

Pension Life

Your connection to the Teachers' Pension Plan

The heat is on: learn more about your pension

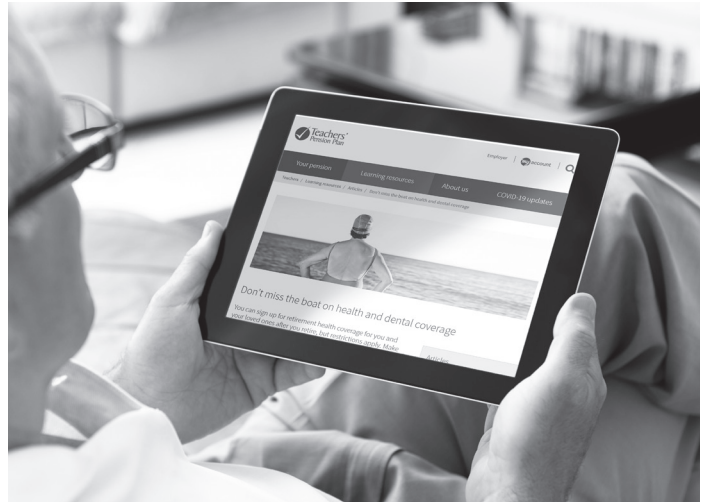
Here's a little bit of summertime trivia: 80 years ago this summer, Lillooet and Lytton shared the all-time record for BC's hottest temperature. The thermometers peaked at 44.4 degrees Celsius on both July 16 and 17, 1941. (Too hot? Close your eyes and visualize BC's coldest-ever temperature: January 31, 1947, at Smith River, just south of the Yukon border, where it dipped to -58.9 degrees Celsius.)

This summer, when the temperature starts getting hot, why not find a breezy spot in the shade, lean back in your deck chair and engage in some continuous learning about your pension?

First, if you haven't already, take a few minutes to register with My Account on the plan website. My Account offers secure access to your pension information such as payment history and annual tax slips. It also allows you to carry out tasks such as opting in for digital communications and changing contact information.

Next, visit the Articles section under Learning resources on the plan website. There you'll find some tips and tricks that could help you with some of your important decisions about tax, health care and even future work opportunities.

- Thinking about teaching on call or starting a new career altogether? If so, "Working after retirement: what you need to know" gives details on how returning to work could affect your health care coverage or taxes. (Have no concerns about your pension; you'll continue to receive it no matter your employment situation.)
- Haven't yet signed up for the plan's extended health and dental coverage? It might not be too late. Read "Don't miss the boat on health and dental coverage."
- Interested in the plan's investments and why responsible investing is an integral part of the plan's investment approach? Check out "Investing for your future."



- Wondering about the cost-of-living adjustment (COLA)? This important non-guaranteed benefit of being a plan member helps ensure your pension keeps up with inflation, meaning its buying power isn't diminished over time. Read "Adjusting for inflation" to learn more about this important benefit.
- Want to know more about how retirement affects your tax situation? Taxes are never fun, but they play a vital role in supporting the public services we all rely on. Read "Six tips for tackling your tax return in retirement."


If you have questions you can't get answered on the website or My Account, please don't hesitate to contact us; we're here to help.

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2021 pension deposit dates

July	29	October	28
August	30	November	29
September	29	December	23

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Reg. T.M. British Columbia Pension Corporation

Reg Bawa comes full circle



When it comes to pension administration and governance, trustee Reg Bawa pulled a 360. His well-rounded experiences in work and life have taken him from rookie pension employee to long-time trustee and current vice-chair of the Teachers' Pension Board of Trustees.

Reg's pension experience began in 1992 at the BC Superannuation Commission (the predecessor to the BC Pension Corporation). He worked there just as BC was starting to plan the joint trusteeship model that still exists today. This involvement gave Reg a solid background in pension knowledge. He went on to build his career in the public sector with the Ministry of Education, where he gained a good understanding of how school districts operate.

In July 2010, Reg was appointed to the plan's board by the provincial government. Circling back to pensions seemed natural to him. "Pensions was where my career started and it was an opportunity to get back into the field," he says. Reg's 30 years of experience in the public sector helps guide his decision making and collaboration with other trustees. Collaboration is crucial to what Reg is most passionate about as a trustee: cultivating good governance.

The office isn't the only place Reg broadened his skill set. Outside of work he coached his kids' soccer and baseball teams for 10 years, until they grew out of the sports. "There are a lot of parallels between coaching kids' sports and leading teams and organizations," he says.

Since becoming a trustee, Reg has learned the importance of building strong relationships and the value of diverse views among trustees. These factors have contributed to the strength of the plan, something Reg is proud of. "The plan is a healthy fund that will fulfil the promise of an earned pension for all members," he says.

Despite his busy schedule, Reg has time to stay active. Born in Port Alberni and now living in Victoria, he loves outdoor activities like walking, biking and going to the beach. During his down time he can be found puttering around the yard or spending time with his wife and two teenagers.

Throughout his career, Reg has stayed in the pension loop. From pension administration to kids' sports to pension plan governance, he's come full circle.



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John Young and Joan Young, retired Teachers' Pension Plan members

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TPP retirees' associations

BC Retired Teachers' Association

Guarding the interests and promoting the welfare of its members.

Web: bcrta.ca Toll-free: [1-877-683-2243](tel:1-877-683-2243)
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