The 1937 Act limits SCERS' annual administrative expenses, excluding the costs of administration for computer software and hardware and computer technology consulting services (IT costs), to twenty-one hundredths of one percent (0.21%) of the

System's actuarial accrued liability. SCERS' administrative expenses have historically been below the limitation. Administrative expenses, excluding IT costs, were \$8.7 million, which represented 0.07% of the System's actuarial accrued liability for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022.

### **CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT**

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to SCERS for its ACFR for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. In order to be granted this national award, a governmental entity must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized ACFR that meets the highest standards of governmental financial reporting. This was the twenty-third consecutive year that SCERS has received this prestigious award.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year. Management believes that this current ACFR continues to meet the requirements for earning a Certificate of Achievement, and it will be submitted to the GFOA for consideration of the award.

SCERS also received the GFOA Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. This was the thirteenth consecutive year SCERS has received this award.

### **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

This Report is intended to provide complete and reliable information with respect to the responsible stewardship of SCERS. The compilation of this Report is a product of the combined and dedicated effort of the System's staff. This Report is also a reflection of the leadership of the SCERS Board in assuring the prudent fiduciary oversight of SCERS. I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to the SCERS Board, Staff, and advisors for their commitment to SCERS and for working so diligently to ensure the successful operation of the System.

Respectfully submitted,

**ERIC STERN** 

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

# **CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT**



Government Finance Officers Association

Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

Presented to

# Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System California

For its Annual Comprehensive Financial Report For the Fiscal Year Ended

June 30, 2021

Christopher P. Morrill

Executive Director/CEO

# **BOARD OF RETIREMENT**



PRESIDENT
RICHARD B. FOWLER II
Appointed by Board
of Supervisors
Present term expires
June 30, 2022



SAFETY TRUSTEE
JACK NOBLE
Elected by Safety Members
Present term expires
December 31, 2024



VICE PRESIDENT
KEITH DEVORE
Appointed by Board
of Supervisors
Present term expires
June 30, 2024



ALTERNATE SAFETY
TRUSTEE
CHRIS GIBONEY
Elected by Safety Members
Present term expires
December 31, 2024



**TRUSTEE**RONALD SUTER
Appointed by Board of Supervisors
Present term expires
June 30, 2024



TRUSTEE
MARTHA HOOVER
Elected by
Retired Members
Present term expires
December 31, 2022



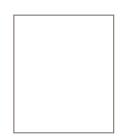
EX-OFFICIO
BEN LAMERA
Sacramento County
Director of Finance
Member mandated by law



ALTERNATE RETIREE
TRUSTEE
KATHY O'NEIL
Elected by
Retired Members
Present term expires
December 31, 2022

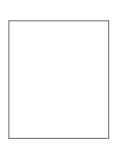


TRUSTEE
ALINA MANGRU
Elected by
Miscellaneous Members
Present term expires
December 31, 2024



**TRUSTEE**VACANT

Appointed by Board of Supervisors



TRUSTEE
VACANT
Elected by
Miscellaneous Members

# **ORGANIZATION CHART**

### **Board of Retirement**



ERIC STERN
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



STEVE DAVIS
CHIEF INVESTMENT
OFFICER

Investment policy and objectives

Investment compliance and performance reporting

Asset allocation rebalancing

Conduct manager searches

Manager due diligence

Proxy voting and corporate governance

Board education on investment issues



STEPHEN LAU GENERAL COUNSEL

Legal representation and counsel to SCERS Board and staff

Coordinate and oversee the selection and work of outside legal counsel

Evaluation of securities litigation

Analysis of state and federal legislation

Legislative proposals, contracts, resolutions and opinions

Legal education programs

Legal service planning and budgeting



MARGO ALLEN
CHIEF OPERATIONS
OFFICER

Accounting and financial reporting

Budgeting and cash flow analysis

Human resources

Facilities and safety

Information technology and telecommunications

Administration and records

Continuous Improvement Program

Enterprise risk management



MARIO SIERRAS
CHIEF BENEFITS
OFFICER

Service, disability, deferred, and reciprocal retirements

Pension payroll administration

Seminar presentations and member retirement counseling

Retirement publications and communications

Death benefits and service credit purchases

Community property interest resolution

# PARTICIPATING EMPLOYERS

| EMPLOYER   | DATE ENTERED SYSTEM |
|--|---------------------|
| County of Sacramento   | July 1, 1941        |
| County of Sacramento, Elected Officials:   | July 1, 1941        |
| <ul> <li>Board of Supervisors</li> <li>Sheriff</li> <li>Assessor</li> <li>District Attorney</li> </ul> |                     |
| U.C. Davis Medical Center*   | July 1, 1941        |
| North Highlands Fire District (Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District)**                                | March 1, 1957       |
| Sunrise Recreation and Park District   | August 1, 1961      |
| Fair Oaks Cemetery District  | March 1, 1962       |
| Carmichael Recreation and Park District  | January 1, 1967     |
| Florin Fire Protection District (Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District)***                             | July 1, 1974        |
| Mission Oaks Recreation and Park District  | February 1, 1976    |
| Sacramento Employment and Training Agency (SETA)   | June 1, 1979        |
| Orangevale Recreation and Park District  | March 3, 1987       |
| Elk Grove Cosumnes Cemetery District   | April 28, 1987      |
| Galt-Arno Cemetery District  | July 1, 1987        |
| Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento****   | June 25, 2006       |
| Rio Linda Elverta Recreation and Park District   | October 1, 2017     |

<sup>\*</sup> The final participating member from UC Davis Medical Center retired in January 2013.

<sup>\*\*</sup> North Highlands Fire District (NHFD) was formed in 1951 and became a participating SCERS employer in the late 1950s. In 1984, the NHFD consolidated with the Citrus Heights Fire District who through several mergers eventually became part of the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District (SMFD). SMFD is not an active employer.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Florin Fire Protection District (FFPD) terminated its membership on December 31, 1996. On December 1, 2000, SMFD became successor, and employees of FFPD became employees of SMFD. SMFD is not an active employer.

<sup>\*\*\*\*</sup> Prior to June 25, 2006, Superior Court of California member information was included in the totals for the County of Sacramento.

# **PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS**

### **ACTUARY**

Segal

### **AUDITOR**

Brown Armstrong Accountancy Corporation

### **CUSTODIAN**

State Street Corporation

### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CONSULTANT

Linea Solutions, Inc.

### **INVESTMENT CONSULTANT**

Cliffwater, LLC

The Townsend Group

Verus Advisory, Inc.

### **LEGAL COUNSEL**

Foley & Lardner, LLP

Hanson Bridgett, LLP

Nossaman, LLP

Patrick M.K. Richardson, Esq.

Public Pension Consultants

Stroock & Stroock & Lavan, LLP

**Note:** In the Investment Section of this report, investment professionals are listed on pages 94-96, and the schedules of manager fees and equity brokerage commissions are located on pages 91 and 92.

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# **CORE VALUES COMMUNICATING**

**SECTION 2** 

Clearly and concisely, recognizing that members and employers expect us to act with integrity, transparency, and honesty.



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Audit Committee and Board of Retirement of the Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System Sacramento, California

#### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### **Opinions**

We have audited the accompanying Pension Trust and Custodial Funds Statement of Fiduciary Net Position of the Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System (SCERS), a pension trust fund of the County of Sacramento, as of June 30, 2022, the related Pension Trust and Custodial Funds Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position for the fiscal year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise SCERS' basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the basic financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the fiduciary net position of the Pension Trust and Custodial Funds of SCERS as of June 30, 2022, and the changes in fiduciary net position for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of SCERS and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about SCERS' ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

BAKERSFIELD 4200 Truxtun Avenue, Suite 300 Bakersfield, CA 93309 661-324-4971 FRESNO 10 River Park Place East, Suite 208 Fresno, CA 93720 559-476-3592 STOCKTON 2423 West March Lane, Suite 202 Stockton, CA 95219 209-451-4833 Management is also responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all SCERS plan amendments; administering SCERS; and determining that SCERS' transactions that are presented and disclosed in the financial statements are in conformity with SCERS' plan provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants, to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.

### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due
  to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such
  procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures
  in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
  procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an
  opinion on the effectiveness of SCERS' internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is
  expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant
  accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the
  financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about SCERS' ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis (MD&A) and required supplementary information (RSI), as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the MD&A and RSI in accordance with GAAS, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise SCERS' basic financial statements. The other supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. In our opinion, the other supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report. The other information comprises the introductory, investment, actuarial, and statistical sections but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

### **Report on Summarized Comparative Information**

We have previously audited SCERS' June 30, 2021, basic financial statements, and our report dated February 25, 2022, expressed an unmodified opinion on those audited basic financial statements. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, is consistent in all material respects, with the audited basic financial statements from which it has been derived.

### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 17, 2022, on our consideration of SCERS' internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of SCERS' internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering SCERS' internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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ACCOUNTANCY CORPORATION
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Stockton, California November 17, 2022

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This section presents Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) of the financial activities of the Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System (SCERS, the System, or the Plan) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. Readers are encouraged to consider the narrative overview and information presented in this MD&A in conjunction with the Letter of Transmittal beginning on page 8 of this report and the Basic Financial Statements, Notes to the Basic Financial Statements, Required Supplementary Information, and Other Supplemental Information that follow.

### **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

As of June 30, 2022, SCERS' fiduciary net position restricted for pension benefits and program administration (net position) totaled \$11,830.4 million. This represented a decrease of \$733.7 million or 5.8% from the \$12,564.1 million in SCERS' net position as of June 30, 2021.

Additions to net position were -\$73.3 million and \$3,204.7 million for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2022, and 2021, respectively. Total additions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, decreased by \$3,278.0 million, or -102.3%, over the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. The primary reason for the decrease in addition was the lower investment performance.

Deductions from net position were \$660.4 million and \$620.0 million for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2022, and 2021, respectively. The total deductions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, increased by \$40.4 million or 6.5% over the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. The primary reason for the increase in total deductions is due to the increased annual cost-of-living adjustment and the increased number of retirees.

SCERS' funding objective is to meet long-term benefit obligations through contributions and investment earnings. To achieve level and predictable contribution costs from one year to the next, SCERS bases the determination of contribution rates on an actuarial asset valuation method that gradually adjusts to the market (fair) value of assets (asset smoothing). Under this actuarial asset valuation methodology, investment market returns for the fiscal year above or below the assumed investment return rate (6.75% which was used to determine the contribution rates for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022) are recognized over seven years (the asset smoothing period). This smoothed value is referred to as the Actuarial Value of Assets. By using the Actuarial Value of Assets to determine the contribution rates, SCERS is able to lower the year-to-year volatility in contribution rates that would come from using the fair value of assets.

As of June 30, 2022, SCERS' total pension liability was \$13,579.0 billion, up from \$12,985.5 billion as of June 30, 2021. The employers' net pension liability was \$1,748.6 million as of June 30, 2022, which decreased from \$421.4 million as of June 30, 2021. The fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability increased to 87.1% as of June 30, 2022, from 96.8% as of June 30, 2021.

### **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This MD&A serves as an introduction to the basic financial statements and other information accompanying the basic financial statements, which are comprised of the following components:

- Statement of Fiduciary Net Position Pension Trust Fund and Custodial Fund
- Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position Pension Trust Fund and Custodial Fund
- Notes to the Basic Financial Statements
- Required Supplementary Information, and
- Other Supplemental Information

A Statement of Fiduciary Net Position and a Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position are presented for the fiduciary funds as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, along with comparative total information as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. These financial statements reflect the resources available to pay benefits to retirees and beneficiaries as of year-end, and the changes in those resources during the year.

The fiduciary fund statements report SCERS' net position restricted for pension benefits and program administration. Increases or decreases in net position serve as one indicator of whether SCERS' financial health is improving or deteriorating. Other factors, such as market conditions or the System's fiduciary net position as a percentage of the employers' total pension liability, should also be considered in measuring the System's overall health.

**The Notes to the Basic Financial Statements** are an integral part of the financial reports and provide additional information that is essential for a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements.

In addition to the financial statements and accompanying notes, this report presents certain **Required Supplementary Information** which includes the employers' changes in net pension liability and related ratios, actuarially determined contributions (ADC), actuarial assumptions used to calculate the ADC, historical money-weighted rate of return and other required supplementary information related to SCERS' defined benefit pension plan as required by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 67.

Schedules of administrative expenses, investment fees and expenses, and payments to consultants are presented as **Other Supplementary Information**.

### **FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

#### FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

SCERS' net position restricted for pension benefits and program administration as of June 30, 2022, totaled \$11,830.4 million, a decrease of \$733.7 million or 5.8% from the \$12,564.1 million in net position as of June 30, 2021. The decrease in net position for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, was due to benefits and expenses paid during the fiscal year exceeding the contributions received.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, the total fund return, net of fees, of -3.5% was 0.1% higher than the return of the investment policy benchmark of -3.6%. During fiscal year 2021-22, investments with the strongest returns came from the U.S. equity, U.S. fixed income, and private equity investments.

In fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, the increase in cash and short-term investments was offset by the decrease in other cash and cash equivalents due to the dedicated 1% target allocation to cash per the approved asset allocation policy. The decrease in receivables and investment purchases and other as of June 30, 2022, was the result of decrease in trading activity at year-end by the external investment managers. The decrease in securities lending collateral and securities lending liability as of June 30, 2022, reflected a lower level of activity in the securities lending industry.

The table below compares SCERS' fiduciary net position as of June 30, 2022, and 2021.

### FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30 (AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN MILLIONS)

|   | 2022        | 2021       | Increase/<br>(Decrease) | % Change |
|---|-------------|------------|-------------------------|----------|
| Assets  |             |            |                         |          |
| Cash and short-term investments   | \$533.5     | \$436.2    | \$97.3                  | 22.3%    |
| Receivables   | 246.6       | 255.1      | (8.5)                   | (3.3)    |
| Investments   | 11,304.2    | 12,346.8   | (1,042.6)               | (8.4)    |
| Securities lending collateral   | 250.3       | 400.3      | (150.0)                 | (37.5)   |
| Other assets  | 1.3         | 0.4        | 0.9                     | 225.0    |
| Capital assets, net*  | 21.4        | 19.9       | 1.5                     | 7.5      |
| Total assets*   | 12,357.3    | 13,458.7   | (1,101.4)               | (8.2)    |
| Liabilities   |             |            |                         |          |
| Other liabilities*  | 47.8        | 43.2       | 4.6                     | 10.6     |
| Investment purchases and other  | 234.6       | 459.1      | (224.5)                 | (48.9)   |
| Securities lending obligation   | 244.5       | 392.3      | (147.8)                 | (37.7)   |
| Total liabilities*  | 526.9       | 894.6      | (367.7)                 | (41.1)   |
| Net position restricted for pension benefits and Program Administration | \$11,830 .4 | \$12,564.1 | (\$733.7)               | (5.8%)   |

<sup>\*</sup> Fiscal year 2021 Capital Assets, net and Other Liabilities are restated due to implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) 87.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No.67 replaced Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No.25 and redefined pension liability and expense for financial reporting purposes but does not apply to contribution amounts for pension funding purposes. When measuring the total pension liability, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) uses the same actuarial cost method and the same type of discount rate as SCERS uses for funding. Therefore, the employers' total pension liability measured for financial reporting shown in this report is determined on the same basis as SCERS' actuarial accrued liability measured for funding.

SCERS retains an independent actuarial firm, Segal, to perform the annual actuarial valuations to determine the employers' total pension liability (expected future benefits) and Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC). The annual actuarial valuation measures the current and projected assets and liabilities of the retirement system, as well as the System's funded status. This information forms the basis for establishing the actuary's recommendations for the employer and member contribution rates for the upcoming fiscal year to pay the expected future benefits.

As of June 30, 2022, the employers' total pension liability was \$13,579.0 million, and the net pension liability (the total pension liability less the Plan's fiduciary net position) was \$1,748.6 million. The Plan's fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability was 87.1%. In general terms, this ratio means that as of June 30, 2022, SCERS had approximately 87 cents available for each dollar of anticipated future liability.

The Required Supplementary Information presents additional information regarding the net pension liability.

#### **RESERVES**

SCERS' reserves are established in accordance with the requirements of the 1937 Act, utilizing contributions and the accumulation of investment income, after recognition of administrative and investment expenses. Under Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 67, investments are stated at fair value instead of cost and include the recognition of unrealized gains and losses. However, for actuarial funding purposes, SCERS utilizes a seven-year smoothing methodology under which a portion of the market gains and losses is recognized and allocated to the reserves through interest crediting. The difference between the fair value of assets (equivalent to the net position restricted for pension benefits and program administration) and the smoothed actuarial value of assets is tracked in the market stabilization reserve.

Lower than expected investment performance resulted in a reduction of gains to the SCERS' market stabilization reserve from \$1,634.6 million as of June 30, 2021, to \$182.5 million as of June 30, 2022.

The following table presents a reserve summary for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2022, and 2021:

### **NET POSITION RESTRICTED FOR PENSION BENEFITS AT JUNE 30**

AS OF FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30 (AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN MILLIONS)

|   | 2022       | 2021       |
|---|------------|------------|
| Member reserve                            | \$1,059.2  | \$1,010.3  |
| Employer reserve                          | 3,278.7    | 3,108.9    |
| Retiree and death benefit reserve         | 6,955.1    | 6,486.1    |
| Contingency reserve                       | 354.9      | 324.2      |
| Total allocated reserves and designations | 11,647.9   | 10,929.5   |
| Market stabilization reserve              | 182.5      | 1,634.6    |
| Net position restricted for pension       | ¢11.070./  | #12 FC/ 1  |
| benefits and program administration       | \$11,830.4 | \$12,564.1 |

#### **CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION**

The following tables present the changes in fiduciary net position for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2022, and 2021.

### **CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION**

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30 (AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN MILLIONS)

|  | 2022       | 2021       | Increase/<br>(Decrease) | % Change |
|--|------------|------------|-------------------------|----------|
| Additions  |            |            |                         |          |
| Member contributions                                 | \$132.5    | \$120.6    | \$11.9                  | 9.9%     |
| Employer contributions                               | 306.2      | 295.3      | 10.9                    | 3.7      |
| Net investment income (loss)                         | (339.1)    | 2,969.0    | (3,308.1)               | (111.4)  |
| Net securities lending income                        | 1.6        | 1.4        | 0.2                     | 14.3     |
| Investment fees and expenses                         | (210.3)    | (217.1)    | 6.8                     | 3.1      |
| Other income   | 3.2        | 3.1        | 0.1                     | 3.2      |
| Health premiums collected from members and employers | 32.6       | 32.4       | 0.2                     | 0.6      |
| Total additions                                      | (73.3)     | 3,204.7    | (3,278.0)               | (102.3)  |
| Deductions   |            |            |                         |          |
| Benefits paid  | 614.3      | 575.3      | 39.0                    | 6.8      |
| Withdrawal of contributions                          | 4.5        | 3.1        | 1.4                     | 45.2     |
| Administrative expenses                              | 9.0        | 9.2        | (0.2)                   | (2.2)    |
| Health premiums remitted to health carriers          | 32.6       | 32.4       | 0.2                     | 0.6      |
| Total deductions                                     | 660.4      | 620.0      | 40.4                    | 6.5      |
| Increase (decrease) in net position                  | (733.7)    | 2,584.7    | (3,318.4)               | (128.4)  |
| Net position, beginning                              | 12,564.1   | 9,979.4    | 2,584.7                 | 25.9     |
| Net position, ending                                 | \$11,830.4 | \$12,564.1 | (\$733.7)               | (5.8%)   |

### **ADDITIONS TO NET POSITION**

Financing for the benefits that SCERS provides to its members is derived primarily through the collection of employer and member contributions and investment earnings. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2022, and 2021, total additions were -\$73.3 million and \$3,204.7 million, respectively.

For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2022, and 2021, the combined employer and member contributions were \$438.7 million and \$415.9 million, respectively, for an increase of \$22.8 million. There was an increase in employer contributions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, of \$10.9 million or 3.7% over the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. There was an increase in member contributions of \$11.9 million or 9.9% over the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021.

Net investment income (loss) after investment fees and expenses was \$-547.8 million and \$2,753.3 million for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2022, and 2021, respectively. The net investment losses were primarily driven by the investment performance of the portfolio. The Investment Section of this report provides a detailed discussion of the investment markets and investment performance.

#### **DEDUCTIONS FROM NET POSITION**

SCERS' net position was primarily used for the payment of benefits to members and beneficiaries, for the payment of contribution refunds to terminated employees, and for the cost of administering the System. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2022, and 2021, total deductions were \$660.4 million and \$620.0 million, respectively.

Deductions increased by \$40.4 million or 6.5% in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. The primary cause of the increase in deductions was due to the increase in monthly benefit payments resulting from an increase in the number of retired members and the annual cost-of-living adjustment paid to retirees and beneficiaries.

The Board of Retirement approves SCERS' annual administrative budget. The 1937 Act limits SCERS' annual administrative expenses, excluding the costs of administration for computer software and hardware and computer technology consulting services (IT costs), to twenty-one hundredths of one percent (0.21%) of the System's actuarial accrued liability. Administrative expenses of \$8.7 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, excluding IT costs, were 0.07% of the System's actuarial accrued liability. SCERS' administrative expenses have historically been below the limitation.

### **CURRENTLY KNOWN FACTS, CONDITIONS, OR DECISIONS**

On July 30, 2020, the California Supreme Court issued a decision in the case of Alameda County Deputy Sheriffs' Association et al. v. Alameda County Employees' Retirement Association and Board of Retirement of ACERA ("Alameda"). SCERS is in the process of making corrections during the 2022-23 fiscal year. SCERS determined that the contribution and pension payment adjustments, in aggregate, will be immaterial to the System.

### **SCERS' FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITIES**

SCERS' Board of Retirement and management staff are fiduciaries of the pension trust fund. Under the California Constitution and California state law, the net position must be used exclusively for the benefit of plan participants and their beneficiaries.

### **REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

This report is designed to provide the Board of Retirement, SCERS members, participating employers, taxpayers, and other stakeholders and interested parties with a general overview of SCERS' finances and to show accountability for the money SCERS receives.

Questions about this report or requests for additional financial information may be addressed to:

Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System 980 9th Street, Suite 1900 Sacramento, CA 95814

Copies of this report are available at the above address and on the System's website at www.SCERS.org.

### STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

AS OF JUNE 30, 2022, WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS AS OF JUNE 30, 2021

|  | 2022                  |                   |              | 2021         |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
|  | Pension<br>Trust Fund | Custodial<br>Fund | Total Fund   | Total Fund   |
| Assets   |                       |                   |              |              |
| Cash and short-term investments                  |                       |                   |              |              |
| Cash invested with Sacramento county treasurer   | \$11,355              | \$2,840           | \$14,195     | \$12,943     |
| Other cash and cash equivalents                  | 138,585               | -                 | 138,585      | 125,248      |
| Short-term investments with fiscal agents        | 380,751               | -                 | 380,751      | 298,000      |
| Total cash and short-term investments            | 530,691               | 2,840             | 533,531      | 436,191      |
|  |                       |                   |              |              |
| Receivables                                      |                       |                   |              |              |
| Member and employer contributions                | 29,617                | -                 | 29,617       | 48,602       |
| Accrued investment income                        | 22,476                | -                 | 22,476       | 19,121       |
| Investment sales and other                       | 194,525               | -                 | 194,525      | 187,380      |
| Total receivables                                | 246,618               | -                 | 246,618      | 255,103      |
|  |                       |                   |              |              |
| Investments                                      |                       |                   |              |              |
| Equity   | 3,900,492             | -                 | 3,900,492    | 5,249,841    |
| Fixed income                                     | 2,225,639             | -                 | 2,225,639    | 2,363,034    |
| Real assets                                      | 1,037,564             | -                 | 1,037,564    | 934,055      |
| Real estate                                      | 1,090,302             | -                 | 1,090,302    | 861,839      |
| Absolute return                                  | 955,803               | -                 | 955,803      | 1,084,545    |
| Private credit                                   | 330,188               | -                 | 330,188      | 256,226      |
| Private equity                                   | 1,764,212             | -                 | 1,764,212    | 1,597,224    |
| Total investments                                | 11,304,200            | -                 | 11,304,200   | 12,346,764   |
|  |                       |                   |              |              |
| Securities lending collateral                    | 250,331               | -                 | 250,331      | 400,356      |
| Other assets                                     | 1,267                 | -                 | 1,267        | 374          |
| Capital assets, net*                             | 21,433                | -                 | 21,433       | 19,898       |
| Total assets*                                    | 12,354,540            | 2,840             | 12,357,380   | 13,458,686   |
| Liabilities                                      |                       |                   |              |              |
| Warrants payable                                 | 2,074                 | _                 | 2,074        | 1,737        |
| Accounts payable and other accrued liabilities   | 37,292                | 2,840             | 40,132       | 35,347       |
| Current lease liability*                         | 444                   | 2,818             | 444          | 254          |
| Long-term lease liability*                       | 5,287                 |                   | 5,287        | 5,731        |
| Investment purchases and other                   | 234,559               |                   | 234,559      | 459,146      |
| Securities lending obligation                    | 254,533               | _                 | 244,533      | 392,322      |
| Total liabilities*                               | 524,189               | 2,840             | 527,029      | 894,537      |
| Net position restricted for pension benefits and | 321,103               | 2,0 10            | 327,023      |              |
| program administration                           | \$11,830,351          | \$ -              | \$11,830,351 | \$12,564,149 |

<sup>\*</sup> Fiscal year 2021 capital assets, net and other liabilities are restated due to implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) 87.

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022, WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

|   | 2022                  |                   |              | 2021         |
|---|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
|   | Pension<br>Trust Fund | Custodial<br>Fund | Total Fund   | Total Fund   |
| Additions   |                       |                   |              |              |
| Contributions   |                       |                   |              |              |
| Member  | \$132,526             | \$ -              | \$132,526    | \$120,597    |
| Employer  | 306,221               | -                 | 306,221      | 295,269      |
| Total contributions   | 438,747               | -                 | 438,747      | 415,866      |
|   |                       |                   |              |              |
| Investment income (loss)  |                       |                   |              |              |
| Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments            | (574,873)             | -                 | (574,873)    | 2,744,928    |
| Other investment income   | 235,754               | -                 | 235,754      | 224,159      |
| Less investment fees and expenses                                       | (210,286)             | -                 | (210,286)    | (217,055)    |
| Net investment income (loss)  | (549,405)             | -                 | (549,405)    | 2,752,032    |
| Securities lending income   |                       |                   |              |              |
| Securities lending income   | 2,048                 | -                 | 2,048        | 1,368        |
| Securities lending expense  |                       |                   |              |              |
| Borrower rebate expense   | (229)                 | -                 | (229)        | 544          |
| Securities lending management fees                                      | (200)                 | -                 | (200)        | (535)        |
| Net income from securities lending                                      | 1,619                 | -                 | 1,619        | 1,377        |
| Other income  | 3,104                 | -                 | 3,104        | 3,081        |
| Health premiums collected from members and employers                    | -                     | 32,644            | 32,644       | 32,362       |
| Total additions   | (105,935)             | 32,644            | (73,291)     | 3,204,718    |
|   |                       |                   |              |              |
| Deductions  |                       |                   |              |              |
| Benefits paid   | 614,345               | -                 | 614,345      | 575,329      |
| Withdrawal of contributions   | 4,547                 | -                 | 4,547        | 3,092        |
| Administrative expenses   | 8,971                 | -                 | 8,971        | 9,165        |
| Health premiums remitted to health carriers                             | -                     | 32,644            | 32,644       | 32,362       |
| Total deductions  | 627,863               | 32,644            | 660,507      | 619,948      |
| Net increase (decrease) in net position                                 | (733,798)             | -                 | (733,798)    | 2,584,770    |
| Net position restricted for pension benefits and program administration |                       |                   |              |              |
| Beginning of year   | 12,564,149            | -                 | 12,564,149   | 9,979,379    |
| Ending of year  | \$11,830,351          | \$-               | \$11,830,351 | \$12,564,149 |

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

# **Note 1 - Plan Description**

The Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System (SCERS, the System, or the Plan) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, which operates under the County Employees Retirement Law of 1937 (Section 31450 et seq of the California Government Code) (1937 Act) and the California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA). The System was created by resolution of the Sacramento County (the County) Board of Supervisors on July 1, 1941, to provide retirement, disability, and death benefits for qualified employees of the County and participating Special Districts (Special Districts or Member Districts). SCERS is governed by a nine member Board of Retirement. Four are appointed by the County Board of Supervisors; four are elected by the members of the System (two by the Miscellaneous members, one by the Safety members and one by the Retiree members); and the County Director of Finance serves as an Ex-Officio member. An alternate Safety member and an alternate Retiree member are also elected by those respective member groups. The System is legally and fiscally independent of the County.

At June 30, 2022, participating local government employers consisted of the County of Sacramento (and its Elected Officials); Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento (Superior Court); and nine special districts.

The System's membership consists of the following categories:

- Safety Tier 1 Includes employees whose principal duties consist of law enforcement or fire suppression work or who occupy positions designated by law as safety positions and who have a membership start date prior to June 25, 1995.
- Safety Tier 2 Includes employees whose principal duties consist of law enforcement or fire suppression work or who occupy positions designated by law as safety positions and who have a membership start date on or after June 25, 1995 but prior to January 1, 2012.
- Safety Tier 3 Includes employees whose principal duties consist of law enforcement or fire suppression work or who occupy positions designated by law as safety positions and who have a membership start date on or after January 1, 2012 but prior to January 1, 2013.
- Safety Tier 4 Includes employees whose principal duties consist of law enforcement or fire suppression work or who occupy positions designated by law as safety positions and who have a membership start date on or after January 1, 2013.
- **Miscellaneous Tier 1** Includes all members other than Safety who have a membership start date prior to September 27, 1981.
- Miscellaneous Tier 2 Includes all members other than Safety who have a membership start date on or after September 27, 1981, and prior to June 27, 1993, and who elected not to become members of Miscellaneous Tier 3.

- **Miscellaneous Tier 3** Includes all members other than Safety who have a membership start date on or after June 27, 1993 and prior to January 1, 2013, and those Miscellaneous Tier 2 members who elected to become members of this class. The Miscellaneous Tier 3 is closed to employees of Sacramento County who have a membership start date on or after January 1, 2012.
- **Miscellaneous Tier 4** Includes members other than Safety who are employees of Sacramento County and have a membership start date on or after January 1, 2012 but prior to January 1, 2013.
- **Miscellaneous Tier 5** Includes all members other than Safety who have a membership start date on or after January 1, 2013.

### SYSTEM'S MEMBERSHIP

At June 30, 2022, the System's membership consisted of:

|                      | 2022   |
|----------------------|--------|
| Active Members:      |        |
| Vested               |        |
| Miscellaneous Tier 1 | 13     |
| Miscellaneous Tier 2 | 32     |
| Miscellaneous Tier 3 | 4,829  |
| Miscellaneous Tier 4 | 271    |
| Miscellaneous Tier 5 | 1,999  |
| Total Miscellaneous  | 7,144  |
| Safety Tier 1        | 17     |
| Safety Tier 2        | 849    |
| Safety Tier 3        | 112    |
| Safety Tier 4        | 438    |
| Total Safety         | 1,416  |
| Total Vested         | 8,560  |
| Non-Vested           |        |
| Miscellaneous Tier 3 | 30     |
| Miscellaneous Tier 4 | 37     |
| Miscellaneous Tier 5 | 3,492  |
| Total Miscellaneous  | 3,559  |
| Safety Tier 2        | -      |
| Safety Tier 3        | 11     |
| Safety Tier 4        | 627    |
| Total Safety         | 638    |
| Total Non-Vested     | 4,197  |
| Total Active Members | 12,757 |

|   | 2022   |
|---|--------|
| Retirees and beneficiaries currently receiving benefits:                  |        |
| Miscellaneous - Service   | 8,730  |
| Miscellaneous - Beneficiary   | 1,588  |
| Miscellaneous - Nonservice-Connected Disability                           | 250    |
| Miscellaneous - Service-Connected Disability                              | 181    |
| Total Miscellaneous   | 10,749 |
|   |        |
| Safety - Service  | 2,068  |
| Safety - Beneficiary  | 558    |
| Safety - Nonservice-Connected Disability                                  | 17     |
| Safety - Service-Connected Disability                                     | 243    |
| Total Safety  | 2,886  |
|   |        |
| Total Retirees and Beneficiaries  | 13,635 |
|   |        |
| Terminated employees entitled to benefits but not yet receiving them (*): |        |
| Miscellaneous Tier 1  | 23     |
| Miscellaneous Tier 2  | 84     |
| Miscellaneous Tier 3  | 2,298  |
| Miscellaneous Tier 4  | 133    |
| Miscellaneous Tier 5  | 1,451  |
| Total Miscellaneous   | 3,989  |
|   |        |
| Safety Tier 1   | 17     |
| Safety Tier 2   | 312    |
| Safety Tier 3   | 14     |
| Safety Tier 4   | 91     |
| Total Safety  | 434    |
| Total Terminated Members  | 4,423  |
| Grand Total   | 30,815 |

<sup>\*</sup> Includes terminated members due a refund of member contributions.

