

# Get ready for something really big.



OHIO DEFERRED  
COMPENSATION

# 1

Yep, it's Ohio's tax-deferred retirement savings plan. It comes right out of your paycheck, so you won't miss it.

Want to know why it's so cool?

Most people dream of having a comfortable lifestyle, including after they stop working.

Start dreaming now:

For every pre-tax dollar you set aside for yourself, you could get \$3 to spend when you stop working.

Pretty nice, eh?



This illustration is a hypothetical compounding example that assumes biweekly deferrals (for 30 years) at a 6 percent annual effective rate of return. Actual compounding for each \$1 deferred is \$2.80. The illustration includes rounding and shows the principle of time and compounding. It is not intended to predict or project the investment results of any specific investment. Investment return are not guaranteed and will vary depending on investments and market experience. If fees, taxes, and expenses were reflected, the hypothetical returns would be less.

# 2

Getting started is a simple choice.



**Yes, I want to take this step to help me enjoy a comfortable lifestyle for the rest of my life, even after I stop working.**

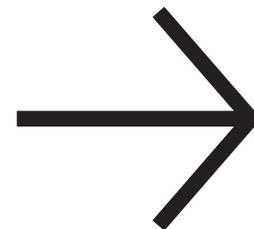
Complete the form on the back and check "yes" in section 2.



**No, I don't want to take this step to help me maintain my lifestyle in retirement, knowing someday I will have to stop working.**

Complete the form on the back and check "no" in section 2.

All State of Ohio employees are required to return completed forms within 45 days of their hiring.



(Form on reverse)

# Opt-In Enrollment Form



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## Section 1: Personal information (please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Last name First M.I.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email

\_\_\_\_\_  
Work phone Personal phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Birth Date (mm/dd/yyyy)  Male  Female

\_\_\_\_\_  
Employer name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Department Pay days per year

Pension system:  OPERS  STRS  SERS  OP&F  HPRS  
 CINCY  OTHER

## Section 3: Make your choice official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security number (required)

I acknowledge I have read the terms and conditions.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

## Section 2: Make your choice

**Yes.** I would like to invest in my future by enrolling in the Ohio Deferred Compensation saving plan today and begin contributing per pay period:

\$50  \$100  Other: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

A pre-tax deduction will be invested in a LifePath Portfolio closest to the year I turn 65. My payroll deductions will begin on the next pay period following 30 days from the date my form is received by Ohio DC.

You will be enrolled in the SMaRT plan to automatically increase your deferrals each January by \$10 per pay or \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per pay. Check the circle to decline the benefits of the SMaRT plan.

You will be notified when your Quarterly Statements and Focus newsletters are available at Ohio457.org. If you prefer to receive your statements and newsletters by regular mail, please check the circle.

----- OR -----

**No.** I have received information about Ohio DC. I decline the opportunity to save tax-deferred money for retirement.

### Return your form to your HR director or to: Ohio Deferred Compensation

257 East Town Street, Suite 457  
Columbus, Ohio 43215-4626  
877-644-6457 / fax 614-222-9457 / Ohio457.org

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### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Upon enrolling, you will be mailed a Welcome Kit that includes the Cancellation Form, Beneficiary Form, Memorandum of Understanding, and Plan Document with more detailed information on the terms and conditions outlined below:

- Your account balance will be held by Ohio Deferred Compensation in trust on behalf of your employer for the exclusive benefit of you or your beneficiaries.
- You can cancel your participation before your forms are processed by calling 877-644-6457 within seven days of the signature date on this form.
- Based on market fluctuations, the rate of return on your account could be either positive or negative. This could result in your account balance being worth less than your contributions.
- Investments have underlying expenses or management fees that will reduce the investment results. Information on these expenses can be found in the fund profiles or the respective prospectus. Call 877-644-6457 to request fund profiles or prospectus.
- Before investing, carefully consider the fund's investment objectives, risks, charges, and expenses. The fund prospectus or profile contains this and other important information. Read the prospectus or profile carefully before investing.
- At any time, you may change the amount you defer or the allocation of future investment options.
- The Internal Revenue Service imposes rules that limit the times you can make changes or receive withdrawals from the Program.

- You may withdraw funds from the Program only upon:
  - Ending your employment (including termination, retirement, or death)
  - An Unforeseeable Emergency (as defined by Section 457 of the IRC)
  - Small Balance Distribution (see Plan Document for eligibility)
- An Unforeseeable Emergency is defined by the IRS as a severe financial hardship. Please see the Program Plan Document for specific details. Purchasing a home, credit card debt, and sending your children to college are not qualifying events.
- Withdrawals may begin after ending your employment and the Program's receipt of your employer's verification that employment ended, final deferral, and the Withdrawal Election form.
- Distributions must satisfy certain minimum requirements upon attaining age 70 1/2.
- The funds in your account may be eligible for rollover to a traditional IRA or to an eligible retirement plan upon ending your employment.
- Your participation in Ohio DC is for long-term retirement savings. You should maintain separate, available emergency funds to cover day-to-day, unanticipated, financial shortages.

Remember, there are no guarantees. Investing involves risk, including possible loss of principal.

Account Executives are registered representatives of Nationwide Investment Services Corporation, Member FINRA.