





## SERVING RETIREES OF AUBURN UNIVERSITY AND AUBURN UNIVERSITY MONTGOMERY

# Auburn University Retiree Association



#### WHO WE ARE:

The Auburn University Retiree Association (AURA) serves as an advocacy group for Auburn University retirees. AURA advocates for the protection and enhancement of pensions, health insurance, and retiree benefits. AURA also provides educational and social opportunities for its members. Membership in AURA is open to Auburn University and Auburn University at Montgomery retirees and their spouses. AURA was formed in 1995 and is governed by a board of directors elected by AURA members.

#### WHAT WE DO:

AURA actively communicates with the Alabama Legislature and the Retirement Systems of Alabama (RSA) to:

- Protect and enhance funding for pensions for Auburn University retirees
- Maintain quality health insurance at the lowest possible cost to retirees
- Promote cost-of-living allowances (COLAS) for Auburn retirees

AURA provides social, educational, and networking opportunities for members by:

- Hosting a Fall Dinner and a Spring Luncheon
- Sponsoring Legislative Forums and educational events
- Publishing a quarterly newsletter to alert members to matters impacting Auburn retirees

#### WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN

Your participation is vital to AURA's success. Membership numbers count when working with legislators and key policy makers. Legislators want to know how their constituents feel and what is important to them. Membership enables you to become part of a network that works to influence policies and legislation impacting retired educators. Membership in AURA helps keep you current on issues that affect your retirement income and



health insurance. Membership also provides opportunities for engagement and fellowship with other retirees through participation in social and educational activities and events.

Increasingly, public pension programs throughout the United States have been under

attack by groups that want to replace defined-benefit programs, like the plan provided by RSA, with defined-contribution programs. Retirees may think that these changes will not impact them as they have already retired and are receiving benefits. However, any changes to public retirement programs that reduce the funding required to undergird the system have the potential to negatively impact retirees. AURA actively monitors these threats and works with state legislators and other retiree associations to protect your pension, health insurance, and retiree benefits. Join AURA today to voice your support for enhancing and protecting education retiree benefits.

#### **HOW TO JOIN:**

Membership is easy, inexpensive, and a good investment in safeguarding your retirement benefits. Simply complete the attached membership application and mail the form and membership fee, payable to AURA, to the address at the bottom of the Membership Application Form. For additional information please visit our website: <a href="https://aub.ie/aura">https://aub.ie/aura</a>

### **AU-AUM Retiree AURA Membership Form**

Name:	AU	AUM
Check One: Dr. Mrs. Ms. Mr.	Other (please list):	
Spouse's Name (if applicable):		
Check One: Dr. Mrs. Ms. Mr.	Other (please list):	
Address:		
Phone:	E-mail:	
☐ Single Retire\$25.00	Surviving Spouse	\$10.00
Retiree & Spouse\$25.00	Sponsor (an individual or	an entity)\$25.00
Retiree & Retiree Spouse \$25.00	Gift Contribution \$_	
Please direct questions to Anne Adrian or Larry	Teeter at: <u>auretireeassoc@s</u>	gmail.com.
Please make checks payable to AURA and mail	to:	
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