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News and Strategies for Your Financial Success



## Statement redesign helps you monitor progress

Our top priority is helping participants and retirees like you stay on track with your retirement goals. Your statement is an essential tool to help you understand and monitor your progress, making it easier for you to plan for your financial future.

With that in mind, this quarter we are introducing a redesigned participant statement featuring full-color graphics and visuals. The new statement is intuitive, dynamic and informative, so you can easily find the information you need. In this quarterly newsletter, we'll take you through the highlights of our enhanced format.



Learn more and register for our NRSM webinar.

### October is National Retirement Security Month!

NYSDCP is one of the best statesponsored employee benefits designed to help you achieve your financial wellness goals. To celebrate National Retirement Security Month (NRSM), we're offering a special series of webinars that can help you learn ways to feel more financially secure. We'll cover Social Security, how your pension and NYSDCP work together, current economic trends and more.

# Highlights of your enhanced statement



#### 1. Balance and performance

Your total account balance is displayed here. If you have a self-directed brokerage account, you'll be able to see that balance as well. However, any outstanding loan balances are not included in these amounts.

This section may also display a personal rate of return, which is a measure of how much your investments have gained or lost over the specified time period. To calculate the personal rate of return, you must have a minimum of 12 months investment activity.

#### 2. Quarterly activity

This section provides a rolled-up (or combined) total of your account activity for the most recent quarter.

## 3. Current investments by asset class

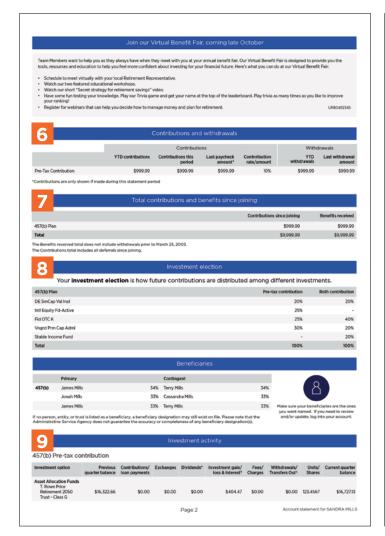
This pie chart shows how your money is invested by investment category.

#### 4. Balance history

Here you will find a graph of your historical account balances for up to 5 years. If you recently enrolled or transferred your account from another provider, the balance history won't appear on your summary page until after your first year. Keep in mind that any outstanding loan balances are not included in these amounts.

#### 5. Retirement readiness

This section displays the results of your most recent inputs in the My Interactive Retirement Planner<sup>SM</sup> calculator. If you have not interacted with the tool, you will see information about where to find it.





### 6. Contributions and withdrawals

This area provides a summary of contributions and withdrawals from your account across various time periods.

## 7. Total contributions and benefits since joining

The contribution total includes all deferrals since joining. It does not include incoming transfers or rollovers or any loan activity.

#### 8. Investment election

This section shows how your future deferrals will be invested based on the investment options and corresponding allocation percentages that you have elected.

Also on this page, you will find information about required minimum distributions and beneficiary designations.

## 9. Investment activity, transaction details and loan information

Your investment activity for the statement period is displayed here, with the information organized by money source (pre-tax or Roth after-tax contributions). You will also see an itemization of each transaction that took place in your account. If you have outstanding loans, your payments and how that money was applied to your account will be detailed here.





### A message for you from the Board

Dear Participants,

Most everyone would agree that the first half of this year has been challenging for markets, and this has made many people feel less secure in some ways. While we know that money doesn't solve every problem, it can help in offsetting financial challenges such as higher prices due to inflationary pressures.

We encourage you to take advantage of National Retirement Security Month by assessing your financial future, reviewing in detail your redesigned and enhanced statement and considering the many ways in which NYSDCP can help you reach your retirement goals.

NRSM is a federally sponsored initiative celebrated during the month of October that aims to raise public awareness of the importance of saving for retirement, educate participants about the various tax-preferred retirement vehicles, increase personal financial literacy, and engage the people of the United States on the keys to success in achieving and maintaining retirement security throughout their lifetimes.

Please take a moment to review the NRSM Plan offerings during this very important month and learn how you may improve your retirement situation and that of your co-workers.

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#### Welcome, new participating employers

- Village of DeRuyter
- East Ramapo Central School District
- Geneseo CSD
- · Town of Fenner

- Town of Belfast
- Wyandanch Union Free School District
- · Town of Wethersfield

- Town of Reading
- Village of Liberty
- · Hamburg CSD
- · Town of Tyre

This newsletter provides information that is intended to help participants understand what investment alternatives are available to them under the Plan. If you need investment, tax or legal advice, please ask your accountant or lawyer. While we are pleased to help keep you up to date on your retirement savings, nothing in this newsletter can change the terms of the Plan or any investment contract.

Participants in the New York State Deferred Compensation Plan will be charged administrative fees for the Plan Year beginning April 1, 2022, and ending March 31, 2023. Each participant account is charged a \$20 annual fee, assessed in two \$10 semiannual installments in April and October. In addition, an asset-based fee determined by the Board will be assessed to participants with a balance greater than \$20,000. The asset-based fee will not be assessed on assets in excess of \$200,000. The semiannual asset-based fee to be assessed in October 2022 is .01750%.

Each of the mutual funds offered by the Plan has fund expenses that are netted directly from the mutual fund's daily price. These will vary based upon the investment fund selected.

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