#### **PENSION BENEFITS**

The System's benefits are established by the provisions of the 1937 Act and PEPRA and provide for retirement, death, and disability benefits. All permanent full-time and part-time employees of the County, Superior Court and Special Districts are eligible to participate in the System. Upon reaching five years of service, participants have earned the right to receive a retirement benefit, subject to certain restrictions if retirement is prior to attaining age 50 or if less than 10 years of service has been achieved for Miscellaneous Tiers 1, 2, 3 and 4 and Safety Tiers 1, 2, and 3, or prior to attaining age 50 or if less than 5 years of service has been achieved for Miscellaneous Tier 5, or prior to attaining age 50 or if less than 5 years of service has been achieved for Safety Tier 4.

Effective June 29, 2003, the County Board of Supervisors adopted new benefit formulas for all SCERS members, including the employees of Special Districts, for service credit prospectively from June 29, 2003, and for County employees, retroactively to service credit which precedes that date. In accordance with applicable retirement law, each SCERS Special District's governing body determined whether or not to apply these formulas retroactively for service credit earned prior to June 29, 2003 by their employees.

Retirement benefits under Safety Tiers 1 and 2 and Miscellaneous Tiers 1, 2 and 3 are as follows:

- Members covered under Safety Tier 1 who retire at age 50, or thereafter, are entitled to a
  retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 3 percent of their final average salary for
  each year of credited service. This benefit includes a cost-of-living adjustment of up to 4 percent
  annually. Final average salary is the member's average salary for the highest twelve consecutive
  months of credited service.
- Members covered under Safety Tier 2 who retire at age 50, or thereafter, are entitled to a
  retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 3 percent of their final average salary
  for each year of credited service. This benefit includes a cost-of-living adjustment of up to 2
  percent annually. Final average salary is the member's average salary for the highest thirty-six
  consecutive months of credited service.
- Members covered under Miscellaneous Tier 1 who retire at age 50 are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 1.47 percent of their final average salary for each year of credited service. This benefit includes a cost-of-living adjustment of up to 4 percent annually.
   Final average salary is the member's average salary for the highest twelve consecutive months of credited service.
- Members covered under Miscellaneous Tier 2 who retire at age 50 are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 1.47 percent of their final average salary for each year of credited service. There is no cost-of-living adjustment. Final average salary is the member's average salary for the highest thirty-six consecutive months of credited service.
- Members covered under Miscellaneous Tier 3 who retire at age 50 are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 1.47 percent of their final average salary for each year of credited service. This benefit includes a cost-of-living adjustment of up to 2 percent annually. Final average salary is the member's average salary for the highest thirty-six consecutive months of credited service.

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The retirement benefits of Miscellaneous Tiers 1, 2, and 3 members who retire after age 50 are increased by an age factor for each quarter year of age up to a maximum of 2.61 percent of final average salary for each year of credited service at age 62.

Members whose employers determined not to retroactively apply the formulas to service credit earned prior to June 29, 2003 will continue to have their retirement benefits for that service calculated pursuant to the formulas in effect at the time the service was earned (i.e., Safety and Miscellaneous members who retire at age 50 earn 2 percent and 1.1 percent, respectively, of their final average salary for each year of credited service).

Effective January 1, 2012, the County Board of Supervisors adopted new tiers for County employees hired on or after January 1, 2012, but before January 1, 2013. Retirement benefits under these tiers are as follows:

- Members covered under Safety Tier 3 who retire at age 50 are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 2.29 percent of their final average salary for each year of credited service. This benefit includes a cost-of-living adjustment of up to 2 percent annually.
   Final average salary is the member's average salary for the highest thirty-six consecutive months of credited service.
- Members covered under Miscellaneous Tier 4 who retire at age 50 are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 1.18 percent of their final average salary for each year of credited service. This benefit includes a cost-of-living adjustment of up to 2 percent annually.
   Final average salary is the member's average salary for the highest thirty-six consecutive months of credited service.

The retirement benefits of Safety Tier 3 members who retire after age 50 are increased by an age factor for each quarter year of age up to a maximum of 3 percent of final average salary for each year of credited service at age 55. The retirement benefits of Miscellaneous Tier 4 members who retire after age 50 are increased by an age factor for each quarter year of age up to a maximum of 2.43 percent of final average salary for each year of credited service at age 65.

Effective January 1, 2013, with the implementation of PEPRA, the County Board of Supervisors adopted new tiers for employees of the County, Superior Court and Special Districts who are eligible to participate in the System and who were hired on or after January 1, 2013. Retirement benefits under these new tiers are as follows:

- Members covered under Safety Tier 4 who retire at age 50 are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 2 percent of their final average salary for each year of credited service. This benefit includes a cost-of-living adjustment of up to 2 percent annually. Final average salary is the member's average salary for the highest thirty-six consecutive months of credited service.
- Members covered under Miscellaneous Tier 5 who retire at age 52 are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 1 percent of their final average salary for each year of credited service. This benefit includes a cost-of-living adjustment of up to 2 percent annually.
   Final average salary is the member's average salary for the highest thirty-six consecutive months of credited service.

The retirement benefits of Safety Tier 4 members who retire after age 50 are increased by an age factor for each quarter year of age up to a maximum of 2.7 percent of final average salary for each year of credited service at age 57. The retirement benefits of Miscellaneous Tier 5 members who retire after age 52 are increased by an age factor for each quarter year of age up to a maximum of 2.5 percent of final average salary for each year of credited service at age 67.

#### MEMBER TERMINATION

Upon separation from employment with a participating employer, members' accumulated contributions are refundable with interest accrued through the prior six-month period ended June 30 or December 31. Interest on member accounts is credited semiannually on June 30 and December 31. Withdrawal of such accumulated contributions results in forfeiture of the related benefits.

#### **FINANCING**

Benefits payable by the System are financed through member contributions, employer contributions, and earnings from investments. Member contributions are required by law. Contribution rates, which are actuarially determined, are based on age at entry into the System (a single rate is used for members entering the System after January 1, 1975). County, Superior Court and Special Districts' contributions are actuarially determined to provide for the balance of contributions needed to fund benefits. All contribution rates are reviewed and revised annually. The authority for both benefit provisions and contribution obligations is derived from the 1937 Act and PEPRA.

### Note 2 – Summary Of Significant Accounting Policies

SCERS reports fiduciary funds at June 30, 2022, which include pension trust and custodial funds. The pension trust fund and custodial fund are accounted for on the flow of economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. The custodial fund accounts for assets held by SCERS in a custodial capacity on behalf of the participating employers to fund the Retiree Medical and Dental Insurance Program. See Note 8 for a detailed description of the program.

#### **BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and reporting guidelines set forth by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

#### **VALUATION OF INVESTMENTS**

The majority of the investments held at June 30, 2022, are in the custody of, or controlled by, State Street Bank, the System's custodian bank. The System's investment portfolio consists of domestic and international equities, domestic and international fixed income, real assets, real estate, absolute return, private credit, and private equity. The diversity of the System's investment portfolio requires a wide range of techniques to determine fair value. Investments are valued at their fair values in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 72, Fair Value Measurement and Application, which results in the recognition of fair value gains and losses. See Note 3, Section 2 for disclosures related to investment classification and valuation.

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#### **CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS**

Member and employer contributions are recognized when due pursuant to statutory requirements. Benefits and refunds are recognized when the benefits are currently due and payable in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

#### **INCOME AND EXPENSES**

Interest income is recognized as it accrues. Dividend income is recognized when the dividends are declared. Realized gains and losses and unrealized gains and losses on investments are combined and reported together as net appreciation (depreciation) in the fair value of investments. Expenses are recorded when the corresponding liabilities are incurred, regardless of when payment is made. Investment purchases and sales are recorded based on trade date accounting.

#### **SECURITIES LENDING**

Securities lending transactions are short-term collateralized loans of the System's securities for the purpose of generating additional investment income. For each lending transaction, the System receives either cash collateral or non-cash collateral. The underlying securities out on loan are reported on the System's Statement of Fiduciary Net Position as if the lending transactions had not occurred. Cash collateral received for the loaned securities is reported as securities lending obligation on the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position. Cash collateral is reinvested in the lending agent's cash collateral investment pool, is valued at fair value, and is reported as securities lending collateral on the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position. Non-cash collateral held is not reported on the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position nor is there a corresponding liability reported on the financial statement as the System does not have the ability to pledge or sell them without a borrower default. See Note 3, Section 3 for disclosures related to securities lending transactions.

#### **CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital assets are defined as assets with an initial individual cost of \$10,000 or more and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Capital assets consist of furniture, building improvements, and intangible assets, which are recorded at cost on the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position, net of accumulated depreciation/amortization. Depreciation/amortization is charged to operations using the straight-line method on the estimated useful life of the related asset and is included in administrative expenses on the Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position. Estimated useful lives for furniture and building improvements are 10 years. The estimated useful life for furniture and for building improvements is 10 years. Intangible assets for SCERS' Information Technology Modernization Project are also depreciated over a 10-year period.

As of July 1, 2021, SCERS implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 87 with a capitalization threshold of \$10,000. A ten year and two month office space lease paid monthly in advance between March 1, 2011 and April 30, 2021 was extended to April 30, 2031. The rental amount increased annually approximately by 2% from \$42,663 to \$51,195 per month beginning from the initial lease term in March 1, 2011 to the ending lease term in April 30, 2021. As per the renewal agreement, the base rent was abated for five months from May 2021 to September 2021. The rental amount is expected to increase annually by 3% approximately from \$58,021 to \$75,769 per month during the renewal lease term from May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2031. SCERS determined a

5% annual interest rate based on researching the average calculation of present value of minimum lease payment in lieu of the lessor not providing the interest rate. SCERS does not plan to extend the lease after April 30, 2031. This lease falls under Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 87 and the capitalization threshold. There are no outstanding lease commitments nor impairment losses recognized. Other payments or variables excluded in previous lease liability are not recognized this year.

## FUTURE LEASE PAYMENT MATURITY SCHEDULE UNDER GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD (GASB) STATEMENT NO. 87

**AS OF JUNE 30, 2022** 

| Year    | Interest | Principal | <b>Total Payment</b> |
|---------|----------|-----------|----------------------|
| 2022-23 | \$277    | \$444     | \$721                |
| 2023-24 | 253      | 490       | 743                  |
| 2024-25 | 228      | 538       | 766                  |
| 2025-26 | 200      | 588       | 788                  |
| 2026-27 | 169      | 642       | 811                  |
| 2027-28 | 136      | 700       | 836                  |
| 2028-29 | 99       | 761       | 860                  |
| 2029-30 | 60       | 827       | 887                  |
| 2030-31 | 17       | 741       | 758                  |
| Total   | \$1,439  | \$5,731   | \$7,170              |

#### **OTHER ASSETS**

Other assets consist of other accounts receivable, prepaid expenses, and security deposits.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES**

Administrative costs are financed through employer and member contributions and earnings from investments.

#### **ESTIMATES**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **COMPARATIVE TOTALS**

The Basic Financial Statements include certain prior year summarized comparative information in total but not at the level of detail required for a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with SCERS' financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, from which the summarized information was derived.

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#### **NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS**

SCERS' implementation of the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 87, *Leases*, was completed for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. The implementation of this Statement has changed SCERS' financial statements as follows: added new right-to-use asset category under capital assets and lease liability line item to the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position, and additional note disclosures in Capital Assets. These additions to the financial statements and related disclosures are expected to better meet the information needs of the financial statement users.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 92, *Omnibus 2020*, was issued in January 2020. This statement addresses issues that were identified during the implementation and application of certain Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements and a variety of topics related to specific provisions. The implementation and applicability issues addressed in the statement include those related to Statement Nos. 73, 74, 84, and 87. Items addressed under the specific provisions include correction to the terminology used to refer to derivative instruments. The provisions of this statement were originally effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2020. Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 95, *Postponement of the Effective Dates of Certain Authoritative Guidance*, issued in May 2020, postponed the effective date of Statement No. 92, by one year to reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021. SCERS implemented the only applicable section of this statement, which is terminology used to refer to derivative instruments for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022.

GASB Statement No. 96, Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements, was issued in May 2020. This statement provides guidance on accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs). The guidance requires the recognition of a right-to-use subscription asset and a corresponding subscription liability for contracts that convey control of the right-to-use another party's information technology software alone or in conjunction with tangible capital assets for a specified time period in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. The requirements of this statement are similar to those of Statement No. 87, Leases. The provisions of this statement are effective with fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022. SCERS will implement the provisions of this statement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.

#### **RESTATEMENT OF COMPARATIVE BALANCES**

SCERS implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 87, *Leases*, effective July 1, 2021. As a result of the retroactive implementation requirement, the comparative balances as of June 30, 2021, of the fiduciary net position were adjusted for this accounting change as shown in the below table. For additional information on leases, refer to note Capital Assets. The restatement for prior periods was not practicable and the impact of this change is also immaterial to the financial statements.

## RESTATEMENT OF COMPARATIVE BALANCES DUE TO GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD (GASB) STATEMENT NO. 87 IMPLEMENTATION

**AS OF JUNE 30, 2022** 

| Statement of Fiduciary Net Position |         |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Assets:                             |         |
| Capital assets, net                 | \$5,985 |
| Liabilities:                        |         |
| Current lease liability             | 254     |
| Long-term lease liability           | 5,731   |

### Note 3 - Cash And Investments

#### **SECTION 1: INVESTMENT POLICIES**

Article XVI, Section 17 of the Constitution of the State of California provides that "...not with standing any other provisions of law or this Constitution, the Retirement Board of a public pension or retirement system shall have plenary authority and fiduciary responsibility for investment of monies and administration of the system..." Article XVI, Section 17(a) further provides that "...the Retirement Board of a public pension or retirement system shall have sole and exclusive fiduciary responsibility over the assets..." The investment authority for the System rests primarily through the "prudent person rule," as set forth in Section 31595 of the 1937 Act, which establishes a standard for all fiduciaries, including anyone with investment authority on behalf of the System.

#### **ASSET ALLOCATION**

SCERS maintains an overall investment policy designed to achieve a diversified investment portfolio. An integral part of the investment policy is the strategic asset allocation, which is designed to provide an optimal mix of asset classes with return expectations that correspond to expected liabilities. The strategic asset allocation also emphasizes maximum diversification of the portfolio to reduce the range of outcomes to which the portfolio is subject, and to protect the System from the possibility that a particular asset class may experience poor investment performance in a given period. The System's adopted asset allocation policy as of June 30, 2022, is as follows:

| Asset Class        | <b>Target Allocation</b> |
|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Equity             | 40.0 %                   |
| Fixed Income       | 18.0                     |
| Real Assets        | 7.0                      |
| Real Estate        | 9.0                      |
| Absolute Return    | 7.0                      |
| Private Credit     | 5.0                      |
| Private Equity     | 11.0                     |
| Liquid Real Return | 2.0                      |
| Cash               | 1.0                      |
|                    | 100.0 %                  |

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#### **SECTION 2: INVESTMENT SUMMARY**

#### **CASH INVESTED WITH SACRAMENTO COUNTY TREASURER**

The System invests cash held for benefit payments and general operations in the County Treasurer's pool. The County Treasury Oversight Committee is responsible for regulatory oversight of the pool. The System's share of the County Treasurer's pool is separately accounted for, and interest earned, net of related expenses, is apportioned quarterly based on the proportion of the System's average daily cash balance to the total of the pooled cash and investments.

The value of the System's pooled shares is determined on an amortized cost basis, which approximates fair value. The fair value of the System's cash invested with the County Treasurer for both pension trust and custodial funds totaled \$14,195 at June 30, 2022. The pool was not rated, and the weighted-average maturity of the pool was 278 days at June 30, 2022.

Interest earned but not received from the County Treasurer at year end is reported as a component of accrued investment income on the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position. Cash and investments included within the County Treasurer's pool are described in the County's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

#### OTHER CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

At June 30, 2022, other cash and cash equivalents constituted balances in bank demand deposit accounts of \$138.585.

#### SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS WITH FISCAL AGENTS

Short-term investments, which include highly-liquid investments expected to be utilized by the System within 30-90 days, are reported at fair value. These investments may include securities that have a maturity in excess of 90 days but are readily marketable. At June 30, 2022, the fair value of the System's short-term investments with fiscal agents was \$380,751. These totals consisted of investments in the State Street Short-Term Investment Fund (STIF). The STIF is designed to provide qualified benefit plans with an investment vehicle that may be accessed on a daily basis. The STIF is limited to investing in securities that are rated A-1 by Investors Services (Moody's) and P-1 by Standard & Poor's Corporation (S&P) at the time of issuance. As of June 30, 2022, the STIF is not rated by credit rating agencies. Most investments range in maturity from overnight to 90 days with 26% of the investment over 90 days. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, the weighted-average maturity was 11 days. Investments in the STIF from all participating custodial clients of State Street Bank were \$60.6 billion on June 30, 2022.

#### **FAIR VALUE OF INVESTMENTS**

The System measures and records its investments using fair value measurement guidelines established by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). These guidelines recognize a three-tiered fair value hierarchy, as follows:

- **Level 1 –** Fair value is determined using unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities accessible on the measurement date.
- Level 2 Fair value is determined using quoted prices in inactive markets or significant
  observable inputs (including, but not limited to, quoted prices for similar investments, interest
  rates, foreign exchange rates, volatility, and credit spreads), either directly or indirectly. These
  inputs may be derived principally from, or corroborated by, observable market data through
  correlation or by other means.
- Level 3 Fair value is determined using unobservable inputs, including situations where there is little market activity, if any, for the asset or liability.

The System had the following recurring fair value measurements at June 30, 2022:

| JUNE 30, 2022                                   |             | Fair Value Measurements by Using  |   |   |  |  |  |
|---|-------------|---|---|---|--|--|--|
|   | Total       | Quoted Prices in<br>Active Markets for<br>Identical Assets<br>(Level 1) | Significant Other<br>Observable Inputs<br>(Level 2) | Significant<br>Unobservable Inputs<br>(Level 3) |  |  |  |
| <b>Equity Securities</b>                        |             |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| Communication Services                          | \$230,167   | \$230,167   | \$ -  | \$ -  |  |  |  |
| Consumer Discretionary                          | 330,439     | 330,439   | -   | -   |  |  |  |
| Consumer Staples                                | 201,915     | 201,915   | -   | -   |  |  |  |
| Energy  | 131,685     | 131,685   | -   | -   |  |  |  |
| Financials                                      | 409,448     | 409,448   | -   | -   |  |  |  |
| Health Care                                     | 445,723     | 445,723   | -   | -   |  |  |  |
| Industrials                                     | 454,642     | 454,642   | -   | -   |  |  |  |
| Information Technology                          | 518,825     | 518,825   | -   | -   |  |  |  |
| Materials                                       | 174,505     | 174,505   | -   | -   |  |  |  |
| Preferred Stock                                 | 783         | 783   | -   | -   |  |  |  |
| Real Estate                                     | 102,949     | 102,949   | -   | -   |  |  |  |
| Utilities                                       | 79,006      | 79,006  | -   | -   |  |  |  |
| <b>Total Equity Securities</b>                  | \$3,080,087 | \$3,080,087   | \$ -  | <b>\$</b> -                                     |  |  |  |
| Securitized Obligations Asset-Backed Securities | \$98.812    | \$-   | \$98.812  | \$-   |  |  |  |
| Fixed Income Securities                         |             |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| Asset-Backed Securities                         | \$98,812    | \$-   | \$98,812  | \$-   |  |  |  |
| Credit Obligations                              |             |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| Corporate Bonds                                 | 316,910     | 374   | 316,536   | -   |  |  |  |
| Municipals                                      | 9,642       | -   | 9,642   | -   |  |  |  |
| Yankees   | 59,538      | -   | 59,538  | -   |  |  |  |
| U.S. Government &                               |             |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| Agency Obligations                              |             |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| Agency Securities                               | 130,261     | -   | 130,261   | -   |  |  |  |
| U.S. Treasury                                   | 1,063,700   | -   | 1,063,700   | -   |  |  |  |
| International Government                        | 4,471       | -   | 4,471   | -   |  |  |  |
| Collateralized                                  | 102,872     | _   | 102,872   | _   |  |  |  |
| Mortgage Obligations                            | 102,072     |   | 102,072   |   |  |  |  |
| Mortgage Pass-Through                           |             |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| FHLMC   | 60,782      | -   | 60,782  | -   |  |  |  |
| FNMA  | 143,853     | -   | 143,853   | -   |  |  |  |
| GNMA  | 11,244      |   | 11,244  |   |  |  |  |
| Total Fixed Income                              |             |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| Securities                                      | 2,002,085   | 374   | 2,001,711   |   |  |  |  |
| Total Investments by Fair                       |             | •   |   |   |  |  |  |
| Value Level                                     | \$5,082,172 | \$3,080,461   | \$2,001,711   | \$  |  |  |  |

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**JUNE 30, 2022** 

### INVESTMENTS MEASURED AT THE NET ASSET VALUE (NAV)

|                                   |              |             | Redemption            |               |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|-----------------------|---------------|
|                                   |              |             | Frequency             |               |
|                                   |              | Unfunded    | (If Currently         | Redemption    |
|                                   | Fair Value   | Commitments | Eligible)*            | Notice Period |
| Equity Commingled Funds           | \$820,405    | \$ -        | Daily, monthly        | 1 - 60 days   |
| Fixed Income Commingled Funds     | 223,554      | -           | Monthly, quarterly    | 30 - 90 days  |
| Real Assets                       | 1,037,564    | 487,060     | Quarterly and 3-Years | 90 days       |
| Real Estate                       | 1,090,302    | 215,130     | Daily and quarterly   | 1 - 90 days   |
| Absolute Return                   | 955,803      | -           | Monthly and quarterly | 30 - 90 days  |
| Private Credit                    | 330,188      | 292,376     | Not applicable        |               |
| Private Equity                    | 1,764,212    | 814,219     | Not applicable        |               |
| Securities Lending Collateral     | 250,331      | -           |                       |               |
| Total Investments Measured at the | 6,472,359    |             |                       |               |
| NAV                               |              |             |                       |               |
| Total Investments                 | \$11,554,531 |             |                       |               |

<sup>\*</sup>Not applicable for closed end real assets and real estate, private credit, and private equity funds.

Note: In the event of significant market dislocations, additional time may be needed to obtain liquidity.

JUNE 30, 2022
INVESTMENT DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS

|                                    |           | Fair Value Measurements by Using   |   |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|-----------|--|---|--|--|--|
|                                    | Total     | Quoted Prices<br>in Active<br>Markets for<br>Identical Assets<br>(Level 1) | Significant<br>Other<br>Observable<br>Inputs<br>(Level 2) | Significant<br>Unobservable<br>Inputs<br>(Level 3) |  |  |
| Assets                             |           |  |   |  |  |  |
| Forwards                           | \$2,397   | \$2,397  | \$ -  | \$ -   |  |  |
| Options                            | 473       | -  | 473   | -  |  |  |
| Swaps                              | 108,218   | -  | 108,218   | -  |  |  |
| Liabilities                        |           |  |   |  |  |  |
| Forwards                           | (687)     | (687)  | -   | -  |  |  |
| Options                            | (202)     | -  | (202)   | -  |  |  |
| Swaps                              | (108,092) |  | (108,092)   |  |  |  |
| <b>Total Investment Derivative</b> |           |  |   |  |  |  |
| Instruments                        | \$2,107   | \$1,710  | \$397   | <u> </u>   |  |  |

#### **EQUITY SECURITIES**

The majority of the System's domestic and international equity securities are actively traded on major stock exchanges or over-the-counter (OTC). Investments listed or traded on a securities exchange are valued at fair value as of the close of trading on the valuation day. Fair value is determined based on the last reported trade price on the exchange considered to be the primary market for such security. Listed investments that are not traded on a particular day are valued at the last known price which is deemed best to reflect their fair value. Equity securities classified in Level 1 are valued using prices quoted in active markets for those securities.

#### **FIXED INCOME SECURITIES**

Debt securities consist of investments in customized separate accounts and commingled funds which primarily invest in negotiable obligations of the U.S. Government and U.S. Government-sponsored agencies, U.S. and non-U.S. corporations, securitized offerings backed by residential and commercial mortgages, and non-dollar denominated sovereign states. Debt securities that are not actively traded are valued by pricing vendors, which use modeling techniques that include market observable inputs required to develop a fair value, and are classified in Level 2. Typical inputs include recent trades, yields, price quotes, cash flows, maturity, credit ratings, and other assumptions based upon the specifics of the asset type.

### **EQUITY AND FIXED INCOME COMMINGLED FUNDS**

Certain equity and fixed income investments are invested in a commingled fund to provide dedicated exposure to a specific segment of the market and are valued at the NAV. An example would be an emerging market equity mandate invested through a commingled fund, or a core plus fixed income mandate where SCERS receives the high yield credit exposure through a commingled fund that is managed by the investment manager. The most significant input into the NAV of such an entity is the value of its investment holdings. These holdings are valued by the fund manager on a continuous basis and audited annually. The valuation assumptions are based upon both market and property specific inputs which are not observable and involve a certain degree of expert judgment.

#### INVESTMENTS MEASURED AT THE NET ASSET VALUE (NAV)

Investments valued using the net asset value (NAV) per share (or its equivalent) are investments in non-governmental pooled investment vehicles (i.e., limited partner or non-managing member interest or LP/LLC interest). These alternative investments, unlike more traditional investments, generally do not have readily obtainable fair values and are generally valued at the most recent net asset value per unit or based on capital account information available from the general partners of such vehicles. If the June 30 valuations are not available, the value is derived from the most recent available valuation taking into account of subsequent cash flow activities.

#### **ABSOLUTE RETURN**

Absolute return investments are made on a direct basis in limited partnerships, commingled funds, separate accounts, and through externally managed customized separate accounts (CSA). Each CSA manager's investments consist of portfolio funds and co-investments as well as marketable securities held from time to time as a result of a distribution from a portfolio fund.

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Absolute return investments include commingled funds that invest in domestic and international investment strategies including: (1) Market neutral strategies such as equity or fixed income market neutral, fixed income arbitrage, and convertible bond arbitrage; (2) Event driven strategies such as risk arbitrage, merger arbitrage, distressed debt, credit and other event-driven strategies; (3) Equity and credit long/short strategies where there is a combination of long and short positions primarily in exchange traded securities, with a net market exposure less than 100% of that of the overall equity or fixed income market (strategies may be focused on U.S., non-U.S., and/or specialty mandates); (4) Global Macro strategies such as all market portfolios, opportunistic long-only, managed futures, currency, dedicated short selling strategies or other specialty strategies; and (5) Multi-strategies where absolute return managers invest using a combination of previously described strategies.

Absolute return investments are generally less liquid as compared to equity and fixed income and more liquid as compared to private market investments, such as real assets, real estate, private credit, and private equity. Direct absolute return investments consist of securities traded on national security exchanges, as well as securities that do not have readily determinable fair values (illiquid securities). For CSAs, the fund manager's evaluation of the fair value of portfolio funds is based on the most recent available valuation information provided to them by the portfolio funds, adjusted for subsequent distributions from and capital contributions to such portfolio funds, if any.

Typically, the fair value of investments is determined by the fund manager in good faith and in compliance with the following guidelines:

- The value of illiquid investments is determined by the fund manager in good faith and in compliance with the definition of fair value under U.S. GAAP (Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB). Accounting Standards Codification, Topic 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures); however, in some circumstances certain illiquid investments may require reporting financial information and valuations in accordance with accounting standards other than U.S. GAAP, such as under International Financial Reporting Standards.
- Securities that are traded on a national securities exchange are valued at their last reported sales
  prices on the valuation date on the national securities exchange on which such securities are
  principally traded or on a consolidated tape which includes such exchange, or, if there are no
  sales on such date on such exchange or consolidated tape, securities are typically valued at the
  mean between the last "bid" and "ask" prices at the close of trading on such date on the largest
  national securities exchange on which such securities are traded.
- Securities not traded on a national securities exchange, but traded over-the-counter, are valued
  at the last reported sales price as reported by the Nasdaq National Market of the Nasdaq Stock
  Market, or if such prices are not reported by the Nasdaq Stock Market, as reported by the
  National Quotation Bureau, Inc., or if such prices are not reported by the National Quotation
  Bureau, the valuation of options or notional principal contracts not traded on a national
  securities exchange may be determined in good faith by a reliable source selected by the
  fund manager.

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- Commodity interests traded on a United States or foreign exchange are valued at their last reported settlement price on the valuation date on the exchange on which such interests were purchased or sold. Commodity interests not traded on a United States or foreign exchange are valued at the mean between their last "bid" and "asked" prices on the date as of which the value is being determined, as reported by a reliable source selected in good faith by the fund manager.
- Short-term money market instruments and bank deposits are valued at cost plus accrued interest to the date of valuation.

#### **REAL ASSETS AND REAL ESTATE**

Real assets and real estate investments are held in limited partnerships. Limited partner interest is valued using the NAV of the partnership. Core and core plus real estate is held typically as a limited partner in a commingled fund and is valued at NAV. The most significant input into the NAV of such an entity is the value of its investment holdings. These holdings are valued by the general partners on a recurring basis, audited annually, and periodically appraised by an independent third party. The valuation assumptions are based upon both market and property specific inputs which are not observable and involve a certain degree of expert judgment. Real assets and real estate investments are held in open-ended and closed-ended commingled funds. Closed-ended commingled funds are long-term and illiquid in nature. As a result, investors are subject to redemption restrictions, which generally limit distributions and restrict the ability of limited partners to exit a partnership investment. These investments cannot be redeemed with the funds unless sold in a secondary market. Distributions from each fund will be received as the underlying investments of the funds are liquidated. It is expected that the underlying assets of the funds will be liquidated over 2 to 15 years.

#### PRIVATE CREDIT AND PRIVATE EQUITY

Private credit investments include direct limited partnerships, commingled funds, and separate accounts that invest in direct lending, and opportunistic lending strategies. Private equity investments include limited partnerships, commingled funds and fund of funds (FoF) that invest in domestic and international private buyouts, venture capital, growth equity and distressed debt. Private credit and private equity investments are made both on a direct basis in limited partnerships, commingled funds, separate accounts, and through externally managed FoF. Each FoF manager's investments consist of portfolio funds and co-investments as well as marketable securities held from time to time as a result of a distribution from a portfolio fund.

These investments are long-term and illiquid in nature. As a result, limited partners are constrained in their ability to exit a partnership investment prior to its dissolution, other than selling their interest in a private equity secondary market. Distributions are received through cash flows and the liquidation of the underlying assets of the fund. It is expected that the underlying assets of the fund would be liquidated over 8 to 15 years.

Limited partner interest in commingled funds is valued by using the NAV of the partnership. The most significant input into the NAV of such an entity is the value of its investment holdings. These holdings are valued by the general partners on a recurring basis, audited annually, and periodically appraised by an independent third party.

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Typically, the fair value of all investments is determined by the fund manager in good faith and in compliance with the definition of fair value under U.S. GAAP (FASB Accounting Standards Codification, Topic 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*). In some circumstances, partnership agreements require reporting financial information and valuations in accordance with accounting standards other than U.S. GAAP, such as under International Financial Reporting Standards. The measure of fair value by the fund manager is typically conducted on a quarterly basis. Marketable securities are valued according to the most recent public market price with appropriate discounts to reflect any contractual or regulatory restriction upon sale.

