



City of Seattle

Seattle Human Resources

Kimberly Loving, Interim Director

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Re: Make Your 2023 Benefits Changes by Friday, October 21

**Open Enrollment
Ends at 5:00 pm on Oct. 21**

Dear Fire Fighters Local 27 Member:

Maintaining your health and well-being is vital; now more than ever. The City offers employees and families wide-ranging benefit choices that support health and financial well-being. Open Enrollment is a time to evaluate your needs for 2023 and make changes to your benefit selections. Open Enrollment begins at 8:00 am on Monday, October 3, and ends at 5:00 pm on Friday, October 21, 2022.

No action is required to continue your current benefits for 2023 unless you want to enroll or re-enroll in a Flexible Spending Account (FSA).

Your Employee Self-Service (ESS) Considerations:

- Enroll/re-enroll in an FSA.** To set aside pre-tax money for a 2023 Health Care or Dependent Care (Daycare) FSA, you **must re-enroll** during Open Enrollment. Your current FSA election does not roll over from one year to the next. For plan information, go to <http://bit.ly/mostFSA>.
- Update your beneficiaries.** Review your Life and AD&D insurance beneficiaries on ESS.

See the next page for 2023 plan changes and enrollment instructions. For more details, go to the *Open Enrollment Highlights* at <http://bit.ly/benhome1>.

Deadline Notice: To set up an FSA or make benefit changes for 2023, you must do so by **5:00 pm on Friday, October 21** through Employee Self-Service.

Document your 2023 benefit choices: print or take a snapshot of your “**Summary of Open Enrollment Elections**” in Employee Self-Service and compare it with the 2023 benefits statement you’ll receive in January. For questions, please contact your department’s benefits representative (<http://bit.ly/benhome1>).

Sincerely,

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Benefits Manager

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Plan Changes for All Employees*, effective January 1, 2023

Flexible Spending Accounts

Health FSA	Increasing maximum contribution from \$2,750 to \$2,850. Decreasing carryover from unlimited to \$550 if there is a minimum balance of \$120 in 2023.
Day Care FSA	Decreasing carryover from unlimited to \$0.

* See the *Open Enrollment Highlights* at <http://bit.ly/benhome1> for additional details.

Enroll Online

Please **do not** wait until the last day to make your online changes.

<i>From home or City computer</i>	ess.seattle.gov	Select "Login to ESS"	After logging in, choose "Open Enrollment" under <i>Benefits</i>
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