



MROO

Municipal Retirees
ORGANIZATION ONTARIO

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An introduction to the **MUNICIPAL RETIREES' ORGANIZATION ONTARIO (MROO) for OMERS Members**

MROO represents over 31,000 OMERS pensioners across the province, and grows every day. Our members include retired Municipal Employees, Police, Fire, Paramedics, Museum, Library, Childrens' Aid Societies, Conservation Authorities, Public Utilities, Health Units, and some School Board employees. Celebrating 40 years in 2017, MROO has been a successful non-profit member-driven advocate since 1977 working on behalf of retirees and future retirees who are members of OMERS.

- We have retiree representation on both OMERS Boards giving us the influence to lobby OMERS and government agencies
- Our advocacy focuses on the governance, design, and sustainability of the OMERS plan; the adequacy of retirement income in the province; health care issues and personal supports for seniors; and we fiercely defend the preservation of the defined-benefit pension plans
- We were instrumental in improving OMERS survivor pensions for spouses and inflation indexing, and more recently, the introduction of Additional Voluntary Contributions known as AVCs.
- We continue to work with OMERS to continue as today's award-winning service organization

In addition, MROO provides

- Regular Newsletters to keep members informed about their pensions and matters of interest to retirees
- A generous Scholarship Program for members' family members (28 awards in Ontario; \$90,000 in 2020)
- Since 1984, MROO has offered Retiree Health, Dental, and Travel Insurance Benefits through ENCON/Victor. These benefits are specifically designed by and for OMERS retirees – with no age banding of premiums
- A partnership with Hearing Life to provide discounted products to MROO members
- Home and Auto Insurance is available for members through Mitchell Abbott Insurance Brokers
- A partnership with a Travel Agency offering Travel Discounts to our members
- A discounted Cell Phone Plan with several options for phones and service
- A partnership with Loblaws Optical offering a Discount up to 40% on Eyeglasses for members
- An annual general meeting in each of 9 zones to keep our members abreast of issues relating to retirees
- On the MROO website www.mroo.org you will find links to current news, a variety of resources, and discounts available for retirees
- MROO also has a Facebook presence and a Twitter account to communicate breaking news

A number of employers, unions, and associations provide a MROO Membership as a gift to their retiring members – a one-time fee of \$25.00 for a MROO Lifetime Membership, which also includes their spouse or partner - a very reasonable gift to offer. There is no obligation to use any of the services offered by the MROO partners, nor do we share our members list with them.

Remember ... MROO is not just about health benefits! The advantages of MROO membership are numerous and begin the day an employee enrolls.

Our Directors are pleased to meet directly with you at your convenience to fully explain the services offered by MROO. For more information, contact me as follows or through www.mroo.org

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Protecting the pensions and enhancing the quality of life for all OMERS pensioners.