The fair value of each investment as reported does not necessarily represent the amount that may ultimately be realized, since such amounts depend upon future circumstances that cannot reasonably be determined until the position is actually liquidated. The evaluation of the fair value of portfolio funds is based on the most recent available valuation information provided by each fund, adjusted for subsequent distributions from and capital contributions to such portfolio funds, if any. The evaluation of the fair value of co-investments is based on the most recent information available at the time of valuation ascribed to such investments by the sponsor partnership. If the manager does not agree with this valuation, holds different securities than the sponsor partnership, is unable to obtain the sponsor partnership's valuation, or has information that results in a different valuation, the manager may use their own internal evaluation of fair value. The assumptions are based upon the nature of the investment and the underlying business. The valuation techniques vary based upon investment type and involve a certain degree of expert judgment.

#### **INVESTMENT DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS**

The fair values of derivative contracts can be affected by changes in interest rates, foreign exchange rates, commodity prices, credit spreads, market volatility, expected return, liquidity and other factors. The majority of the System's derivative instruments are traded in the OTC derivative market and are classified within Level 2. OTC derivatives classified within Level 2 are valued using models that utilize actively quoted or observable market input values from external market data providers, third-party pricing vendors and/or recent trading activity. The fair values of OTC derivatives for swaps and forward contracts are determined using discounted cash flow models. The fair values of option contracts and warrants are determined using Black-Scholes option pricing models. These models' key inputs include the contractual terms of the respective contract along with significant observable inputs, including interest rates, currency rates, credit spreads, equity prices, index dividend yield, volatility, and other factors. The fair value of rights is calculated using the same parameters used for pricing options, including the rights' subscription price, prevailing interest rates, time to expiration, and the share price of the underlying stock, taking into consideration the level of its volatility. Futures positions are exchange traded and settle in cash on a daily basis and thus have no fair value.

#### ANNUAL MONEY-WEIGHTED RATE OF RETURN

The money-weighted rate of return expresses investment performance, net of investment expenses, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, the annual money-weighted rate of return on pension plan investments, net of pension plan investment expenses, was -4.3%.

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#### **SECTION 3: SECURITIES LENDING**

State statutes permit the System to participate in securities lending transactions and, pursuant to a Securities Lending Authorization Agreement, the System has authorized State Street Bank and Trust Company (State Street) to act as its agent in lending the System's securities to broker-dealers and banks pursuant to an approved loan agreement.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, on behalf of the System, State Street loaned securities held by State Street as custodian, including U.S. government and agency obligations, domestic corporate bonds, and domestic and international equities and received, as collateral, U.S. and foreign currency, U.S. government bonds, U.S. corporate bonds, U.S. equity, and international equity securities. The System does not have the ability to pledge or sell security collateral absent a borrower default. Borrowers are required to deliver collateral for each loan equal to a minimum of 100% of the fair value of the loaned security.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, SCERS did not impose any restrictions on the amount of the loans that State Street made on its behalf. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, there were no failures to return loaned securities or pay distributions thereon by any borrowers. Moreover, there were no losses resulting from a default of the borrowers or State Street.

SCERS and the borrowers maintained the right to terminate all securities lending transactions on demand. The cash collateral received on each loan was invested, together with the cash collateral of other qualified tax-exempt plan lenders, in a collective investment pool. Because the loans were terminable at will, their duration did not generally match the duration of the investments made with cash collateral. Since the collateral received from the borrowers was greater than the amounts borrowed, the System had minimal credit risk exposure to the borrowers. Furthermore, the lending agreement with State Street requires the custodian to indemnify the System if the borrower fails to return the loaned securities.

Additional information regarding the cash collateral investment pool (collateral pool) follows:

**Method for Determining Fair Value.** The fair value of investments held by the collateral pool is based upon valuations provided by a recognized pricing service.

**Policy for Utilizing Amortized Cost Method.** Because the collateral pool does not meet the requirements of Rule 2a-7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940, State Street has valued the collateral pool investments at fair value for reporting purposes.

**Regulatory Oversight.** The collateral pool is not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. State Street, and consequently the investment vehicles it sponsors (including the collateral pool), are subject to the oversight of the Federal Reserve Board and the Massachusetts Commissioner of Banks. The fair value of the System's position in the collateral pool is the same as the System's pro rata share of the collateral pool.

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Collateral and related securities on loan at June 30, 2022, were as follows:

| Security Description | Fair Value of<br>Reinvested<br>Cash Collateral | Cash<br>Collateral Value | Non-Cash<br>Collateral<br>Value | Fair Value of<br>Securities<br>on Loan |
|----------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Fixed Income         | \$181,500                                      | \$178,240                | \$30,279                        | \$208,613                              |
| Equity               | 68,831   | 66,293                   | 12,114                          | 78,453                                 |
| Total                | \$250,331                                      | \$244,533                | \$42,393                        | \$287,066                              |

#### SECURITIES LENDING COLLATERAL CREDIT RISK

All of the cash collateral received for securities lending is invested in the State Street Compass Fund Liquidity Pool (The Compass Fund), which is not rated by credit rating agencies. At the time of purchase, all securities with maturities of 13 months or less must be rated at least A1, P1 or F1 and all securities with maturities in excess of 13 months must be rated A- or A3 by any two of the nationally-recognized statistical rating organizations or, if unrated, be of comparable quality. The fund may invest in other State Street managed vehicles provided they conform to the guidelines.

#### SECURITIES LENDING COLLATERAL INTEREST RATE RISK

The Compass Fund's Investment Policy Guidelines provide that the lending agent shall maintain the dollar-weighted average maturity of The Compass Fund in a manner that the lending agent believes is appropriate to the objective of The Compass Fund, provided that (i) in no event shall any Eligible Security be acquired with a remaining legal final maturity of greater than 18 months, (ii) the lending agent shall maintain a dollar-weighted average maturity of The Compass Fund not to exceed 75 calendar days and (iii) the lending agent shall maintain a dollar-weighted average maturity to final of The Compass Fund not to exceed 180 calendar days. As of June 30, 2022, the weighted average maturity was 3.9 days.

#### **SECTION 4: DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT RISKS**

Pursuant to Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 40, Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosure, the following schedules disclose the System's investments subject to certain types of risk.

#### **CREDIT RISK**

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to a debt instrument will not fulfill its obligations. This is measured by the assignment of ratings by nationally-recognized statistical rating organizations. The ratings used to determine the quality of the individual securities are the ratings provided by Standard & Poor's (S&P). If there are no ratings provided by S&P, then the ratings provided by Moody's and Fitch Group are used, respectively.

SCERS utilizes external investment managers to manage its portfolios. SCERS' Investment Policy specifies that fixed income investments will include both active and passive index investments in U.S. Treasury and agency securities, corporate bonds, mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities and non-dollar denominated sovereign and corporate debt.

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SCERS' portfolio is comprised of actively-managed investment strategies in which each strategy will have a minimum average credit quality rating by a Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization (NRSRO). Portfolio diversification is constrained by investment guideline parameters for each individual strategy in order to minimize overall market and credit risk.

The following table depicts the fixed income assets by credit rating as of June 30, 2022:

|                  |             |                            |                       |                     |  |                             |   | Mortg    | age Pass-Thr | ough     |
|------------------|-------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--|-----------------------------|---|----------|--------------|----------|
| Credit<br>Rating |             | Securitized<br>Obligations | Credit<br>Obligations | Commingled<br>Funds | U.S. Government<br>& Agency<br>Obligations | International<br>Government | Collateralized<br>Mortgage<br>Obligations | FHLMC    | FNMA         | GNMA     |
| AAA              | \$239,849   | \$66,179                   | \$2,031               | \$ -                | \$111,554                                  | \$ -                        | \$60,085                                  | \$-      | \$ -         | \$ -     |
| AA+              | 230,998     | -                          | 1,180                 | -                   | 18,224                                     | -                           | 6,959                                     | 60,782   | 143,853      | -        |
| AA-1             | 1,271       | 1,113                      | 158                   | -                   | -  | -                           | -   | -        | -            | -        |
| AA               | 7,428       | 5,050                      | 1,705                 | -                   | -  | -                           | 673                                       | -        | -            | -        |
| AA-2             | 562         | 146                        | 416                   | -                   | -  | -                           | -   | -        | -            | -        |
| AA-              | 6,340       | 192                        | 5,960                 | -                   | -  | -                           | 188                                       | -        | -            | -        |
| AA-3             | 516         | -                          | 516                   | -                   | -  | -                           | -   | -        | -            | -        |
| A+               | 9,325       | -                          | 8,956                 | -                   | 322  | -                           | 47  | -        | -            | -        |
| A-1              | 750         | 269                        | 197                   | -                   | -  | -                           | 284                                       | -        | -            | -        |
| Α                | 12,938      | 2,154                      | 10,731                | -                   | -  | -                           | 53  | -        | -            | -        |
| A-2              | 4,436       | 558                        | 3,634                 | -                   | -  | -                           | 244                                       | -        | -            | -        |
| A-               | 69,560      | 906                        | 68,036                | -                   | -  | -                           | 618                                       | -        | -            | -        |
| BBB+             | 82,469      | 179                        | 81,295                | -                   | -  | -                           | 995                                       | -        | -            | -        |
| BAA-1            | 407         | -                          | 407                   | -                   | -  | -                           | -   | -        | -            | -        |
| BBB              | 80,738      | -                          | 78,749                | -                   | -  | 1,989                       | -   | -        | -            | -        |
| BAA-2            | 2,564       | 715                        | 893                   | -                   | -  | -                           | 956                                       | -        | -            | -        |
| BBB-             | 65,116      | 1,261                      | 60,409                | -                   | -  | 740                         | 2,706                                     | -        | -            | -        |
| BAA-3            | 3,153       | 537                        | 564                   | -                   | -  | 761                         | 1,291                                     | -        | -            | -        |
| BB+              | 16,716      | 2,116                      | 14,325                | -                   | -  | 246                         | 29  | -        | -            | -        |
| BB               | 11,254      | 270                        | 10,307                | -                   | -  | -                           | 677                                       | -        | -            | -        |
| BA-2             | 1,548       | -                          | -                     | -                   | -  | 492                         | 1,056                                     | -        | -            | -        |
| BB-              | 18,934      | -                          | 12,303                | -                   | -  | -                           | 6,631                                     | -        | -            | -        |
| BA-3             | 3,816       | -                          | 2,214                 | -                   | -  | -                           | 1,602                                     | -        | -            | -        |
| B+               | 6,618       | -                          | 6,618                 | -                   | -  | -                           | -   | -        | -            | -        |
| B-1              | 417         | -                          | 417                   | -                   | -  | -                           | -   | -        | -            | -        |
| В                | 8,227       | 3,789                      | 4,231                 | -                   | -  | 111                         | 96  | -        | -            | -        |
| B-2              | 605         | -                          | 605                   | -                   | -  | -                           | -   | -        | -            | -        |
| B-               | 4,784       | 19                         | 3,885                 | -                   | -  | -                           | 880                                       | -        | -            | -        |
| CCC+             | 2,080       | -                          | 1,787                 | -                   | 161  | 132                         | -   | -        | -            | -        |
| CAAl             | 628         | -                          | 628                   | -                   | -  | -                           | -   | -        | -            | -        |
| CCC              | 4,271       | 2,484                      | -                     | -                   | -  | -                           | 1,787                                     | -        | -            | -        |
| CAA2             | 228         | -                          | 228                   | -                   | -  | -                           | -   | -        | -            | -        |
| CCC-             | 372         | -                          | 372                   | -                   | -  | -                           | -   | -        | -            | -        |
| CAA3             | 120         | -                          | 120                   | -                   | -  | -                           | -   | -        | -            | -        |
| CC               | 718         | 302                        | 416                   | -                   | -  | -                           | -   | -        | -            | -        |
| D                | 656         | 517                        | 139                   | -                   | -  | -                           | -   | -        | -            | -        |
| NA               | 1,074,944   | -                          | -                     | -                   | 1,063,700                                  | -                           | -   | -        | -            | 11,244   |
| NR               | 250,283     | 215,164                    | 1,658                 | 18,446              | -  | -                           | 15,015                                    | -        | -            | -        |
| Total            | \$2,225,639 | \$303,920                  | \$386,090             | \$18,446            | \$1,193,961                                | \$4,471                     | \$102,872                                 | \$60,782 | \$143,853    | \$11,244 |

NA represents securities explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government, which are not subject to the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 40 credit risk disclosure requirements. NR represents those securities that are not rated.

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#### **CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK**

Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government's investment in a single issuer. As of June 30, 2022, the System had no single issuer that exceeds 5% of total investments per Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 40 disclosure requirements or any one issuer which represents 5% or more of total fiduciary net position in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 67. Investments issued or explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government and investments in mutual funds, external investment pools, and other pooled investments are exempt from the disclosure requirements.

The System's investment policy does not allow more than 5% of the total portfolio fair value to be invested in any one issuer, and as of June 30, 2022, the System had no issuer that exceeds 5% of total portfolio fair value. As noted in the previous discussion of credit risk, manager investment guidelines place limitations on the maximum holdings in any one issuer.

#### **CUSTODIAL CREDIT RISK**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event a financial institution or counterparty fails, the System would not be able to recover the value of its deposits, investments, or securities. As of June 30, 2022, the bank balance of cash and cash equivalents on deposit with SCERS' custodian bank and financial institutions totaled \$108,374, of which \$108,124 was not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and was exposed to custodial credit risk. The System believes that the risk is not significant because the cash is held with major financial institutions.

As of June 30, 2022, deposits held in the System's name for the margin accounts of \$30,517 were not insured or not collateralized, and these deposits were exposed to custodial credit risk.

As of June 30, 2022, 100% of the System's investments held with the custodian were held in the System's name, and the System is not exposed to custodial credit risk related to these investments. There are no general policies related to custodial credit risk.

#### **INTEREST RATE RISK**

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The investment guidelines negotiated with the actively-managed external portfolio managers give each of the managers the discretion to deviate within a particular range from the effective duration of the relevant Bloomberg Aggregate Bond Index benchmark.

The following tables depict the duration in years of the long-term fixed income portfolio vs. the benchmark as of June 30, 2022.

| Type of Securities                     | Fair Value  | Effective<br>Duration | Benchmark<br>Duration | Difference |
|--|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| Securitized Obligations                |             |                       |                       |            |
| Asset-Backed Securities                | \$303,920   | 0.26                  | 2.97                  | (2.71)     |
| Credit Obligations                     |             |                       |                       |            |
| Corporate Bonds                        | 316,910     | 5.58                  | 10.25                 | (4.67)     |
| Municipals                             | 9,642       | 0.29                  | 10.52                 | (10.23)    |
| Yankees                                | 59,538      | 0.83                  | 5.80                  | (4.97)     |
| U.S. Government & Agency Obligations   |             |                       |                       |            |
| Agency Securities                      | 130,261     | 0.11                  | 3.63                  | (3.52)     |
| U.S. Treasury                          | 1,063,700   | 7.52                  | 7.50                  | 0.02       |
| International Government               | 4,471       | 5.22                  | 4.84                  | 0.38       |
| Collateralized Mortgage Obligations    | 102,872     | 2.75                  | 4.15                  | (1.40)     |
| Mortgage Pass-Through                  |             |                       |                       |            |
| FHLMC                                  | 60,782      | 6.79                  | 6.06                  | 0.73       |
| FNMA                                   | 143,853     | 6.92                  | 5.98                  | 0.94       |
| GNMA                                   | 11,244      | 5.77                  | 6.01                  | (0.24)     |
| No Effective Duration                  |             |                       |                       |            |
| Commingled Fund                        | 18,446      | NA                    | NA                    | NA         |
| Total Fair Value with Weighted Average | \$2,225,639 | 5.30                  | 6.42                  | (1.12)     |

NA represents securities that have no effective duration.

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#### **FOREIGN CURRENCY RISK**

Foreign currency risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment or a deposit. The following tables represent cash and investments held in a foreign currency as of June 30, 2022:

| Local Currency<br>Name | Cash<br>and Cash<br>Equivalents | Equity      | Fixed<br>Income | Real<br>Assets | Real<br>Estate | Private<br>Credit | Private<br>Equity | Total       |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Australian Dollar      | \$49                            | \$47,140    | \$-             | \$-            | \$-            | \$-               | \$-               | \$47,189    |
| Brazilian Real         | -                               | 571         | -               | -              | -              | -                 | -                 | 571         |
| Canadian Dollar        | 81                              | 115,203     | 146             | -              | -              | -                 | -                 | 115,430     |
| Chilean Peso           | -                               | 250         | -               | -              | -              | -                 | -                 | 250         |
| Danish Krone           | -                               | 77,846      | -               | -              | -              | -                 | -                 | 77,846      |
| Euro Currency          | 3,408                           | 400,045     | 21,311          | 4,100          | 188,298        | 15,300            | 139,063           | 771,525     |
| Hong Kong Dollar       | 1,247                           | 56,943      | -               | -              | -              | -                 | -                 | 58,190      |
| Hungarian Forint       | (326)                           | -           | -               | -              | -              | -                 | -                 | (326)       |
| Japanese Yen           | 3,438                           | 244,926     | -               | -              | 10,057         | -                 | -                 | 258,421     |
| Mexican Peso           | (500)                           | 732         | -               | -              | -              | -                 | -                 | 232         |
| New Israeli Sheqel     | 794                             | 9,512       | -               | -              | -              | -                 | -                 | 10,306      |
| New Zealand Dollar     | (348)                           | -           | -               | -              | -              | -                 | -                 | (348)       |
| Norwegian Krone        | (24)                            | 7,485       | -               | -              | -              | -                 | -                 | 7,461       |
| Polish Zloty           | (461)                           | -           | -               | -              | -              | -                 | -                 | (461)       |
| Pound Sterling         | 2,430                           | 135,217     | 6,420           | -              | 1,766          | -                 | -                 | 145,833     |
| Singapore Dollar       | 34                              | 13,601      | -               | -              | -              | -                 | -                 | 13,635      |
| South African Rand     | 233                             | -           | -               | -              | -              | -                 | -                 | 233         |
| Swedish Krona          | 102                             | 22,689      | -               | -              | -              | -                 | -                 | 22,791      |
| Swiss Franc            | 429                             | 122,643     | -               | -              | -              | -                 | -                 | 123,072     |
| Yuan Renminbi          | 1                               |             |                 |                |                |                   |                   | 1           |
| Total                  | \$10,587                        | \$1,254,803 | \$27,877        | \$4,100        | \$200,121      | \$15,300          | \$139,063         | \$1,651,851 |

Foreign currency is comprised of international investment proceeds and income to be repatriated into U.S. dollars and funds available to purchase international securities. The System does not have a foreign currency risk policy.

#### HIGHLY SENSITIVE INVESTMENTS

As of June 30, 2022, SCERS' investments included Collateralized Mortgage Obligations and Mortgage Pass-Through securities totaling \$318,751. These securities are highly sensitive to interest rate fluctuations in that they are subject to early payment in a period of declining interest rates. The resulting reduction in expected total cash flows affects the fair value of these securities.

As of June 30, 2022, total commodities investments was \$20,431. The investments consist of commodity futures hedge fund-of-funds and exposure through a customized, diversified real assets strategy.

Spot commodity prices have historically been a poor investment and have declined in real terms. However, investment in collateralized commodity futures can provide higher returns. The futures market is an efficient way for producers to hedge price risk by forward-selling commodities at lower prices relative to spot prices to investors and speculators generating a roll yield (backwardation).

In general, commodities are volatile investments that are prone to large price spikes. By investing in commodity futures, investors get exposure to short-term price movement and risk, as well as long-term price trends. This price volatility and the need for producers to hedge their production provides the fundamental rationale for why investment managers pay the risk premium to speculators and long-only investors in the commodity markets.

### **SECTION 5: DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS**

The System's investment portfolios contain individual securities as well as investments in external investment pools. The System's investment policy allows investment managers to use derivative instruments for certain purposes and within certain parameters. Such instruments include futures contracts, currency forward contracts, option contracts, swap agreements, and rights and warrants. The System uses derivatives to minimize the exposure of certain investments to adverse fluctuations in financial and currency markets, as an alternative to investments in the cash market in which the manager is permitted to invest, and as an additional yield curve and/or duration management strategy. The System does not use derivatives for speculative purposes or to create leverage, however, this does not apply to investments in external pools. As of June 30, 2022, the derivative instruments held by the System are considered investments and not hedges for accounting purposes. The gains and losses arising from this activity are recognized as incurred in the Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position.

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The table below presents the related net appreciation/(depreciation) in fair value, the fair value and the notional value of derivative instruments outstanding at June 30, 2022:

Net Appreciation/ (Depreciation) in Fair Value of Investments

| Investment<br>Derivative Instruments | Amount     | Financial<br>Statement Classification | Fair Value | Notional  |
|--------------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| Forwards                             | \$(7,386)  | Investment Sales and Other            | \$1,710    | \$107,130 |
| Futures                              | (88,004)   | Investment Sales and Other            | -          | 61,495    |
| Options                              | 371        | Investment Purchases and Other        | 271        | (10,170)  |
| Rights/Warrants                      | -          | Investment Sales and Other            | -          | 2*        |
| Swaps                                | (801)      | Investment Purchases and Other        | 126        | 97,826    |
| Total Derivatives<br>Instruments     | \$(95,820) |                                       | \$2,107    |           |

<sup>\*</sup> Present in number of shares.

Futures contracts are financial instruments that derive their value from underlying indices or reference rates and are marked-to-market at the end of each trading day. Daily settlement of gains and losses occur on the following business day. As a result, the instruments themselves have no fair value at June 30, 2022, or at the end of any trading day. Daily settlement of gains and losses is a risk control measure to limit counterparty credit risk. Futures variation margin amounts are settled each trading day and recognized in the financial statements under net appreciation/(depreciation) in fair value of investments as they are incurred.

Forward contracts are obligations to buy or sell a currency or other commodity at a specified exchange rate and quantity on a specific future date. The fair value of the foreign currency forwards is the unrealized gain or loss calculated based on the difference between the specified exchange rate and the closing exchange rate at June 30, 2022.

#### **COUNTERPARTY CREDIT RISK**

The table below presents the counterparty credit ratings of the System's non-exchange traded investment derivative instruments outstanding and subject to loss at June 30, 2022:

| S&P Rating                                      | Forward | Swaps   | Total   |
|---|---------|---------|---------|
| A   | \$85    | \$-     | \$85    |
| A-  | 648     | 1       | 649     |
| A+  | 1109    | 17      | 1126    |
| AA-   | 547     | -       | 547     |
| BBB+  |         | 1335    | 1335    |
| Investments in Asset Position                   | 2,389   | 1,353   | 3,742   |
| Investments in Liability Position               | (680)   | (1,188) | (1,868) |
| Total Investments in Asset/(Liability) Position | \$1,709 | \$165   | \$1,874 |

The System could be exposed to risk if the counterparties to derivative contracts are unable to meet the terms of the contracts. The System's investment managers seek to control this risk through counterparty credit evaluations and approvals, counterparty credit limits, and exposure monitoring procedures. The System anticipates that the counterparties will be able to satisfy their obligations under the contracts.

The aggregate fair value of investment derivative instruments in an asset position subject to counterparty risk at June 30, 2022, was \$3,744. This represents the maximum loss that would be recognized at the reporting date if all counterparties failed to perform as contracted. The System did not have any master netting agreements with its counterparties at June 30, 2022, except that certain investment managers used netting arrangements at their discretion to minimize counterparty risks. The above schedules present exposure for similar instruments with the same counterparty on a net basis.

At June 30, 2022, the System did not have any significant exposure to counterparty credit risk with any single party.

#### **INTEREST RATE RISK**

At June 30, 2022, the System is exposed to interest rate risk on its derivative instruments as presented in the following tables:

|                              |                     | Invest         | tment Matu | urities (in y | ears)           |
|------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Investment Type              | Total Fair<br>Value | Less<br>Than 1 | 1 - 5      | 6 - 10        | More<br>than 10 |
| Credit Default Swaps Bought  | \$15                | \$(2)          | \$17       | \$0           | \$0             |
| Credit Default Swaps Written | (37)                | (37)           | -          | -             | -               |
| Fixed Income Options Bought  | 407                 | 407            | -          | -             | -               |
| Fixed Income Options Written | (132)               | (132)          | -          | -             | -               |
| Interest Rate Swaps          | 147_                | 5              | (944)      | 119           | 967             |
| Total                        | \$400               | \$241          | \$(927)    | \$119         | \$967           |

### **Derivative Instruments Highly Sensitive to Interest Changes**

| Investment Type                  | Reference Rate  | Fair Value | Notional Value |
|----------------------------------|---|------------|----------------|
| Interest Rate Swaps              | Receive Variable 12-month SONIA,<br>Pay Fixed 0.95%   | \$5        | \$435          |
| Interest Rate Swaps              | Receive Variable 12-month SONIA,<br>Pay Fixed 1%      | 154        | 2,781          |
| Interest Rate Swaps              | Receive Variable 12-month SONIA,<br>Pay Fixed 1.05%   | 90         | 1,391          |
| Interest Rate Swaps              | Receive Variable 12-month SONIA,<br>Pay Fixed 1.15%   | 48         | 517            |
| Interest Rate Swaps              | Receive Variable 12-month SONIA,<br>Pay Fixed 1.15%   | 42         | 407            |
| Interest Rate Swaps              | Receive Variable 12-month SONIA,<br>Pay Fixed 1.2%    | 22         | 188            |
| Interest Rate Swaps              | Receive Variable 12-month SONIA,<br>Pay Fixed 0.6804% | 30         | 296            |
| Interest Rate Swaps              | Receive Variable 3-month LIBOR, Pay<br>Fixed 1.7425%  | 945        | 4,455          |
| Interest Rate Swaps              | Pay Variable 3-month LIBOR, Receive Fixed 1.6875%     | (1,189)    | 53,260         |
| <b>Total Interest Rate Swaps</b> |   | \$147      | \$63,730       |

#### **FOREIGN CURRENCY RISK**

At June 30, 2022, the System was exposed to foreign currency risk on its investments in forward contracts and swaps denominated in foreign currencies as presented in the following tables:

|                        | Forward Co      | ontracts     |       |                |
|------------------------|-----------------|--------------|-------|----------------|
| Currency Name          | Net Receivables | Net Payables | Swaps | Total Exposure |
| Australian Dollar      | \$(8)           | \$31         | \$-   | \$23           |
| Brazilian Real         | (124)           | 16           | -     | (108)          |
| Canadian Dollar        | 161             | 3            | -     | 164            |
| Chilean Peso           | (14)            | -            | -     | (14)           |
| Colombian Peso         | (45)            | -            | -     | (45)           |
| Czech Koruna           | (8)             | 5            | -     | (3)            |
| Euro Currency          | (74)            | 1,245        | -     | 1,171          |
| Hungarian Forint       | (37)            | 31           | -     | (6)            |
| Indian Rupee           | -               | 5            | -     | 5              |
| Indonesian Rupiah      | -               | 12           | -     | 12             |
| Japanese Yen           | (26)            | 4            | -     | (22)           |
| Mexican Peso (New)     | (47)            | -            | -     | (47)           |
| New Israeli Sheqel     | (3)             | 113          | -     | 110            |
| New Taiwan Dollar      | -               | 44           | -     | 44             |
| New Zealand Dollar     | (23)            | -            | -     | (23)           |
| Philippine Peso        | (55)            | (2)          | -     | (57)           |
| Polish Zloty           | (63)            | 7            | -     | (56)           |
| Pound Sterling         | -               | 545          | 390   | 935            |
| Singapore Dollar       | (2)             | -            | -     | (2)            |
| Peruvian Sol           | (13)            | -            | -     | (13)           |
| South African Rand     | (4)             | 32           | -     | 28             |
| South Korean Won       | -               | 26           | -     | 26             |
| Thailand Baht          | -               | 78           | -     | 78             |
| Yuan Renminbi Offshore | 4               | (105)        | -     | (101)          |
| Turkish Lira           |                 | 1            | _     | 1              |
| <b>Grand Total</b>     | \$(381)         | \$2,091      | \$390 | \$2,100        |

The System has investments in futures contracts. As indicated on the preceding pages, futures variation margin accounts are settled each trading day and recognized as realized gains/(losses) as they are incurred. As a result, the foreign futures contracts have no fair value at June 30, 2022.

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## Note 4 - Pension Liability And Significant Assumptions

The employers' net pension liabilities (i.e., the total pension liability determined in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 67 less the System's fiduciary net position) as of June 30, 2022, is shown below:

|  | 2022         |
|--|--------------|
| Total Pension Liability                                  | \$13,578,984 |
| Less: Fiduciary Net Position                             | 11,830,351   |
| Net Pension Liability                                    | \$1,748,633  |
| Fiduciary Net Position as a % of Total Pension Liability | 87.1%        |

The actuarial valuation of the System involves estimates of the amounts reported and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Some examples include future salary increases and future employee mortality. The net pension liability is subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. Triennially, the System requests that its actuary, Segal, perform an analysis of the appropriateness of all economic and non-economic assumptions. The last triennial analysis was performed as of June 30, 2020, and as a result of that analysis, the Board of Retirement approved certain changes to the actuarial assumptions, which were incorporated in the actuarial valuation report as of June 30, 2022.

#### DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION ABOUT ACTUARIAL METHODS AND ASSUMPTIONS

The required Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios, immediately following the Notes to the Basic Financial Statements, presents multi-year trend information about whether the employers' net pension liability is increasing or decreasing over time.

The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations.

#### **ACTUARIAL METHODS AND RENEWAL APPLICATION PART A AND B:**

The following significant actuarial assumptions were used to measure the total pension liability as of June 30, 2022:

Discount rate: 6.75%
Inflation rate: 2.75%
Real across-the-board salary increase: 0.25%
Projected salary increases\*: 4.25% - 10.50%

<sup>\*</sup> Includes inflation at 2.75% plus real across-the-board salary increase of 0.25% plus merit and promotional increases as of June 30, 2021.

#### Actuarial Methods and Renewal Application Part A and B (Continued):

Assumed post-retirement benefit increase:

| Miscellaneous Tier 1 | 2.75% |
|----------------------|-------|
| Miscellaneous Tier 2 | 0.00% |
| Miscellaneous Tier 3 | 2.00% |
| Miscellaneous Tier 4 | 2.00% |
| Miscellaneous Tier 5 | 2.00% |
| Safety Tier 1        | 2.75% |
| Safety Tier 2        | 2.00% |
| Safety Tier 3        | 2.00% |
| Safety Tier 4        | 2.00% |

#### Post-Retirement Mortality:

For Miscellaneous Members - Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree a) Service

> Amount- Weighted Above-Median Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with rates increased by 10%, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement

scale MP-2019.

For Safety Members - Pub-2010 Safety Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Above-Median Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with rates decreased by 5% for males, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement

scale MP-2019.

b) Disability For Miscellaneous Disabled Members - Pub-2010 Non-Safety

> Disabled Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-

dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2019.

For Safety Disabled Members - Pub-2010 Safety Disabled Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-dimensional

mortality improvement scale MP-2019.

For Miscellaneous Members - Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree

Amount-Weighted Above-Median Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with rates increased by 10%, projected 30 years (from 2010) with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale

MP-2019, weighted 40% male and 60% female.

For Safety Members - Pub-2010 Safety Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Above-Median Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with rates decreased by 5% for males, projected 30

years (from 2010) with the two-dimensional mortality improvement

scale MP-2019, weighted 75% male and 25% female.

Pre-Retirement Mortality: For Miscellaneous Members - Pub-2010 General Employee Amount-

Weighted Above-Median Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-dimensional

mortality improvement scale MP-2019.

Member

Contribution Rate:

(DOLLAR AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

**For Safety Members -** Pub-2010 Safety Employee Amount-Weighted Above-Median Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2019.

Other Assumptions:

Analysis of actuarial experience studies for the periods of July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2020, as of June 30, 2022.

