

Which option is right for you? For Local Government Employees

As a new employee entering PERF-covered employment, you may have a choice between two retirement plan options. Your employer can confirm if this choice is available to you. You will receive a PIN number with instructions on how to access your online account to make an election. If you do not make a choice, you will default to the plan your employer chooses. Your choice, or default is irrevocable. For more information about your options, visit www.in.gov/inprs/hybridvsmychoice.htm.

Plan Type	PERF Hybrid Plan Defined Contribution (DC) Account and Defined Benefit (DB)	My Choice: Retirement Savings Plan
Election	60 days to choose this plan	60 days to choose this plan
Contributions	Member contributions are a fixed, mandatory 3% of gross wages/ May elect to make post-tax voluntary contributions not to exceed 10 percent of gross wages¹	Member contributions are a fixed, mandatory 3% of gross wages/ May elect to make post-tax voluntary contributions not to exceed 10 percent of gross wages¹
	Employer contributions fund the DB at an actuarially determined rate and are separate from the fixed 3% of gross wages contributed to DC accounts ²	Normal cost employer contribution rate ranges from 0-4.2% effective Jan. 1, 2025, through Dec. 31, 2025, for participating employers.
Vesting	For mandatory contributions (3% of gross wages): 100% vesting from date of hire	
	DB: 10 years of service	Employer Contribution: 20% vesting increase for every full year of participation up to 5 years
Benefit Eligibility	DB: Available upon separation of employment and age and service requirements: age 50 to 59 with 15 years of service age 55 with 30 years of service (Rule of 85) age 60 with 15 years of service age 65 with 10 years of service age 65 with 20 years of service ³	Employer Contribution: Available upon separation of employment and based on full years of participation: 1 year = 20% 2 years = 40% 3 years = 60% 4 years = 80% 5 years = 100%
Retirement Options	DB is a lifetime monthly retirement benefit that can be taken by itself. The DC account is available as a lump sum, a partial or systematic withdraw, a direct rollover to another plan, or a lifetime monthly annuity (minimum account balance required).	Available as a lump sum, partial or systematic withdraw, direct rollover, or a lifetime monthly annuity (minimum account balance required).
Disability	Payment of retirement benefit if disabled by Social Security Administration and have at least 5 years of service.	Full withdrawal of 3% mandatory contributions and vested percentage of employer contribution.

¹Voluntary post-tax contributions election is available immediately.

²For more information on employer contribution rates, visit https://www.in.gov/inprs/employers/er-contribution-rate-info/.

³See Millie Morgan information in the Public Employees' Retirement Fund Member Handbook.