



The Retirement View

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FCERA ANNOUNCES A NEW OFFICE LOCATION

Fresno County Employees' Retirement Association (FCERA) is scheduled to move into our new office building between September 28th and September 29th, 2017. On October 2nd, 2017, we will begin operations at our Palm location.

Future Home of FCERA:
7772 N Palm Ave
Fresno, CA
93711

Please check our website at www.fcera.org for the most up-to-date information regarding our move.

What does this mean for you?

Our phone, e-mail, and stop mail # will stay the same:

559-457-0681

FCERAwebmail@co.fresno.ca.us

Stop Mail #40

If you are planning to retire:

Contact our office by phone, e-mail, or through the secure messaging on the Member Portal. We will still have Retirement Specialists and office staff available to assist you! See page 2 for information on how to retire by mail.

If you need to submit documents to our office:

Active Members can use Stop Mail #40.

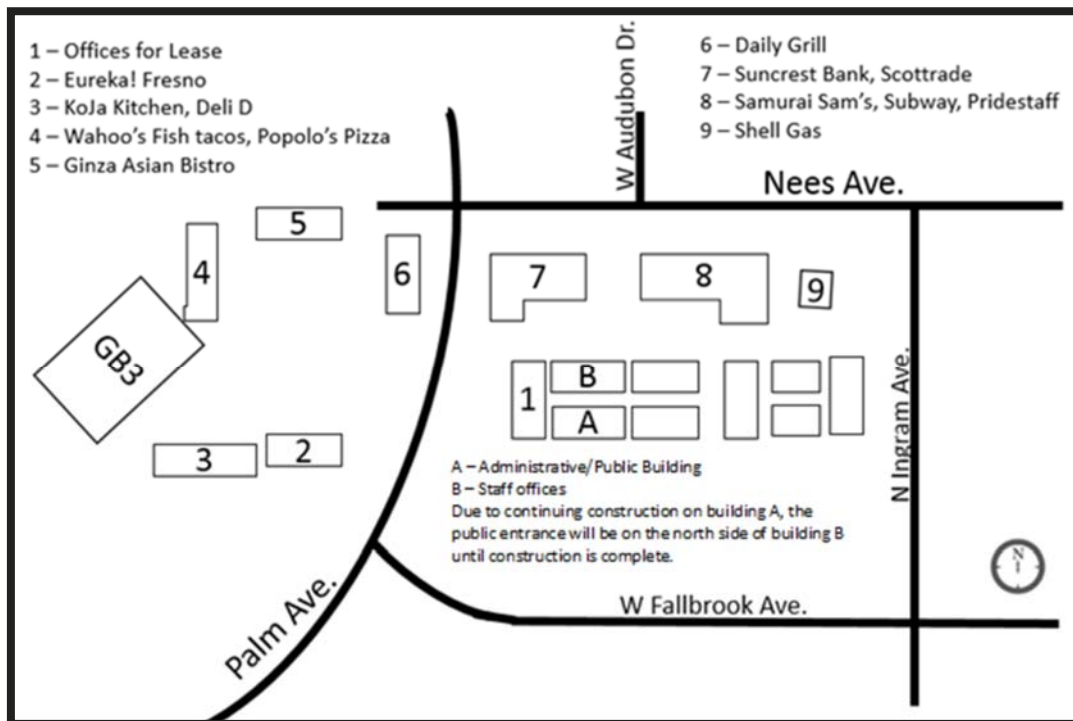
Deferred or retired members should check our website at www.fcera.org or call us at 559-457-0681 to check on the most up-to-date address information.

Please see page 2 for more information, a map, and directions.





Map and Direction to FCERA's New Offices



Directions

From the south: Take HWY 41 North to the Herndon Exit. Turn left on Herndon and continue to N Palm Ave. Turn right onto N Palm Ave. Parking entrance is on the right before you get to Nees.

From the north: Take HWY 41 South to the Blackstone/Friant exit. Turn right on Blackstone and then right on Nees Ave. Turn left onto N. Ingram Ave and then right into the parking area (just past the Shell gas station).