#### **ASSUMED ASSET ALLOCATION**

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation and subtracting expected investment expenses and a risk margin. The target allocation and projected arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, after deducting inflation, but before deducting investment expenses, used in the derivation of the long-term expected investment rate of return assumption, as of June 30, 2022, are summarized in the next table:

|                                 | June 30, 2022     |   |  |  |  |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|---|--|--|--|
| Asset Class                     | Target Allocation | Long-Term<br>Expected Arithmetic Real<br>Rate of Return |  |  |  |
| U.S. Large Cap Equity           | 18.0 %            | 5.4 %   |  |  |  |
| U.S. Small Cap Equity           | 2.0               | 6.2   |  |  |  |
| International Developed Equity  | 16.0              | 6.5   |  |  |  |
| Emerging Markets Equity         | 4.0               | 8.8   |  |  |  |
| Core/Core Plus Bonds            | 10.0              | 1.1   |  |  |  |
| High Yield Bonds                | 1.0               | 3.4   |  |  |  |
| Global Bonds                    | 3.0               | 0.0   |  |  |  |
| Bank Loans                      | 1.0               | 3.9   |  |  |  |
| U.S. Treasury                   | 5.0               | 0.3   |  |  |  |
| Real Assets                     | 7.0               | 8.1   |  |  |  |
| Liquid Real Return              | 2.0               | 4.5   |  |  |  |
| Real Estate                     | 5.0               | 4.6   |  |  |  |
| Value Added Real Estate         | 2.0               | 8.1   |  |  |  |
| Diversifying Absolute Return    | 7.0               | 2.4   |  |  |  |
| Growth Oriented Absolute Return | 3.0               | 2.4   |  |  |  |
| Private Credit                  | 4.0               | 5.6   |  |  |  |
| Private Equity                  | 9.0               | 9.4   |  |  |  |
| Cash                            | 1.0               | -   |  |  |  |
|                                 | 100.0%            |   |  |  |  |

#### SENSITIVITY OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY TO CHANGES IN THE DISCOUNT RATE

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.75% as of June 30, 2022. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that member contributions will be made based on the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be made at the end of each pay period based on the actuarially determined contribution rates. For this purpose, only the employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits for current Plan members and their beneficiaries are included.

Projected employer contributions that are intended to fund the service cost for future Plan members and their beneficiaries, as well as projected contributions from future Plan members, are not included.

Based on those assumptions, the System's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all the projected future benefit payments for current Plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2022.

In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 67 regarding the disclosure of the sensitivity of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate, the table below presents the employers' net pension liability as of June 30, 2022, calculated using the discount rate, as well as what the employers' net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1.00% lower or 1.00% higher than the current rate.

|   | 1% Decrease | Current<br>Discount Rate | 1% Increase |
|---|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
|   | 5.75%       | 6.75%                    | 7.75%       |
| Net pension liability as of June 30, 2022 | \$3,598,671 | \$1,748,633              | \$234,183   |

## **Note 5 - Contributions Required And Contributions Made**

Contributions to the Plan are made pursuant to Section 31584 of the 1937 Act. The System's funding policy provides for periodic contributions at actuarially-determined rates that, expressed as percentages of annual covered payroll, are sufficient to accumulate adequate assets to pay benefits when due. Members of the System are required to contribute, and such contributions range from 4.16% to 25.50% of annual covered salary for fiscal year 2021-22 depending on the member's tier, employer, and bargaining unit. Each employer of the System is obligated by State law to make all required contributions to the Plan and, depending on the participating employer and their employees' tiers, such contribution rates range from 11.84% to 66.07% of covered payroll for fiscal year 2021-22. The required contributions include current service cost and amortization of any unfunded prior service cost as of June 30, 2012, over a period of 23 years from June 30, 2012, amortization of any unfunded service costs resulting in actuarial gains or losses and amortization of any unfunded service costs resulting from changes in actuarial assumptions and methods over a 20-year period, amortization of any unfunded service costs resulting from Plan amendments over a 15-year period and amortization of any unfunded service costs resulting from retirement incentive programs over a period of up to 5 years.

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Employer contribution rates are determined using the entry age normal cost method based on a level percentage of payroll. The System also uses this actuarial method to amortize the unfunded liability, if applicable. Member and employer contributions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, totaled \$438,861. Included in this total are employer contributions of \$306,335 in fiscal year 2021-22, of which \$298,613 was made by the County of Sacramento. Member contributions were \$132,526 in fiscal year 2021-22. All contributions were made in accordance with actuarially-determined contribution requirements based on the actuarial valuations performed as of June 30, 2020.

### Note 6 - Reserves

Member and employer contributions are allocated to various legally required reserve accounts based on actuarial determinations. Descriptions of the purpose for the reserve and designated accounts are provided below.

**Member reserve** represents the balance of member contributions. Additions include member contributions and interest earnings. Deductions include refunds of member contributions and transfers to retiree reserves.

**Employer reserve** represents the balance of employer contributions for future retirement payments to current active members. Additions include contributions from the employer and interest earnings. Deductions include transfers to retiree reserves, lump sum death benefits, and payments under California Government Code Sections 31725.5 and 31725.6 related to alternative employment for members otherwise entitled to disability retirement benefits.

**Retiree and death benefit reserves** represent the balance of transfers from member reserves, employer reserves, and interest earnings, less payments to retirees, and payments to beneficiaries of retired members who are deceased.

**Contingency reserve** was created to serve as a reserve against deficiencies in future earnings and unexpected expenses. Investment gains and losses are recognized (smoothed) over a seven-year period.

**Total allocated reserves** and designations represent the smoothed actuarial value of assets (the fair value of assets less the unrecognized/deferred gains and losses) and is the sum of the preceding reserves.

**Market stabilization reserve** represents the unrecognized/deferred gains and losses and is the difference between the smoothed actuarial value of assets and the net position restricted for pension benefits at fair value.

A summary of the various reserve accounts, which comprise net position restricted for pension benefits at June 30, 2022, is as follows:

| Member reserve                               | \$1,059,167  |
|--|--------------|
| Employer reserve                             | 3,278,662    |
| Retiree and death benefit reserve            | 6,955,126    |
| Contingency reserve                          | 354,911      |
| Total allocated reserves and designations    | 11,647,866   |
| Market stabilization reserve                 | 182,485      |
| Net position restricted for pension benefits | \$11,830,351 |

### **Note 7 - Plan Termination**

SCERS is administered in accordance with the provisions of the 1937 Act found in the California Government Code at Section 31450 et seq. Once adopted by the governing body of a county, there are no provisions in the 1937 Act which permit the governing body of the county to terminate the Plan. Section 31564 permits the governing body of a district to withdraw its employees if certain prerequisites are met. The governing body of a county or district can adopt optional provisions within the 1937 Act via ordinance or resolution. Once adopted, Section 31483 permits the governing body of a county or district to terminate the applicability of the optional provisions after a future date as specified in a subsequent ordinance or resolution.

## **Note 8 - Retiree Medical And Dental Insurance Program**

#### **PLAN DESCRIPTION**

The Sacramento County Retiree Medical and Dental Insurance Program (the Program) is a multiple-employer medical and dental plan, which is sponsored and administered by the County of Sacramento and financed by three participating employers. SCERS' role in regard to the Program is limited to maintaining data provided by the administrator, collecting monies from the participating employers and retirees, and remitting premium payments to health carriers. The activities of the Program are accounted for in the custodial fund. SCERS does not provide any funding for the Program.

Below is the list of employers participating in the Program as of June 30, 2022:

- County of Sacramento
- Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District
- Sacramento Employment and Training Agency

The Program provides medical and/or dental subsidy/offset payments to eligible retirees. The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors, at its own discretion, sets the amount of subsidy/offset payment available to eligible County retirees on a year-to-year basis. The medical subsidy amounts for special districts' retirees are varied and are established by each of the special district.

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#### **ELIGIBILITY**

(Amounts Expressed in Dollars)

**County annuitants who retired after May 31, 2007 -** According to the Program's Administrative Policy, only County annuitants from bargaining unit 003, who retired after May 31, 2007, may be eligible for a premium subsidy/offset depending on the annuitant's credited service hours and type of retirement.

**Special Districts' annuitants -** The medical subsidy amounts for special districts' annuitants are varied and are established by each of the member districts.

There are no vested benefits associated with the Program. The Program does not create any contractual, regulatory, or other vested entitlement to present or future retirees, their spouses, or dependents for medical and/or dental benefits, or subsidy/offset payments at any particular level, or at all. The County of Sacramento and other participating employers may, in their sole discretion, amend or terminate, in whole or in part, the Program by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors.

#### **CONTRIBUTIONS AND RESERVES**

The System does not have any authority to establish or amend the obligations of the Plan members and employers to contribute to the Program. SCERS does not determine the contribution rate or collect the required contributions from employers. Monies received by the System in excess of liabilities to pay premiums are recognized as liabilities payable to the employers. There are no net position or legally required reserve accounts for the Program.

#### **REQUEST FOR INFORMATION**

Requests for additional financial information regarding the Program may be addressed to:

## County of Sacramento Department of Finance, Auditor-Controller Division

700 H Street, Room 3650 Sacramento, CA 95814

## Note 9 – Contingencies

The System is involved in litigation relating to various matters. In the opinion of management, after consultation with legal counsel, the outcome of these matters is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the System's financial statements.

## Note 10 – Subsequent Events

The System has evaluated subsequent events through November 17, 2022, the date on which the financial statements were available to be issued. There were no subsequent events identified by management which would require disclosure in the financial statements.

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET PENSION LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS

FOR THE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30

|   | 2022         | 2021         | 2020         | 2019         | 2018         |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Total pension liability <sup>(1)</sup>                      |              |              |              |              |              |
| Service cost  | \$264,372    | \$265,224    | \$241,474    | \$238,685    | \$234,325    |
| Interest  | 873,481      | 855,203      | 830,663      | 783,932      | 747,682      |
| Differences between expected and actual experience          | 74,494       | 74,045       | 50,651       | 165,493      | 18,566       |
| Changes of assumptions                                      | -            | (324,177)    | 216,097      | -            | -            |
| Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions | (618,892)    | (578,421)    | (540,750)    | (505,853)    | (468,308)    |
| Net change in total pension liability                       | 593,455      | 291,874      | 798,135      | 682,257      | 532,265      |
| Total pension liability - beginning                         | 12,985,529   | 12,693,655   | 11,895,520   | 11,213,263   | 10,680,998   |
| Total pension liability - ending <sup>(a)</sup>             | \$13,578,984 | \$12,985,529 | \$12,693,655 | \$11,895,520 | \$11,213,263 |
|   |              |              |              |              |              |
| Plan fiduciary net position                                 |              |              |              |              |              |
| Contributions - member                                      | \$132,526    | \$120,597    | \$126,354    | \$121,843    | \$99,906     |
| Contributions - employer                                    | 323,610      | 292,534      | 274,055      | 240,238      | 198,331      |
| Contributions – withdrawn employer <sup>(2) (3) (4)</sup>   | (14,284)     | 5,816        | 5,114        | 45,404       | 182          |
| Net investment income/(loss)                                | (547,787)    | 2,753,409    | 301,373      | 675,726      | 844,489      |
| Benefit paid  | (614,345)    | (575,329)    | (537,698)    | (502,944)    | (465,354)    |
| Withdrawal of contributions                                 | (4,547)      | (3,092)      | (3,053)      | (2,909)      | (2,954)      |
| Administrative expenses                                     | (8,971)      | (9,165)      | (8,460)      | (7,601)      | (6,888)      |
| Net change in plan fiduciary net position                   | (733,798)    | 2,584,770    | 157,685      | 569,757      | 667,712      |
|   |              |              |              |              |              |
| Plan fiduciary net position - beginning                     | 12,564,149   | 9,979,379    | 9,821,694    | 9,251,937    | 8,584,225    |
| Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)                    | 11,830,351   | 12,564,149   | \$9,979,379  | \$9,821,694  | \$9,251,937  |
| Net pension liability - ending (a-b)                        | \$1,748,633  | \$421,380    | \$2,714,276  | \$2,073,826  | \$1,961,326  |
|   |              |              |              |              |              |
| Plan fiduciary net position as a                            | 87.1%        | 96.8%        | 78.6%        | 82.6%        | 82.5%        |
| percentage of the total pension liability                   |              |              |              |              |              |
| Covered payroll   | \$1,078,235  | \$1,034,343  | \$1,059,984  | \$1,017,885  | \$985,375    |
| Net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll    | 162.2%       | 40.7%        | 256.1%       | 203.7%       | 199.0%       |

# SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET PENSION LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30

|   | 2017         | 2016        | 2015        | 2014        | 2013        |
|---|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Total pension liability <sup>(1)</sup>                      |              |             |             |             |             |
| Service cost  | \$193,490    | \$186,438   | \$185,428   | \$192,701   | \$187,329   |
| Interest  | 706,016      | 675,920     | 643,427     | 617,240     | 589,783     |
| Differences between expected and actual experience          | (46,244)     | (49,245)    | (6,447)     | (108,155)   | (80,788)    |
| Changes of assumptions                                      | 823,712      | -           | -           | 15,781      | -           |
| Benefit payments, including refunds of member contributions | (432,066)    | (405,702)   | (374,657)   | (347,619)   | (323,567)   |
| Net change in total pension liability                       | 1,244,908    | 407,411     | 447,751     | 369,948     | 372,757     |
| Total pension liability - beginning                         | 9,436,090    | 9,028,679   | 8,580,928   | 8,210,980   | 7,838,223   |
| Total pension liability - ending <sup>(a)</sup>             | \$10,680,998 | \$9,436,090 | \$9,028,679 | \$8,580,928 | \$8,210,980 |
|   |              |             |             |             |             |
| Plan fiduciary net position                                 |              |             |             |             |             |
| Contributions - member                                      | \$89,489     | \$77,494    | \$68,143    | \$57,635    | \$68,242    |
| Contributions - employer                                    | 201,928      | 207,884     | 221,823     | 209,367     | 188,529     |
| Contributions – withdrawn employer <sup>(2) (3) (4)</sup>   | 2,000        | 1,136       | 1,136       | 1,136       | 1,135       |
| Net investment income/(loss)                                | 1,048,915    | (72,399)    | 158,222     | 1,107,152   | 785,449     |
| Benefit paid  | (429,754)    | (403,356)   | (372,369)   | (344,890)   | (320,828)   |
| Withdrawal of contributions                                 | (2,312)      | (2,346)     | (2,288)     | (2,729)     | (2,739)     |
| Administrative expenses                                     | (6,906)      | (6,362)     | (5,854)     | (5,665)     | (5,719)     |
| Net change in plan fiduciary net position                   | 903,360      | (197,949)   | 68,813      | 1,022,006   | 714,069     |
| Plan fiduciary net position - beginning                     | 7,680,865    | 7,878,814   | 7,810,001   | 6,787,995   | 6,073,926   |
| Plan fiduciary net position - ending (b)                    | 8,584,225    | 7,680,865   | \$7,878,814 | \$7,810,001 | \$6,787,995 |
| Net pension liability - ending (a-b)                        | \$2,096,773  | \$1,755,225 | \$1,149,865 | \$770,927   | \$1,422,985 |
| Plan fiduciary net position                                 |              |             |             |             |             |
| as a percentage of the total                                | 80.4%        | 81.4%       | 87.3%       | 91.0%       | 82.7%       |
| pension liability   |              |             |             |             |             |
| Covered payroll   | \$958,934    | \$912,421   | \$873,328   | \$858,343   | \$858,551   |
| Net pension liability as a percentage of covered payroll    | 218.7%       | 192.4%      | 131.7%      | 89.8%       | 165.7%      |

<sup>(1)</sup> Effective fiscal year ended 2018, the interest portion of withdrawn employer contributions was reported as Other Income on the Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(2)</sup> The withdrawn employer contributions reflected accrual of estimated unfunded actuarial accrued liability for which the withdrawn employer is contractually required to pay the System.

<sup>(3)</sup> This balance also includes other miscellaneous income.

### SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS

FOR THE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30

|   | 2022                  | 2021                  | 2020                  | 2019                  | 2018                  |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Actuarially determined contribution (ADC)                               | \$323,610             | \$292,534             | \$274,055             | \$240,238             | \$198,331             |
| Contributions in relation to the ADC                                    | 323,610               | 292,534               | 274,055               | 240,238               | 198,331               |
| Contribution deficiency (excess)  | \$-                   | <u>\$-</u>            | <u>\$-</u>            | \$-                   | \$-                   |
| Covered payroll   | \$1,078,235           | \$1,034,343           | \$1,059,984           | \$1,017,885           | \$985,375             |
| Contributions in relation to the ADC as a percentage of covered payroll | 30.0%                 | 28.3%                 | 25.9%                 | 23.6%                 | 20.1%                 |
|   |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |
|   | 2017                  | 2016                  | 2015                  | 2014                  | 2013                  |
| Actuarially determined contribution (ADC)                               | <b>2017</b> \$201,928 | <b>2016</b> \$207,884 | <b>2015</b> \$221,823 | <b>2014</b> \$209,367 | <b>2013</b> \$188,529 |
|   | \$201,928             | \$207,884             | \$221,823             | \$209,367             | \$188,529             |
| Contributions in relation to the ADC                                    | \$201,928<br>201,928  | \$207,884             | \$221,823<br>221,823  | \$209,367<br>209,367  | \$188,529             |
|   | \$201,928             | \$207,884             | \$221,823             | \$209,367             | \$188,529             |
| Contributions in relation to the ADC                                    | \$201,928<br>201,928  | \$207,884             | \$221,823<br>221,823  | \$209,367<br>209,367  | \$188,529             |

### SCHEDULE OF ANNUAL MONEY-WEIGHTED RATE OF RETURN

FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30

|                        | 2022   | 2021  | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017  | 2016   | 2015 | 2014  |
|------------------------|--------|-------|------|------|------|-------|--------|------|-------|
| Annual money-weighted  |        |       |      |      |      |       |        |      |       |
| rate of return, net of | (4.3)% | 27.4% | 3.1% | 7.2% | 9.8% | 13.6% | (1.0)% | 2.0% | 16.2% |
| investment expenses*   |        |       |      |      |      |       |        |      |       |

<sup>\*</sup> Information prior to June 30, 2014 is not available. Information will be presented for future years as it becomes available.

#### NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

The schedules presented in the Required Supplementary Information provide information to help promote an understanding of the employers' net pension liability over time on a fair value of assets basis. The Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Related Ratios includes historical trend information about the System's total pension liability and the progress made in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due.

The Schedule of Employer Contributions presents historical trend information about the actuarially determined contribution and the actual contributions made. The Schedule of Annual Money-Weighted Rate of Return presents investment performance, net of pension plan investment expense, adjusted for the changing amounts actually invested.

## METHODS AND ASSUMPTIONS USED TO ESTABLISH ACTUARIALLY DETERMINED CONTRIBUTION RATES

The following actuarial methods and assumptions were used to determine the fiscal year 2021-22 contribution rates reported in the Schedule of Employer Contributions:

Valuation date: Actuarial valuation report as of June 30, 2020

Actuarial cost method: Entry Age Actuarial Cost Method

Amortization method: Level percentage of payroll (3.25% payroll

growth assumed)

Remaining amortization period: 15 years (declining) as of June 30, 2020, for the

outstanding balance of the June 30, 2012 UAAL. Effective June 30, 2013, any changes in UAAL due to actuarial gains or losses or due to changes in actuarial assumptions or methods will be amortized over a 20-year closed period effective with each valuation. Any change in UAAL that arises due to Plan amendments will be amortized over its own declining 15-year period and any change in UAAL due to retirement incentive programs will be amortized over a

declining period of up to 5 years.

Asset valuation method: The fair value of assets less unrecognized returns (gains or

losses) in each of the last six years. Unrecognized return is equal to the difference between actual and expected returns on a fair value basis and is recognized over a rolling seven-year period. The deferred return is further adjusted, if necessary, so that the actuarial value of assets

will stay within 30% of the fair value of assets.

Actuarial assumptions:

Investment rate of return: 6.75%, net of pension plan investment expense,

including inflation

Inflation rate: 2.75%

Projected salary increases: 4.25% - 10.50% varying by service, including inflation

#### NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

(DOLLAR AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

| Assumed post-retirement benefit increase: | Miscellaneous Tier 1 | 2.75% |
|---|----------------------|-------|
|   | Miscellaneous Tier 2 | 0.00% |
|   | Miscellaneous Tier 3 | 2.00% |
|   | Miscellaneous Tier 4 | 2.00% |
|   | Miscellaneous Tier 5 | 2.00% |
|   | Safety Tier 1        | 2.75% |
|   | Safety Tier 2        | 2.75% |
|   | Safety Tier 3        | 2.75% |
|   | Safety Tier 4        | 2.75% |
|   |                      |       |

Other assumptions: Same as those used in June 30, 2020, funding

actuarial valuation.

Other information: All members with membership dates on or after January

1, 2013, enter the new tiers (i.e. Miscellaneous Tier 5 and Safety Tier 4) created by the California Public Employees'

Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA).

#### CHANGES IN METHODS AND ASSUMPTIONS IN NET PENSION LIABILITY

Valuation date as of June 30:

• Beginning with this Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 67 actuarial valuation, we no longer add the Contingency Reserve to the Actuarial Accrued Liability when we develop the funded status on a Market Value and Actuarial Value basis as of June 30, 2021. Because this change does not affect the values used to determine the UAAL on a Valuation Value of Assets basis, there is no impact on the employers' UAAL contribution rate.

#### 2020

- The inflation rate was reduced from 3.0% to 2.75% to reflect the gradual decline of average inflation rates over the last several years.
- The investment rate of return was reduced from 7.00% to 6.75% to reflect the projected real rate of return for the next 10-15 years based on SCERS' asset allocation model and risk tolerance.
- The salary increase assumption was reduced from 3.0% to 2.75% to maintain the current real "across the board" salary increase assumption at 0.25%. This means that the combined inflationary and real "across the board" salary increases will decrease from 3.25% to 3.00%.
- The retirement rates were adjusted to be more in line with the experience.
- The mortality rates were adjusted and a generational approach was used to reflect a slight mortality improvement.
- Termination rates were adjusted to reflect a lower incidence of termination for Miscellaneous and Safety members.
- The disability rates were adjusted to reflect slightly lower incidence of disability for Miscellaneous and Safety members.
- Maintain assumption for new Miscellaneous disabled retirees to anticipate conversions of unused sick leave at retirement.
- Maintain assumption for assumed average entry ages of 35 for Miscellaneous and 29 for Safety.

#### NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

(DOLLAR AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

#### 2017

- The inflation rate was reduced from 3.25% to 3.0% to reflect the gradual decline of average inflation rates over the last several years.
- The investment rate of return was reduced from 7.50% to 7.00% to reflect the projected real rate of return for the next 10-15 years based on SCERS' asset allocation model and risk tolerance.
- The salary increase assumption was adjusted slightly to reflect past experience.
- The retirement rates were adjusted to be more in line with the experience.
- The mortality rates were adjusted and a generational approach was used to reflect a slight mortality improvement.
- Termination rates were adjusted to reflect lower incidence of termination, with a lower proportion electing to receive a deferred vested benefit.
- The disability rates were adjusted to reflect slightly lower incidence of disability for Miscellaneous and Safety members.
- An assumption was introduced for new Miscellaneous disabled retirees to anticipate conversions of unused sick leave at retirement.

### • The mortality rates were adjusted to reflect a slight mortality improvement.

- Termination rates were adjusted to reflect lower incidence of termination, with a higher proportion electing to receive a deferred vested benefit.
- Years of service instead of age was used in determining and applying the merit and promotional rates of salary increase.

#### 2013

- Actuarial cost method changed from Aggregate Entry Age Normal Cost Method to Individual Entry Age Normal Cost Method.
- Changes to the amortization periods used for various future changes in liability.
- UAAL established as a result of Early Retirement Incentive Program for Sacramento County Law Enforcement Managers Association (LEMA) is amortized over a 10-year period beginning June 30, 2010.
- UAAL as a result of actuarial gains or losses as of June 30 will be amortized over a 20-year period.
- UAAL as a result of changes in actuarial assumptions or methods to be amortized over a 20-year period.
- Change in UAAL as a result of Plan amendments to be amortized over a 15-year period.
- UAAL as a result from retirement incentive programs will be amortized over a period up to 5 years.
- The retirement rates were adjusted to reflect slightly later retirements.

# OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

### **Schedule of Administrative Expenses:**

| Type of expense:              | 2022    |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Salaries and benefits         | \$5,588 |
| County allocated expenses     | 686     |
| Professional services         | 815     |
| Rent and lease *              | 847     |
| Information technology        | 272     |
| Printing and postage          | 225     |
| Pension payroll services      | 312     |
| Insurance liability           | 129     |
| Other                         | 97      |
| Total administrative expenses | \$8,971 |

### **Schedule of Investment Fees and Expenses:**

| Type of investment expense:        | 2022      |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Equity                             | \$25,707  |
| Fixed income                       | 5,540     |
| Real assets                        | 48,579    |
| Real estate                        | 35,627    |
| Absolute return                    | 24,105    |
| Private credit                     | 8,392     |
| Private equity                     | 59,006    |
| Custodian fees                     | 496       |
| Investment consulting fees         | 1,623     |
| Other investment expenses and fees | 1,211     |
| Total investment fees and expenses | \$210,286 |

## **Schedule of Payments to Consultants:**

| Type of service:              | 2022    |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| IT consulting **              | \$2,564 |
| Legal                         | 372     |
| Actuarial                     | 241     |
| Medical consulting            | 83      |
| Audit                         | 80      |
| Total payments to consultants | \$3,340 |

<sup>\*</sup> Rent and lease also includes expenses related to Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 87. A separate schedule and disclosure for GASB Statement No. 87 is included.

<sup>\*\*</sup> IT Consulting also includes payments to consultants related to SCERS' IT Modernization Project and these costs have been capitalized.





# **CHIEF INVESTMENT OFFICER'S REPORT**

### INTRODUCTION

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, the Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System (SCERS) generated a -3.5% net return. The fiscal year return represents a rare loss since the global financial crisis of 2008-09, fueled by the dramatic increases in inflation, interest rate hikes, geopolitical instability, and declining investor sentiment. Public market investments across equities and bonds suffered the greatest losses, while absolute return and private market investments generated positive returns. After generating a stellar 27.7% net return in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, this year's -3.5% fiscal year return fell well short of SCERS' 6.75% actuarial rate of return; however, it came in slightly ahead of SCERS' policy index return of -3.6%. Assets under management ended the fiscal year at \$11.8 billion, below the prior fiscal year's level of assets.

SCERS' general investment consultant, Verus Advisory (Verus), prepared the investment returns cited in this transmittal using information it receives from SCERS' custodian bank and investment managers.

### **MARKET OVERVIEW**

The first half of the fiscal year saw continued economic and financial recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, driven by the deployment of COVID-19 vaccines, tailwinds from extraordinary fiscal and monetary stimulus measures, and the re-opening of economies. Within the U.S., GDP recovered past pre-pandemic levels, including unemployment moving back to record lows. Financial markets experienced a remarkable rebound from pandemic lows, fueled and supported at first by monetary policy and central banks lowering interest rates to near-zero levels while flooding the market with trillions of dollars of liquidity, and later by vaccine roll outs and pent up consumer demand, Financial markets sped right past pre-pandemic market highs, with equity markets doubling off their pandemic lows. The market rally was broad and extended across almost all segments including equities, credit, real estate, and real assets.

However, with the improving economic picture and pent up consumer demand fueled by monetary and fiscal policy, inflation picked up significantly. The economy quickly transitioned from one impacted by a severe deterioration in demand due to COVID-19 related restrictions early in the pandemic, to one seeing a rapid increase in consumer led demand combined with unprecedented supply side constraints and upward pressure on prices.

While the first half of the fiscal year ended on a strong note (at the end of calendar year 2021), a perfect storm of events including rising inflation, interest rate hikes, Russia's invasion of Ukraine, and declining investor sentiment, have sent financial markets into a tailspin in calendar year 2022. The Federal Reserve (the Fed) and other central banks were anchored to the belief that inflation would be transitory due to the pandemic related supply chain bottlenecks, and were slow to take their foot off the pedal of historically accommodative monetary policy.

Headline inflation, which includes food and energy, fell from 2.5% in January of 2020 to a low of 0.1% in May 2020, which was well below the Fed's target rate of 2%. The aforementioned supply

constraints and pend up demand were the catalysts for inflation to dramatically increase to levels not seen in 40 years. Headline inflation spiked to 5.4% in September 2021, to 7.0% in December 2021, and to a peak of 9.1% for the 12-month period ending June 2022. Excluding the more volatile food and energy components, core inflation sat at 5.9% as of June 2022. The rise in inflation has been across the board, including food, shelter, vehicle sales, and services; however, energy has been the greatest driver, peaking at 41.6% in June 2022.

As a result, the Fed pivoted its stance on inflation quickly and has spent most of 2022 raising interest rates and providing an ultra hawkish stance and rhetoric in an attempt to catch up and get inflation under control, especially since the job market remains strong. During the year, the Fed raised the fed funds rate several times in 50-75 bps increments from a range of 0%-0.25% to where it currently stands at 3%-3.25%. The Fed has signaled more rate hikes ahead and the market expects the rate to get above 4% before the Fed has accomplished its objective of getting inflation under control. The Fed has signaled on multiple occasions that the outcome of getting inflation under control will be pain within the economy and financial markets. A slowing GDP picture is signaling a potential economic recession, with the first and second quarter of 2022 registering negative U.S. GDP growth of -1.6% and -0.6% respectively, after increasing close to 6% in 2021.

Major global market returns for the 2021-22 fiscal year were in stark contrast to the prior fiscal year returns, and were as follows: domestic equity markets (Russell 3000 Index) returned -13.9%; international equity markets (MSCI ACWI ex US) returned -19.4%; emerging equity markets (MSCI Emerging Markets Index) returned -25.3%; fixed income markets (Bloomberg US Aggregate Index) returned -10.3%; and absolute return markets (HFRI Fund of Funds Composite Index) returned -5.2%. Several market segments were bright spots, including real estate markets (NFI-ODCE Index) returned +29.5% and commodities markets (Bloomberg Commodity Index) returned +24.3%.

Within equity markets, value stocks at -6.8% (Russell 1000 Value Index) significantly outperformed growth stocks at -18.8% (Russell 1000 Growth Index), as growth stocks have had a meaningful sell off in the rising interest rate environment. Small capitalization stocks at -25.2% (Russell 2000 Index) significantly underperformed large capitalization stocks at -13% (Russell 1000 Index). International equity stocks (MSCI ACWI ex-US) returned -19.4%, and lagged domestic equity returns due to a very strong rally in the U.S. dollar against foreign currencies.

While bond markets are typically uncorrelated to equity market returns, and act as a diversifier when equity markets are down, this was not the case during the fiscal year. Fixed income markets were down meaningfully due to the inflationary and rising interest environment, which exacerbated negative portfolio returns. Treasuries generated returns of -8.9% (Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Treasury Index), as longer duration Treasury yields rose meaningfully during the year, with the 10-Year Treasury yield increasing from 1.47% on June 30, 2021 to 3.01% on June 30, 2022, and have extended even further since. Short-term rates increased in line with the Fed interest rate hikes, which has resulted in an inverted yield curve, which is often considered a prelude to a recession. The challenges in the fixed income markets extended across all sectors. Credit led performance on the downside, as spreads widened, with high yield bonds returning -12.8% (Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Corporate High Yield Index), and investment grade corporate credit returning -13.6% (Bloomberg U.S. Credit Index). The broad based Bloomberg Barclays Aggregate index, which contains an equal mix of Treasuries, agency mortgages, and investment grade credit, generated a return of -10.3%.

Continued market volatility and further downside should not be surprising over the next fiscal year as the Fed prioritizes getting inflation under control and is aggressive in raising interest rates. The economic picture faces continuing pressure with most economists expecting the U.S. and global economies to enter into recession. Opinions run across the board as to whether financial markets have priced in the worst, or more downside is to come. While the SCERS portfolio has been impacted by its equity and fixed income holdings, it also holds ample diversification and exposure to alternative assets that have had minimal losses or were positive during the fiscal year. As a reminder, SCERS' strategic asset allocation is structured to provide greater levels of diversification across economic environments and risk factors, which should serve SCERS well in a variety of market outcomes.

