## **Checklist for Retirement Readiness**

## **Financial Planning**

- Experts suggest you will need approximately 70% of your current income annually to retire comfortably
- Prepare a budget in preparation of retirement
- Get an estimate from PERs
- Get an estimate from Social Security
- Is there a move in your future?
- Will you move out of state? What tax ramifications would exist?
- Review your IRAs-are you able to access them without penalty?
- Talk with a financial planner

## **Time Concerns**

- Are you emotionally /physically ready to leave the position?
- What will you do with your time? Travel? Volunteer? Take courses?
- Will you be working in addition to your retirement? How much?
- Do you have family obligations that may limit your time?

## **Healthcare Concerns**

- Do you qualify for retiree health benefits?
- Are you 65 and eligible for Medicare? (<u>www.medicare.gov</u>)
- Do you need long term care insurance? Can you afford it?
- Are there any state or county programs you may be eligible for?
- If you plan to relocate, make sure your healthcare plan is accepted.



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