

# Shelby Township Fire and Police Retirement System

December 31, 2023 Actuarial Valuation Report

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#### **Actuarial Certification**

At the request of the plan sponsor, this report summarizes the Retirement System for the Township of Shelby Fire and Police as of December 31, 2023. The purpose of this report is to communicate the following results of the valuation:

- Funded Status:
- and Determine Recommended Contribution;

This report has been prepared in accordance with the applicable Federal and State laws. Consequently, it may not be appropriate for other purposes. Please contact Nyhart prior to disclosing this report to any other party or relying on its content for any purpose other than that explained above. Failure to do so may result in misrepresentation or misinterpretation of this report.

The results in this report were prepared using information provided to us by other parties. The census and asset information has been provided to us by the employer. We have reviewed the provided data for reasonableness when compared to prior information provided, but have not audited the data. Where relevant data may be missing, we have made assumptions we believe to be reasonable. We are not aware of any significant issues with and have relied on the data provided. Any errors in the data provided may result in a different result than those provided in this report. A summary of the data used in the valuation is included in this report.

The actuarial assumptions and methods were chosen by the Board. In our opinion, all actuarial assumptions and methods are individually reasonable and in combination represent our best estimate of anticipated experience of the plan. Future actuarial measurements may differ significantly from the current measurements presented in this report due to such factors as the following:

- plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions;
- changes in economic or demographic assumptions;
- increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operation of the methodology used for these measurements (such as the end of an amortization period); and
- changes in plan provisions or applicable law.

We did not perform an analysis of the potential range of future measurements due to the limited scope of our engagement. This report has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted actuarial principles and practice.

Neither Nyhart nor any of its employees have any relationship with the plan or its sponsor which could impair or appear to impair the objectivity of this report. To the extent that this report or any attachment concerns tax matters, it is not intended to be used and cannot be used by a taxpayer for the purpose of avoiding penalties that may be imposed by law.



#### **Actuarial Certification**

In preparing these results, Nyhart used ProVal valuation software developed by Winklevoss Technologies, LLC. This software is widely used for the purpose of performing pension valuations. We coded the plan provisions, assumptions, methods, and participant data summarized in this report, and reviewed the liability and cost outputs for reasonableness. We are not aware of any weaknesses or limitations in the software, and have determined it is appropriate for performing this valuation.

The undersigned are compliant with the continuing education requirements of the Qualification Standards for Actuaries Issuing Statements of Actuarial Opinion in the United States and are available for any questions.

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April 8, 2024 Date

The actuarial report provides the plan sponsor with several ways to measure the funded status of the pension plan. The following detail is included in the report:

- Recommended Contribution
- Asset Performance
- Plan Demographics

This report is filled with actuarial terminology. However, the ultimate objective of the valuation is to provide a rational method of funding the plan. It is necessary to fund the benefit promised by the employer in a manner that is logical and employer friendly, yet safeguards the participants' interest. The actuarially derived contribution, however, is not the true cost of the pension plan. The true cost is illustrated by the following formula:

#### **Ultimate Pension Cost = Benefits Paid - Investment Income + Plan Expenses**

While the plan's liability and normal cost determine the current contribution recommendations, the true cost is controlled only by the "defined" benefit and investment income generated by the underlying assets. The actuarial process only controls the timing of costs.

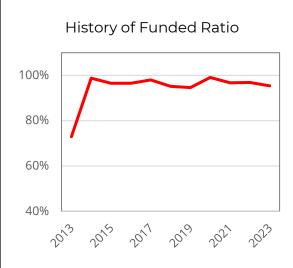
We suggest that a plan sponsor treat the actuarial report as you would treat a scorecard. It is simply a measure of progress toward the ultimate goal of paying all pension benefits when participants retire.



## **Summary Results**

The actuarial valuation's primary purpose is to produce a scorecard measure displaying the funding progress of the plan toward the ultimate goal of paying benefits at retirement. The accrued liability is based on an entry age level percentage of pay.

