

Here is some important retirement plan information for 2023.

**Financial Counseling and Retirement Advice one-on-one sessions**

- Make 2023 the year you schedule a financial counseling appointment with CAPTRUST, USG’s approved financial advisor, or with one of the USG’s retirement plan providers: Corebridge Financial (formally AIG Retirement Services), Fidelity, or TIAA. These financial counseling sessions are provided at no cost and can provide information on your progress towards retirement and other tips to increase your financial well-being. Scheduling information is available on the USG Retirement website at [USG Financial Counseling](#).

**Teachers Retirement System of Georgia (TRS) Contribution Rates**

- The TRS employer contribution rates for the remainder of FY 2023 (through June 30, 2023) are 6% employee contribution and 19.98% employer contribution.
- The rates will remain unchanged for FY 24 (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024)

Please remember that employer rate changes in the TRS do not impact your benefit at retirement since your benefit is determined by a fixed formula. More information is available on the [TRS website](#).

**Optional Retirement Plan (ORP) Contribution Rates**

- The 2023 ORP Contribution Rates will remain at 6.00% employee contribution and 9.24% Employer Contribution.

**2023 403(b) and 457(b) retirement savings plan contribution limits**

403(b) Elective Deferral	\$22,500	457(b) Elective Deferral	\$22,500
403(b) Age 50 Catch-Up	\$7,500	457(b) Age 50 Catch-Up	\$7,500

- Eligible employees may contribute up to \$22,500 in the USG 403(b) and/or 457(b) plans. Employees may contribute up to a total of \$45,000 combined in both plans.
- If you are age 50 or older, you may contribute up to an additional \$7,500 in each plan for an additional \$15,000 combined in both plans, for a total of \$60,000 annually.
- You may enroll in the 403(b) and 457(b) plans at any time throughout the year. Information about the plan and how to enroll is available through the [USG Retirement website](#).

**Employees Retirement Plan (ERS)**

Contribution rates for ERS are as follows:

**OLD Plan**

ERS Fiscal Year 2023 – Contribution Rates		ERS Fiscal Year 2024 – Contribution Rates	
Employer Contribution	26.26%	Employer Contribution	24.60%
Employee Contribution	1.5%	Employee Contribution	1.5%

**New Plan**

ERS Fiscal Year 2023 – Contribution Rates		ERS Fiscal Year 2024 – Contribution Rates	
Employer Contribution	31.01%	Employer Contribution	29.35%

Employee Contribution	1.5%	Employee Contribution	1.5%
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**GSEPS Plan**

ERS Fiscal Year 2023 – Contribution Rates		ERS Fiscal Year 2024 – Contribution Rates	
Employer Contribution	27.47%	Employer Contribution	25.51%
Employee Contribution	1.25%	Employee Contribution	1.25%
401(k) Employer Contribution	Matching up to 5% and based on years of service chart	401(k) Employer Contribution	Matching up to 5% and based on years of service chart
401(k) Employee Contribution	Employer match up to 5%	401(k) Employee Contribution	Employer match up to 5%

The following chart shows the employer contribution for GSEPS enrolled employees saving at least 5%:

Years of Service	Employer Contribution
Less than 6 years	5.0%
6 years	5.5%
7 years	6.0%
8 years	6.5%
9 years	7.0%
10 years	7.5%
11 years	8.0%
12 years	8.5%
13+ years	9.0%

If you have any questions regarding ERS, please call (404) 350-6500 or go to the following link for the ERS website at <http://www.ers.ga.gov>.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to:

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Thank you!