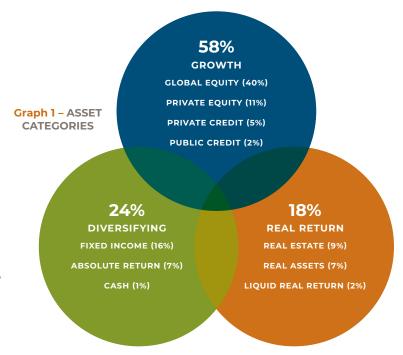
### **ASSET ALLOCATION**

SCERS' investment program is structured around a strategic asset allocation model established by SCERS' Board with the assistance of SCERS' investment staff, general investment consultant Verus Advisory, alternative assets consultant Cliffwater LLC, and real estate consultant The Townsend Group. The objective of the asset allocation model is to ensure the diversification of investments in a manner that generates a desired rate of investment return with an acceptable level of investment risk. To achieve this, the asset allocation is broadly diversified across asset categories, asset classes, and within asset classes to provide consistent long-term performance. The asset allocation targets are not tactical, but rather, are long term in nature, consistent with the long-term nature of SCERS' benefit obligations. The asset allocation model is reviewed every three to five years, but the long-term capital market assumptions for the various asset classes and sub-asset classes are reviewed and adjusted as appropriate each year. Research has shown that the asset allocation mix is the largest driver of investment performance.

SCERS' strategic asset allocation views risk exposures through multiple lenses, including functional and common factor exposures, in order to manage and maintain allocations that are aligned with SCERS' investment philosophy and objectives. This multiple lens approach uses a functional

framework to group and classify portions of SCERS' portfolio in order to link segments that are exposed to similar economic environments and risk factors, and which would be expected to have similar roles and outcomes in a portfolio. The functional grouping takes a simplified approach at the asset category level, by breaking the portfolio into three asset categories, with greater complexity reserved at the asset class level. The asset categories include: (1) Growth; (2) Diversifying; and, (3) Real Return.

The Growth asset category includes those segments of the portfolio that tend to perform best in a high growth and low/moderate inflationary environment,



including most equity and credit investments. In contrast, they tend to perform poorly during recessionary periods, when GDP growth is contracting, or during certain periods when inflation rises expectantly. Growth assets tend to comprise the dominant allocation within most institutional investment portfolios, including that of SCERS. The Diversifying asset category includes those segments of the portfolio which are expected to protect capital and perform better than the Growth asset category during dislocated and stressed market environments, including traditional fixed income and absolute return strategies. The Real Return asset category includes those segments of the portfolio that protect against inflation, generate cash flow, and provide further portfolio diversification, including private real estate, infrastructure, energy, and agriculture investments, as well as liquid real return investments.

SCERS' strategic asset allocation has an expected return profile in line with SCERS' actuarial assumed rate of return, with heavy allocations to growth assets that can drive returns. However, it also maintains meaningful diversification, especially to investment strategies with low and negative correlations to equity markets that can reduce portfolio volatility and protect against significant market drawdowns. It is also expected to generate meaningful cash flow for SCERS' plan. The strategic asset allocation contains a meaningful allocation to higher returning, diversifying, and less liquid private market investments, so tracking SCERS' liquidity profile in order to maintain sufficient liquidity and cash flows in order to meet benefit payment obligations is a key focus of the Board and SCERS' investment staff.

The strategic asset allocation also maintains a 1% dedicated cash allocation. Given that SCERS is a mature plan with a greater level of benefit payments going out than contributions coming in on an annual basis, a dedicated cash allocation helps close this gap in an environment where investment earnings fall short of target.

During the year, SCERS completed an asset liability modeling (ALM) study that resulted in the approval of a revised strategic asset allocation. The revisions were moderate, with the asset allocation maintaining the functional approach described above.

SCERS' revised strategic asset allocation is summarized in the table below:

| Asset Category/Asset Class | <b>Target Allocation</b> |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Growth                     | 58%                      |
| Global Equity              | 40                       |
| Private Equity             | 11                       |
| Public Credit              | 2                        |
| Private Credit             | 5                        |
| Diversifying               | 24                       |
| Fixed Income               | 16                       |
| Absolute Return            | 7                        |
| Cash                       | 1                        |
| Real Return                | 18                       |
| Real Estate                | 9                        |
| Real Assets                | 7                        |
| Liquid Real Return         | 2                        |
|                            | 100%                     |
|                            |                          |

The key changes between the revised strategic asset allocation and the prior are:

### **GROWTH:**

- Overall Growth allocation remained at 58%.
- Consolidated separate Domestic Equity and International Equity asset classes into a Global Equity asset class; overall allocation to public equity remained at 40%
- Private Equity increased from 9% to 11%
- Private Credit increased from 4% to 5%
- A 3% Growth Absolute Return allocation was eliminated from the asset allocation

#### **DIVERSIFYING:**

- Decreased overall Diversifying allocation from 26% to 24%
- Overall Fixed Income allocation decreased from 18% to 16%, comprised of core plus and U.S.
   Treasury exposure
- Eliminated a 3% Global Fixed Income allocation from the asset allocation
- Absolute Return remained at a 7% allocation, with a focus on strategies with a low correlation to broad equity and fixed income markets
- Dedicated Cash allocation remained at 1%

#### **REAL RETURN:**

- Increased overall Real Return allocation from 16% to 18%
- Real Estate increased from 7% to 9%
- Real Assets and Liquid Real Return remained at 7% and 2%, respectively

The revised asset allocation mix has a moderately higher expected return versus the prior portfolio, with a slightly higher risk-adjusted return as measured by the Sharpe Ratio. The allocation to illiquid assets increased modestly with increases to some of the private market asset classes, but the asset allocation maintains a reasonable liquidity profile as measured by a liquidity analysis conducted by Verus. Overall, the revised strategic asset allocation continues with a risk-balanced approach that emphasizes having a prudent blend of return generating assets to drive performance, as well as meaningful diversification to less correlated assets to protect against significant market drawdowns, while also maintaining inflation sensitive and cash flow generating assets. A risk-balanced approach has proven valuable in the current environment.

The process of transitioning SCERS' portfolio to the new strategic asset allocation targets began during the fiscal year. This included making structural modifications to underlying asset classes to align with the new strategic asset allocation, adjusting policy benchmarks, rebalancing activity,

and implementing several investment manager searches within the public market asset classes. Meaningful implementation occurred within the private markets, consistent with Board-approved annual investment plans.

The performance summary section of the Chief Investment Officer's Report will highlight the performance of the asset categories, and their underlying asset classes.

### **INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO IMPLEMENTATION**

In addition to providing assistance to the Board in establishing the strategic asset allocation model, SCERS' investment staff and consultants assist in developing investment policy statements; conduct searches for and recommend the selection of investment managers; monitor investment manager performance and compliance; advise on developments in the investment markets; and analyze and develop recommendations for possible tactical adjustments and new investment initiatives.

SCERS utilizes external investment managers to invest the System's assets. As of June 30, 2022, SCERS' assets were invested across:

- Global Equity 8 separate account portfolios and 8 commingled funds
- **Fixed Income** 6 separate account portfolios
- Absolute Return one fund-of-funds separate account portfolio and 14 fund partnerships
- Private Equity 5 fund-of-funds partnerships and 75 fund partnerships
- Private Credit one separate account portfolio and 15 fund partnerships
- Real Estate 7 core real estate fund partnerships and 19 non-core real estate fund partnerships
- Real Assets one separate account portfolio and 28 fund partnerships
- Liquid Real Return one separate account and one commingled fund

Significant investment activity during the fiscal year included the following:

- In Global Equity, SCERS added two new global equity mandates to a newly formed Global/ Unconstrained segment of the asset class during the fiscal year. SCERS also reallocated a fund from the former Growth Absolute Return portfolio to the new Global/Unconstrained segment of the Global Equity asset class.
- In Fixed Income, SCERS added two new core plus fixed income mandates that take an active approach to duration management. SCERS also fully redeemed from a global fixed income fund; the Global Fixed Income allocation was eliminated from the strategic asset allocation.
- In Absolute Return, SCERS eliminated the growth-oriented strategies from the portfolio, with going forward exposure solely focused on diversifying strategies that have low to negative correlation to equities. As part of the implementation, SCERS redeemed from two funds, and transferred two funds to different parts of the SCERS portfolio during the fiscal year.
- In Private Equity, SCERS made twelve direct private equity fund commitments during the fiscal year.

- In Private Credit, SCERS made two direct private credit fund commitments during the fiscal year.
- In Real Assets, SCERS made three direct real assets fund commitments during the fiscal year.
- In Real Estate, SCERS made four direct real estate fund commitments during the fiscal year.

With the downturn in public market valuations, private market valuations have become inflated, and several of SCERS private market asset classes are at or above targets. However, SCERS was still active making new commitments during the year, though at the lower end of budget ranges, due to the longer investment period for private market commitments, the importance of maintaining vintage year diversification, and the objective of investing with top tier investment managers. Within the private markets, SCERS consistently allocates to new funds annually in order to account for existing funds that sell investments and distribute capital back to SCERS, while newer funds draw down capital and make new investments.

SCERS' custodial bank is State Street Bank and Trust (State Street). In addition to asset custody services, State Street provides securities lending services to SCERS and, through State Street Global Advisors and State Street Global Markets, administers a portfolio overlay program and a brokerage commission recapture program, respectively. The portfolio overlay program assures that SCERS' portfolio exposures are consistent with the strategic asset allocation targets through cost-effective rebalancing, using investment proxies to close gaps relative to target allocation levels and to eliminate 'cash drag'. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, SCERS earned a net income of approximately \$1.5 million from securities lending and received commission recapture income of approximately \$22,800.

SCERS' primary legal services related to the investment program are provided by specialized outside legal counsel and fiduciary counsel.

During the fiscal year, investment educational sessions were provided to the Board by SCERS' staff, investment consultants, and various investment managers to assist the Board with updates on the macroeconomic environment, approaches to private markets implementation, and better understanding existing investments. The educational sessions included presentations regarding: (1) private equity co-investments; (2) investment landscape in China; (3) investment implementation protocols; (4) overlay program; and, (5) private equity secondary sales.

### **SCERS INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES**

SCERS' investment objectives are set forth in the Board's Master Investment Policy Statement and through customized investment policy statements for each asset category.

At the highest level, SCERS' investment objectives are:

### **OVERARCHING PLAN OBJECTIVES:**

- Provide for current and future benefit payments to plan participants and their beneficiaries, and sustain the plan over its useful life.
- Diversify plan assets as its main defense against large market drawdowns.

- Preserve a degree of liquidity ample to meet benefit payments and capital calls, without incurring substantial transaction costs or "fire sales" of illiquid holdings.
- Incur costs that are reasonable and consistent with industry standards.
- Achieve funding goals, including the maintenance of funded status and manageable, consistent contribution rates.
- Maintain risk exposure required to meet return requirements, while limiting drawdown exposure.

#### **INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES:**

- Generate returns in excess of policy benchmarks at the total fund and asset class levels over rolling three-year periods.
- Achieve real (after inflation) returns at the total fund level that are at or above the actuarial real return (assumed return less per capita pay growth) over complete market cycles.
- For asset classes and actively managed portfolios, achieve net returns that exceed policy benchmarks, and rank in the top half of a competitive, after-fee universe.

### PROXY VOTING GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

As a fiduciary, the Board has an obligation to manage SCERS' assets in the best interest of the plan participants. The Board retains third-party services to provide guidance for voting proxies and acting on corporate actions, such as mergers and acquisitions. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, a majority of proxies were voted through an electronic voting platform provided by Institutional Shareholder Services, with the assistance of research and analysis provided by Institutional Shareholder Services and Glass Lewis & Co.

## **SUMMARY OF INVESTMENT RESULTS**

SCERS monitors capital market investment returns through reference to recognized and easily obtainable market indices, which are used as asset class benchmarks. The benchmark index performance by asset class for one, three, and five years is shown within the Investment Results schedule. The performance of the asset categories is also provided; however, since these were incepted in 2017, performance goes back only to that year. The asset class benchmark returns are weighted by the asset allocation to provide a policy-weighted return based on SCERS' total fund. SCERS presents its returns using a time-weighted rate of return methodology based upon market values. SCERS' general investment consultant, Verus, prepared the investment returns cited in this section using information it received from SCERS' custodian bank and investment managers. The total fund performance is reported net and gross of investment management fees.

After generating a 27.7% return net of investment management fees in prior fiscal year, SCERS' returns were down for the fiscal year ending June 30, 202. For the period, SCERS' total fund return was -3.5%, net of investment management fees. The net return for the fiscal year was slightly better than SCERS' policy weighted benchmark return of -3.6%, but was significantly below the actuarial return objective of 6.75%. Returns were negative across public market assets, including equities and

fixed income, but overall losses were mitigated by positive returns across alternative assets including absolute return, private equity, private credit, real assets, and real estate.

Over the trailing three-year period, SCERS' annualized investment return was +8.2% net. The three-year annualized return was also well above the actuarial return objective of 6.75%, and above SCERS' policy benchmark return of 6.8%. Over the trailing five-year period, SCERS' annualized investment return was 8.4% net. The five-year annualized return was well above the actuarial return objective of 6.75%, and above SCERS' policy benchmark return of 7%.

SCERS also assesses its investment performance relative to a peer group of other public funds utilizing a series of universe comparisons provided by Verus. For the fiscal year, the median public fund in the Investor Metrics Universe of public funds with assets of greater than \$1 billion was -7.4%. SCERS' net return of -3.5% ranked in the top 21st percentile. SCERS benefited from greater diversification across alternative asset classes and less exposure to public markets, where the latter meaningfully underperformed the former.

### **GROWTH ASSET CATEGORY**

The Growth asset category is comprised of the following asset classes: Global Equity, Private Equity, Public Credit, and Private Credit. The Growth asset category returned -8.6% for the fiscal year, net of fees, SCERS' worst performing asset category, due to its heavy exposure to equities. The return was in line with the policy benchmark return of -8.6%. For the three-year period, SCERS' Growth asset category annualized return was +10%, net of fees, above the policy benchmark return of +8.5%. The Growth asset category and benchmark return is a weighted average of the underlying asset class and benchmark returns, based on their weights within SCERS' strategic asset allocation.

Global Equities returned -18.5% for the fiscal year, net of fees. The return was well below the benchmark MSCI ACWI IMI return of -15.8%. For the three-year period, SCERS' Global Equity annualized return was +5.5%, net of fees, slightly below the benchmark return of +6.2%.

The Private Equity asset class generated an impressive return of +21.7%, net of fees for the fiscal year, compared to the +22.8% return of the asset class benchmark, the Thomson Reuters C/A All Private Equity Index. For the three-year period, SCERS' Private Equity asset class returned +27.6%, well ahead of the benchmark return of +22.4%. Another longer-term comparison measure is the Russell 3000 Index plus 3%, which returned +14.9% and +21.3% for the fiscal year and three-year period, respectively. Please note that the returns of the Private Equity asset class and benchmark are lagged one quarter, and while private market returns are typically smoothed compared to public market returns, SCERS expects to see negative returns over the coming quarters.

SCERS' Public Credit portfolio generated a fiscal year -5.2% return, net of fees, which was ahead of the custom benchmark return of -7.7% (comprised of 50% B of A Merrill Lynch U.S. HY Master II Index / 50% Credit Suisse Leveraged Loans Index). For the three-year period, the Public Credit portfolio annualized return was +4%, net of fees, compared to the benchmark return of +1%.

The Private Credit asset class generated a return of +7.6%, net of fees for the fiscal year, compared to the +5.2% return of the asset class benchmark, the Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan Index plus 2%. For the three-year period, SCERS' Private Credit asset class returned +9.7%, net of fees, compared

to the benchmark return of +6.1%. Please note that the returns of the Private Credit asset class and benchmark are lagged one quarter.

### **DIVERSIFYING ASSET CATEGORY**

The Diversifying asset category is comprised of the following asset classes: Fixed Income and Absolute Return. The Diversifying asset category returned -6.5% for the fiscal year, net of fees. The return was above the policy benchmark return of -7.3%. For the three-year period, SCERS' Diversifying asset category annualized return was +1.2%, net of fees, above the policy benchmark return of +0.5%. The Diversifying asset category and benchmark return is a weighted average of the underlying asset class and benchmark returns, based on their weights within SCERS' strategic asset allocation.

SCERS' Fixed Income portfolio, which is comprised of core plus and U.S. Treasury exposures generated a fiscal year -10.7% return, net of fees, which was slightly below the custom asset class benchmark (75% Bloomberg Aggregate Index / 25% Bloomberg U.S. Treasury Index) return of -10.2%. For the three-year period, the Fixed Income portfolio annualized return was -0.5%, net of fees, compared to the benchmark return of -1%. Fixed income struggled in the rising interest rate environment, and as credit spreads widened.

SCERS' Absolute Return portfolio fulfilled its diversifying objective during the fiscal year, by generating a +2% return, net of fees, which outperformed the benchmark HFRI FoF Conservative Index return of +0.3%. For the three-year period, the Absolute Return portfolio annualized return was +4.4%, net of fees, compared to the index return of +4.7%.

### **REAL RETURN ASSET CATEGORY**

The Real Return asset category is comprised of the following asset classes: Real Estate, Real Assets, and Liquid Real Return. The Real Return asset category was a bright spot in the inflationary environment by returning an impressive +21.3% for the fiscal year, net of fees, playing a pivotal role in minimizing the losses to SCERS' overall portfolio due to the significant downturn in the public equity and fixed income asset classes. The return was slightly below the policy benchmark return of +22.5%. For the three-year period, SCERS' Real Return asset category annualized return was +10.5%, net of fees, above the policy benchmark return of +9.8%. The Real Return asset category and benchmark return is a weighted average of the underlying asset class and benchmark returns, based on their weights within SCERS' strategic asset allocation. The Real Return asset category return includes the SSGA Real Assets Strategy, which is the proxy used within SCERS' Overlay Program to replicate exposure while the asset class is implemented.

The Real Estate asset class generated an impressive return of +27.6%, net of fees for the fiscal year, compared to the +29.3% return of the custom asset class benchmark (60% NFI-ODCE / 40% NFI-ODCE plus 1%). For the three-year period, SCERS' Real Estate asset class returned +14.1%, net of fees, compared to the benchmark return of +12.3%. Please note that the returns of some segments of the Real Estate asset class and benchmark are lagged one quarter.

The Real Assets asset class generated a remarkable return of +27.6%, net of fees for the fiscal year, compared to the +21.5% return of the asset class benchmark, (comprised of 60% Cambridge

Associates Private Infrastructure Index / 30% Cambridge Associates Private Energy Index / 10% NCREIF Farmland Index). For the three-year period, SCERS' Real Assets asset class returned +9.8%, net of fees, compared to the benchmark return of +8.2%. Please note that the returns of the Real Assets asset class and benchmark are lagged one quarter.

SCERS' Liquid Real Return asset class generated a fiscal year +0.1% return, net of fees, which was below the benchmark return of +1.9%. For the three-year period, SCERS' Liquid Real Return asset class returned +4.4%, net of fees, compared to the benchmark return of +4.8%.

Additional information regarding SCERS' investment program can be found on the pages immediately following this report.

Respectfully submitted,

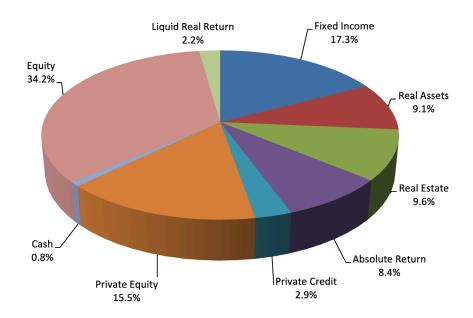
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CHIEF INVESTMENT OFFICER

# **ASSET ALLOCATION**

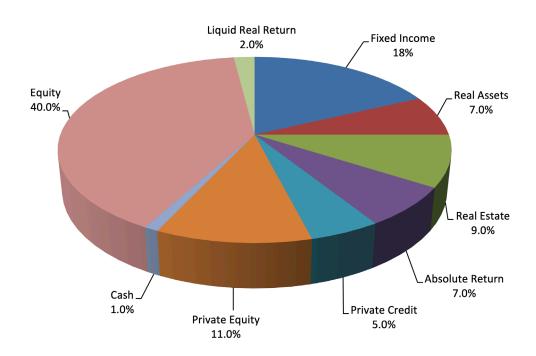
### **ACTUAL ASSET ALLOCATION**

**AS OF JUNE 30, 2022** 



### TARGET ASSET ALLOCATION

**AS OF JUNE 30, 2022** 



# **INVESTMENT RESULTS**

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

|   | Annualized |         |         |
|---|------------|---------|---------|
|   | 1 Year     | 3 Years | 5 Years |
| Growth  |            |         |         |
| Global Equity   |            |         |         |
| Domestic Equity                                       | -15.3 %    | 9.2 %   | 10.2 %  |
| Benchmark: Russell 3000                               | -13.9      | 9.8     | 10.6    |
| International Equity                                  | -22.2      | 1.2     | 3.0     |
| Benchmark: MSCI ACWI ex US                            | -19.0      | 1.8     | 3.0     |
| Private Equity  | 21.7       | 27.6    | 25.6    |
| Benchmark: Cambridge Associates All PE¹ Qtr Lag⁵      | 22.8       | 22.4    | 18.8    |
| Public Credit   | -5.2       | 4.0     | 3.7     |
| Benchmark: Brigade Custom <sup>1</sup>                | -7.7       | 1.0     | 2.5     |
| Private Credit  | 7.6        | 9.7     | 8.2     |
| Benchmark: Credit Suisse Leveraged Loan + 2%1 Qtr Lag | 5.2        | 6.1     | 6.0     |
| Absolute Return - Growth                              | -8.2       | 5.2     | 4.4     |
| Benchmark: HFRI Fund of Funds Composite Index + 1%    | -4.5       | 5.0     | 4.7     |
| Diversifying  |            |         |         |
| Fixed Income  |            |         |         |
| Core/Core Plus Fixed Income                           | -10.6      | -0.2    | 1.6     |
| Benchmark: BBgBarc US Aggregate TR                    | -10.3      | -0.9    | 0.9     |
| United States Treasury                                | -8.7       | -0.8    | N/A     |
| Benchmark: BBgBarc US Treasury TR                     | -8.9       | -0.9    | 0.7     |
| Absolute Return                                       | 2.0        | 4.4     | 3.1     |
| Benchmark: HFRI Fund of Funds Conservative Index      | 0.3        | 4.7     | 4.1     |
| Cash  | 0.6        | 1.2     | 1.6     |
| Benchmark: Secured Overnight Financing Rate           | 0.2        | 0.5     | 1.1     |

|  |        | Annualized |         |  |
|--|--------|------------|---------|--|
|  | 1 Year | 3 Years    | 5 Years |  |
|  |        |            |         |  |
| Real R   | eturn  |            |         |  |
| Real Estate  | 27.6   | 14.1       | 12.1    |  |
| Benchmark: Real Estate Custom <sup>4</sup>         | 29.3   | 12.3       | 10.4    |  |
|  |        |            |         |  |
| Real Assets  | 27.6   | 9.8        | 11.0    |  |
| Benchmark: Private Real Assets Custom <sup>2</sup> | 21.5   | 8.2        | 7.9     |  |
|  |        |            |         |  |
| Liquid Real Return                                 | 0.1    | 4.4        | N/A     |  |
| Benchmark: SSgA Real Asset <sup>3</sup>            | 1.9    | 4.8        | 4.9     |  |
|  |        |            |         |  |
| Total  | Fund   |            |         |  |
| SCERS Total Fund - Gross                           | -3.3   | 8.4        | 8.6     |  |
| SCERS Total Fund - Net                             | -3.5   | 8.2        | 8.4     |  |
| Benchmark: Policy Index <sup>6</sup>               | -3.6   | 6.8        | 7.0     |  |

**Notes:** Unless noted, returns were prepared by Verus Advisory, Inc., and shown on a net of fee basis and included the overlay effect. Return calculations were prepared using a time-weighted rate of return. Investment return and index return for real assets, real estate, private credit, and private equity are one quarter in arrears.

<sup>1</sup>The Brigade Custom benchmark consists of 50% ICE BofA ML High Yield II and 50% Credit Suisse Leveraged Loans.

<sup>2</sup>As of 1/19/22, the Private Real Assets Custom benchmark consists of 30% Cambridge Associates Private Energy 1 Qtr Lag, 60% Cambridge Associates Private Infrastructure 1 Qtr Lag, 10% NCREIF Farmland Index. From 7/1/17-1/18/22, the Private Real Assets Custom benchmark consisted of 35% Cambridge Associates Private Energy 1 Qtr Lag, 45% Cambridge Associates Private Infrastructure 1 Qtr Lag, 10% NCREIF Farmland 1 Qtr Lag, and 10% NCREIF Timberland Index Lagged. Prior to that the benchmark consisted of 100% CPI-U Headline +5%.

<sup>3</sup>As of 3/2/18, the SSgA Real Asset Benchmark consists of 30% BBgBarc 1-10 Yr US TIPS, 25% S&P Global Infrastructure, 15% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Liquid, 10% BBgBarc Roll Select Commodity TR, 10% BBgBarc USD Floating Rate Note <5yr, and 10% S&P Global Large Mid Cap Commodity Resources. From 10/1/15-3/1/18, the SSgA Real Asset Benchmark consisted of 20% BBgBarc Roll Select Commodity TR, 20% MSCI World Natural Resources, 20% S&P Global Infrastructure, 10% BBgBarc US Govt Inflation-Linked 1-10 Yrs, 10% BBgBarc US TIPS, 10% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Liquid, and 10% S&P MLP.

<sup>4</sup>As of 1/19/22, the Real Estate Custom benchmark consists of 60% NFI-ODCE and 40% NFI-ODCE net+1% 1Q Lag. Prior to that the benchmark consisted of 100% NCREIF. From 7/1/17-1/18/22, the Real Estate Custom benchmark consisted of 65% NFI-ODCE and 35% NFI-ODCE net+1% 1Q Lag. Prior to that the benchmark consisted of 100% NCREIF.

 $^5$ As of 4/1/17, the Private Equity benchmark consists of 100% Thomson Reuters C|A All PE 1 Qtr Lag. From 1/1/12-3/31/17 the benchmark consisted of 100% Russell 1000 +3% 1QL.

<sup>6</sup>From 4/01/2022, the Policy Index benchmark consists of 12% Bloomberg Aggregate, 4% Bloomberg US Treasury, 1% ICE BofA ML High Yield II, 2.1% Cambridge Associates Private Energy 1 Qtr Lag, 4.2% Cambridge Associates Private Infrastructure 1 Qtr Lag, 1% Credit Suisse Leverage Loans, 5% Credit Suisse Leverage Loans +2% 1 Qtr Lag, 7% HFRI FoF Conservative Index, 40% MSCI ACWI IMI, 5.4% NFI-ODCE, 3.6% NFI-ODCE net +1% 1Q Lag, 0.7% NCREIF Farmland 1 Qtr Lag, 11% Cambridge Associates All PE 1 Qtr Lag, 0.2% Bloomberg Roll Select Commodity Total Return, 0.2% Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Floating Rate Note <5 Yr, 0.2% S&P Global LargeMidCap Commodity and Resources, 0.5% S&P Global Infrastructure Index - Net of Tax on Dividend, 0.6% Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Government Inflation-Linked 1-10 Yrs, 0.3% FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Liquid Index, and 1% Secured Overnight Financing Rate.

From 7/1/2019 to 3/31/2022, the Policy Index benchmark consisted of 10% BBgBarc Aggregate, 5% BBgBarc US Treasury, 1% ICE BofA ML High Yield II, 2.5% Cambridge Associates Private Energy 1 Qtr Lag, 3.2% Cambridge Associates Private Infrastructure 1 Qtr Lag, 2.4% FTSE WGBI ex US Unhedged, 1% Credit Suisse Leverage Loans, 4% Credit Suisse Leverage Loans +2% 1 Qtr Lag, 0.6% JPM GBI EM Diversified, 3% HFRI FoF Composite Index + 1%, 7% HFRI FoF Conservative Index, 20% MSCI ACWI ex US, 4.6% NFI-ODCE, 2.5% NFI-ODCE net +1% 1Q Lag, 0.7% NCREIF Farmland 1 Qtr Lag, 0.7% Timberland Index Lagged, 20% Russell 3000, 9% Thomson Reuters C|A All PE 1 Qtr Lag, 0.2% Bloomberg Roll Select Commodity Total Return, 0.2% Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Floating Rate Note <5 Yr, 0.2% S&P Global LargeMidCap Commodity and Resources, 0.5% S&P Global Infrastructure Index - Net of Tax on Dividend, 0.6% Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Government Inflation-Linked 1-10 Yrs, 0.3% FTSE EPRA Nareit Developed Liquid Index, and 1% ICE LIBOR Spot/Next Overnight USD.

**Percentage of Total** 

### **SUMMARY OF INVESTMENT ASSETS**

**As OF JUNE 30, 2022** 

(Dollar Amounts Expressed in Thousands)

Cash, Short-Term Investments, and Fair Value\* **Investments** Type of investments Equity \$3,951,043 33.38% Fixed income 2,336,938 19.74 Real assets 1,037,684 8.77 Real estate 1,090,302 9.21 Absolute return 955,803 8.08 330,188 Private credit 2.79 Private equity 1,764,212 14.91 Total investments at fair value 11,466,170 Cash and short-term investments Cash and short-term investments (unallocated) 357,366 3.02 Cash invested with Sacramento County Treasurer 0.10 11,355 Total cash and short-term investments 368,721 Total cash, short-term investments, and investments \$11,834,891 100.00%

## **SCHEDULE OF MANAGER FEES**

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

(Dollar Amounts Expressed in Thousands)

|                    | <b>Assets Under</b> |              |
|--------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Type of Investment | Management *        | Manager Fees |
| Equity             | \$3,951,043         | \$25,707     |
| Fixed income       | 2,336,938           | 5,540        |
| Real assets        | 1,037,684           | 48,579       |
| Real estate        | 1,090,302           | 35,627       |
| Absolute return    | 955,803             | 24,105       |
| Private credit     | 330,188             | 8,392        |
| Private equity     | 1,764,212           | 59,006       |
| Total              | \$11,466,170        | \$206,956    |
|                    |                     |              |

<sup>\*</sup> Certain investment fair values reported in this schedule include cash held by the external investment managers and short-term investments based on the nature of how the investment portfolios are managed.

