

Salary, Compensation & Leave Summary

MIDDLE MANAGEMENT REPRESENTATION UNIT – SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

See Memorandum of Understanding for Middle Management Representation Unit

Contact your Departmental Personnel Clerk or Personnel Liaison

VACATION (Article 24) – Employees are eligible after 1 year; full-time employees begin earning at a rate of 16 days per year, increasing to 31 days per year after 15 years.

SICK LEAVE (Article 26) – Eligible on the 90th day of employment; 48 hours a year for full-time employees.

ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE (Article 27) – Advanced Initial 40 hours to be used as paid time off; additional 80 hours per year on-going which may be taken as leave or in cash. Any Administrative Leave earned during a year and not taken will be cashed out the last pay date of the calendar year.

HOLIDAYS (Article 25) – 13 days a year.

JURY DUTY/REQUIRED COURT LEAVE (Article 28.1) – All employees except extra-help shall be granted leave with pay from their work for such time as they may be required to serve in a court of law.

BEREAVEMENT LEAVE (Article 28.2) – 3 days in California, 5 days out-of-state.

OASDI (FICA) – For employees who are PERS Miscellaneous members, the County and employee each pay a contribution of 7.65%. For employees who are PERS Safety members, the County and employee each pay a Medicare contribution of 1.45%.

RETIREMENT (Article 32) – All employees in this unit are PERS Miscellaneous members except for Probation Division Directors and Assistant Probation Division Directors, who are PERS Safety members. Employees who previously worked for the County of Santa Cruz return to the retirement formula they had at the time of their separation regardless of the length of separation. All other employees' retirement formulas are as follows:

Tier 1: Hired before 12/17/12 (PERS Miscellaneous) or 6/9/12 (PERS Safety)

- PERS Miscellaneous: 2% @ 55, Maximum Benefit Factor 2.418% @ 63, employees pay their own 7% PERS contribution. Retirement benefits based on single highest year.
- PERS Safety (County Peace Officer): 2% @ 50, Maximum Benefit Factor 2.7% @ 55, employees pay their own 9% PERS contribution and 1% employer contribution. Retirement benefits based on single highest year.

Tier 2: Hired between 12/17/12 and 12/31/12 (PERS Miscellaneous) or between 6/9/12 and 12/31/12 (PERS Safety), or anytime within six months of separating from a budgeted position with another California public employer in the CalPERS system or another reciprocal retirement system so long as you began your appointment with that agency prior to 1/1/13.

- PERS Miscellaneous: 2% @ 60, Maximum Benefit Factor 2.418% @ 63, employees pay their own 7% PERS contribution and 1% employer contribution. Retirement benefits based on 3-year final average.
- PERS Safety (County Peace Officer): 2% @ 50, Maximum Benefit Factor 2.7% @ 55, employees pay their own 9% PERS contribution. Retirement benefits based on 3-year final average.

Tier 3: New employees hired 1/1/13 or later who do not fit into Tier 1 or Tier 2

- PERS Miscellaneous: 2% @ 62, Maximum Benefit Factor 2.5% @ 67, employees pay their own 6.25% PERS contribution and .75% employer contribution. Retirement benefits based on 3-year final average.
- PERS Safety (County Peace Officer): 2% @ 50, Maximum Benefit Factor 2.7% @ 57, employees pay their own 11% PERS contribution. Retirement benefits based on 3-year final average.

DISCLAIMER: THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS BASED ON THE COUNTY'S UNDERSTANDING OF CURRENTLY AVAILABLE INFORMATION ON EMPLOYEE PENSIONS. CALPERS, NOT THE COUNTY, MAKES THE FINAL DETERMINATION AS TO RETIREMENT PENSION TIER AND FORMULA.

SALARY STEP INCREASES (Article 11.2) – Step advancements are predicated upon merit and length of service, and each part-time or full-time employee in a budgeted position may receive an increase at the completion of each 2080 hours of satisfactory or better service.

PAY DIFFERENTIALS (Article 18) – One or more differentials may apply depending upon assignment.

REIMBURSEMENT FOR CERTAIN LICENSES AND CERTIFICATES (Article 20)

MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT (Article 21) – Receive mileage when authorized for travel on County business in authorized private vehicle.

ALTERNATIVE COMMUTE PROGRAMS – Van Pool, bike lockers and bicycle enclosure, and free bus passes for County Government Center work location.

PART-TIME EMPLOYEES (20-39 hours a week) – Part-time employees in budgeted positions receive paid leave (holidays, sick leave, vacation, administrative leave) on a pro-rated basis.

MANDATORY AUTOMATIC CHECK DEPOSIT (Article 16) – Employees appointed to this unit must authorize automatic check deposit. See departmental payroll clerk.

The above information is summarized and simplified, is subject to change and is intended to provide an overview of benefits for this employee group. The information does not substitute for actual documents, regulations and/or descriptions of the plans.

Employees may access the Memorandum of Understanding and a variety of personnel related information on the County website at <http://www.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/Departments/Personnel/LaborRelations.aspx>. This includes: personnel forms and information; Personnel Regulations; Personnel Administrative Manual; Salary Schedule; Class Specifications.

NOTICES:

- Offers of employment are contingent upon your passing the pre-employment medical examination and any required background investigation/fingerprint clearance.
- Employment, compensation and benefit commitments or statements made by any person(s) which conflict with or are inconsistent with regulations or with policies adopted by the Board of Supervisors are null and void.