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2023
Funded Status Measures		
Accrued Liability	\$138,031,121	\$143,803,463
Actuarial Value of Assets	\$133,685,669	\$136,470,556
Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL)	\$4,345,452	\$7,332,907
Funded Percentage (AVA)	96.85%	94.90%
Funded Percentage (MVA)	86.66%	91.13%
Cost Measures		
Recommended Contribution for Year Beginning	\$2,054,212	\$2,480,846
Recommended Contribution (as a percentage of payroll)	23.97%	31.71%
Asset Performance		
Market Value of Assets (MVA)	\$119,623,544	\$131,045,302
Actuarial Value of Assets (AVA)	\$133,685,669	\$136,470,556
Actuarial Value/Market Value	111.76%	104.14%
Market Value Rate of Return	(13.12)%	14.52%
Actuarial Value Rate of Return	7.33%	6.36%
Participant Information		
Active Participants	71	62
Terminated Vested Participants	4	4
Retirees and Beneficiaries	148	156
Total	223	222
Covered Payroll	\$8,571,149	\$7,824,145





## **Changes since Prior Valuation and Key Notes**

- Starting January 1, 2023, Command Officers are allowed to enter into the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP). The retirement rates for Command Officers were accelerated to reflect this plan change.
- Annual Pay Increases and Retirement Rate assumptions were updated as a result of the most recent experience study conducted in 2023.
- An administrative expense load of \$70,000 was added to the recommended contribution as a result of the most recent experience study conducted in 2023.



## **Historical Valuation Summary**

	12/31/2019	12/31/2020	12/31/2021	12/31/2022	12/31/2023
Funding					
Accrued Liability	\$119,391,472	\$122,741,936	\$134,082,919	\$138,031,121	\$143,803,463
Actuarial Value of Assets	\$112,879,185	\$121,607,091	\$129,701,906	\$133,685,669	\$136,470,556
Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability	\$6,512,287	\$1,134,845	\$4,381,013	\$4,345,452	\$7,332,907
Funded Percentage	94.55%	99.08%	96.73%	96.85%	94.90%
Normal Cost (NC)	\$1,889,293	\$1,833,877	\$1,851,067	\$1,702,756	\$1,532,455
NC as a Percent of Covered Payroll	18.56%	17.76%	20.57%	19.87%	19.59%
Actual Contribution <sup>1</sup>	\$2,562,785	\$2,395,632	\$2,621,273	Feb-24	Feb-25
Recommended Contribution	\$2,562,785	\$1,447,092	\$2,118,615	\$2,054,212	\$2,480,846
Recommended Contribution (% of Pay)	23.95%	13.45%	22.55%	23.97%	34.00%
Interest Rate	7.50%	7.50%	7.00%	7.00%	7.00%
Rate of Return					
Actuarial Value of Assets	9.77%	10.96%	10.68%	7.33%	6.36%
Market Value of Assets	20.78%	12.85%	14.60%	(13.12)%	14.52%
Demographic Information					
Active Participants	98	96	82	71	62
Terminated Vested Participants	4	3	3	4	4
Retired Participants	99	101	113	119	127
Beneficiaries	20	22	25	28	28
Disabled Participants	1	1	1	1	1
Total Participants	222	223	224	223	222
Covered Payroll	\$10,176,936	\$10,328,060	\$8,998,819	\$8,571,149	\$7,824,145
Average Covered Pay	\$103,846	\$107,584	\$109,742	\$120,720	\$126,196

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The Township contributed an additional \$948,540 in 2022, and an additional \$502,658 in 2023.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The Covered Payroll shown was updated to align with GASB 67/68 reporting.

#### **Identification of Risks**

The results presented in this report are shown as single point values. However, these values are derived using assumptions about future markets and demographic behavior. If actual experience deviates from our assumptions, the actual results for the plan will consequently deviate from those presented in this report. Therefore, it is critical to understand the risks facing this pension plan. The following table shows the risks we believe are most relevant to the Shelby Township Fire and Police Plan. The risks are generally ordered with those we believe to have the most significance at the top. Also shown are possible methods by which a more detailed assessment of the risk can be performed.

### Type of Risk Method to Assess Risk

Investment Return	Scenario Testing; Asset Liability Study
Interest Rates	Scenario Testing; Stochastic Modeling
Participant Longevity	Projections and Contribution Strategy
Early Retirement	Scenario Testing; Review population and retirement rates
Salary Growth	Review salary history and future budgets; scenario testing



#### Plan Maturity Measures - January 1, 2024

Each pension plan has a distinct life-cycle. New plans promise future benefits to active employees and then accumulate assets to pre-fund those benefits. As the plan matures, benefits are paid and the pre-funded assets begin to decumulate until ultimately, the plan pays out all benefits. A plan's maturity has a dramatic influence on how risks should be viewed. The following maturity measures illustrate where the Shelby Township Fire and Police Plan falls in its life-cycle.