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# SCHEDULE OF EQUITY BROKERAGE COMMISSION

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

### Commission

| Proper Broker Name                      | Per Share* | Shares/Par Value | Total Commission* |
|---|------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Barclays Capital LE                     | \$0.0151   | 496,667          | \$7,521           |
| BOFA Securities, Inc.                   | 0.0035     | 2,374,459        | 8,413             |
| Capital Institutional Svcs Inc Equities | 0.0300     | 703,452          | 21,104            |
| Citigroup Global Markets Europe AG      | 0.0334     | 213,234          | 7,126             |
| Citigroup Global Markets, Inc.          | 0.0052     | 2,298,068        | 12,019            |
| Cowen And Company, LLC                  | 0.0166     | 468,509          | 7,772             |
| Credit Suisse International             | 0.0093     | 2,267,565        | 21,044            |
| Credit Suisse Securities USA, LLC       | 0.0028     | 5,532,948        | 15,748            |
| Exane SA                                | 0.0281     | 887,980          | 24,917            |
| Goldman Sachs + Co LLC                  | 0.0057     | 2,603,673        | 14,730            |
| Instinet UK, Ltd.                       | 0.0185     | 1,007,059        | 18,644            |
| J.P. Morgan Securities PLC              | 0.0101     | 2,090,913        | 21,170            |
| Jefferies, LLC                          | 0.0218     | 533,315          | 11,633            |
| Liquidnet Europe Limited                | 0.0107     | 2,133,363        | 22,849            |
| Liquidnet, Inc                          | 0.0307     | 340,906          | 10,482            |
| Macquarie Capital Securities            | 0.0015     | 4,232,893        | 6,533             |
| Merrill Lynch International             | 0.0062     | 7,467,467        | 46,475            |
| Mizuho Securities USA, Inc              | 0.0110     | 750,705          | 8,221             |
| Morgan Stanley Co Incorporated          | 0.0061     | 6,387,534        | 38,798            |
| Pershing Securities Limited             | 0.0083     | 1,199,100        | 9,957             |
| RBC Capital Markets, LLC                | 0.0286     | 604,423          | 17,289            |
| RBC Dominion Securities, Inc.           | 0.0146     | 773,639          | 11,272            |
| Royal Bank of Canada Europe LTD         | 0.0248     | 264,497          | 6,555             |
| State Street Bank and Trust Company     | 0.0100     | 2,954,744        | 29,547            |
| Stifel Nicolaus And Co, Inc.            | 0.0310     | 357,457          | 11,066            |
| UBS AG                                  | 0.0102     | 1,576,025        | 16,118            |
| Ubs Securities Asia Ltd                 | 0.0028     | 3,738,104        | 10,558            |
| Virtu Americas LLC                      | 0.0233     | 1,004,597        | 23,399            |
| Virtu ITG Europe Limited                | 0.0142     | 491,534          | 6,960             |
| William Blair & Company, LLC            | 0.0355     | 245,290          | 8,704             |
| All Other Brokerage Firms**             | 0.0055     | 30,898,054       | 170,294           |
| <b>Total Brokerage Commissions</b>      | \$0.0074   | 86,898,174       | 646,917           |
| Brokerage Commission Recapture          |            |                  | (12,328)          |
| Net Brokerage Commissions               |            |                  | \$634,589         |

<sup>\*</sup>Commission Per Share is rounded to the nearest four decimal points. Amounts in Total Commission are actual unrounded commission amounts.

A complete listing of brokerage fees is available.

<sup>\*\*</sup>All other brokerage firms is comprised of approximately 130 additional firms, each receiving less than 1% of total commissions.

# **TEN LARGEST STOCK HOLDINGS (BY FAIR VALUE)**

**AS OF JUNE 30, 2022** 

|                                     |           |                                   | Fair Value     |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| Rank                                | Shares    | Security Name                     | (in thousands) |
| 1                                   | 370,501   | Microsoft Corp.                   | \$95,156       |
| 2                                   | 560,505   | Apple Inc.                        | 76,632         |
| 3                                   | 458,560   | Amazon.com Inc.                   | 48,704         |
| 4                                   | 20,991    | Alphabet Inc. Class C             | 45,917         |
| 5                                   | 62,488    | United Health Group Inc. 32,096   |                |
| 6                                   | 171,538   | Meta Platforms Inc. Class A 27,66 |                |
| 7                                   | 94,864    | Aon Plc Class A 25,58             |                |
| 8                                   | 10,991    | Alphabet Inc. Class A 23,9        |                |
| 9                                   | 207,400   | Novo Nordisk A/S B 22,            |                |
| 10                                  | 2,115,200 | AIA Group Ltd.                    | 22,926         |
| Total of ten largest stock holdings |           | \$421,579                         |                |

A complete list of stock holdings is available upon request.

# **TEN LARGEST BOND HOLDINGS (BY FAIR VALUE)**

**AS OF JUNE 30, 2022** 

| Rank     | Par            | Security Name              | Interest Rate | Maturity   | Fair Value<br>(in thousands) |
|----------|----------------|----------------------------|---------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 1        | 55,905,000     | United States Treasury N/B | 1.75%         | 1/31/2029  | \$51,544                     |
| 2        | 41,595,000     | United States Treasury N/B | 1.63%         | 4/30/2023  | 41,174                       |
| 3        | 44,970,000     | United States Treasury N/B | 0.88%         | 9/30/2026  | 41,070                       |
| 4        | 34,546,451     | Federal Home Loan PC Pool  | 4.00%         | 6/1/2052   | 34,107                       |
| 5        | 32,130,000     | United States Treasury N/B | 2.88%         | 6/15/2025  | 32,002                       |
| 6        | 25,980,000     | FNMA TBA 30 YR             | 3.50%         | 7/14/2052  | 24,983                       |
| 7        | 24,000,000     | United States Treasury N/B | 2.88%         | 9/30/2023  | 23,976                       |
| 8        | 24,175,000     | United States Treasury N/B | 2.13%         | 9/30/2024  | 23,725                       |
| 9        | 24,245,000     | United States Treasury N/B | 0.38%         | 10/31/2023 | 23,431                       |
| 10       | 24,744,000     | FNMA TBA 30 YR             | 2.50%         | 7/14/2052  | 22,248                       |
| Total of | ten largest bo | ond holdings               |               |            | \$318,260                    |

A complete list of bond holdings is available upon request.

# **INVESTMENT MANAGERS/FUNDS**

**AS OF JUNE 30, 2022** 

**Equity** 

Alliancebernstein L.P.

AQR US Enhanced Equity

Artisan Partners Global Opportunities

Baillie Gifford & Co.

Brookfield Liquid Real Return

D.E. Shaw & Co.

Eagle Capital Management

JP Morgan Asset Management

Lazard Asset Management

LSV Asset Management

Mondrian Emerging Markets Equity Fund, L.P.

Mondrian International Small Cap Equity Fund, L.P.

Nikko Asset Management CIT

Snyder Capital Management

Walter Scott International EAFE Income Growth

Weatherbie Capital, LLC

William Blair International Small Cap Growth Portfolio

**Fixed Income** 

Brandywine U.S. Fixed Income

MetWest Asset Management

Neuberger Berman Fixed Income, LLC

Prudential Investment Management

Reams Core Plus Fixed Income

SC Credit Opportunities Mandate, LLC

**Liquid Real Return** 

Brookfield Liquid Real Return

State Street Global Advisors - Real Asset Strategy

State Street Global Advisors

State Street Global Advisors - Scers Barclays 1-10 Year

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**Real Assets** 

ACM Fund II, LLC

ArcLight Energy Partners Fund VI, L.P.

Brookfield Infrastructure Fund III, L.P.

Brookfield Infrastructure Fund IV, L.P.

Brookfield Super-Core Infrastructure Partners, L.P.

Carlyle Power Partners II, L.P.

DigitalBridge Partners II, L.P.

EnCap Energy Capital Fund IX, L.P.

EnCap Energy Capital Fund X, L.P.

EnCap Flatrock Midstream Fund III, L.P.

EnCap Flatrock Midstream Fund IV, L.P.

EQT Infrastructure Fund IV, SCSp

Global Energy & Power Infrastructure Fund II, L.P.

Harrison Street Social Infrastructure Fund, L.P.

IFM Global Infrastructure (U.S.), L.P.

ISQ Global Infrastructure Fund II, L.P.

ISQ Global Infrastructure Fund III, L.P.

Meridiam Infrastructure North America III, L.P.

Meridiam Sustainable Infrastructure Europe IV, SLP

NGP Royalty Partners, L.P.

NGP Royalty Partners II, L.P.

Paine Schwarts Food Chain Fund V, L.P.

Pantheon SCERS SIRF MM, LLC

Quantum Energy Partners VI, L.P.

Quantum Energy Partners VII, L.P.

Ridgewood Water & Strategic Infrastructure Fund II, LP

Tailwater Energy Fund III, L.P.

Tailwater Energy Fund IV, L.P.

Wastewater Opportunity Fund, LLC

**Real Estate** 

Asana Partners Fund II, L.P.

Asana Partners Fund III

Brookfield Premier Real Estate Partners, L.P.

Carlyle China Realty, L.P.

Carlyle China Rome Logistics, L.P.

CIM Fund VIII, L.P.

Clarion Lion Properties Fund, L.P.

ECE European Prime Shopping Centre Fund II, SCS-SIF

European Real Estate Debt Fund II, L.P.

Hammes Partners II, L.P.

Hammes Partners III, L.P.

Hammes Partners IV, L.P.

KKR Real Estate Partners Americas, L.P.

LaSalle China Logistics Venture, L.P.

MetLife Core Property Fund, L.P.

NREP Nordic Strategies Fund II, SCSp

NREP Nordic Strategies Fund III, SCSp

NREP Nordic Strategies Fund IV, SCSp

NREP Nordic Strategies Fund V, SCSp

NREP Nordic Strategies Fund, FCP-FIS

Principal US Property Account

Prologis Targeted Europe Logistics Fund, L.P.

Prologis Targeted US Logistics Fund, L.P.

Sculptor Real Estate Fund III, L.P.

Sculptor Real Estate Fund IV, L.P.

Seven Seas Japan Opportunity Fund, GK

Townsend Real Estate Fund, L.P.

#### **Absolute Return**

Aristeia Partners, L.P.

BlackRock Event Driven Equity Fund

Davidson Kempner Institutional Partners, L.P.

Eisler Capital Fund, L.P.

Elliott International Limited

Graham Global Investment Fund II SPC Ltd.

Laurion Capital Ltd.

LMR Fund Ltd.

MW Global Opportunities Fund

PSquared Event Opportunity Fund, L.P.

SC Absolute Return Fund, LLC - Diversifying Series

SC Absolute Return Fund, LLC – Growth Series

SC Absolute Return Fund, LLC - Series B

Sculptor Domestic Partners II, L.P.

Third Point Partners Qualified, L.P.

Two Sigma Risk Premia Enhanced Fund, L.P.

#### **Private Credit**

Ares Capital Europe Fund V, L.P.

Athyrium Opportunities Fund II, L.P.

Athyrium Opportunities Fund III, L.P.

Benefit Street Partners Senior Secured Opportunities

Fund, L.P.

Benefit Street Partners Senior Secured Opportunities

Fund II, L.P.

Brookfield Infrastructure Debt Fund III, LP

IFM U.S. Infrastructure Debt Fund, L.P.

MCP Private Capital Fund IV, SCSp

OrbiMed Royalty and Credit Opportunities Fund III, L.P.

OrbiMed Royalty & Credit Opportunities IV, LP

Shamrock Capital Debt Opportunities Fund I, L.P.

Silver Point Specialty Credit Fund II, L.P.

Summit Partners Credit Fund II, L.P.

Summit Partners Credit Fund III, L.P.

Summit Partners Credit Fund IV, LP

Summit Partners Credit Fund, L.P.

TCP Direct Lending Fund VIII-[S], LLC

### **Private Equity**

Abbott Capital Private Equity Fund VI, L.P.

Accel-KKR Capital Partners IV, L.P.

Accel-KKR Capital Partners V, L.P.

Accel-KKR Capital Partners VI, L.P.

Accel-KKR Growth Capital Partners II, L.P.

Accel-KKR Growth Capital Partners III, L.P.

Accel-KKR Growth Capital Partners IV, L.P.

Atalaya Special Opportunities Fund V, L.P.

Atalaya Special Opportunities Fund VI, L.P.

Canvas Ventures 3, L.P.

Cortec Group Fund VII, L.P.

CRV Select, L.P.

CRV Select II, L.P.

CRV XVIII, L.P.

CRV XIX, L.P.

Davidson Kempner Long-Term Distressed

Opportunities Fund IV, L.P.

Davidson Kempner Long-Term Distressed

Opportunities Fund V, L.P.

Dyal II US Investors, L.P.

Dyal III Pension Investors L.P.

Garrison Opportunity Fund III A LLC

Gridiron Capital Fund IV, L.P.

Gridiron Capital Fund V, L.P.

H.I.G. Bayside Loan Opportunity Fund III

(Europe-US\$), L.P.

H.I.G. Capital Partners V, L.P.

H.I.G. Europe Capital Partners II, L.P.

HarbourVest International Private Equity Partners VI-

Partnership Fund L.P.

HarbourVest Partners VIII, L.P.

Khosla Ventures IV, L.P.

#### **INVESTMENT MANAGERS/FUNDS (CONTINUED)**

Khosla Ventures V, L.P.

Khosla Ventures VI, L.P.

Khosla Ventures VII, L.P.

Linden Capital Partners III, L.P.

Linden Capital Partners IV, L.P.

Linden Capital Partners V, L.P.

Marlin Equity IV, L.P.

Marlin Equity Partners V, L.P.

Marlin Equity Partners VI, L.P.

Marlin Heritage, L.P.

Marlin Heritage II, L.P.

Marlin Heritage III, L.P.

Marlin Heritage Europe L.P.

New Enterprise Associates 14, L.P.

New Enterprise Associates 15, L.P.

New Enterprise Associates 16, L.P.

New Enterprise Associates 17, L.P.

Oaktree Power Opportunities Fund VI ,L.P.

OrbiMed Private Investments VIII, L.P.

OrbiMed Private Investments IX, L.P.

Private Equity Partners X, L.P.

RCP Multi-Fund Feeder (SCERS), L.P.

RRJ Capital Master Fund II, L.P.

RRJ Capital Master Fund III, L.P.

Shamrock Capital Content Fund II, L.P.

Shamrock Capital Content Fund III, L.P.

Shamrock Capital Growth Fund V, L.P.

Sixth Street Opportunities Partners III, L.P.

Sixth Street Opportunities Partners IV (A), L.P.

Sixth Street Opportunities Partners V, L.P.

Spectrum Equity VII, L.P.

Spectrum Equity VIII-A, L.P.

Spectrum Equity IX-A, L.P.

Spectrum Equity X, L.P.

Strategic Value Special Situations Fund V, L.P.

Summit Partners Europe Growth Equity Fund II, L.P.

Summit Partners Europe Growth Equity Fund III, L.P.

Summit Partners Venture Capital Fund III-A, L.P.

Summit Partners Venture Capital Fund IV-A, L.P.

Summit Partners Venture Capital Fund V-A, L.P.

Thoma Bravo Fund XI, L.P.

Thoma Bravo Fund XII, L.P.

Thoma Bravo Fund XIII, L.P.

Threshold Ventures III, L.P.

Threshold Venture IV, L.P.

Trinity Ventures XI, L.P.

Trinity Ventures XII, L.P.

TSG7 A, L.P.

TSG7 B, L.P.

TSG8, L.P.

TSG Consumer Partners 9, L.P.

Waterland Private Equity Fund V C.V.

Waterland Private Equity Fund VI, C.V.

Wayzata Opportunities Fund III, L.P.

Wynnchurch Capital Partners V, L.P.

#### **Investment Consultant**

Cliffwater, LLC

The Townsend Group

Verus Advisory, Inc.

### **Proxy Advisor**

Glass Lewis & Co.

Institutional Shareholder Services, Inc.

#### **Legal Counsel**

Foley & Lardner LLP

Nossaman LLP

### **Other Investment Service Providers**

BSR & Co. LLP - tax services

Capital Economics - investment-related

economic research

Colmore Inc. - Investment accounting third-party

service provider

Financial Recovery Technologies - class action and

antitrust litigation recovery

Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP

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### **ACTUARIAL CERTIFICATION LETTER**



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#### Via Email

November 18, 2022

Board of Retirement Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System 980 9th Street, Suite 1900 Sacramento, CA 95814-2738

### Re: Actuarial Valuation for the Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System

Dear Members of the Board:

Segal prepared the June 30, 2022 annual actuarial valuation of the Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System (SCERS). We certify that the valuation was performed in accordance with generally accepted actuarial principles and practices and SCERS' funding policy adopted by the Board on June 19, 2013 and reaffirmed by the Board on March 17, 2021. In particular, it is our understanding that the assumptions and methods used for funding purposes meet the parameters set by the Actuarial Standards of Practice (ASOPs).

As part of the June 30, 2022 actuarial valuation, Segal conducted an examination of all participant data for reasonableness. Summaries of the employee data used in performing the actuarial valuations over the past several years are provided in our valuation report. We did not audit the System's financial statements. For actuarial valuation purposes, Plan assets are valued at actuarial value. Under this method, the assets used to determine employer contribution rates take into account fair value by recognizing the differences between the total actual investment return at fair value and the expected investment return from the prior six years. Investment gains/losses are recognized over a seven-year period and the deferred return is further adjusted, if necessary, so that the actuarial value of assets will stay within 30% of the fair value of assets.

One of the general goals of an actuarial valuation is to establish contribution rates which, over time, will remain level as a percentage of payroll unless Plan benefit provisions are changed. Actuarial funding is based on the Entry Age Cost Method. Under this method, the employer contribution rate provides for current cost (normal cost) plus a level percentage of payroll to amortize any unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL). The UAAL is amortized over different periods depending on the source.

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The System's remaining outstanding balance of the June 30, 2012 UAAL is amortized as a level percentage of payroll over a declining 23-year period (with 13 years remaining as of June 30, 2022). Effective with the June 30, 2013 valuation, the change in UAAL that arises due to actuarial gains or losses or from changes in actuarial assumptions or methods at each valuation is amortized as a level percentage of payroll over its own declining 20-year period. Any change in UAAL that arises due to plan amendments will be amortized as a level percentage of payroll over its own declining 15-year period and any change in UAAL due to retirement incentive programs will be amortized as a level percentage of payroll over its own declining period of up to 5 years. The progress being made towards meeting the funding objective through June 30, 2022 is illustrated in the Schedule of Funding Progress.

Notes number 1, 4 and 5 to the Basic Financial Statements and the Required Supplemental Information (RSI) included in the Financial Section were prepared by the System based on the results of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 67 (GASBS 67) actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2022 and the Actuarial Valuation and Review as of June 30, 2022, both prepared by Segal. For the Financial Section of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR), Segal provided the Schedule of Changes in Net Pension Liability and Schedule of Employer Contributions as shown in the RSI. A listing of the other supporting schedules Segal prepared for inclusion in the Actuarial and Statistical Sections of the System's ACFR is provided below. These schedules were prepared based on the results of the actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2022 for funding purposes. All other schedules in the Actuarial and Statistical Sections of the System's ACFR were prepared by the System.

- 1. Retirees and beneficiaries added to and removed from retiree payroll;
- 2. Schedule of funded liabilities by type; and
- 3. Schedule of retiree members by type of benefit.

The valuation assumptions included in the Actuarial Section, including the assumptions for determining optional form of benefits, were adopted by the Retirement Board based on the June 30, 2019 Actuarial Experience Study recommending assumptions for use starting with the June 30, 2020 valuation. It is our opinion that the assumptions used in the June 30, 2022 valuation produce results, which, in the aggregate, anticipate the future experience of the Plan. Actuarial valuations are performed on an annual basis. An experience analysis is performed every three years. The next experience analysis is due to be performed as of June 30, 2022 and assumptions approved in that analysis will be applied in the June 30, 2023 valuation.

Starting with the June 30, 2022 valuation, we have changed the treatment of the Contingency Reserve and applied the amount in that reserve to reduce the UAAL when we develop the funded ratio. In the June 30, 2022 valuation, the ratio of the actuarial value of assets to actuarial accrued liabilities increased from 82.1%<sup>1</sup> to 85.8%. The employer's rate has decreased from 31.74% of payroll to 31.12% of payroll, while the employee's rate has decreased from 12.08% of payroll to 12.02% of payroll. The decrease in the employer's rate is primarily a result of higher

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> If as of June 30, 2021, the Contingency Reserve were applied to reduce the UAAL, the prior year's funded status would have been 84.2%.

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than expected return on investments (after asset smoothing). The decrease in the employee's rate is primarily due to changes in active member demographics.

In the June 30, 2022 valuation, the actuarial value of assets excluded \$182.5 million in deferred investment gains, which represented about 2% of the fair value of assets. If these deferred investment gains were recognized immediately in the actuarial value of assets, the funded percentage would increase from 85.8% to 87.1%, and the aggregate employer contribution rate would decrease from 31.12%<sup>2</sup> of payroll to 29.9%<sup>2</sup> of payroll.

The undersigned are Members of the American Academy of Actuaries and we meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the actuarial opinion contained herein.

Sincerely,

Paul Angelo, FSA, MAAA, FCA, EA Senior Vice President and Actuary Andy Yeung, ASA, MAAA, FCA, EA Vice President and Actuary

ST/bbf Enclosures

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In calculating both of these contribution rates, we have excluded the amount in the Contingency Reserve. If that amount were applied, the aggregate employer contribution rate would have decreased by about 2.3% of payroll.

### SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODS

GASB Statement No. 67 rules only redefine pension liability and expense for financial reporting purposes, and do not apply to contribution amounts for pension funding purposes. Employers and pension plans can still develop and adopt funding policies under current practices. SCERS' Board of Retirement and management staff are responsible for establishing and maintaining the System's funding policy. When measuring the total pension liability, GASB uses the same actuarial cost method (Entry Age Method) and the same type of discount rate (expected return on assets) as SCERS uses for funding. This means that the Normal Cost component of the annual plan cost is determined on the same basis for funding and financial reporting.

The following assumptions and methods were based on the June 30, 2020, actuarial experience study, which was adopted by the Board in May 2021. These assumptions and methods were used to complete the June 30, 2022, actuarial valuation report.

| Valuation Interest Rate and Rate of Return on Investments: | 6.75%, net of administration and investment expenses  |
|--|---|
| Inflation Rate:  | 2.75%   |
| Real Across-the-Board Salary Increase:                     | 0.25%   |
| Projected Salary Increases:                                | 4.25% - 10.50%  |
|  | Varying by service plus merit and longevity increases, and includes inflation at 2.75% plus real across-the-board salary increase of 0.25%. |
| Member Contribution Crediting Rate:                        | 5-year Treasury rate, assuming sufficient net investment earnings   |
| Post-Retirement Cost-of-Living Adjustment:                 |   |
| Miscellaneous Tier 1                                       | 2.75%   |
| Miscellaneous Tier 2                                       | 0.00%   |
| Miscellaneous Tier 3                                       | 2.00%   |
| Miscellaneous Tier 4                                       | 2.00%   |
| Miscellaneous Tier 5                                       | 2.00%   |
| Safety Tier 1  | 2.75%   |
| Safety Tier 2  | 2.75%   |
| Safety Tier 3  | 2.75%   |
| Safety Tier 4  | 2.75%   |

| Post-Retirement Mortality:                        |  |
|---|--|
| a) Service  | Miscellaneous Members - Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree. Amount-Weighted Above-Median Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with rates increased by 10%, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2019.   |
|   | <b>Safety Members -</b> Pub-2010 Safety Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Above-Median Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with rates decreased by 5% for males, projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2019.                                  |
| b) Disability                                     | Miscellaneous Disabled Members - Pub-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2019.  |
|   | Safety Disabled Members - Pub-2010 Safety Disabled Retiree Amount-Weighted Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2019.   |
|   | All Beneficiaries - Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Amount-Weighted Above-Median Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2019.  |
| Withdrawal Rates and Service<br>Retirement Rates: | Refer to the June 30, 2020, Actuarial Experience Study.  |
| Pre-Retirement Mortality:                         | Miscellaneous Members - Pub-2010 General Employee Amount- Weighted Above-Median Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2019.  |
|   | Safety Members - Pub-2010 Safety Employee Amount-Weighted Above-Median Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females), projected generationally with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2019.   |
| Mortality Rates for Member Contributions:         | Miscellaneous Members - Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Above-Median Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with rates increased by 10%, projected 30 years (from 2010) with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2019, weighted 40% male and 60% female.  |
|   | Safety Members - Pub-2010 Safety Healthy Retiree Amount-Weighted Above-Median Mortality Table (separate tables for males and females) with rates decreased by 5% for males, projected 30 years (from 2010) with the two-dimensional mortality improvement scale MP-2019, weighted 75% male and 25% female. |

| Disability Rates: Refer to June 30, 2019    | Miscellaneous Members - 40% of disabled Miscellaneous           |
|---|---|
| Actuarial Experience Study                  | members would receive a duty disability, and 60% will be        |
|   | assumed to receive a non-duty disability.                       |
|   | Safety Members - 90% of disabled Safety members would           |
|   | receive a duty disability, and 10% will be assumed to receive a |
|   | non-duty disability.  |
| Average Entry Ages:                         | Miscellaneous Members – 35                                      |
|   | Safety Members – 29   |
| Percentage of Members Married               | Male Members – 80%  |
| at Retirement:                              | Female Members – 55%  |
| Retirement Age for Deferred Vested Members: | Miscellaneous Members – 59                                      |
|   | Safety Members – 52   |
| Actuarial Value of Assets:                  | The fair value of assets less unrecognized returns in each      |
|   | of the last seven years. Unrecognized return is equal to the    |
|   | difference between actual and expected returns on a fair        |
|   | value basis and is recognized over a seven-year period. The     |
|   | Actuarial Value of Assets (AVA) is limited by a 30% corridor;   |
|   | the AVA cannot be less than 70% of the fair value of assets,    |
|   | nor greater than 130% of the fair value of assets.              |
| Valuation Value of Assets:                  | Actuarial value of assets reduced by the value of non-          |
|   | valuation reserves and designations.                            |
| Actuarial Cost Method:                      | Entry Age Actuarial Cost Method. Entry Age is the age on        |
|   | the valuation date minus years of service. Normal Cost and      |
|   | Actuarial Accrued Liability are calculated on an individual     |
|   | basis and are based on costs allocated as a level percentage    |
|   | of compensation.  |
| Amortization Policy:                        | The balance of the UAAL as of June 30, 2012 shall be            |
|   | amortized separately from any future changes in UAAL over       |
|   | a period of 23 years as of June 30, 2012.                       |
|   | Any new UAAL as a result of actuarial gains or losses           |
|   | identified in the annual valuation as of June 30 will be        |
|   | amortized over a period of 20 years.                            |
|   | Any new UAAL as a result of changes in actuarial                |
|   | assumptions or methods will be amortized over a period of       |
|   | 20 years.   |
|   | The change in UAAL as a result of any Plan amendments           |
|   | will be amortized over a period of 15 years and the change in   |
|   | UAAL resulting from retirement incentive programs will be       |
|   | amortized over a period of up to 5 years.                       |
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### **SUMMARY OF PLAN PROVISIONS**

Briefly summarized below are the major provisions of the County Employees' Retirement Law of 1937, as amended through June 30, 2022, that are applicable to the Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Miscellaneous employees entering before September 27, 1981 are Tier 1 members. Miscellaneous employees entering on or after September 27, 1981 are Tier 2 members. Miscellaneous employees entering on or after June 27, 1993 but before January 1, 2012 are Tier 3 members. County Miscellaneous employees entering on or after January 1, 2012 but before January 1, 2013 are Tier 4 members. Miscellaneous employees entering on or after January 1, 2013 are Tier 5 members.

Safety members entering before June 25, 1995 are Tier 1 members. Safety members entering on or after June 25, 1995 but before January 1, 2012 are Tier 2 members. Safety employees entering on or after January 1, 2012 but before January 1, 2013 are members of Tier 3. Safety members entering on or after January 1, 2013 are Tier 4 members.

#### **FINAL AVERAGE SALARY**

Final average salary (FAS) is defined as the highest 12 consecutive months of compensation earnable for Miscellaneous Tier 1 and Safety Tier 1 and highest 36 consecutive months of compensation earnable or pensionable compensation for Miscellaneous Tier 2, Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5 and Safety Tier 2, Tier 3 and Tier 4. FAS for Miscellaneous Tier 5 and Safety Tier 4 is also subject to a compensation limit under state statute.

### **RETURN OF CONTRIBUTIONS**

Upon separation from service, a member may elect to leave his or her contributions on deposit. If the member has five or more years of service, he or she may elect to receive a deferred benefit when eligible for retirement. Regardless of "vested" status, separated members may request a return of contributions, plus interest, at any time.

### SERVICE RETIREMENT BENEFIT

Miscellaneous Tier 1, Tier 2, Tier 3 and Tier 4 and Safety Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 members with 10 years of service who have attained the age of 50 are eligible to retire. All members with 30 years of service (20 years for Safety), regardless of age, are eligible to retire.

Miscellaneous Tier 5 and Safety Tier 4 members with 5 years of service who have attained the age of 52 (age 50 for Safety) are eligible to retire.

The benefit expressed as a percentage of monthly FAS per year of service, depending on age at retirement, is illustrated below for typical ages. For members whose benefits are integrated with Social Security, the benefit is reduced by one-third of the percentage shown below times the first \$350 of monthly FAS per year of service after January 1, 1956.

| Age         | Miscellaneous<br>Tier 1, 2 and 3 | Miscellaneous<br>Tier 4 | Miscellaneous<br>Tier 5 | Safety Tier<br>1 and 2 | Safety<br>Tier 3 | Safety<br>Tier 4 |
|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 50          | 1.48%                            | 1.18%                   | N/A                     | 3.00%                  | 2.29%            | 2.00%            |
| 55          | 1.95                             | 1.49                    | 1.30%                   | 3.00                   | 3.00             | 2.50             |
| 60          | 2.44                             | 1.92                    | 1.80                    | 3.00                   | 3.00             | 2.70             |
| 62          | 2.61                             | 2.09                    | 2.00                    | 3.00                   | 3.00             | 2.70             |
| 65          | 2.61                             | 2.43                    | 2.30                    | 3.00                   | 3.00             | 2.70             |
| 67 and over | 2.61                             | 2.43                    | 2.50                    | 3.00                   | 3.00             | 2.70             |

#### **DISABILITY BENEFIT**

Members with five years of service, regardless of age, are eligible for non-service connected disability.

For Miscellaneous Tier 1 members, the benefit is 1.5% (1.8% for Safety Tier 1 members) of FAS for each year of service. If this benefit does not equal one-third of FAS, the benefit is increased by the same percentage of FAS for the years which would have been credited to age 65 (age 55 for Safety members), but the total benefit in this case cannot be more than one-third of FAS.

For Tier 2, Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5 members, the benefit is 20% of FAS for the first five years of service plus 2% for each additional year for a maximum of 40% of FAS.

If the disability is service connected, the member may retire regardless of length of service, with a benefit of 50% of FAS or 100% Service Retirement benefit, if greater.

#### **DEATH BENEFIT (BEFORE RETIREMENT)**

In addition to the return of contributions, a death benefit is payable to the member's beneficiary or estate equal to one month's salary for each completed year of service under the retirement system, based on the final year's average salary, but not to exceed six (6) month's salary.

If a member dies while eligible for service retirement or non-service connected disability, the spouse receives 60% of the allowance that the member would have received for retirement.

If a member dies in the performance of duty, the spouse or minor child receives the greater of 50% of the member's final average salary or 100% of the Service Retirement benefit.

#### **DEATH BENEFIT (AFTER RETIREMENT)**

If a member dies after retirement, a \$4,000 lump sum burial allowance is paid to the beneficiary or estate. If the retirement was for service connected disability, 100% of the member's allowance as it was at death is continued to the eligible spouse for life.

If the retirement was for other than service connected disability and the member elected the unmodified option, 60% of the member's allowance is continued to an eligible spouse for life.

An eligible spouse is a surviving spouse who was married to the member at least one year prior to the date of retirement.

#### **MAXIMUM BENEFIT**

The maximum benefit payable to all Miscellaneous and Safety members or beneficiaries is the lower of 100% of FAS or the qualified plan dollar limits established by the Internal Revenue Service.

#### **COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENTS**

The maximum increase in retirement allowance is 4% per year for Miscellaneous Tier 1 and Safety Tier 1 members and 2% for Safety Tier 2, Tier 3 and Tier 4, and Miscellaneous Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5 members.

Miscellaneous Tier 2 members have no cost-of-living benefit. The cost-of-living increases effective in the month of April are based on the average annual change in the Consumer Price Index for the calendar year preceding April.

#### **CONTRIBUTION RATES**

Basic member contribution rates are designed to provide an average annuity at age 55 equal to 1/240 of FAS for Miscellaneous Tier 1, 2 and 3 members, at age 60 equal to 1/120 of FAS for Miscellaneous Tier 4 members and 1/100 of FAS at age 50 for Safety Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 members. For Miscellaneous Tier 5 and Safety Tier 4 members, the rates are 50% of the Normal Cost rate. For members integrated with Social Security, the above contributions except for Miscellaneous Tier 5 and Safety Tier 4 are reduced by one-third of that portion of such contribution payable with respect to the first \$350 of monthly salary. Cost-of-living contribution rates are designed to pay for one-half of the future cost-of-living costs. Member contributions are refundable upon termination from the system.

