
RE-DEPOSIT INFORMATION SHEET

- *What is a Re-deposit?*
A Re-deposit allows **active** LACERS Members to purchase Service Credit for periods of time for which they withdrew their funds from LACERS.

- *What makes you eligible to make a Re-deposit?*
You may be eligible to purchase Service Credit with a Re-deposit if you are an **active** Member of LACERS and:
 - You withdrew your funds from LACERS after having separated from City Service; or
 - Due to a divorce, your ex-spouse received a separate account with LACERS and subsequently withdrew the money from that account.

- *Is there a required minimum period of Service Credit that must be purchased?*
No.

- *What is City Service?*
The Los Angeles Administrative Code defines City Service as “...only those periods during which a Member received compensation from the City as an employee or during which the employee not only received Workmen’s Compensation benefits (Div. IV, Labor Code) for temporary disability on account of any injury or illness arising out of and in the course of employment with the City but for which the employee also made contributions to the fund as provided in Charter Section 1162.”

- *What can the Service Credit you purchase with a Re-deposit count toward?*
The Service Credit you purchase with a Re-deposit can count toward:
 - Increasing your monthly retirement allowance (if you retire from the City);
 - Meeting the 5-year Continuous Service (vesting) requirement if the purchased time equals 5 or more years or is eligible to be combined with other Service;
 - Meeting the minimum years of service qualifications for a service retirement if the purchased Service is sufficient to qualify you for retirement or is eligible to be combined with other Service; and
 - Qualifying for or enhancing your retiree health and dental insurance premium subsidies (if you meet the minimum Service/Service Credit requirements).

Also, if there is less than a 3-year break between the Service Credit being purchased with the Re-deposit and your re-entrance into the City, the Service Credit you purchase can be used to establish an earlier date of LACERS Membership. If the change establishes a Membership date earlier than February 1, 1983, your mandatory contribution percentage may change.

- *In what ways wouldn't your Re-deposit assist you?*

The Service Credit you purchase with a Re-deposit will not count toward:

- Increasing your employment seniority or lay-off seniority;
- Increasing your vacation, sick time, or service pin accrual rates.

Increasing your monthly retirement allowance

- *What does it cost to purchase Service Credit with a Re-deposit?*

The amount of the contributions to be re-deposited is the sum of the amount of the funds withdrawn plus all of the regular interest which would have been credited thereon had the funds remained on deposit with LACERS to the date you Re-deposit such funds.

- *How can you pay for Re-deposit?*

- **Post-tax:** You can make a lump-sum payment via check, a transfer from an eligible post-tax retirement fund, or in biweekly installments deducted from your payroll check.
- **Pre-tax:** Pre-tax installment payments are not available for re-deposits, however, you may be able to transfer funds from an eligible pre-tax retirement fund.
- **Roth IRA rollovers** are not permitted.

- When will deductions start/end on my pay stub?

- Deductions will appear on your pay stub the pay period following the execution of the contract and will not stop until one pay period after the last purchase payment.

- *How can you apply to Re-deposit funds?*

To apply to Re-deposit funds to purchase Service Credit, complete an Application to Purchase Previous City Service form and return it to the address on the top of this information sheet. This form is available on our Website at www.lacERS.org.

- *Questions?*

If you have any questions, or need any assistance in completing an Application to Purchase Previous City Service form, please contact us at (800) 779-8328; TDD (888) 349-3996.

Re-deposits are governed by the Los Angeles City Administrative Code and the Rules of LACERS' Board of Administration. These Codes and Rules are subject to change. If there are any discrepancies between those governing authorities and the information in this sheet, the governing authorities have precedence.