#### **Duration of Liabilities: 10.4**

Duration is the most common measure of plan maturity. It is defined as the sensitivity of the liabilities to a change in the interest rate assumption. The metric also approximates the weighted average length of time, in years, until benefits are expected to be paid. A plan with high duration is, by definition, more sensitive to changes in interest rates. A plan with low duration is more susceptible to risk if asset performance deviates from expectations as there would be less time to make up for market losses in adverse market environments while more favorable environments could result in trapped surplus from gains. Conversely, high duration plans can often take on more risk when investing, and low duration plans are less sensitive to interest rate fluctuations.

#### Demographic Distribution - Ratio of Actively Accruing Participants to All Participants: 27.9%

A plan with a high ratio is more sensitive to fluctuations in salary (if a salary-based plan) and statutory changes. A plan with a low ratio is at higher risk from demographic experience. Such a plan should pay close attention to valuation assumptions as there will be less opportunity to realize future offsetting gains or losses when current experience deviates from assumptions. Plans with a low ratio also have limited opportunities to make alterations to plan design to affect future funded status.

## Asset Leverage - Ratio of Payroll for Plan Participants to Market Value of Assets: 6.0%

Younger plans typically have a large payroll base from which to draw in order to fund the plan while mature plans often have a large pool of assets dedicated to providing benefits to a population primarily consisting of members no longer on payroll. Plans with low asset leverage will find it more difficult to address underfunding, as the contributions needed to make up the deficit will represent a higher percentage of payroll than for a plan with high asset leverage.

## Benefit Payment Percentage - Ratio of Annual Benefit Payments to Market Value of Assets: 6.6%

As a plan enters its decumulation phase, a larger percentage of the pre-funded assets are paid out each year to retirees. A high percentage is not cause for alarm as long as the plan is nearly fully funded. However, such a plan is more sensitive to negative asset performance, especially if cash contributions are not an option to make up for losses.



The basic building blocks of the actuarial report are contained in this section. These include:

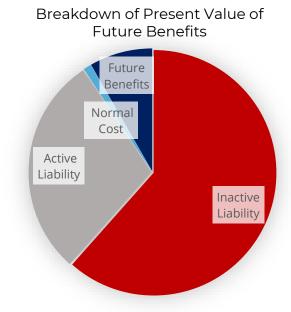
- Actuarial Accrued Liabilities
- Asset Information
- Summary of Contributions



#### **Present Value of Future Benefits**

The Present Value of Future Benefits represents the future benefits payable to the existing participants.

	December 31, 2023
Present Value of Future Benefits	
Active participants	
Retirement	\$50,779,612
Disability	1,728,696
Death	360,642
Termination	272,128
Refund of contributions	1,866
Total active	\$53,142,944
nactive participants	
Retired participants	\$91,778,538
Beneficiaries	6,725,181
Disabled participants	514,479
Terminated vested participants	673,989
Total inactive	\$99,692,187
Total	\$152,835,131
Present value of future payrolls	\$45,308,381

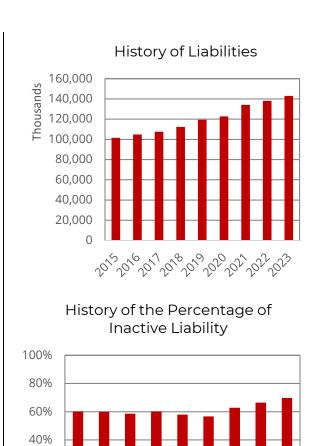




## **Actuarial Accrued Liability**

The Actuarial Accrued Liability measures the present value of benefits earned as of the valuation date, using a specified set of actuarial assumptions.

	December 31, 2023
Funding Liabilities – Entry Age Normal as Perce	ent of Pay
Active participants	
Retirement	\$42,729,220
Disability	1,083,730
Death	247,449
Termination	124,765
Refund of contributions	(73,888)
Total Active	\$44,111,276
nactive participants	
Retired participants	\$91,778,538
Beneficiaries	6,725,181
Disabled participants	514,479
Terminated vested participants	673,989
Total Inactive	99,692,187
Total	\$143,803,463
Normal Cost	\$1,532,455
Interest Rate	7.00%



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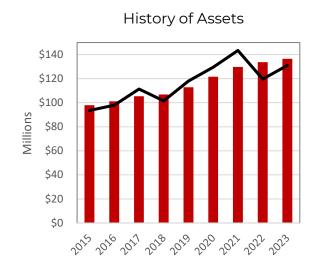
20%



#### **Asset Information**

The amount of assets backing the pension promise is the most significant driver of volatility and future costs within a pension plan. The investment performance of the assets directly offsets the ultimate cost.

