



Voter Information Guide

Board of Retirement Election General Member

December 3, 2019

This Board of Retirement Election has been ordered by the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors for the General Members of the San Bernardino County Employees' Retirement Association. At the request of the Board, and in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, the San Bernardino County Registrar of Voters is conducting this election by mail ballot.

Your mail ballot packet includes the following:

- **Official Ballot**
- **Candidate Statements**
- **Voting and Return Instructions**
- **Official Return Envelope**

A complete list of candidates appears on your ballot. The candidate statements that appear in this guide provide each candidate an opportunity to speak to voters regarding their background, education, qualifications, and platform. Including a statement in this guide is at the option of the candidates and those who choose to do so are required to purchase the space.

San Bernardino County Registrar of Voters
777 E. Rialto Avenue, San Bernardino, CA 92415
(909) 387-8300 or (800) 881-8683

CANDIDATE(S) FOR GENERAL MEMBER

JOHN HALLEN
Finance Analyst

Age: 51

My name is John Hallen and I am asking for your vote as a member of the Board of Retirement.

Like you I am counting on my SBCERA Retirement. My desire to be a member of the Board of Retirement is to assure that the fund is being run effectively in both investment returns and administration.

I want to direct some of our retirement investments into both clean energy technologies and affordable housing, so that we can have both a beneficial investment return and to assist our local communities.

I have been a Financial Analyst for the County overseeing Human Services budgets for the last 15 years. I am responsible for budgets of over \$1.25 billion for vital programs like CalWORKs and CalFresh.

As an Eagle Scout I took a lifelong pledge to be trustworthy, loyal and helpful. I would bring these three qualities to my position as a Board Member. My loyalty is to you, the future retiree, not the fund management.

I have been married to my wife for almost 30 years and we have four children. I earned a BA in Economics from the University of Utah.

Thank you for considering me for SBCERA Board of Retirement.

LOUIS FIORINO
Child Support Specialist

I am seeking re-election to the SBCERA Board of Retirement as the general member representative. It has truly been an honor representing you, my co-workers.

An important component of our compensation for the hard work that we perform is our retirement benefit. Sadly, there are well funded anti public employee organizations that want to reduce public employee pensions. The media continues to report that public employee pensions are unaffordable. The average monthly retirement benefit at SBCERA is \$3571.

It is important that we have a representative that has the knowledge, experience and leadership to make prudent decisions that will preserve the existing benefit for current and future members. My positions of leadership on the SBCERA Board includes; Managing Trustee, Chairman of the Board, Vice Chairman and Investment Committee Chairman.

The hard work and success of SBCERA is reflected in the significant growth of invested assets. Our investments earned over \$2.382 Billion in the last 3 years. We now have assets of \$10.46 Billion! Success like this is the best response to those that want to reduce or eliminate our retirement benefits. I am asking you, my co-workers to continue your support and vote for me. Thank you.

VOTING AND RETURN INSTRUCTIONS

1. To vote, fill in the oval to the left of the candidate of your choice on your ballot.

You may write the name of a qualified write-in candidate and fill in the oval to the left of the candidate of your choice on your ballot.

Please note that any mark inside the oval constitutes a vote for the candidate.

2. Remove the stub on your ballot.
3. Place your voted ballot in the enclosed *Official Return Envelope* and seal the envelope. No other envelope may be used to return the ballot.

Do not place more than one ballot in the *Official Return Envelope*; doing so will void all ballots in the envelope.

4. Return your voted ballot to the Registrar of Voters office by:
 - a. Mail via United States Postal Service; or
 - b. Inter-Office Mail (0770); or
 - c. Personal delivery to the Registrar of Voters office located at 777 E. Rialto Avenue, San Bernardino.

Your voted ballot must be received by the Registrar of Voters office **no later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, December 3, 2019.**

5. If you make an error, tear or deface the ballot, or damage or lose your *Official Return Envelope*, contact the Registrar of Voters office at (909) 387-8300 for a replacement.