### South Dakota Retirement System

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## Long-Term Goal of SDRS

Provide lifetime income replacement including Primary Social Security and Personal Savings to meet the basic retirement needs of 85% of final pay for members working a full career.

### Analyze Needs and Wants

#### Lifetime Income

- SDRS
- Social Security
- SPB
- Annuities

#### **Essential Expenses**

- Food
- Clothing
- Shelter

#### Managed Income

- SRP
- SPP
- 401k
- 403b

#### Discretionary Expenses

- Vacations
- Entertainment
- Hobbies

### SDRS Funding

- Multi-employer defined benefit retirement plan
- Almost all public employees in South Dakota are together in this retirement plan that shares in the costs and benefits
- Long-Term required rate of return of 7.75% is needed to fund system. Many years of stronger returns have provided cushion for leaner years and enhanced base benefits.

# Class A Benefit Formula

**Multiplier X Final Average Compensation X Credited Service** 

Enhanced Benefit

1.7% X FAC X Credited Service (before 7/1/08)

plus

Base Benefit

1.55% X FAC X Credited Service (after 7/1/08)

less

Early Retirement Reduction (if applicable)

### Ways to Increase SDRS Benefit

- Increase Final Average Compensation
  - Highest 12 Consecutive Quarters of the last 40 Contributory Quarters
- Increase Credited Service
  - Work Longer
  - Purchase Service
- Any increase in either of these two components will provide a proportional increase to retirement benefits

### Purchasable Service

- Verified Prior Public Employment
  - Must not be entitled to another benefit
  - Part-Time or Full-Time service
  - In-State, Out-of-State, Federal, Military
  - Requires Verification
- Air Time limit five years
  - Arbitrary Years w/o verification
  - Need five years of contributory service

<sup>-</sup> Must be an active contributing member in order to purchase years of service -

### Purchase Cost

- Multiplier X Current Salary or FAC X Years
- 7.75% interest rate amortized into monthly cost for financed purchases (10 year max.)
- Multiplier ranges from 12% to 32.3% depending on age at time of purchase
- Payment options depend on employer's enrollment – check with SDRS

### Supplemental Pension Benefit

- Creates additional monthly lifetime benefit from SDRS
- One time conversion from SRP or SPP
- \$10,000 minimum transfer
- Must be retired and drawing SDRS monthly benefit

# Should I do a service purchase or a SPB conversion?



Increases Lifetime Income used for Essential Expenses



Decreases Managed
Income used for
Discretionary
Expenses

### Long-Term vs. Short-Term Budget

- Budget for 5 years, 10 years, 20 years, maybe 30 years into retirement
- Average Life Expectancy for people retiring at age 65 is roughly age 86
- Figure in cost of inflation as well as SDRS and Social Security Cost of Living Adjustments
- Level Income Option

# Level Income Payment Option

May elect if retiring prior to age 62

- Increased SDRS benefit prior to age 62
- Decreased SDRS benefit after age 62

Does not impact Social Security

## Level Income Example – Age 55

#### Without Level Income

SDRS Benefit to age 62:

\$1,800 \*

SDRS Benefit after age 62:

\$1,800 \*

Social Security at age 62:

\$1,000 \*

#### With Level Income

SDRS Benefit to age 62:

**\$2,300** \*

SDRS Benefit after age 62:

\$1,300 \*

Social Security at age 62:

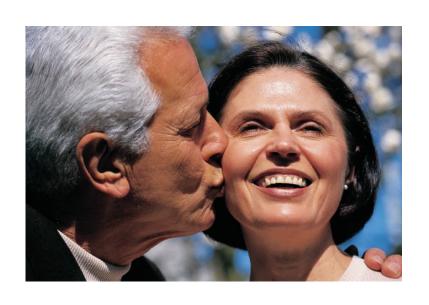
\$1,000 \*

<sup>\*</sup> Hypothetical and used only for illustrative purposes. Each case will vary based on individual circumstances.

### Is Level Income right for me?

- Have to look at personal budget
- Increases monthly income in the shortterm but decreases in the long-term
- Reduces survivor benefits payable after date member would have been age 62
- Ability to work to supplement budget after age 62

### Surviving Spouse Benefit



- If member is retired at the time of their death, SDRS pays an immediate 60% monthly lifetime benefit.
- If member is employed at the time of their death, SDRS pays at age 65 a projected 60% monthly lifetime benefit.