	December 31, 2023
Market Value Reconciliation	
Market value of assets, beginning of year	\$119,623,544
Contributions	
Employer contributions	2,621,273
Employee contributions	415,465
Total	\$3,036,738
Investment income	\$16,967,817
Refund of Member Contributions	\$0
Benefit payments	(\$8,582,797)
Market value of assets, end of current year	\$131,045,302
Return on Market Value	14.52%
Market value of assets available for pension benefits	\$131,045,302
Actuarial Value of Assets	\$136,470,556
Assets Reserves	
Reserves for	
Employees' contributions	\$6,337,429
Employer contributions	33,941,280
Retired benefit payments	90,766,593
Total reserves at market	\$131,045,302
Funding value adjustment	\$5,425,254
Actuarial value of assets	\$136,470,556



Monitoring the pension plan's investment performance is crucial to eliminating surprises.



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## Asset Information (continued) – 25% Write-Up Method

Plan Assets are used to develop funded percentages and contribution requirements.

	December 31, 2023
Expected Investment Income	
(a) Actuarial value of assets, prior year	\$133,685,669
(b) Employee Contributions	415,465
(c) Employer Contributions	2,621,273
(d) Refund of Member Contributions	0
(e) Benefit payments	8,582,797
(f) Expected Investment Income – end of year $[7.0\% \times (a) + 7.0\% \times (1/2) \times {(b)+(c)-(d)}$	-(e)}] \$9,163,885
2. Market value of Investment Income, current year	\$16,967,817
3. Amount subject to phase in [(2) – (1f)]	\$7,803,932
4. Phase in of gain/(loss) [25% x (3)]	\$1,950,983
5. Phased-In Recognition of Investment Income	
(a) Current Year Phase in of gain/(loss) (4)	\$1,950,983
(b) First Prior Year	(6,841,749)
(c) Second Prior Year	2,405,291
(d) Third Prior Year	1,652,536
(e) Total	(\$832,939)
6. Preliminary actuarial value of assets, current year [(1a)+(1b)+(1c)-(1d)-(1e)+(1f)+(5e)]	\$136,470,556
7. 80% Market value of assets (Market Value = \$131,045,302)	\$104,836,242
8. 120% Market value of assets (Market Value = \$131,045,302)	\$157,254,363
9. Final actuarial value of assets	\$136,470,556
10. Return on actuarial value of assets	6.36%



#### **Reserve Allocation**

In financing the Actuarial Accrued Liabilities, the Valuation Assets were distributed as follows:

	Active and			
	Deferred Vested		Contingency	
Reserves for	Members	Retired Members	Reserve	Total
Employees' Contributions	\$6,337,429			\$6,337,429
Employer Contributions	31,114,929	\$8,251,605		39,366,534
Retired Benefit Payments		90,766,593		90,766,593
Total	\$37,452,358	\$99,018,198		\$136,470,556

The Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liabilities were distributed as follows:

	Active and Deferred Vested		
Reserves for	Members	Retired Members	Total
Computed Actuarial Accrued Liabilities	\$44,785,265	\$99,018,198	\$143,803,463
Applied Assets	37,452,358	99,018,198	136,470,556
Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liabilities	\$7,332,907	\$0	\$7,332,907



The basic building blocks of the actuarial report are contained in this section. These include:

