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Community Social Services: HSA encourages enrolment in Municipal Pension Plan

In 2006, community social services workers represented by HSA finally won access to the Municipal Pension Plan. You may be eligible to enrol starting April 1, 2010. HSA strongly recommends all eligible employees enrol.

Your employer determines your eligibility, and will send you information if you qualify. You then have 90 days to decide whether you want to enrol.

Do you think you're too young or too old to enrol? Do you have questions about the monthly contribution? Or are you considering a career change in the future? Enrolling in the Municipal Pension Plan is still the best choice for your future.

Special FAQ leaflet

Unions representing members in the community social services sector have developed a short "Frequently Asked Questions" leaflet, attached.

In your community: special pension information meetings

During March, HSA's pension specialist will hold meetings in communities across BC for members who want to learn more about enrolling in the Municipal Pension Plan. A schedule is being finalized, and will be available soon.

A secure public pension – such as the Municipal Pension Plan – is the gold standard to which other Canadians aspire. Community social services workers have fought for decades for access to this pension; HSA strongly encourages you to enrol.

The Municipal Pension Plan leaflet for Community Social Services workers is available for download on HSA's website at hsabc.org.

Register on HSA's website to receive updates on developments in the community social services sector. You need your member ID number to register (printed on the mailing label of The Report magazine).