



FINAL AGENDA

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

7:00 am–6:30 pm **REGISTRATION** | Crystal Ballroom Foyer

4:00 pm–5:00 pm **OPENING GENERAL SESSION** | Crystal Ballroom A-F

4:00 pm–4:15 pm Welcome Address
Speaker: *Hank Kim, NCPERS*

4:15 pm–5:00 pm The Houston Firefighters' Relief and Retirement Fund's Experience with "Pension Reform" and the Art of Staying Politically Connected
Speaker: *Tim Schauer, Houston Firefighters' Relief and Retirement Fund*

5:00 pm–6:30 pm **EXHIBITION & WELCOME RECEPTION** | Crystal Ballroom G-I

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28

6:00 am–6:45am **YOGA CLASS** | Upper Olive Grove

7:00 am–1:00 pm **REGISTRATION** | Crystal Ballroom Foyer

7:00 am–8:00 am **BREAKFAST** | Rose Lawn

9:00 am 1:00 pm **EXHIBITION** | Crystal Ballroom G-I

8:00 am–1:00 pm **GENERAL SESSION** | Crystal Ballroom A-F

8:00 am–8:45 am The Economy, Markets and an Election...Oh My!
Speaker: *Christopher Dillion, T. Rowe Price*

8:45 am–9:30 am Speakers:	Private Equity Principles - The Next Wave of Responsible Investment <i>Jennifer O'Dell, Laborers' International Union of North America</i> <i>Benjamin Patzik, Segal Marco</i>
9:30 am–10:15 am Speaker:	Exploring the Role of Duration in Pension Portfolios Going Forward <i>Michael Buchenholz, JP Morgan Asset Management</i>
10:15 am–10:45 am	EXHIBIT BREAK Crystal Ballroom G-I
10:45 am–11:30 am Speakers:	Insights from Investment Consultants: Navigating Today's Market <i>Phineas Troy, Asset Consulting Group</i> <i>Dan Johnson, Mariner</i> <i>Doug Moseley, NEPC</i>
11:30 am–12:15 pm Speakers:	Cybersecurity in the Age of AI <i>Peter Dewar, Linea Secure</i> <i>Nate Haws, Linea Solutions</i>
12:15 pm–1:00 pm Speakers:	A New Paradigm for Tomorrow's Public Pensions <i>Peter Landers, Global Governance Advisors</i> <i>Brad Kelly, Global Governance Advisors</i>
1:00 pm–5:00 pm	FREE SHUTTLE TO DOWNTOWN PALM SPRINGS <i>See shuttle schedule at the registration desk.</i>
5:00 pm–6:00 pm	NETWORKING RECEPTION Rose Lawn

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29

6:00 am–6:45am	YOGA CLASS Upper Olive Grove
7:00 am–1:00 pm	REGISTRATION Crystal Ballroom Foyer
7:00 am–8:00 am	BREAKFAST Rose Lawn
9:00 am–1:00 pm	EXHIBITION Crystal Ballroom G-I
8:00 am–1:30 pm	GENERAL SESSION Crystal Ballroom A-F

8:00 am–8:45 am	Financial Wellness with Police and Firemen's Retirement System of New Jersey (PFRSNJ) Speakers: <i>Gregory Petzold, Police and Firemen's Retirement System of New Jersey</i> <i>Tim Colacci, Police and Firemen's Retirement System of New Jersey</i> <i>Ed Donnelly, NJ State Firefighters Mutual Benevolent Association</i> <i>Pat Colligan, New Jersey State Policemen's Benevolent Association</i>
8:45 am–9:30 am	Regulatory and Legislative Updates for Public Safety Retirement Plans Speaker: <i>Tony Roda, Williams & Jensen, PLLC</i> <i>Rob Gauss, Ice Miller</i> <i>Michelle McCarthy, Nossaman LLP</i>
9:30 am–10:15 am	How the LEOFF Plan 2 Board Got Unanimous Support for a Major Benefit Increase Speaker: <i>Jacob White, Law Enforcement Officers' and Fire Fighters' Plan 2 Retirement Board</i>
10:15 am–10:45 am	EXHIBIT BREAK Crystal Ballroom G-I
10:45 am–11:30 am	The Role of Defined Benefit Pensions in Recruiting and Retaining Public Safety Professionals Speakers: <i>Tyler Bond, National Institute on Retirement Security</i> <i>Alisa Bennett, CavMac</i> <i>Paul Baugher, Foster & Foster</i>
11:30 am–12:15 pm	DROP Zone: The Ins and Outs of Deferred Retirement Option Programs Speakers: <i>Aaron Chochon, CavMac</i> <i>Ryan Gundersen, CavMac</i>
12:15 pm–12:45 pm	The New Model: Public Pension Funding Policies and Practices Speaker: <i>Brad Ramirez, Segal</i>
12:45 pm–1:15 pm	Political Interference in Trustee Fiduciary Duty and Pension Plan Investment Selection Speakers: <i>Tim Hill, Alliance for Prosperity and a Secure Retirement</i> <i>Greg Markley, Washington State Council of Fire Fighters</i> <i>O'Brien Atkinson, Anne Arundel County Fraternal Order of Police</i>
5:00 pm–6:00 pm	NETWORKING RECEPTION Rose Lawn

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30

7:00 am–11:00 am	REGISTRATION Crystal Ballroom Foyer
7:00 am–8:00 am	BREAKFAST Rose Lawn
8:00 am–11:00 am	GENERAL SESSION Crystal Ballroom A-F
8:00 am– 8:30 am Speaker:	Recruitment and Retention Findings for Public Safety <i>Zhikun Liu, MissionSquare Research Institute</i>
8:30 am–9:00 am Speakers:	Retiree Medical Trust: Enhancing Retirement Benefits for Recruitment and Retention of Public Safety Employees <i>Shana Saichek, The Wagner Law Group</i> <i>Alex Olsen, The Wagner Law Group</i>
9:00 am–9:15 am	REFRESHMENT BREAK Crystal Ballroom Foyer
9:15 am–9:45 am Speakers:	Let's Talk About COLAs (We Don't Mean Coke or Pepsi) <i>Louise Gates, Gabriel, Roeder, Smith & Company</i> <i>Paul Wood, Gabriel, Roeder, Smith & Company</i>
9:45 am–10:30 am Speakers:	The State of Public Pensions: A Review of the NCPERS 2024 PRS Study <i>Hank Kim, NCPERS</i> <i>William Whitman, NCPERS</i>
10:30 am	CLOSING REMARKS Hank Kim, NCPERS