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Hello everyone,

With all the information and announcements going around regarding the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), I wanted to address the status of your main points of contact for your pension, City and County of Denver Safety HR and/or FPPA. FPPA confirmed yesterday they were closing their office to in-person visitors. They noted there will be no disruption to pension payments and they are still available by phone, e-mail and on their website to employees/retirees and employers.

The Denver Safety HR office is operating similarly. Public Safety operations and training must continue, as you all know more than most, so Safety HR remains available. Although we will have a presence in our office at this time on rotation, that is for emergency appointments only. We ask our retirees to call or e-mail only with your questions. My contact information is below, you are welcome to call or text my work cell phone directly and skip the desk phone for now for likely a faster response. I've also noted the main benefits line for any healthcare questions. I can answer many of these questions, but at home I don't have access to everything the Benefits team does. Depending on the question, they may provide a quicker response.

The below is from the press release for the mayor's most recent announcement, and it includes a link to other closures in the City as well as more information on the response to the COVID-19 outbreak in Denver. Due to these changes, our April Pension Board meeting will likely be postponed or move to a conference call, but I'm still waiting on instruction for that.

"Mayor Michael B. Hancock today announced important updates to the City and County of Denver's response to COVID-19. The order also includes the closure of all restaurants and bars, except airport concessioners, to onsite seating, effective 8 a.m. on Tuesday, March 17, for eight weeks until May 11. Delivery, carry-out and drive-through services are still permitted and encouraged. The Denver Department of Public Health & Environment will continuously monitor the situation.

The amended order with new closure periods covers all previous [closure announcements](#) the city has made to this point, and may change in the future."

For those of you outside Denver and Colorado, your local or state government should have similar information or websites for information. Otherwise the City and County of Denver website [here](#) has information specific to Denver, but also general information everyone can use and links to the CDC website. Please feel free to reach out with any questions, pension related or otherwise. If I can't answer them, I am happy to help you find the resources you need.

Be safe and take care,

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