A tradition of strengt strength

hat is the value of **OPERS?** The **OPERS** tradition of strength has and will continue to provide secure retirements for Ohio's public employees. Throughout your life, you seek expert guidance from doctors, pharmacists, mechanics your retirement funds should be handled the same way. The business of pensions can be complex. With your OPERS membership, your contributions are invested for you during your working years—by investment experts.

What OPERS-provided retirement security was for Traditional Pension Plan retirees in 2017:

> Average pension at year end =

\$27,192

Average age at year end =

70.4

Average service at retirement =

23.1 years

Good for employees

OPERS' Traditional Pension Plan and Combined Plan members have exceptional retirement opportunities:



Access to health care



Voluntary additional payments



Turnkey handling of pension benefits—no need to become an investment expert

Good for Ohio



OPERS invests \$1.3 billion in Ohiobased companies. For every dollar paid by public employers, the Ohio

economy had a \$3.41 return on that More than investment. 2/3 of pension payments come Fixed Income from OPERS \$24.269 investment returns **Domestic Equities** \$20.923 Cash and Cash **OPERS reduces** Equivalents investment risk \$4.626 by investing in Real Estate Derivatives, Risk Parity, GTAA and \$7.586 different areas: Hedge Funds \$14.227 **Private Equity** \$9.293 **International Equities** \$20.059 (\$ in billions)

OPERS payments =



\$5.8 billion pension payments

\$1.0 billion retiree health care payments

OPERS =



3 pension plans

Over 80 years of tradition

1,118,199 member accounts

3,683 contributing employers

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