### Family Benefits

- No additional contributions needed
- Provides benefits to family if active member passes away
- Pays 40% of member's FAC plus 10% for eligible children under age 19 (maximum of 6)



### Cost of Living Adjustment



- Protects all benefits against inflation
- Compounded annually
- Applied to July benefit after first full year
- Between 2.1% and 3.1% depending on Consumer
   Price Index and SDRS Funded Status

### Retirement Process

- Complete Purchases
- Review Health Insurance Options
  - COBRA
  - Retiree Insurance
  - Medicare
- Request SDRS Retirement Packet
  - Application Form B-2
  - Benefit Estimate
  - IRS Form W-4P
  - Beneficiary Change Form E-5

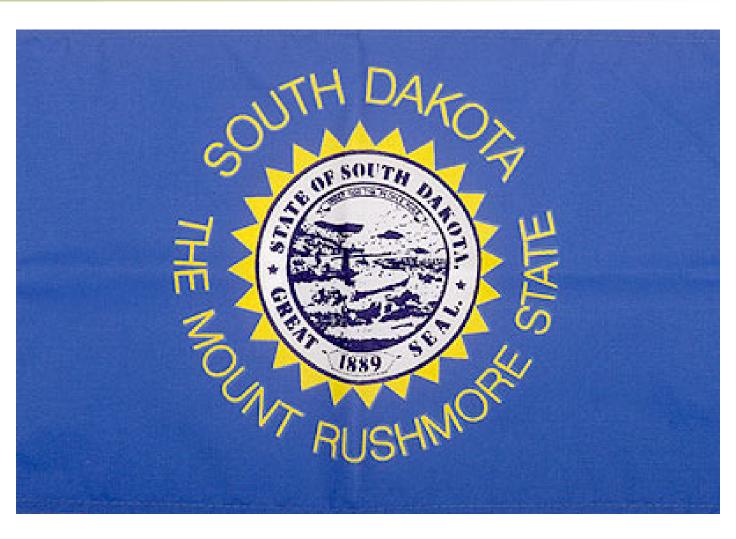
SDRS payments are 15th of the month

## Federal Income Tax - 2010

Tax Rate	Married Filing Jointly	Single
10%	\$16,750 or less	\$8,375 or less
15%	\$16,750 - \$68,000	\$8,375 - \$34,000
25%	\$68,000 - \$137,300	\$34,000 - \$82,400
28%	\$137,300 - \$209,250	\$82,400 - \$171,850
33%	\$209,250 - \$373,650	\$171,850 - \$373,650
35%	Over \$373,650	\$373,650

Member tells SDRS how much they want withheld based on their marginal tax bracket, other taxable incomes and tax strategy.

# 2010 Legislative Changes



### 2010 Legislation

- Senate Bill 18 Return to Work
  - Three continuous month termination period
  - Continued elimination of COLA
  - 15% benefit reduction during reemployment
  - No second SDRS benefit accrual
  - Member contributions to SRP
  - Employer contributions to SDRS
  - April 1, 2010 effective date

Eliminates \$5.2 million in annual unanticipated costs

### 2010 Legislation

- Senate Bill 20 COLA and Refunds
  - Cost of Living Adjustment
    - If SDRS Market Value Funded Ratio is:
      - 100% or more 3.1% COLA
      - 90% to 99.9% 2.1% minimum, 2.8% maximum COLA
      - 80% to 89.9% 2.1% minimum, 2.4% maximum COLA
      - Less than 80% 2.1% COLA
    - Eliminates all first year pro-rated COLAs for retirees and all other pro-rated benefits
  - Refunds
    - Vested members receive 85% of employer share
    - Non-vested members receive 50% of employer share

#### Reduces plan liabilities by \$368 million

### 2010 Legislation

- Senate Bill 19 Optional Spouse
  - Optional Spouse Coverage Changes
    - Increased Contribution Rate 1.5% of Compensation
    - No new enrollments in the program
    - Reduces \$350,000 annual benefit subsidy
- Senate Bill 21 Social Investing
  - Strengthens SDRS's "Exclusive Benefit" rule and prohibits "Social Investing"

### **Thanks for Coming!**

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