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HAPPY HALLOWEEN FROM IPPFA!



Halloween is here, and the Illinois Public Pension Fund Association (IPPF) wishes you a spirited and enjoyable day! Whether you're diving into seasonal festivities or savoring the crisp autumn air, we hope this Halloween offers a light-hearted moment amid your responsibilities.

At IPPFA, our commitment to supporting you is as steadfast as ever—no tricks, just the treat of dedicated service. As we near the end of 2024, please remember we're here for any guidance or support you may need.

Thank you for being a valued part of the IPPFA community.

Warm regards,
The IPPFA Team

UPCOMING EVENTS

2024 Carterville Seminar

November 19, 2024



John A. Logan College
700 Logan College Drive
Carterville, IL 62918

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Certified Trustee Program 24-2

December 2nd - 3rd, 2024



NIU Outreach Campus
1120 E. Diehl Rd., Room 266
Naperville, IL 60563

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December 12th, 2024

2024 Heroes Family Fund Holiday Gala: A Season of Giving

This holiday season, join us for an evening of celebration and support at the **2024 Heroes Family Fund Holiday Gala**. The **IPPFA Heroes Family Fund** provides crucial financial assistance to the families of police officers and firefighters who have lost their lives or suffered catastrophic injuries while serving Illinois communities.

As our most important fundraiser, this gala empowers us to continue delivering essential aid to those who need it most.



Riverside Receptions

35 N. River Lane, Geneva, IL 60134

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Thursday, December 12th, 2024

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM | *Cocktails, Silent Auction and Raffles*

8:00 PM - 9:00 PM | *Buffet Dinner*

9:00 PM - 11:00 PM | *Live Music and Dancing*

What to Expect:

- **Silent auction** and **exciting raffles** with exclusive prizes
- **Live music** to set the festive mood
- **Complimentary cocktails** and **hors d'oeuvres** throughout the evening
- An opportunity to connect with community leaders and supporters
- **Complimentary admission for all IPPFA members**
- \$100 registration for non-members

RAFFLE PRIZES

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

Make an Impact by Becoming a Sponsor

Unable to attend? You can still make a meaningful impact by sponsoring the event. **All sponsors will be prominently recognized** on event signage, the gala website, and across our social media platforms.

By becoming a sponsor, you demonstrate your commitment to supporting the families of our fallen and injured heroes. **Every sponsorship helps us continue our mission of care and assistance.**

SPONSORSHIP

To learn more about sponsorship opportunities, please contact [Maddie Lusted](#).

Make a Difference This Holiday Season

All proceeds benefit the Heroes Family Fund, ensuring we stand by the families of those who protect and serve.

Together, let's honor their service and support their loved ones.

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REGISTRATION CLOSING 12/04/2024



Free new app helps Illinois' public safety, teachers, and municipal employees track retirement benefits

A free new app developed by the Illinois Public Pension Fund Association (IPPFA) will allow active firefighters, law enforcement officers, emergency services personnel, Chicago teachers, and employees covered by the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) to track their anticipated pension benefits and receive important information that can help with future financial and tax planning.

The IPPFA Pension Participant App is now available for free download from Google and Apple app stores.

"This new app will help these public employees to better understand what benefits they are entitled to and how to maximize those benefits and plan tax strategy to have a successful retirement," said IPPFA President Jim McNamee. "The app allows employees to access this information any time, anywhere and it will feature the latest updates for pension systems in which the employees are enrolled."

The IPPFA Pension Participant App was developed for active pension participants in downstate police and fire systems, the Chicago police and fire systems, Chicago teachers, and IMRF covered employees. The app contains the pension codes of the systems and provides detail on members' well-earned benefits, including pensions, Social Security, Section 457 deferred compensation and retirement healthcare funding. Section 457 plans are the local government equivalent of 401(k) plans.

"Retirement peace of mind is now just a screen tap away for thousands of public employees," McNamee said.

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