Background

We have previously communicated about our search for a new building. This process has taken over 5 years, from the initial news that the High Speed Rail Authority would need our building, to the analysis of where our members live, to the construction of the buildings we will soon occupy.

Our new location will be at the corner of Palm and Nees. We have purchased three buildings, and will occupy two: one for our staff offices, and one for administration, the boardroom, and retirement counseling rooms. Upon completion, the third building will be leased.

Retire by Mail: A Convenient Option

Did you know you can retire entirely by mail? It is the same process as coming into our office!

- 1) We send you a packet of information, including an application to retire.
- 2) We do a counseling session regarding everything you need to know over the phone.
- 3) You sign all necessary documents and send them to us, along with any missing birth certificates and a letter of resignation that has been accepted by your employer.
- 4) We send you an option packet and tax forms.
- 5) When you've returned the option packet and tax forms, we can place you onto the retirement payroll.

It's that easy!! Send an email to FCERAwebmail@co.fresno.ca.us to get started.





Health Insurance Open Enrollment

Open Enrollment for Plan Year 2018 is scheduled to begin **Monday, October 23, 2017** and will continue through **Thursday, November 9, 2017**, with changes taking effect **January 1, 2018**. Open Enrollment is the one time during the year that retirees may enroll in one of the County's health insurance plans or make changes to the plans they are currently enrolled, including adding dependents, without a qualifying event. If you do not wish to enroll or make any changes to the health insurance plans you are currently enrolled in, no action is required on your part. However, we encourage you to attend one of the events listed below to help you make an informed decision regarding what's best for you and your family.

The 2018 County health plan rates were not finalized at the time of printing; the item recommending these rates is tentatively scheduled for the Fresno County Board of Supervisors meeting on September 26, 2017.

Open Enrollment Events for Retirees:

Thursday, Oct. 19th (10:00am – 2:00pm) – REFCO Retiree Luncheon @ Pardini's.

***Please note: All retirees are welcome to come and speak to the vendors; however, an RSVP is required if you would like to reserve a lunch as well.**

Wednesday, Oct. 25th (7:30am – 2:00pm) – Health Fest @ the County Plaza Ballroom.

For detailed Open Enrollment information that includes plan summaries, provider information, rates, forms, and much more, please visit our website during Open Enrollment at www.co.fresno.ca.us/openenrollment or call Employee Benefits at (559) 600-1810.

NOTE: Rates and additional information are tentatively scheduled to be mailed the first week of October.

RETIRES ENROLLING OR MAKING COUNTY HEALTH PLAN CHANGES

Complete the applicable form(s) and submit to Employee Benefits, along with any required supporting documents. You may do this in one of five ways:

Email: HRbenefits@co.fresno.ca.us

Fax: (559) 455-4787

In person: 14th Floor of the County Plaza Building

USPS mail: 2220 Tulare Street, 14th Floor, Fresno, CA 93721

Attend one of the Open Enrollment events (information above)

All forms and supporting documents must be **received** by Employee Benefits no later than 5:00pm on Thursday, November 9, 2017. Employee Benefits is not responsible for forms sent through USPS mail that are lost or delayed and therefore not received by the deadline. It is your responsibility to ensure that all forms and supporting documents, if applicable, are received by the deadline. In order to confirm receipt of forms and/or supporting documents, please contact Employee Benefits at (559) 600-1810.

Calendar



Next Regular Board Meeting:

September 6, 2017 **

September 20, 2017 **

October 4, 2017 **

October 18, 2017 **

**Meetings listed here will still be held at the H Street location

Location :

FCERA Boardroom

1111 H Street

Fresno, California 93721

Time: 8:30 A.M.

Pension Payroll Payment Schedule

Friday, September 29, 2017

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Thursday, November 30, 2017

(Please allow 3-5 days for mailed checks.)

Audio Broadcast

FCERA broadcasts all board meetings live via streaming audio. Visit www.fcera.org for more information.

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**WILL HAVE A NEW ADDRESS
AS OF OCTOBER 2, 2017**

PLEASE UPDATE
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