

WHO WE ARE

Our Story



In 1976, a group of retired and current Illinois State employees came together to support and protect the welfare of our state retirees, their spouses, and survivors. Since that time, our numbers have grown to become a community of over 9,000 strong.

Today our members are united together through live meetings in Springfield, recorded meeting videos on Facebook and YouTube for those unable to attend in person and informational monthly newsletters. Together we speak with one voice before the State Legislature and stand in defense of our retirees' rights.

"I joined the RSEA because I need someone fighting for me in Springfield."

Martha Reynolds

"I joined RSEA to stay informed regarding my retirement benefits."

Penny Cooper

"Speaking alone, I can be easily overlooked and can't be heard. Joining with 9,000 others in RSEA made my voice a whole lot louder!"

Chuck Moles

"I greatly appreciate and have benefitted from your efforts."

Douglas Speer



Retired State Employees Association

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RETIRED STATE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

Protecting Illinois state retirees and their spouses for almost 50 years.



If you qualify to receive benefits from the State Employees' Retirement System (SERS) as a former State of Illinois Employee, spouse, or survivor of a retiree,

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US!

For only \$1.50 a month (\$18/year), you can be a part of the RSEA Family and receive:

Subscription to our monthly newsletter, The Reporter, offering state and legislative updates as well as association news.

Exclusive invitation to our monthly membership meetings. Members unable to attend may view the recorded videos on our Members Only Facebook Group or on You Tube.

Effective representation at the Capitol to preserve and protect State benefits for retirees and spouses as well as survivors.

WE ARE YOUR VOICE IN SPRINGFIELD!

Most RSEA members use the convenient payroll deduction to pay their dues. To enroll simply fill out the included membership form and complete the authorization within.



LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY

The RSEA...

- Advocated for options allowing new members/retirees to avoid offsets to potential SERS survivor's benefits.
- Successfully took 2 lawsuits all the way to the Illinois Supreme Court to preserve and protect the healthcare and pension benefits of retirees.
- Maintains effective representation at the Illinois Statehouse, who reviews the over 10,000 bills introduced every legislative session and protects the interests of our members.
- Vigorously opposes legislation that would in any way divert pension funds from their sole purpose of providing benefits to pension system members.



RETIRED STATE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION DUES DEDUCTION AUTHORIZATION - CODE 53 or RENEWAL

I am a...

☐ Retiree

☐ Surviving Spouse

☐ Current Employee*

☐ Renewal

☐ Change of Address

*Current employees must obtain and submit a payroll deduction card to your payroll department

NAME

First

Mid. Initial

Last

ADDRESS

Street Address or PO Box

Apt# if applicable

City

State

Zip Code

PHONE ()

E-MAIL

PAYMENT METHOD: (choose 1)

☐ Payroll Deduction - I hereby authorize the State Employees' Retirement System of Illinois (SERS) to deduct from my pension check the amount as certified by the RSEA of Illinois, for my dues, and to remit said amount to the RSEA of Illinois (Currently \$1.50 per month).

☐ Personal Check for \$ is enclosed for January through December (\$18/year). If joining mid-year, please prorate at \$1.50 per month for the rest of this year.

☐ CREDIT/DEBIT/ACH - RSEA is happy to accept these payment methods. RSEA STAFF will contact you to complete the financial transaction.

My signature below finalizes RSEA membership and authorizes SERS to provide change of address information to RSEA, if requested.

Signature

SS# (last 4): XXX-XX-

Date:

Mail completed form to RSEA at P.O. Box 1974, Springfield, IL 62705-1974