- Reconciliation of Gain/Loss
- Recommended Contribution



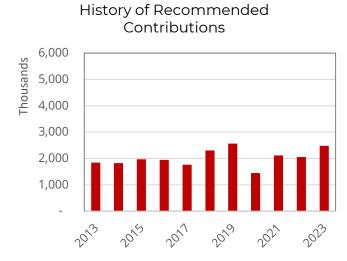
## **Reconciliation of Gain/Loss**

	December 31, 2023
Liability (Gain)/Loss	
1. Actuarial liability, beginning of prior year	\$138,031,121
2. Normal cost for prior year	1,702,756
3. Benefit payments	(8,582,797)
4. Expected Interest	9,480,973
5. Change in plan provisions	242,764
6. Change in assumptions	921,604
7. Expected actuarial liability, beginning of current year	\$141,796,421
8. Actual actuarial liability	143,803,463
9. Liability (Gain)/Loss, (8) – (7)	\$2,007,042
Asset (Gain)/Loss	
10. Actuarial value of assets, beginning of prior year	\$133,685,669
11. Contributions	3,036,738
12. Benefit payments	(8,582,797)
13. Expected Investment return	9,163,885
14. Expected actuarial value of assets, beginning of current year	\$137,303,495
15. Actual actuarial value of assets, beginning of current year	136,470,556
16. Asset (Gain)/Loss, (14) – (15)	\$832,939
Total (Gain)/Loss, (9) + (16)	\$2,839,981

#### **Development of Recommended Contribution**

The recommended contribution is the annual amount necessary to fund the plan according to funding policies and/or applicable laws.

	December 31, 2023
Funded Position	
1. Entry age accrued liability	\$143,803,463
2. Actuarial value of assets	136,470,556
3. Unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL)	\$7,332,907
Employer Contributions	
1. Normal Cost	
(a) Total normal cost	\$1,532,455
(b) Expected participant contributions	371,005
(c) Net normal cost	\$1,161,450
2. Administrative expenses	70,000
3. Amortization of UAAL	1,074,062
4. Interest	175,334
5. Total recommended contribution for February 2025	\$2,480,846
6. Covered payroll	\$7,824,145
Total Contribution as a percentage of covered payroll	31.71%
Net Normal Cost as a percentage of covered payroll	15.97%



History of Recommended Contributions (% of Payroll)





## **Schedule of Amortization Bases**

				Amortization
Date Established	Type	Remaining Period	Remaining Balance	Payment
	Initial Balance	3	42,767	15,231
12/31/2021	(Gain)/Loss	8	(2,265,083)	(354,513)
12/31/2021	Assumption Change	8	5,932,917	928,573
12/31/2022	(Gain)/Loss	9	267,443	38,363
12/31/2023	(Gain)/Loss	10	2,190,495	291,474
12/31/2023	Plan Change	10	921,604	122,631
12/31/2023	Assumption Change	10	242,764	32,303
Total			\$ 7,332,907	\$ 1,074,062

## Michigan PA 202 Reporting Requirements

#### December 31, 2023

Funding Assumptions Funded Ratio	Plan Assumptions	2023 State Treasury Uniform Assumptions
Interest Rate	7.00%	6.85%
interest Nate	7.00%	0.85%
	Pub-S 2010 with	Pub-S 2010 with
Mortality	MP-2021 Generational	MP-2021 Generational
	Improvement Scale	Improvement Scale
Accrued Liability	\$143,803,463	\$146,064,002
Market Value of Assets	\$131,045,302	\$131,045,302
Unfunded Accrued Liability, MVA Basis	\$12,758,161	\$15,018,700
Funded Percentage (MVA)	91.13%	89.72%
Underfunded Status	Not Underfunded	
Actuarially Determined Contribution, Payable During Fiscal Year 2023	\$2,118,615	\$2,495,521

The Actuarially Determined Contribution payable during 2023 is calculated as of December 31, 2021 and based on data, assumptions, and plan provisions summarized in the December 31, 2021 Actuarial Valuation Report. The Actuarially Determined Contribution under Uniform Assumptions is calculated using the same date, assumptions, plan provisions other than a 6.85% discount rate.



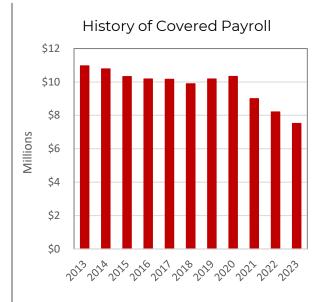
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- Plan Provisions
- Assumptions and Methods



## **Demographic Information**

The foundation of a reliable actuarial report is the participant information provided by the plan sponsor. Monitoring trends in demographic information is crucial for long-term pension planning.

