A Message to Members

This Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) summarizes the information contained in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) that provides financial information on FCERA’s activities. This PAFR is presented in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The more detailed CAFR is available on FCERA’s website at www.fresnocountyretirement.org or from the FCERA Administrative Office for a small copy fee.

Meetings of the Board of Retirement are normally held on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 8:30 a.m. Members of the Retirement Association and the public are invited to attend these meetings.

As a member of the Retirement Association, you are encouraged to contact the Retirement Office regarding these summary financial statements or to obtain other information concerning the Retirement System. Members are also encouraged to visit our website at www.fresnocountyretirement.org or on the County’s Intranet by selecting Retirement Association under the Department Sites link for more information.

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Membership Highlights

Total membership in the Association increased by 3.60% to 19,205. The total number of active members increased by 2.9% to 7,676, retired membership increased by 2.8% to 7,656, and terminated membership increased by 6.8% to 3,873.

Financial Highlights

FCERA’s investment portfolio consists of equities, fixed income, real estate, private equity, hedge funds, private credit, infrastructure, commodities, cash and cash equivalents.

The average rate of return on the market value basis of the investment portfolio over the past fiscal year was 5.6%, net of fees. FCERA’s past performance over three, five, and ten-year periods ending June 30, 2019 respectively, were: 7.7%, 4.5% and 8.7%, net of fees.

During the fiscal year, benefit payments to retirees and beneficiaries totaled $277 million and refunds to terminated plan members totaled $2.6 million. Administrative expenses totaled $6.0 million for the year, which amounts to 0.12% of net position.

As of June 30, 2019, Fresno County Employees’ Retirement Association (FCERA) has total assets of $5.1 billion. After accounting for current liabilities of $133.9 million, FCERA has a total net position restricted for pension benefits of $4.9 billion compared to $4.7 billion at June 30, 2018. The net position restricted for pension benefits is available to meet FCERA’s ongoing obligation to plan participants and their beneficiaries.

The increase in FCERA’s net position was primarily due to the net appreciation in the fair value of investments held by FCERA. Contributions of $266 million, when combined with net investment income of $255 million, generated total additions of $521 million. Total deductions including benefits paid, refunded contributions and administrative expenses amounted to $286 million which resulted in an increase in net position of $235 million.
Asset Allocation as of June 30, 2019
(Total Fair Value of Cash and Investments $4,929,392)

Largest Equity Holdings

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Largest Fixed Income Holdings

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Investment Performance

The chart to the right reflects returns, net of fees, for the one-year periods ended June 30th. FCERA’s policy index is composed of the Russell 3000, BBgBarc Global Aggregate, MSCI ACWI ex U.S., Russell 2000, BBgBarc US Corp. High Yield, Private Equity Neutralized, Private Credit Neutralized, HFRI FoF Composite, NCREIF ODCE Net and Bloomberg Commodity. For more information about the Association’s investment policy, strategy and returns, please visit www.fresnocountyretirement.org.

Funded Status

FCERA’s funding status is determined based on the 6/30/18 actuarial valuation. As of June 30, 2018 the funded ratio on a valuation value of assets basis has increased from 80.3% to 81.5%. This ratio indicates that FCERA has approximately $0.82 cents of assets for each $1.00 of liabilities. The County of Fresno and participating agencies contribute to the retirement plan based upon actuarially determined contribution rates adopted by the Board of Retirement. More information about FCERA’s funded status can be found in the introduction section of the CAFR.
Additional information regarding membership and retirement can be found in the Member Handbook, which can be viewed on FCERA’s website at FresnoCountyRetirement.org or obtained from the FCERA Administrative Office. More in depth information regarding investments and FCERA’s financial status can be found in the CAFR.

PAFR Award

The Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) awarded FCERA with the Popular Annual Financial Reporting Award (PAFR). The PAFR provides FCERA’s membership with condensed and concise information in an easier to read format than presented in the CAFR. FCERA received this honor on its submission for the award for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018.