# **SCHEDULE OF ACTIVE MEMBER VALUATION DATA**

| Valuation<br>Date | Plan Type     | Number | Annual<br>Payroll<br>(in thousands) | Annual<br>Average Pay<br>(in thousands) | % Increase/<br>(decrease) in<br>Average Pay* |
|-------------------|---------------|--------|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| 6/30/2022         | Miscellaneous | 10,703 | 882,615                             | \$82.5                                  | 2.73%  |
|                   | Safety        | 2,054  | 249,025                             | 121.2                                   | 1.76%  |
|                   | Total         | 12,757 | \$1,131,640                         | \$88.7                                  | 2.48%  |
| c /7.0 /0.003     |               | 10 (50 | <b>40</b> (1.176                    | 4007                                    | 0.500/                                       |
| 6/30/2021         | Miscellaneous | 10,479 | \$841,176                           | \$80.3                                  | 2.60%  |
|                   | Safety        | 2,021  | 240,787                             | 119.1                                   | 1.83%  |
|                   | Total         | 12,500 | \$1,081,963                         | \$86.6                                  | 2.28%  |
| 6/30/2020         | Miscellaneous | 10,565 | \$826,569                           | \$78.2                                  | 3.21%  |
|                   | Safety        | 2,085  | 243,943                             | 117.0                                   | 3.80   |
|                   | Total         | 12,650 | \$1,070,512                         | \$84.6                                  | 3.33%  |
| 6/30/2019         | Miscellaneous | 10,584 | \$802,318                           | \$75.8                                  | 2.86%  |
| 0/30/2013         | Safety        | 2,094  | 236,023                             | 112.7                                   | 3.52   |
|                   | Total         | 12,678 | \$1,038,341                         | \$81.9                                  | 3.02%  |
|                   |               |        |                                     |   |  |
| 6/30/2018         | Miscellaneous | 10,586 | \$780,148                           | \$73.7                                  | 2.24%  |
|                   | Safety        | 2,091  | 227,668                             | 108.9                                   | 0.43   |
|                   | Total         | 12,677 | \$1,007,816                         | \$79.5                                  | 2.07%  |
| 6/30/2017         | Miscellaneous | 10,577 | \$762,440                           | \$72.1                                  | 3.26%  |
| 0/30/2017         | Safety        | 2,010  | 217,919                             | 108.4                                   | 2.31   |
|                   | Total         | 12,587 | \$980,359                           | \$77.9                                  | 2.84%  |
|                   | rotar         | 12,307 | Ψ300,333                            | Ψ/7.5                                   | 2.0470                                       |
| 6/30/2016         | Miscellaneous | 10,363 | 723,429                             | \$69.8                                  | 1.80%  |
|                   | Safety        | 2,030  | \$215,126                           | 106.0                                   | 2.20   |
|                   | Total         | 12,393 | \$938,555                           | \$75.7                                  | 1.88%  |
| 6/30/2015         | Miscellaneous | 10,093 | \$692,138                           | \$68.6                                  | 1.84%  |
| ,,,,,             | Safety        | 1,979  | 205,203                             | 103.7                                   | 1.36   |
|                   | Total         | 12,072 | \$897,341                           | \$74.3                                  | 1.78%  |
| - 1 1             |               |        |                                     |   |  |
| 6/30/2014         | Miscellaneous | 10,085 | \$679,079                           | \$67.3                                  | -0.12%                                       |
|                   | Safety        | 1,964  | 200,920                             | 102.3                                   | -0.08%                                       |
|                   | Total         | 12,049 | \$879,999                           | \$73.0                                  | 0.08%  |
| 6/30/2013         | Miscellaneous | 10,113 | \$681,789                           | \$67.4                                  | 0.30%  |
|                   | Safety        | 1,913  | 195,868                             | 102.4                                   | 4.38   |
|                   | Total         | 12,026 | \$877,657                           | \$73.0                                  | 1.39%  |

Source: Actuarial Valuation reports from June 30, 2013 through 2022.

Note: Refer to the Participating Employers in the Introductory Section for a list of participating employers who have joined the System for the last ten years.

<sup>\*</sup>Reflects the increase in average salary for members at the beginning of the year versus those at the end of the year. It does not reflect the average salary increases received by members who worked the full year.

# RETIREES AND BENEFICIARIES ADDED TO AND REMOVED FROM RETIREE PAYROLL

|           |           |        |         |         |                |                     |                    | %         |           |
|-----------|-----------|--------|---------|---------|----------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|
|           |           |        |         |         | Annual         | Payroll             | Payroll            | Increase  |           |
|           | At        | Added  | Removed |         | Retiree        | Added               | Removed            | In Annual | Average   |
| Valuation | Beginning | During | During  | At End  | Payroll        | <b>During Year*</b> | <b>During Year</b> | Retiree   | Annual    |
| Date      | of Year   | Year   | Year    | of Year | (In thousands) | (In thousands)      | (in thousands)     | Payroll   | Allowance |
| 6/30/2022 | 13,051    | 864    | 280     | 13,635  | \$639,898      | \$59,817            | \$9,957            | 8.45%     | \$46,931  |
| 6/30/2021 | 12,732    | 702    | 383     | 13,051  | 590,038        | 44,004              | 12,916             | 5.56      | 45,210    |
| 6/30/2020 | 12,381    | 693    | 342     | 12,732  | 558,950        | 47,214              | 11,455             | 6.83      | 43,901    |
| 6/30/2019 | 11,883    | 789    | 291     | 12,381  | 523,191        | 49,436              | 8,402              | 8.51      | 42,252    |
| 6/30/2018 | 11,396    | 758    | 271     | 11,883  | 482,157        | 44,173              | 7,891              | 8.14      | 40,572    |
| 6/30/2017 | 10,960    | 750    | 314     | 11,396  | 445,875        | 40,102              | 9,332              | 7.41      | 39,126    |
| 6/30/2016 | 10,541    | 727    | 308     | 10,960  | 415,105        | 35,144              | 8,591              | 6.83      | 37,875    |
| 6/30/2015 | 10,049    | 776    | 284     | 10,541  | 388,552        | 40,636              | 7,849              | 9.22      | 36,861    |
| 6/30/2014 | 9,634     | 674    | 259     | 10,049  | 355,765        | 31,335              | 6,746              | 7.42      | 35,403    |
| 6/30/2013 | 9,239     | 635    | 240     | 9,634   | 331,176        | 29,416              | 6,431              | 7.46      | 34,376    |

Source: Prepared by Segal

Note: Participants are counted once for each benefit received.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>ast}$  Includes data adjustments and automatic cost-of-living adjustments granted on April 1.

# **ACTUARIAL ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL EXPERIENCE**

(Amounts Expressed in Millions)

#### Plans Year Ended June 30

|   | 2022    | 2021    | 2020    | 2019    | 2018    | 2017    | 2016    | 2015    | 2014    | 2013    |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Prior Valuation<br>Unfunded<br>Actuarial Liability    | \$2,380 | \$2,464 | \$2,192 | \$2,090 | \$2,016 | \$1,200 | \$1,190 | \$1,268 | \$1,413 | \$1,308 |
| Salary Increase<br>Greater (Less)<br>than Expected    | 7       | (36)    | 11      | (24)    | (40)    | (3)     | (39)    | (39)    | (138)   | (113)   |
| Asset Return<br>Less (Greater)<br>than Expected       | (147)   | 3       | 20      | 8       | 6       | 3       | 62      | (24)    | (38)    | 152     |
| Other Experience                                      | 46      | (51)    | 25      | 118     | 108     | (8)     | (13)    | (15)    | 15      | 66      |
| Economic and<br>Non-Economic<br>Assumption<br>Changes | -       | -       | 216     | -       | -       | 824     | -       | -       | 16      | -       |
| Ending Unfunded Actuarial Accrued                     |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         | -       |         |
| Liability   | \$2,286 | \$2,380 | \$2,464 | \$2,192 | \$2,090 | \$2,016 | \$1,200 | \$1,190 | \$1,268 | \$1,413 |

Source: Prepared using extracted data from Actuarial Valuations from June 30, 2013 through 2022.

#### **SCHEDULE OF FUNDED LIABILITIES BY TYPE**

(Dollar Amounts Expressed in Thousands)

|  | <b>Portion of Accrued Liabilities</b> |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Aggregate Accrued Liabilities for</b> | <b>Covered by Reported Assets</b>     |
| Active                                   | A                                     |
| NA                                       | A.4.                                  |

| Valuation<br>Date | Active<br>Member<br>Contributions | Retired/<br>Vested<br>Members | Active<br>Members<br>(Employer<br>Financed<br>Portion) | Total        | Actuarial<br>Value<br>of Assets | Active<br>Member<br>Contributions | Retired/<br>Vested<br>Members | Active<br>Members<br>(Employer<br>Financed<br>Portion) |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| 6/30/2022         | \$945,681                         | \$8,916,593                   | \$3,716,710  | \$13,578,984 | \$11,647,866                    | 100%                              | 100%                          | 48%  |
| 6/30/2021         | 909,340                           | 8,299,868                     | 4,100,498  | 13,309,706   | 10,929,549                      | 100                               | 100                           | 42   |
| 6/30/2020         | 875,808                           | 7,857,941                     | 3,959,906  | 12,693,655   | 10,229,760                      | 100                               | 100                           | 38   |
| 6/30/2019         | 820,202                           | 7,354,648                     | 3,720,670  | 11,895,520   | 9,703,313                       | 100                               | 100                           | 41   |
| 6/30/2018         | 756,179                           | 6,879,316                     | 3,577,768  | 11,213,263   | 9,123,004                       | 100                               | 100                           | 42   |
| 6/30/2017         | 713,290                           | 6,410,447                     | 3,557,261  | 10,680,998   | 8,665,226                       | 100                               | 100                           | 43   |
| 6/30/2016         | 677,596                           | 5,635,248                     | 3,123,246  | 9,436,090    | 8,236,402                       | 100                               | 100                           | 62   |
| 6/30/2015         | 645,591                           | 5,356,228                     | 3,026,860  | 9,028,679    | 7,838,825                       | 100                               | 100                           | 61   |
| 6/30/2014         | 632,969                           | 4,939,239                     | 3,008,720  | 8,580,928    | 7,321,993                       | 100                               | 100                           | 58   |
| 6/30/2013         | 619,660                           | 4,566,212                     | 3,025,108  | 8,210,980    | 6,797,757                       | 100                               | 100                           | 53   |

Source: Prepared by Segal

Events affecting year to year comparability:

6/30/2013 Actuarial cost method changed from Aggregate Entry Age Normal Cost Method to Individual Entry Age Normal Cost Method; and

Changes to the amortization periods used for various future changes in liability:

- UAAL established as a result of Early Retirement Incentive Program for LEMA is amortized over a 10-year period beginning June 30, 2010;
- UAAL as a result of actuarial gains or losses as of June 30 will be amortized over a 20-year period;
- UAAL as a result of changes in actuarial assumptions or methods to be amortized over a 20-year period;
- Change in UAAL as a result of plan amendments to be amortized over a 15-year period; and
- UAAL as a result from retirement incentive programs will be amortized over a period up to 5 years.

6/30/2014 Changes to post-retirement mortality rates and termination rates before retirement;

Changes to retirement age and benefit for deferred vested members; and

Changes to annual rates of compensation increase.

6/30/2017 Investment return assumption decreased from 7.50% to 7.00%;

Inflation assumption decreased from 3.25% to 3.00%;

Salary increase assumption decreased while merit and promotional component of salary increase assumption increased;

COLA increase assumption for Tier 1 decrease from 3.25% to 3.00%; and Modification in non-economic assumptions.

6/30/2020 Investment return assumption decrease from 7.00% to 6.75%; Inflation assumption decreased from 3.00% to 2.75%;

Salary increase assumption decreased while merit and promotional component of salary increase assumption increased;

COLA increase assumption for Tier 1 decreased from 3.00% to 2.75%; and Modification in non-economic assumptions.

6/30/2022 The amount in the Contingency Reserve is no longer included in the Actuarial Accrued Liability.

# **SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS**

(Dollar Amounts Expressed in Thousands)

| Actuaria<br>Valuation<br>Date |                 | Actuarial<br>Accrued<br>Liability<br>(AAL)*<br>(b) | Unfunded<br>AAL (UAAL)<br>(b-a) | Funded<br>Ratio<br>(a/b) | Covered<br>Payroll**<br>(c) | UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll ((b - a) / c) |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| 6/30/202                      | 22 \$11,647,866 | \$13,578,984                                       | \$1,931,118                     | 85.8%                    | \$1,131,640                 | 170.6%  |
| 6/30/20                       | 21 10,929,549   | 13,309,706   | 2,380,157                       | 82.1                     | 1,081,961                   | 220.0   |
| 6/30/202                      | 20 10,229,760   | 12,693,655   | 2,463,894                       | 80.6                     | 1,070,512                   | 230.2   |
| 6/30/20                       | 19 9,703,313    | 11,895,520   | 2,192,207                       | 81.6                     | 1,038,341                   | 211.1   |
| 6/30/20                       | 18 9,123,004    | 11,213,263   | 2,090,259                       | 81.4                     | 1,007,815                   | 207.4   |
| 6/30/20                       | 17 8,665,226    | 10,680,998   | 2,015,772                       | 81.1                     | 980,359                     | 205.6   |
| 6/30/20                       | 16 8,236,402    | 9,436,090  | 1,199,688                       | 87.3                     | 938,555                     | 127.8   |
| 6/30/20                       | 7,838,825       | 9,028,679  | 1,189,854                       | 86.8                     | 897,341                     | 132.6   |
| 6/30/20                       | 7,312,993       | 8,580,928  | 1,267,935                       | 85.2                     | 879,999                     | 144.1   |
| 6/30/20                       | 13 6,797,757    | 8,210,980  | 1,413,223                       | 82.8                     | 877,657                     | 161.0   |

Source: Prepared using extracted data from Actuarial Valuations from June 30, 2013 through 2022.

<sup>\*</sup>Includes contingency reserve and retiree death benefit reserves.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Covered payroll is based on actuarial assumed salary growth.

#### PROBABILITIES OF SEPARATION PRIOR TO RETIREMENT

# **MORTALITY RATE (%)**

|     | Miscellaneous |        | Sat   | ety    |
|-----|---------------|--------|-------|--------|
| Age | Male          | Female | Male  | Female |
| 20  | 0.04%         | 0.01%  | 0.04% | 0.01%  |
| 25  | 0.02          | 0.01   | 0.03  | 0.02   |
| 30  | 0.03          | 0.01   | 0.04  | 0.02   |
| 35  | 0.04          | 0.02   | 0.04  | 0.03   |
| 40  | 0.06          | 0.03   | 0.05  | 0.04   |
| 45  | 0.09          | 0.05   | 0.07  | 0.06   |
| 50  | 0.13          | 0.08   | 0.10  | 0.08   |
| 55  | 0.19          | 0.11   | 0.15  | 0.11   |
| 60  | 0.28          | 0.17   | 0.23  | 0.14   |
| 65  | 0.41          | 0.27   | 0.35  | 0.20   |

Note: Generational projections beyond the base year (2010) are not reflected in the above mortality rates. All Miscellaneous pre-retirement deaths are assumed to be nonservice-connected. For Safety, 50% pre-retirement deaths are assumed to be nonservice-connected and the rest are assumed to be service-connected.

**DISABILITY RATE (%)** 

| Age | Miscellaneous | Safety |  |  |
|-----|---------------|--------|--|--|
| 20  | -%            | 0.05%  |  |  |
| 25  | 0.01          | 0.05   |  |  |
| 30  | 0.02          | 0.08   |  |  |
| 35  | 0.04          | 0.22   |  |  |
| 40  | 0.08          | 0.36   |  |  |
| 45  | 0.16          | 0.46   |  |  |
| 50  | 0.23          | 0.68   |  |  |
| 55  | 0.31          | 0.92   |  |  |
| 60  | 0.41          | 1.12   |  |  |
| 65  | 0.63          | -      |  |  |

Note: For Miscellaneous, 40% of disabilities are assumed to be service-connected disabilities and the other 60% are assumed to be nonservice-connected disabilities. For Safety, 90% of disabilities are assumed to be service-connected disabilities and the other 10% are assumed to be nonservice-connected disabilities.

Source: Actuarial Valuation report as of June 30, 2022.

# WITHDRAWAL RATE (%) LESS THAN FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE

| Years of<br>Service | Miscellaneous | Safety |
|---------------------|---------------|--------|
| Less than 1         | 13.00%        | 5.00%  |
| 1 - 2               | 8.00          | 4.50   |
| 2 - 3               | 6.50          | 4.00   |
| 3 - 4               | 5.50          | 2.50   |
| 4 - 5               | 5.25          | 2.50   |

Note: 55% of the Miscellaneous members and 50% of the Safety members are assumed to elect a withdrawal of contributions upon separation. The remaining 45% and 50% of Miscellaneous and Safety members, respectively, are assumed to elect a deferred retirement benefit.

# WITHDRAWAL RATE (%) FIVE OR MORE YEARS OF SERVICE

| Age | Miscellaneous | Safety |
|-----|---------------|--------|
| 20  | 5.25%         | 2.00%  |
| 25  | 5.25          | 2.00   |
| 30  | 5.10          | 2.00   |
| 35  | 4.40          | 1.55   |
| 40  | 3.40          | 1.10   |
| 45  | 2.70          | 1.00   |
| 50  | 2.44          | 1.00   |
| 55  | 2.34          | 1.00   |
| 60  | 2.24          | 1.00   |
| 65  | 1.48          | -      |

Note: 30% of the Miscellaneous terminated members and 15% of the Safety terminated members are assumed to elect a withdrawal of contributions upon separation. The remaining 70% and 85% of Miscellaneous and Safety terminated members, respectively, are assumed to elect a deferred retirement benefit. No withdrawal is assumed after a member is eligible to retire.

Source: Actuarial Valuation report as of June 30, 2022.



# **CORE VALUES SOLUTIONS**

**SECTION 5** 

By working with urgency to help one another succeed, fostering teamwork and collaboration, and asking for help when needed.



#### SUMMARY OF STATISTICAL DATA

Issued in May 2004, pronouncement GASB Statement No. 44, Economic Conditioning Reporting: The Statistical Section, establishes and modifies requirements related to the supplementary information presented in this section of the report.

The pension trust fund is accounted for under the accrual basis of accounting. Information is provided for the last ten years ended June 30, 2022, for the following five objectives: financial trends; revenue capacity; demographic and economic; and operating.

Financial trends are presented on pages 119 to 124. The schedules contain trend information to aid in understanding how the System's financial performance has changed over time.

Revenue capacity is presented on pages 119, 121 to 123. The schedules contain information regarding the contribution amount and rate history for the last ten years.

Demographic and economic information is presented on pages 125 to 131. These schedules offer demographic and economic indicators to enhance understanding of the environment within which the System's financial activities take place. The schedules show the average monthly benefit payments followed by the System membership.

Operating information is presented on pages 132 and 134. These schedules contain pension plan data to assist in understanding how the information in the financial report relates to the pension plan the System administers. This section includes the schedules of principal participating employers and active members.

#### SCHEDULE OF ADDITIONS BY SOURCE

(Dollar Amounts Expressed in Thousands)

| Fiscal<br>Year<br>Ended<br>June 30: | Member<br>Contributions | Employer<br>Contributions | Net<br>Investment<br>Income/<br>(Loss) | Other<br>Income | Health Premiums Collected from Members and Employers | Total      |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--|-----------------|--|------------|
| 2022                                | \$132,526               | \$306,335                 | (\$547,786)                            | \$2,990         | \$32,644   | (\$73,291) |
| 2021                                | 120,597                 | 295,269                   | 2,753,409                              | 3,081           | 32,362   | 3,204,718  |
| 2020                                | 126,354                 | 276,230                   | 301,373                                | 2,939           | -  | 706,896    |
| 2019                                | 121,843                 | 285,642                   | 672,786                                | 2,940           | -  | 1,083,211  |
| 2018                                | 99,906                  | 198,513                   | 841,370                                | 3,119           | -  | 1,142,908  |
| 2017                                | 89,489                  | 203,928                   | 1,048,915                              | -               | -  | 1,342,332  |
| 2016                                | 77,494                  | 209,020                   | (72,399)                               | -               | -  | 214,115    |
| 2015                                | 68,143                  | 222,959                   | 158,222                                | -               | -  | 449,324    |
| 2014                                | 57,635                  | 210,503                   | 1,107,152                              | -               | -  | 1,375,290  |
| 2013                                | 68,242                  | 189,664                   | 785,449                                | -               | -  | 1,043,355  |

Source: Audited Financial Statements from June 30, 2013, through 2022.

#### SCHEDULE OF DEDUCTIONS BY TYPE

(Dollar Amounts Expressed in Thousands)

|  | D | en | er | its | Pa | I |
|--|---|----|----|-----|----|---|
|--|---|----|----|-----|----|---|

| Year<br>Ended<br>June 30: | Service*  | Survivor<br>Benefits | Retiree<br>Death<br>Benefits | Administrative<br>Expenses | Withdrawals | Health<br>Premiums<br>Remitted to<br>Health Carriers | Total     |
|---------------------------|-----------|----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------|--|-----------|
| 2022                      | \$609,516 | \$3,206              | \$1,623                      | \$8,971                    | \$4,547     | \$32,644   | \$660,507 |
| 2021                      | 571,304   | 2,954                | 1,071                        | 9,165                      | 3,092       | 32,362   | 619,948   |
| 2020                      | 534,026   | 2,804                | 868                          | 8,460                      | 3,053       | -  | 549,211   |
| 2019                      | 498,939   | 2,803                | 1,202                        | 7,601                      | 2,909       | -  | 513,454   |
| 2018                      | 461,808   | 2,625                | 921                          | 6,888                      | 2,954       | -  | 475,196   |
| 2017                      | 426,292   | 2,479                | 983                          | 6,906                      | 2,312       | -  | 438,972   |
| 2016                      | 399,690   | 2,443                | 1,223                        | 6,362                      | 2,346       | -  | 412,064   |
| 2015                      | 368,788   | 2,404                | 1,177                        | 5,854                      | 2,288       | -  | 380,511   |
| 2014                      | 341,756   | 2,116                | 1,018                        | 5,665                      | 2,729       | -  | 353,284   |
| 2013                      | 317,308   | 2,225                | 1,295                        | 5,719                      | 2,739       | -  | 329,286   |

<sup>\*</sup> Amounts reported here include both service and disability retirement benefits and active death benefits.

Source: Audited Financial Statements from June 30, 2013, through 2022 and SCERS Retired Member Pension Payroll Data.

#### **SCHEDULE OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES**

FOR THE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30

(Dollar Amounts Expressed in Thousands)

| Type of Expenses         | 2022    | 2021    | 2020    | 2019*   | 2018    | 2017    | 2016    | 2015    | 2014    | 2013    |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Salaries and benefits    | \$5,588 | \$5,585 | \$5,439 | \$5,128 | \$4,078 | \$3,984 | \$3,506 | \$3,445 | \$3,300 | \$3,284 |
| County                   |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| allocated expenses       | 686     | 1,143   | 852     | 488     | 557     | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       |
| Professional services    | 815     | 751     | 649     | 606     | 879     | 1,149   | 1,081   | 811     | 786     | 857     |
| Rent and lease **        | 847     | 530     | 524     | 582     | 557     | 488     | 501     | 456     | 460     | 432     |
| Information technology   | 272     | 632     | 365     | 133     | 157     | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       |
| Printing and postage     | 225     | 190     | 215     | 177     | 202     | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       |
| Pension payroll services | 312     | 177     | 182     | 185     | 208     | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       |
| Insurance liability      | 129     | 96      | 92      | 97      | 89      | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       |
| Depreciation             | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | 27      | 34      | 36      | 36      | 36      |
| Equipment purchases      |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| and maintenance          | -       | -       | -       | -       | -       | 61      | 26      | 32      | 21      | 24      |
| Other                    | 97      | 61      | 142     | 205     | 161     | 1,197   | 1,214   | 1,074   | 1,062   | 1,086   |
| Total                    | \$8,971 | \$9,165 | \$8,460 | \$7,601 | \$6,888 | \$6,906 | \$6,362 | \$5,854 | \$5,665 | \$5,719 |

<sup>\*</sup> In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019, the System revised the presentation of the administrative expenses as reported in the Other Supplemental Information section. As a result, certain amounts have been revised to present at a detail level.

Source: Audited Financial Statements from June 30, 2013, through 2022.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Rent and lease also include expenses related to GASB Statement No. 87. A separate schedule and disclosure for GASB Statement No. 87 is included.

# SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

FOR THE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30 (DOLLAR AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

|                          | 2022         | 2021         | 2020        | 2019        | 2018        |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                          |              |              |             |             |             |
| Member contributions     | \$132,526    | \$120,597    | \$126,354   | \$121,843   | \$99,906    |
| Employer contributions   | 306,335      | 295,269      | 276,230     | 285,642     | 198,513     |
| Net investment           |              |              |             |             |             |
| income/(loss)            | (547,786)    | 2,753,409    | 301,373     | 672,786     | 841,370     |
| Other income             | 2,990        | 3,081        | 2,939       | 2,940       | 3,119       |
| Health premiums          |              |              |             |             |             |
| collected from Members   | 32,644       | 32,362       | -           | -           | -           |
| and employers            |              |              |             |             |             |
| Total additions          | (73,291)     | 3,204,718    | 706,896     | 1,083,211   | 1,142,908   |
|                          |              |              |             |             |             |
| Benefits paid            | 614,345      | 575,329      | 537,698     | 502,944     | 465,354     |
| Withdrawal               |              |              |             |             |             |
| of contributions         | 4,547        | 3,092        | 3,053       | 2,909       | 2,954       |
| Administrative expenses  | 8,971        | 9,165        | 8,460       | 7,601       | 6,888       |
| Health premiums remitted |              |              |             |             |             |
| to health carriers       | 32,644       | 32,362       |             |             |             |
| Total deductions         | 660,507      | 619,948      | 549,211     | 513,454     | 475,196     |
|                          |              |              |             |             |             |
| Change in net position   | (733,798)    | 2,584,770    | 157,685     | 569,757     | 667,712     |
|                          |              |              |             |             |             |
| Net position, beginning  | 12,564,149   | 9,979,379    | 9,821,694   | 9,251,937   | 8,584,225   |
|                          |              |              |             |             |             |
| Net position, ending     | \$11,830,351 | \$12,564,149 | \$9,979,379 | \$9,821,694 | \$9,251,937 |

# SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION (CONTINUED)

FOR THE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30 (DOLLAR AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

|                          | 2017        | 2016        | 2015        | 2014        | 2013        |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                          |             |             |             |             |             |
| Member contributions     | \$89,489    | \$77,494    | \$68,143    | \$57,635    | \$68,242    |
| Employer contributions   | 203,928     | 209,020     | 222,959     | 210,503     | 189,664     |
| Net investment           |             |             |             |             |             |
| income/(loss)            | 1,048,915   | (72,399)    | 158,222     | 1,107,152   | 785,449     |
| Other income             | -           | -           | -           | -           | -           |
| Health premiums          |             |             |             |             |             |
| collected from members   | -           | -           | -           | -           | -           |
| and employers            |             |             |             |             |             |
| Total additions          | 1,342,332   | 214,115     | 449,324     | 1,375,290   | 1,043,355   |
|                          |             |             |             |             |             |
| Benefits paid            | 429,754     | 403,356     | 372,369     | 344,890     | 320,828     |
| Withdrawal               |             |             |             |             |             |
| of contributions         | 2,312       | 2,346       | 2,288       | 2,729       | 2,739       |
| Administrative expenses  | 6,906       | 6,362       | 5,854       | 5,665       | 5,719       |
| Health premiums remitted |             |             |             |             |             |
| to health carriers       |             |             |             |             |             |
| Total deductions         | 438,972     | 412,064     | 380,511     | 353,284     | 329,286     |
|                          |             |             |             |             |             |
| Change in net position   | 903,360     | (197,949)   | 68,813      | 1,022,006   | 714,069     |
|                          |             |             |             |             |             |
| Net position, beginning  | 7,680,865   | 7,878,814   | 7,810,001   | 6,787,995   | 6,073,926   |
|                          |             |             |             |             |             |
| Net position, ending     | \$8,584,225 | \$7,680,865 | \$7,878,814 | \$7,810,001 | \$6,787,995 |

Source: Audited Financial Statements from June 30, 2013, through 2022.

#### SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION RATES

#### COUNTY<sup>1</sup>

|                                |        | Mi     | scellanec | us     |        |        | Saf    | ety    |        |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Actuarial<br>Valuation<br>Date | Tier 1 | Tier 2 | Tier 3    | Tier 4 | Tier 5 | Tier 1 | Tier 2 | Tier 3 | Tier 4 |
| 6/30/2022                      | 23.95% | 20.55% | 24.13%    | 23.75% | 22.71% | 69.13% | 58.48% | 58.20% | 52.27% |
| 6/30/2021                      | 25.37  | 21.70  | 24.83     | 24.48  | 23.43  | 72.96  | 58.70  | 57.47  | 52.37  |
| 6/30/2020                      | 24.38  | 20.87  | 24.07     | 23.65  | 22.59  | 66.07  | 57.35  | 56.01  | 51.10  |
| 6/30/2019                      | 22.03  | 19.17  | 22.20     | 21.91  | 20.96  | 61.78  | 53.75  | 53.11  | 49.35  |
| 6/30/2018                      | 20.19  | 17.74  | 20.43     | 19.92  | 18.98  | 54.68  | 48.31  | 47.40  | 43.85  |
| 6/30/2017                      | 18.43  | 15.85  | 18.62     | 17.96  | 16.96  | 48.41  | 44.28  | 43.33  | 39.72  |
| 6/30/2016                      | 15.83  | 13.85  | 15.89     | 15.01  | 14.11  | 41.30  | 37.44  | 36.51  | 34.11  |
| 6/30/2015                      | 16.26  | 15.01  | 17.41     | 15.25  | 14.13  | 42.11  | 39.42  | 37.73  | 34.40  |
| 6/30/2014                      | 17.58  | 16.55  | 19.24     | 15.96  | 14.87  | 42.59  | 41.56  | 39.92  | 35.13  |
| 6/30/20131                     | 22.91  | 20.71  | 23.29     | 17.91  | 17.14  | 43.59  | 41.92  | 41.06  | 35.61  |

|                                |        | COL     | URT    |        | SPECIAL DISTRICTS |        |        |  |  |
|--------------------------------|--------|---------|--------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|--|--|
|                                |        | Miscell | aneous |        | Miscellaneous     |        |        |  |  |
| Actuarial<br>Valuation<br>Date | Tier 1 | Tier 2  | Tier 3 | Tier 5 | Tier 1            | Tier 3 | Tier 5 |  |  |
| 6/30/2022                      | 27.01% | 24.18%  | 29.22% | 22.67% | N/A               | 36.55% | 30.14% |  |  |
| 6/30/2021                      | 29.10  | 25.78   | 29.92  | 23.39  | N/A               | 37.65  | 31.24  |  |  |
| 6/30/20202                     | 28.20  | 24.95   | 29.21  | 22.55  | N/A               | 36.89  | 30.36  |  |  |
| 6/30/2019                      | 24.97  | 22.91   | 27.01  | 20.92  | 33.26             | 35.19  | 29.21  |  |  |
| 6/30/2018                      | 23.40  | 22.05   | 25.41  | 18.95  | 31.42             | 33.33  | 26.97  |  |  |
| 6/30/2017                      | 21.59  | 20.11   | 23.56  | 16.93  | 30.00             | 31.86  | 25.34  |  |  |
| 6/30/2016                      | 18.16  | 16.87   | 19.84  | 14.08  | 26.27             | 27.85  | 22.19  |  |  |
| 6/30/2015                      | 17.99  | 16.66   | 19.83  | 14.09  | 25.92             | 27.76  | 22.02  |  |  |
| 6/30/2014                      | 18.55  | 17.54   | 20.65  | 14.87  | 26.16             | 28.26  | 22.48  |  |  |
| 6/30/20131                     | 22.91  | 20.71   | 23.29  | 17.14  | 30.00             | 30.50  | 24.19  |  |  |

Source: Actuarial Valuation reports from June 30, 2013 through 2022.