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2023
Participant Counts		
Active Participants	71	62
Retired Participants	119	127
Beneficiaries	28	28
Disabled Participants	1	1
Terminated Vested Participants	4	4
Total Participants	223	222
Active Participant Demographics (Ongoing)		
Average Age	47.1	47.0
Average Service	19.9	20.0
Average Compensation	\$120,720	\$126,196
Total Covered Payroll	\$8,571,149	\$7,824,145



## **Demographic Information (continued)**

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2023
Retiree Statistics		
Average Age	66.9	66.9
Average Monthly Benefit	\$5,276	\$5,525
Beneficiary Statistics		
Average Age	67.4	68.4
Average Monthly Benefit	\$1,925	\$1,925
Disabled Participant Statistics		
Average Age	66.6	67.6
Average Monthly Benefit	\$4,035	\$4,035
Terminated Vested Participant Statistics		
Average Age	49.4	50.4
Average Monthly Benefit	\$1,859	\$1,859

Monitoring the average age of the population is important due to the relationship of actuarial cost to age. Generally speaking, an older population generates a higher actuarial cost.

Changes in the ratio of active to retired participants can be a significant driver of costs in a volatile asset market.



## **Participant Reconciliation**

	Active	Terminated Vested	Disabled	Retired	Beneficiaries	Totals
Prior Year	71	4	1	119	28	223
Active To Retired To Terminated Vested To Death	(9)			9		0
Terminated Vested To Retired Retired						
To Survivor To Death				(1)		(1)
Survivor To Death						
Additions Departures						
Current Year	62	4	1	127	28	222

## **Active Participant Schedule**

Active participant information grouped based on age and service.

	Years of Service									
Age Group	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 to 39	40 & Up	Tot
Under 25										C
25 to 29										C
30 to 34										C
35 to 39			3	3						6
40 to 44			1	8	4					1:
45 to 49				6	18	3				2
50 to 54			1		11					1:
55 to 59				2	2					4
60 to 64										C
65 to 69										C
70 & up										C
Total	0	0	5	19	35	3	0	0	0	6

#### **Plan Status**

Act 379 of the Public Acts of 1986 and most recently amended for Shelby Township Police Patrol Officers' Association effective January 1, 2013 and for Shelby Township Firefighters' Association effective December 31, 2014

#### **Eligibility for Participation**

Any full time permanent firefighters and police officers employed by the Township. The Plan is closed to new hires for Police Patrol and Fire.

#### **Accrual of Benefits**

A participant shall accumulate a benefit payable at normal retirement date based on credited service as of the date of determination and the accrual rate associated with their classification.

If a Command Officer (hired prior to April 1, 2014) decides to "opt out" of the Shelby Township Fire & Police Retirement System to instead participate in the Township's discretionary contribution plan for general employees, credited service accruals are frozen but average compensation will continue to accrue.

#### **Benefits**

#### **Normal Retirement**

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Benefit

Police 2.5% times Average Compensation times credited service (up to 25 years) plus 1% times Average Compensation times

credited service in excess of 25 years.

Fire If hired on or before August 18, 2010, 2.5% times Average Compensation times credited service (up to 25 years) plus

1% times Average Compensation times credited service in excess of 25 years capped at 5 additional years.

If hired after August 18, 2010, 2.25% times Average Compensation times credited service (up to 25 years) plus 1% times

Average Compensation times credited service in excess of 25 years capped at 5 additional years.

#### Death after Retirement Survivor's Pension

Eligibility Payable to surviving spouse of retired member receiving a single life annuity effective July 1, 1975 or later

Benefit 60% of the single life annuity the late retiree was receiving

#### **Death before Retirement In Line of Duty**

Eligibility Expiration of workers' compensation to the survivors of a member who died in the line of duty

Benefit Same amount paid by workers' compensation

#### **Death before Retirement Not In Line of Duty**

Eligibility Police Command and Fire Chief: 20 years of service

Fire: 10 years of service

Police Patrol: 8 years of service

Benefit Married participant: spouse will receive single life annuity actuarially reduced in accordance with Option I elected.

#### **Termination Benefit**

Eligibility *Police Patrol:* 8 years of service

All Others: 10 years of service

Benefit Accrued retirement benefit payable at participant's normal retirement date. If the participant terminates prior to

the service requirement a refund of the accumulated contributions with interest will be issued.

### **Disability Benefit In Line of Duty**

Eligibility Immediately upon total and permanent disability

Benefit 50% of Average Compensation up to age 55, then Normal Retirement Benefit with service credited from date of

disability to age 55

#### **Disability Benefit Not In Line of Duty**

Eligibility Police: 10 years of service and deemed to be totally and permanently disabled

Fire: 5 years of service and deemed to be totally and permanently disabled

Benefit Police Patrol: 2.0% times Average Compensation times credited service if less than 15 years, otherwise 2.5% times

Average Compensation

Police Command hired prior to July 1, 1995: 1.5% times Average Compensation times credited service if less than 15

years, otherwise 2.5% times Average Compensation

Police Command hired on or after July 1, 1995: 1.5% times Average Compensation times credited service if less than

15 years, otherwise 2.0% times Average Compensation

Fire Chief, and Fire: 1.5% times Average Compensation times credited service up to age 55, 2.0% times Average

Compensation times credited service beginning at age 55.

#### Compensation

*Police Patrol:* Compensation includes regular wages, overtime pay, longevity pay, holiday pay, unused sick leave in pay, compensatory time in pay, court time, show-up time, and accrued unused vacation.

Police Command hired prior to July 1, 1995: Compensation includes regular wages, overtime pay, longevity pay, holiday pay, unused sick leave in pay, compensatory time in pay, court time, show-up time, and accrued unused vacation.

Police Command hired after July 1, 1995: Compensation includes the base annual wage plus overtime.

Fire Chief: Compensation includes wages, overtime pay, longevity pay, and holiday pay earned while Chief. For time prior to appointment, compensation follows the definition for Fire hired on or before August 1, 2010.

Fire hired on or before August 1, 2010: Compensation includes base rate of pay, overtime pay, longevity pay, holiday pay, sick leave payments, and unused vacation.

Fire hired after August 1, 2010: Compensation is the base rate of pay only.

## **Average Compensation**

*Police Patrol:* Average Compensation is the average of the 3 highest amounts of the last 5 years preceding retirement.

*Police Command and Fire:* Average Compensation is the average of the 3 highest amounts of the last 10 years preceding retirement.

Fire Chief: Average Compensation is the average of the 3 highest amounts of the last 10 years preceding retirement.



#### **Credited Service**

For Vesting and Benefit Accrual

All years and completed months of continuous service with the Township of Shelby.

#### **Employee Contributions**

5% of gross pensionable compensation

#### **Payment Forms**

Normal Form

Single Participants: Single Life Annuity

Married Participants: Qualified Joint and 60% Survivor Annuity.

**Optional Forms** 

50% and 100% Joint and Survivor Annuity

#### **Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP)**

Eligibility Command Union Police Officers with 25 years of service

Benefit 95% of the original benefit for the duration of being in the DROP (up to 5 years)

## **Actuarial Equivalence**

Actuarial Equivalence will be computed using the valuation assumptions

#### **Plan Provisions Not Included**

We are not aware of any plan provisions not included in the valuation

## **Adjustments Made for Subsequent Events**

We are not aware of any event following the measurement date and prior to the date of this report that would materially impact the results of this report.

## **Changes since Prior Valuation**

Starting January 1, 2023, Command Officers are allowed to enter into the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP). The retirement rates for Command Officers were accelerated to reflect this plan change.



Except where otherwise indicated, the following assumptions were selected by the plan sponsor with the concurrence of the actuary. Prescribed assumptions are based on the requirements of the relevant law, the Internal Revenue Code, and applicable regulation. The actuary was not able to evaluate the prescribed assumptions for reasonableness for the purpose of the measurement.

Valuation Date December 31, 2023

Participant and Asset Information Collected as of December 31, 2023

Cost Method Individual Entry Age Cost Method % of pay

**Amortization Method**Changes in Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability amortized over 10-year closed layers.

Historical UAAL amortized over closed 5-year period.

**Asset Valuation Method** 25% Write-Up Method: Expected actuarial value of assets, adjusted by 25% of the

difference between expected actuarial value and actual market value.

**Interest Rates** (CO) 7.00% net of investment expenses

The interest rate is the long-term rate of return on assets. This assumption is supported by the investment mix of the plan assets and long-term capital market return assumptions.

Administrative Expenses Administrative expense load assumption of \$70,000

**Annual Pay Increases** (FE) Pay increases follow the schedule below:

The annual pay increase reflects a general salary inflation assumption of 3.50% and a merit

increase up to 4.00%.

These assumptions are based on the latest experience study with the general salary inflation assumption reviewed and updated for the December 31, 2023 valuation.