Note: Actuarial Valuations are prepared subsequent to fiscal year-end and determine rates which pertain to the following fiscal year. For example, the Actuarial Valuation as of June 30, 2022 is used to determine rates for the fiscal year 2023-24.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Effective July 1, 2014, subsequent to the completion of the actuarial valuation for the year ended June 30, 2013, the County and several bargaining groups entered into an agreement for members to pick up an additional portion of the total normal cost in fiscal year 2014-15. The County employer contribution rates shown have not been adjusted to reflect the members agreeing to pick up an additional portion of the normal cost.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> As of June 30, 2020, there are no Miscellaneous Tier 1 members reported for Special Districts.

# SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS PAID AND WITHDRAWALS BY TYPE

FOR THE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30

(DOLLAR AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN THOUSANDS)

|                                 | 2022      | 2021      | 2020      | 2019      | 2018      |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Type of Benefit                 |           |           |           |           |           |
| Service Retirement Benefits     | \$609,516 | \$571,304 | \$534,026 | \$498,939 | \$461,808 |
| Survivor Benefits               | 3,206     | 2,954     | 2,804     | 2,803     | 2,625     |
| Death                           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Benefits-Before Retirement      | 578       | 232       | 198       | 326       | 248       |
| Death Benefits-After Retirement | 1,046     | 839       | 670       | 876       | 673       |
| Total Benefit Paid              | \$614,345 | \$575,329 | \$537,698 | \$502,944 | \$465,354 |
| Type of Withdrawal              |           |           |           |           |           |
| Death                           | \$972     | \$218     | \$259     | \$826     | \$704     |
| Separation                      | 3,575     | 2,774     | 2,745     | 2,022     | 2,173     |
| Miscellaneous                   | 0         | 100       | 49        | 61_       | 77        |
| Total Withdrawals               | \$4,547   | \$3,092   | \$3,053   | \$2,909   | \$2,954   |
|                                 |           |           |           |           |           |
|                                 | 2017      | 2016      | 2015      | 2014      | 2013      |
| Type of Benefit                 |           |           |           |           |           |
| Service Retirement Benefits     | \$426,292 | \$399,690 | \$368,788 | \$341,756 | \$317,308 |
| Survivor Benefits               | 2,479     | 2,443     | 2,404     | 2,116     | 2,225     |
| Death                           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Benefits-Before Retirement      | 218       | 352       | 411       | 312       | 542       |
| Death Benefits-After Retirement | 765       | 871_      | 766       | 706       | 753       |
| Total Benefit Paid              | \$429,754 | \$403,356 | \$372,369 | \$344,890 | \$320,828 |
| Type of Withdrawal              |           |           |           |           |           |
| Death                           | \$298     | \$522     | \$320     | \$445     | \$547     |
| Separation                      | 1,974     | 1,786     | 1,815     | 2,211     | 2,153     |
| Miscellaneous                   | 40        | 38_       | 153       | 73        | 39        |
| Total Withdrawals               | \$2,312   | \$2,346   | \$2,288   | \$2,729   | \$2,739   |

 $Source: Audited\ Financial\ Statements\ from\ June\ 30,\ 2013\ through\ 2022\ and\ SCERS\ Retired\ Member\ Pension\ Payroll\ Data.$ 

# SCHEDULE OF DISTRIBUTION OF RETIRED MEMBERS AND BENEFICIARIES BY TYPE AND BY MONTHLY AMOUNT

**AS OF JUNE 30, 2022** 

|                              | _  | Type of Retirement* |    |    |    |    |     |    |    |    |    |
|------------------------------|--|---------------------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|
| Amount of<br>Monthly Benefit | Total<br>Number<br>of Retired<br>Members | 1                   | _2 | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6   | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 |
| \$1 - \$499                  | 736                                      | 526                 | 17 | 3  | 7  | 7  | 86  | 13 | 7  | 1  | 17 |
| \$500 - \$999                | 1,283                                    | 919                 | 25 | 7  | -  | -  | 133 | 56 | 43 | 3  | 31 |
| \$1,000 - \$1,499            | 1,432                                    | 1,048               | 52 | 12 | 5  | 3  | 158 | 40 | 43 | 1  | 14 |
| \$1,500 - \$1,999            | 1,279                                    | 949                 | 39 | 19 | 19 | 6  | 122 | 27 | 26 | 1  | 14 |
| \$2,000 - \$2,499            | 1,153                                    | 888                 | 36 | 7  | 35 | 8  | 116 | 16 | 6  | 4  | 11 |
| \$2,500 - \$2,999            | 1,009                                    | 802                 | 15 | 6  | 33 | 10 | 85  | 6  | 6  | 6  | 13 |
| \$3,000 - \$3,499            | 879                                      | 706                 | 5  | 3  | 34 | 8  | 84  | 5  | 2  | 10 | 5  |
| \$3,500 - \$3,999            | 762                                      | 588                 | 8  | 1  | 26 | 18 | 84  | 1  | -  | 6  | 8  |
| \$4,000 - \$4,499            | 717                                      | 549                 | 1  | -  | 29 | 26 | 76  | -  | -  | 13 | 7  |
| \$4,500 - \$4,999            | 608                                      | 478                 | 2  | -  | 29 | 21 | 48  | -  | -  | 11 | 5  |
| \$5,000 and Over             | 3,777                                    | 3,345               | 2  | 1  | 68 | 32 | 242 | 5  | 1  | 20 | 20 |

59

285

139

1,234

169

134

**76** 

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|                              | Type of Retirement (Continued)* |     |    |     |    |    | Op         | tion Se | lected** |    |    |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----|----|-----|----|----|------------|---------|----------|----|----|
| Amount of<br>Monthly Benefit | 11                              | 12  | 13 | 15  | 16 | 17 | Unmodified | 1       | 2        | 3  | 4  |
| \$1 - \$499                  | -                               | 35  | -  | 7   | 4  | 6  | 523        | 55      | 138      | 7  | 13 |
| \$500 - \$999                | -                               | 54  | -  | 7   | 2  | 3  | 963        | 109     | 181      | 9  | 21 |
| \$1,000 - \$1,499            | 4                               | 37  | 2  | 11  | -  | 2  | 1,142      | 95      | 170      | 16 | 9  |
| \$1,500 - \$1,999            | -                               | 45  | 1  | 11  | -  | -  | 1,030      | 76      | 158      | 11 | 4  |
| \$2,000 - \$2,499            | 1                               | 17  | 1  | 7   | -  | -  | 956        | 66      | 115      | 10 | 6  |
| \$2,500 - \$2,999            | 1                               | 18  | 1  | 5   | 2  | -  | 845        | 48      | 111      | 2  | 3  |
| \$3,000 - \$3,499            | -                               | 8   | 1  | 8   | -  | -  | 743        | 41      | 81       | 7  | 7  |
| \$3,500 - \$3,999            | -                               | 7   | 5  | 9   | 1  | -  | 628        | 43      | 79       | 5  | 7  |
| \$4,000 - \$4,499            | -                               | 6   | 4  | 4   | -  | 2  | 610        | 30      | 68       | 5  | 4  |
| \$4,500 - \$4,999            | -                               | 1   | 9  | 4   | -  | -  | 523        | 28      | 51       | 2  | 4  |
| \$5,000 and Over             |                                 | 3   | 4  | 33  | 1  |    | 3,350      | 103     | 289_     | 20 | 15 |
| Total                        | 6                               | 231 | 28 | 106 | 10 | 13 | 11,313     | 694     | 1,441    | 94 | 93 |

10,599

13,635

**Total** 

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| * Type of Retirement |
|----------------------|
|----------------------|

- Service Retirement
   Non-Service Connected Disability, age 55
- 2 and older
- 3 Non-Service Connected Disability, under age 55
- 4 Service Connected Disability, age 55 and older
- 5 Service Connected Disability, under age 55
- 6 Beneficiary of Service Retiree
- 7 Survivor Death Benefits
  Beneficiary of Non-Service Connected
- 8 Disability Retiree
  Beneficiary of Service Connected
- 9 Disability Retiree
- 10 Divorce Receiving Benefits Interim Non-Service Connected
- 11 Disability Retirement
- Non-Member Receiving Benefits Survivor Death Benefits-Service
- Connected Death
  Beneficiary of Survivor Death Benefit-Service
- 15 Connected Death
- **16** Beneficiary of Non-Member
- 17 Beneficiary of Divorce Receiving Benefits

Source: SCERS Retired Member Pension Payroll Data.

#### \*\* Option Selected

#### Unmodified

Qualified service retirement or non-service connected disability retirement beneficiary receives 60 percent continuance. Qualified service connected disability retirement beneficiary receives 100 percent continuance.

The following options reduce the retired member's monthly benefit:

- Beneficiary receives lump sum or member's unused contributions.
- 2. Beneficiary having an insurable interest in member's life receives 100 percent of member's reduced monthly benefit.
- **3.** Beneficiary having an insurable interest in member's life receives 50 percent of member's reduced monthly benefit.
- **4.** Benefits paid to person having an insurable interest in member's life as nominated by member's written designation.

# SCHEDULE OF RETIRED MEMBERS BY TYPE OF BENEFIT

**AS OF JUNE 30, 2022** 

| Moi | nthly | / Allo | wances |
|-----|-------|--------|--------|
|     |       |        |        |

|                                  |        |                  | Ontrily Allowance |                  |                    |
|----------------------------------|--------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|
|                                  | Count  | Basic            | COL               | Total            | Average<br>Benefit |
| Miscellaneous Members            |        |                  |                   |                  |                    |
| Service Retirement               |        |                  |                   |                  |                    |
| Unmodified                       | 7,365  | \$20,691,459     | \$5,371,008       | \$26,062,467     | \$3,539            |
| Option 1                         | 539    | 1,120,482        | 246,147           | 1,366,629        | 2,535              |
| Option 2, 3, & 4                 | 1,060  | 2,478,631        | 531,754           | 3,010,385        | 2,840              |
| Total                            | 8,964  | 24,290,572       | 6,148,909         | 30,439,481       | 3,396              |
| Non-Service Disability           |        |                  |                   |                  |                    |
| Unmodified                       | 223    | \$265,739        | \$126,326         | \$392,065        | 1,758              |
| Option 1                         | 19     | 15,798           | 11,946            | 27,744           | 1,460              |
| Option 2, 3, & 4                 | 14     | 15,918           | 4,349             | 20,267           | 1,448              |
| Total                            | 256    | 297,455          | 142,621           | 440,076          | 1,719              |
| Service Disability               |        |                  |                   |                  |                    |
| Unmodified                       | 177    | \$356,591        | \$154,535         | \$511,126        | 2,888              |
| Option 1                         | 5      | 8,914            | 1,979             | 10,893           | 2,179              |
| Option 2, 3, & 4                 | 5      | 7,065            | 2,737             | 9,802            | 1,960              |
| Total                            | 187    | 372,570          | 159,251           | 531,821          | 2,844              |
| Beneficiary                      | 1,342  | 1,461,677        | 996,504           | 2,458,181        | 1,832              |
| Total Miscellaneous              | 10,749 | 26,422,274       | 7,447,285         | 33,869,559       | 3,151              |
| Safety Members                   |        |                  |                   |                  |                    |
| Service Retirement               |        |                  |                   |                  |                    |
| Unmodified                       | 1,852  | 11,124,051       | 3,545,612         | 14,669,663       | 7,921              |
| Option 1                         | 68     | 336,541          | 89,362            | 425,903          | 6,263              |
| Option 2, 3, & 4                 | 239    | 1,165,838        | 254,632           | 1,420,470        | 5,943              |
| Total                            | 2,159  | 12,626,430       | 3,889,606         | 16,516,036       | 7,650              |
| Non-Service Disability           | 2,133  | 12,020,430       | 3,003,000         | 10,510,050       | 7,030              |
| Unmodified                       | 12     | \$19,752         | \$11,010          | \$30,762         | 2,564              |
| Option 1                         | 1      | 850              | 261               | 1,111            | 1,111              |
| Option 2, 3, & 4                 | 3      | 6,009            | 1,524             | 7,533            | 2,511              |
| Total                            |        | 26,611           | 12,795            | 39,406           | 2,463              |
| Service Disability               | 10     | 20,011           | 12,733            | 35,400           | 2,405              |
| Unmodified                       | 224    | 777,339          | 416,447           | 1,193,786        | 5,329              |
|                                  | 16     |                  |                   |                  | 4,860              |
| Option 1<br>Option 2, 3, & 4     | 7      | 52,611<br>27,406 | 25,141<br>8,003   | 77,752<br>35,409 | 5,058              |
| Total                            |        | 857,356          | 449,591           | 1,306,947        | 5,058<br>5,291     |
| Beneficiary                      | 464    | 921,594          | 671,330           | 1,506,947        |                    |
|                                  | 2,886  |                  | 5,023,322         |                  | 3,433              |
| Total Safety Total Miscellaneous | 2,000  | 14,431,991       | 3,023,322         | 19,455,313       | 6,741              |
| and Safety                       | 13,635 | \$ 40,854,265    | \$ 12,470,607     | \$ 53,324,872    | \$ 3,911           |

Source: Prepared by Segal.

Note: Refer to page 126 for the description of retirement options.

# **SCHEDULE OF AVERAGE BENEFIT PAYMENTS**

FOR THE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

| Years of C | redited | Service |
|------------|---------|---------|
|------------|---------|---------|

|                           |         |         | Years of | Credited S     | ervice  | ,        |          |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|----------|----------------|---------|----------|----------|
| Retirement Effective Date | 0-5     | 5-10    | 10-15    | 15-20          | 20-25   | 25-30    | 30+      |
| 7/1/21 - 6/30/22          |         |         |          |                |         |          |          |
| Average monthly benefit   | \$1,042 | \$1,341 | \$2,136  | \$3,326        | \$5,176 | \$7,121  | \$6,942  |
| Average monthly final     |         |         |          |                |         |          |          |
| average salary            | \$8,252 | \$7,347 | \$6,665  | <b>\$7,263</b> | \$8,477 | \$9,822  | \$8,164  |
| Number of retired members | 41      | 67      | 84       | 133            | 175     | 124      | 120      |
| 7/1/20 - 6/30/21          |         |         |          |                |         |          |          |
| Average monthly benefit   | \$1,799 | \$1,497 | \$2,444  | \$3,051        | \$5,108 | \$7,455  | \$4,872  |
| Average monthly final     |         |         |          |                |         |          |          |
| average salary            | \$7,692 | \$8,219 | \$7,798  | \$7,280        | \$8,590 | \$10,065 | \$11,804 |
| Number of retired members | 12      | 32      | 68       | 81             | 142     | 100      | 120      |
| 7/1/19 - 6/30/20          |         |         |          |                |         |          |          |
| Average monthly benefit   | \$592   | \$1,536 | \$2,071  | \$3,145        | \$5,080 | \$6,892  | \$7,396  |
| Average monthly final     |         |         |          |                |         |          |          |
| average salary            | \$8,973 | \$8,086 | \$6,622  | \$7,114        | \$8,492 | \$9,281  | \$9,572  |
| Number of retired members | 32      | 69      | 79       | 93             | 107     | 86       | 88       |
| 7/1/18 - 6/30/19          |         |         |          |                |         |          |          |
| Average monthly benefit   | \$779   | \$1,298 | \$1,901  | \$2,796        | \$4,733 | \$6,594  | \$6,747  |
| Average monthly final     |         |         |          |                |         |          |          |
| average salary            | \$9,039 | \$6,946 | \$5,802  | \$6,371        | \$7,603 | \$9,081  | \$8,160  |
| Number of retired members | 32      | 55      | 84       | 127            | 105     | 84       | 107      |
| 7/1/17 - 6/30/18          |         |         |          |                |         |          |          |
| Average monthly benefit   | \$431   | \$1,152 | \$1,881  | \$3,028        | \$5,149 | \$6,273  | \$6,686  |
| Average monthly final     |         |         |          |                |         |          |          |
| average salary            | \$8,199 | \$6,531 | \$6,288  | \$6,862        | \$8,435 | \$8,778  | \$8,134  |
| Number of retired members | 37      | 74      | 81       | 123            | 71      | 113      | 90       |
| 7/1/16 - 6/30/17          |         |         |          |                |         |          |          |
| Average monthly benefit   | \$628   | \$1,275 | \$1,698  | \$2,681        | \$4,249 | \$6,279  | \$6,902  |
| Average monthly final     |         |         |          |                |         |          |          |
| average salary            | \$8,186 | \$6,730 | \$5,728  | \$5,993        | \$7,463 | \$8,503  | \$8,475  |
| Number of retired members | 35      | 58      | 108      | 115            | 88      | 108      | 73       |
| 7/1/15 - 6/30/16          |         |         |          |                |         |          |          |
| Average monthly benefit   | \$581   | \$1,110 | \$1,768  | \$2,378        | \$4,268 | \$5,083  | \$6,630  |
| Average monthly final     |         |         |          |                |         |          |          |
| average salary            | \$8,700 | \$6,355 | \$5,856  | \$5,568        | \$7,428 | \$7,410  | \$7,934  |
| Number of retired members | 23      | 87      | 118      | 69             | 88      | 94       | 69       |

# **SCHEDULE OF AVERAGE BENEFIT PAYMENTS (CONTINUED)**

FOR THE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

#### **Years of Credited Service**

| Retirement Effective Date | 0-5     | 5-10    | 10-15   | 15-20   | 20-25   | 25-30   | 30+     |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 7/1/14 - 6/30/15          |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| Average monthly benefit   | \$569   | \$1,052 | \$1,845 | \$2,524 | \$4,305 | \$6,378 | \$6,557 |
| Average monthly final     |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| average salary            | \$8,340 | \$6,184 | \$5,967 | \$6,047 | \$7,236 | \$8,574 | \$7,768 |
| Number of retired members | 33      | 74      | 109     | 98      | 89      | 112     | 89      |
| 7/1/13 - 6/30/14          |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| Average monthly benefit   | \$488   | \$1,216 | \$1,558 | \$2,583 | \$4,490 | \$5,190 | \$7,239 |
| Average monthly final     |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| average salary            | \$7,757 | \$6,710 | \$5,223 | \$6,071 | \$7,727 | \$7,345 | \$8,539 |
| Number of retired members | 17      | 62      | 128     | 85      | 75      | 77      | 72      |
| 7/1/12 - 6/30/13          |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| Average monthly benefit   | \$494   | \$994   | \$1,652 | \$2,832 | \$3,936 | \$5,519 | \$6,151 |
| Average monthly final     |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| average salary            | \$7,477 | \$5,415 | \$5,608 | \$6,613 | \$6,831 | \$7,730 | \$7,524 |
| Number of retired members | 28      | 63      | 128     | 69      | 77      | 73      | 55      |

Source: SCERS Retired Member Pension Payroll Data.

# **SCHEDULE OF AVERAGE BENEFIT PAYMENTS**

FOR THE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

**Years Since Retirement** 

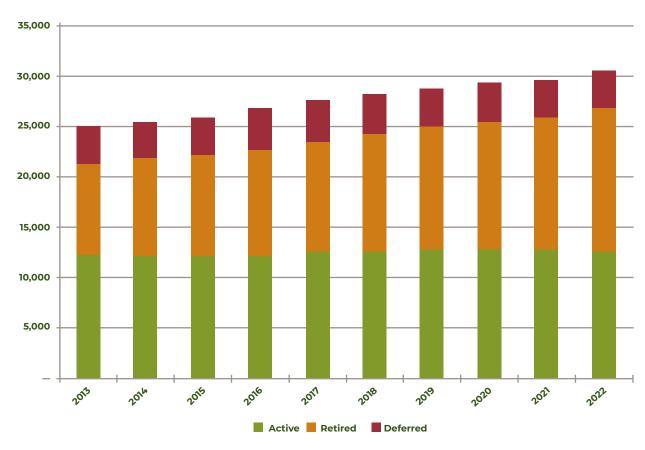
|                                 |               |         |         | since Retire |         |         |         |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------|---------|--------------|---------|---------|---------|
| As of                           | 0-5           | 5-10    | 10-15   | 15-20        | 20-25   | 25-30   | 30+     |
| 6/30/2022:                      |               |         |         |              |         |         |         |
| Average monthly benefit         | \$4,289       | \$3,870 | \$4,075 | \$4,365      | \$3,111 | \$3,159 | \$2,564 |
| Number of retired members       | 3,356         | 3,062   | 2,345   | 2,175        | 1,055   | 805     | 837     |
| 6/30/2021:                      |               |         |         |              |         |         |         |
| Average monthly benefit         | \$4,141       | \$3,762 | \$4,041 | \$4,110      | \$3,053 | \$3,037 | \$2,351 |
| Number of retired members       | 3,133         | 2,960   | 2,303   | 2,008        | 1,021   | 820     | 806     |
| 6/30/2020:                      |               |         |         |              |         |         |         |
| Average monthly benefit         | \$3,894       | \$3,796 | \$3,972 | \$3,904      | \$3,026 | \$2,970 | \$2,314 |
| Number of retired members       | 3,149         | 2,951   | 2,147   | 1,840        | 1,108   | 757     | 780     |
| 6/30/2019:                      |               |         |         |              |         |         |         |
| Average monthly benefit         | \$3,766       | \$3,616 | \$3,891 | \$3,687      | \$2,877 | \$2,893 | \$2,204 |
| Number of retired members       | 3,242         | 2,817   | 2,161   | 1,621        | 1,068   | 728     | 744     |
| 6/30/2018:                      |               |         |         |              |         |         |         |
| Average monthly benefit         | \$3,645       | \$3,615 | \$3,868 | \$2,923      | \$2,716 | \$2,725 | \$2,074 |
| Number of retired members       | 3,140         | 2,652   | 2,421   | 1,262        | 984     | 715     | 709     |
| 6/30/2017:                      |               |         |         |              |         |         |         |
| Average monthly benefit         | \$3,472       | \$3,592 | \$3,783 | \$2,666      | \$2,720 | \$2,359 | \$1,983 |
| Number of retired members       | 3,027         | 2,475   | 2,365   | 1,214        | 1,006   | 646     | 663     |
| 6/30/2016:                      |               |         |         |              |         |         |         |
| Average monthly benefit         | \$3,398       | \$3,550 | \$3,560 | \$2,626      | \$2,623 | \$2,175 | \$1,963 |
| Number of retired members       | 2,946         | 2,418   | 2,152   | 1,181        | 966     | 642     | 625     |
| 6/30/2015:                      |               |         |         |              |         |         |         |
| Average monthly benefit         | \$3,409       | \$3,456 | \$3,371 | \$2,616      | \$2,532 | \$2,098 | \$1,818 |
| Number of retired members       | 2,933         | 2,241   | 1,958   | 1,250        | 942     | 601     | 616     |
| 6/30/2014:                      |               |         |         |              |         |         |         |
| Average monthly benefit         | \$3,240       | \$3,392 | \$3,177 | \$2,503      | \$2,493 | \$2,026 | \$1,709 |
| Number of retired members       | 2,809         | 2,254   | 1,726   | 1,199        | 901     | 586     | 574     |
| 6/30/2013:                      |               |         |         |              |         |         |         |
| Average monthly benefit         | \$3,272       | \$3,412 | \$2,603 | \$2,400      | \$2,438 | \$1,902 | \$1,676 |
| Number of retired members       | 2,635         | 2,512   | 1,368   | 1,123        | 882     | 590     | 524     |
| Source: SCERS Retired Member Pe | nsion Payroll | Data.   |         |              |         |         |         |

# **CHANGES IN SYSTEM MEMBERSHIP**

#### **Members**

| Fiscal Year Ended<br>June 30: | Active | Retired | Deferred | Total  |
|-------------------------------|--------|---------|----------|--------|
| 2022                          | 12,757 | 13,635  | 4,423    | 30,815 |
| 2021                          | 12,500 | 13,051  | 4,054    | 29,605 |
| 2020                          | 12,650 | 12,732  | 3,791    | 29,173 |
| 2019                          | 12,678 | 12,381  | 3,602    | 28,661 |
| 2018                          | 12,677 | 11,883  | 3,509    | 28,069 |
| 2017                          | 12,587 | 11,396  | 3,425    | 27,408 |
| 2016                          | 12,393 | 10,960  | 3,301    | 26,654 |
| 2015                          | 12,072 | 10,541  | 3,261    | 25,874 |
| 2014                          | 12,049 | 10,049  | 3,201    | 25,299 |
| 2013                          | 12,026 | 9,634   | 3,249    | 24,909 |

# SYSTEM MEMBERSHIP AT A GLANCE



Source: Actuarial Valuations from June 30, 2013 through 2022.

# SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPATING EMPLOYERS AND ACTIVE MEMBERS - SUMMARY

**CURRENT FISCAL YEAR AND NINE FISCAL YEARS AGO** 

|                            |                      | 2022 |                               |                      | 2013 |                               |
|----------------------------|----------------------|------|-------------------------------|----------------------|------|-------------------------------|
| Participating Employer     | Covered<br>Employees | Rank | Percent<br>of Total<br>System | Covered<br>Employees | Rank | Percent<br>of Total<br>System |
| Sacramento County          | 11,378               | 1    | 89.19%                        | 10,742               | 1    | 89.32%                        |
| Superior Court             | 622                  | 2    | 4.87                          | 632                  | 2    | 5.26                          |
| S.E.T.A.                   | 587                  | 3    | 4.60                          | 565                  | 3    | 4.70                          |
| Sunrise Recreation and     |                      |      |                               |                      |      |                               |
| Park District              | 78                   | 4    | 0.61                          | 21                   | 4    | 0.17                          |
| Carmichael Recreation      |                      |      |                               |                      |      |                               |
| and Park District          | 24                   | 6    | 0.19                          | 21                   | 4    | 0.17                          |
| Mission Oaks Recreation    |                      |      |                               |                      |      |                               |
| and Park District          | 25                   | 5    | 0.20                          | 12                   | 7    | 0.10                          |
| Orangevale Recreation      |                      |      |                               |                      |      |                               |
| and Park District          | 13                   | 7    | 0.10                          | 15                   | 6    | 0.12                          |
| Rio Linda Elverta          |                      |      |                               |                      |      |                               |
| Recreation &               |                      |      |                               |                      |      |                               |
| Park District              | 11                   | 8    | 0.09                          | N/A                  | N/A  | N/A1                          |
| Elected Officials 2        | 8                    | 8    | 0.06                          | 8                    | 8    | 0.08                          |
| Elk Grove Cosumnes         |                      |      |                               |                      |      |                               |
| Cemetery District          | 6                    | 9    | 0.05                          | 5                    | 9    | 0.04                          |
| Fair Oaks                  |                      |      |                               |                      |      |                               |
| Cemetery District          | 4                    | 10   | 0.03                          | 4                    | 10   | 0.03                          |
| Galt-Arno                  |                      |      |                               |                      |      |                               |
| Cemetery District          | 1                    | 11   | 0.01                          | 1                    | 11   | 0.01                          |
| Sacramento                 |                      |      |                               |                      |      |                               |
| Metropolitan Fire District | -                    | 12   | 0.00                          | -                    | 12   | 0.00                          |
| U.C. Davis                 |                      |      |                               |                      |      |                               |
| Medical Center             | -                    | 12   | 0.00                          |                      | 12   | 0.00                          |
| Total                      | 12,757               |      | 100.00%                       | 12,026               |      | 100.00%                       |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Rio Linda Elverta Recreation & Park District became a participating employer on October 1, 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Elected Officials consist of Board of Supervisors (5), Assessor (1), District Attorney (1), and Sheriff (1). Source: SCERS Active Member Data.

# SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPATING EMPLOYERS AND ACTIVE MEMBERS - DETAIL

FOR THE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30

| SCERS Member Agency                          | Plan   | 2022   | 2021   | 2020   | 2019   | 2018   |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Carmichael Recreation and Park District      | Misc.  | 24     | 21     | 21     | 22     | 23     |
| Elk Grove Cosumnes Cemetery District         | Misc.  | 6      | 5      | 6      | 6      | 7      |
| Fair Oaks Cemetery District                  | Misc.  | 4      | 5      | 4      | 4      | 4      |
| Galt-Arno Cemetery District                  | Misc.  | 1      | 1      | 1      | 1      | 2      |
| Mission Oaks Recreation and Park District    | Misc.  | 25     | 19     | 20     | 23     | 22     |
| Orangevale Recreation and Park District      | Misc.  | 13     | 13     | 13     | 12     | 13     |
| Rio Linda Elverta Recreation & Park District | Misc.  | 11     | 9      | 8      | 8      | 9      |
| Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District        | Safety | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      |
| S.E.T.A.                                     | Misc.  | 587    | 576    | 593    | 533    | 536    |
| Sunrise Recreation and Park District         | Misc.  | 78     | 51     | 50     | 68     | 69     |
| U.C. Davis Medical Center                    | Misc.  | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      |
| Elected Officials <sup>1</sup>               | Misc.  | 7      | 7      | 7      | 7      | 7      |
| Elected Officials <sup>1</sup>               | Safety | 1      | 1      | 1      | 1      | 1      |
| Total Consist District March are             | Misc.  | 756    | 707    | 723    | 684    | 692    |
| Total Special District Members               | Safety | 1      | 1      | 1      | 1      | 1      |
| Superior Court Members                       | Misc.  | 622    | 603    | 652    | 648    | 640    |
| Comments Comments Name have                  | Misc.  | 9,325  | 9,169  | 9,190  | 9,252  | 9,254  |
| Sacramento County Members                    | Safety | 2,053  | 2,020  | 2,084  | 2,093  | 2,090  |
| Total March and                              | Misc.  | 10,703 | 10,479 | 10,565 | 10,584 | 10,586 |
| Total Members                                | Safety | 2,054  | 2,021  | 2,085  | 2,094  | 2,091  |
|  | Total  | 12,757 | 12,500 | 12,650 | 12,678 | 12,677 |

# SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPATING EMPLOYERS AND ACTIVE MEMBERS - DETAIL (CONTINUED)

FOR THE LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30

| SCERS Member Agency                          | Plan   | 2017   | 2016   | 2015   | 2014   | 2013   |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Carmichael Recreation and Park District      | Misc.  | 19     | 20     | 19     | 21     | 21     |
| Elk Grove Cosumnes Cemetery District         | Misc.  | 5      | 6      | 4      | 6      | 5      |
| Fair Oaks Cemetery District                  | Misc.  | 5      | 4      | 4      | 4      | 4      |
| Galt-Arno Cemetery District                  | Misc.  | 2      | 1      | 1      | 1      | 1      |
| Mission Oaks Recreation and Park District    | Misc.  | 23     | 11     | 12     | 12     | 12     |
| Orangevale Recreation and Park District      | Misc.  | 14     | 13     | 13     | 13     | 15     |
| Rio Linda Elverta Recreation & Park District | Misc.  | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      |
| Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District        | Safety | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      |
| S.E.T.A.                                     | Misc.  | 516    | 548    | 544    | 547    | 565    |
| Sunrise Recreation and Park District         | Misc.  | 55     | 19     | 22     | 22     | 21     |
| U.C. Davis Medical Center                    | Misc.  | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      |
| Elected Officials <sup>1</sup>               | Misc.  | 7      | 7      | 7      | 7      | 7      |
| Elected Officials <sup>1</sup>               | Safety | 1      | 1      | 1      | 1      | 1      |
| Total Special District Members               | Misc.  | 646    | 629    | 626    | 633    | 651    |
| Total Special District Members               | Safety | 1      | 1      | 1      | 1      | 1      |
| Superior Court Members                       | Misc.  | 658    | 651    | 631    | 625    | 632    |
| Sacramente County Morehous                   | Misc.  | 9,273  | 9,083  | 8,836  | 8,827  | 8,830  |
| Sacramento County Members                    | Safety | 2,009  | 2,029  | 1,978  | 1,963  | 1,912  |
| Total Members                                | Misc.  | 10,577 | 10,363 | 10,093 | 10,085 | 10,113 |
| iotal Members                                | Safety | 2,010  | 2,030  | 1,979  | 1,964  | 1,913  |
|  | Total  | 12,587 | 12,393 | 12,072 | 12,049 | 12,026 |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Elected Officials consist of Board of Supervisors (5), Assessor (1), District Attorney (1), and Sheriff (1), who were miscellaneous members, and one sheriff who was a safety member.

Source: SCERS Active Member Data

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