<u>Age</u>	Base Rate	Merit Rate
20	3.50%	4.00%
25	3.50%	4.00%
30	3.50%	2.50%
35	3.50%	1.00%
40	3.50%	1.00%
45	3.50%	0.50%
50	3.50%	0.25%
55	3.50%	0.00%
60	3.50%	0.00%



#### **Final Average Pay Adjustment**

#### **Mortality Rates** (FE)

Healthy & Disabled

#### Marital Status and Ages (FE)

#### Retirement Rates (FE)

#### Fire hired on or before August 18, 2010 and Fire Chief

6.0% increase at retirement

#### Police Command hired before July 1, 1995, and Police Patrol

5.0% increase at retirement

## Fire hired after August 18, 2010 and Police Command hired after July 1, 1995

No adjustment

Pub-2010 Public Safety base table projected using fully generation improvements based on the Society of Actuaries' MP-2021 projection scale.

As the plan is not large enough to have credible experience, mortality assumptions are set to reflect general population trends.

100% of Participants assumed to be married with wives assumed to be 3 years younger than husbands.

Rates are based on years of service for everyone except Fire Chief and Police Command.

<u>Rate</u>
40%
25%
100%

Rates for Police Command are based on years of service

<u>Service</u>	<u>Rate</u>
25-29 years	50%
30+ years	1009

Rates for Fire Chief are based on age and service.

<u>Age</u>	<u>Service</u>	Rate
50-54	25 years	40%
50-54	26+ years	25%
55+	30+ years	1009

The retirement rate assumption is based on the latest experience study reviewed and updated for the December 31, 2023 valuation. The rates for Police Command were updated as of December 31, 2023 to reflect the DROP provisions.



## **Disability Rates** (FE)

Rates are based on age and gender. Sample rates are below.

<u>Age</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
20	0.07%	0.03%
25	0.09%	0.05%
30	0.10%	0.07%
35	0.14%	0.13%
40	0.21%	0.19%
45	0.32%	0.28%
50	0.52%	0.45%
55	0.92%	0.76%
60	1.53%	1.10%

The disability rate assumption is based on the latest experience study reviewed and updated for the December 31, 2015 valuation.

#### Withdrawal Rates (FE)

Rates are based on age and service. Sample rates are below.

<u>Age</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Rate</u>
ALL	0	10.0%
ALL	1	4.2%
ALL	2	3.0%
ALL	3	2.4%
ALL	4	2.1%
25	5+	2.1%
30	5+	1.7%
35	5+	0.9%
40	5+	0.4%
45	5+	0.3%
50	5+	0.3%
55	5+	0.3%

The withdrawal rate assumption is based on the latest experience study reviewed and updated for the December 31, 2015 valuation.

## **Changes since Prior Valuation**

- Annual Pay Increases and Retirement Rate assumptions were updated as a result of the most recent experience study conducted in 2023.
- An administrative expense load of \$70,000 was added to the recommended contribution



#### **Other Measurements**

## Low-Default-Risk Obligation Measure (LDROM)

For reports issued after February 15, 2023 the Plan's actuary is generally required to disclose liabilities under an alternative low-default-risk based discount rate. This LDROM liability measure represents the estimated asset value as of the measurement date the Plan would need in order to purchase a low-default-risk fixed income securities portfolio with durations that are reasonably consistent with the timing of benefits expected to be paid from the plan.

	December 31, 2023
LDROM liability	\$ (184,451,458)
Market value of assets	<u>\$ 131,045,302</u>
LDROM funded status	\$ (53,406,156)

The LDROM liability and funded status is for informational purposes only. The plan sponsor has no requirements to contribute to the Plan to meet this threshold, and the funded status on this basis is not reported to any government agency or used for any restrictions.

If Plan assets are invested to earn in excess of a fixed income portfolio, a shortfall on this basis may not necessarily mean the security of participant benefits is at risk. If the plan is fully funded, or nearly fully funded, on the LDROM measure, the plan sponsor may want to consider reducing investment risk in order to offer greater benefit security and lower contribution volatility. We did not perform an analysis of assumption or provision changes resulting from a potential shift in investment policy due to the limited scope of our engagement.

The above LDROM liability measure applies a single effective discount rate of 4.79%. This is the single effective discount rate that would produce approximately the same discounted cashflows as the FTSE Pension Liability Curve as of December 31, 2023. All other data, assumptions, methods and provisions are the same as those detailed in this report.

While intended to be a market consistent measure, the above funded status is not appropriate for assessing the plan's sufficiency to settle plan obligations.