ANNUAL FUNDING NOTICE
MID-AMERICA CARPENTERS REGIONAL COUNCIL PENSION FUND

Introduction

This notice provides key details about your multiemployer pension plan, the Mid-America Carpenters Regional Council Pension Fund (the "Plan"), for the plan year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026 ("Plan Year").

This is an informational notice. You do not need to respond or take any action.

This notice includes:

- Information about your Plan's funding status.
- Details on your benefit payments guaranteed by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC), a federal insurance agency.

What if I have questions about this notice, my Plan, or my benefits?

Contact your plan administrator at:

- Breanna Radtke, Administrator
- Phone: (312) 787-9455
- Address: 12 East Erie Street, Chicago, IL 60611
- Email: administration@macbenefits.org

To better assist you, provide your plan administrator with the following information when you contact them:

- **Plan Number**: 001
- **Plan Sponsor Name**: Board of Trustees of the Mid-America Carpenters Regional Council Pension Fund
- **Employer Identification Number**: 36-6130207

Este aviso incluye información en inglés sobre su Plan. Si usted necesita asistencia en español para poder entender cualquier parte de este aviso, por favor llame a la Oficina del Fondo al número (312) 787-9455 y pregunte por un representante que hable español.

What if I have questions about PBGC and the pension insurance program guarantees?

Visit www.pbgc.gov/prac/multiemployer for more information. For specific information about your pension plan or pension benefits, you should contact your employer or plan administrator as PBGC does not have that information.

Federal law requires all traditional pension plans, also known as defined benefit pension plans, to provide this notice every year regardless of funding status. This notice does not mean your Plan is terminating.

Plan Merger

The Indiana/Kentucky/Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters Pension Fund ("IKORCC Fund") (EIN 51-6123713; Plan Number 001) merged into the Plan on June 30, 2026. As required by law, this notice includes certain Plan information as it existed prior to the effective date of the merger. Except where specifically noted, such information does not reflect the assets, liabilities and participant information of the IKORCC Fund, or any other plan that merged into the Plan after July 1, 2025, because the assets, liabilities and participants of the IKORCC Fund were not part of the Plan before the merger.

How Well Funded Is Your Plan?

The law requires the Plan's administrator to explain how well the Plan is funded, using a measure called the "funded percentage." The funded percentage is calculated by dividing Plan assets by Plan liabilities. In general, the higher the percentage, the better funded the plan. The chart below shows the Plan's funded percentage for the Plan Year and the two preceding plan years. It also lists the value of the Plan's assets and liabilities for those years.

Funded Percentage			
	2025 Plan Year	2024 Plan Year	2023 Plan Year
Valuation Date	July 1, 2025	July 1, 2024	July 1, 2023
Funded Percentage	99.1%	100.1%	99.6%
Value of Assets	$6,162,925,769	$5,392,315,331	$5,265,883,274
Value of Liabilities	$6,213,291,377	$5,382,782,312	$5,289,242,001

Year-End Fair Market Value of Assets

To provide further insight into the Plan's financial position, the chart below shows the fair market value of the Plan's assets on the last day of the Plan Year and each of the two preceding plan years as compared to the actuarial value of the Plan's assets on June 30th.

- **Actuarial values (shown in the chart above)** account for market fluctuations over time. Unlike market values, actuarial values do not change daily with stock or market shifts.
- **Market values (shown in the chart below)** fluctuate based on investment performance, providing a more immediate snapshot of the plan's funding status.

	06/30/2026	06/30/2025	06/30/2024
Fair Market Value of Assets	$9,113,975,785	$6,223,523,933	$5,235,875,106

Endangered, Critical, or Critical and Declining Status

Under federal pension law, a plan's funding status determines the steps a plan must take to strengthen its finances and continue paying benefits:

- **Endangered:** The plan's funded percentage drops below 80 percent. The plan's trustees must adopt a funding improvement plan.
- **Critical:** The plan's funded percentage falls below 65 percent or meets other financial distress criteria. The plan's trustees must implement a rehabilitation plan.
- **Critical and Declining:** A plan in critical status is also designated as critical and declining if projected to become insolvent—meaning it will no longer have enough assets to pay out benefits—within 15 years (or within 20 years under a special rule). The plan's trustees must continue to implement the rehabilitation plan. The plan's sponsor may seek approval to amend the plan, including reducing current and future benefits.

The Plan was not in endangered, critical, or critical and declining status in the Plan Year.

Participant and Beneficiary Information

The following chart shows the number of participants and beneficiaries covered by the Plan on the last day of the Plan Year and the two preceding plan years. The numbers for the Plan Year reflect the plan administrator's reasonable, good faith estimate.

Number of participants and beneficiaries on last day of relevant plan year	2025 Plan Year*	2024 Plan Year	2023 Plan Year
1. Last day of plan year	June 30, 2026	June 30, 2025	June 30, 2024
2. Participants currently employed	16,954	11,246	10,902
3. Participants and beneficiaries receiving benefits	24,095	17,014	15,763
4. Participants and beneficiaries entitled to future benefits (but not receiving benefits)	12,284	9,363	8,501
5. Total number of covered participants and beneficiaries (Lines 2 + 3 + 4 = 5)	53,333	37,623	35,166

* Participant counts as of June 30, 2026 are estimated. They reflect the merger of the Indiana/Kentucky/Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters Pension Fund.

Funding & Investment Policies

Funding Policy

Every pension plan must have a procedure to establish a funding policy for plan objectives. The funding policy relates to how much money is needed to pay promised benefits. The funding policy of the Plan consists of the following: maintaining a funding standard account pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code ("Code"); implementing funding measures required under the Code; maintaining an investment policy that is intended, within acceptable levels of volatility, to generate investment returns over the long term that equal or exceed the Plan's actuarial assumed rate of return; monitoring the balance in the funding standard account and the Plan's funded status as reflected in the annual valuation report prepared by an enrolled actuary. In addition to investment returns, the Plan is funded by contributions made by employers pursuant to collective bargaining agreements with the unions that represent the Plan's participants.

Investment Policy

Pension plans also have investment policies. These generally are written guidelines or general instructions for making investment management decisions. The investment policy of the Plan requires the Trustees of the Plan to establish investment guidelines but delegates to investment professionals specific decisions regarding the purchase and sale of securities. Under the policy, Plan assets are managed solely in the interests of the Plan's participants and beneficiaries and in full compliance with all applicable laws, including the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"). Plan assets are invested primarily in a balanced and diversified mix of equities, fixed income securities, private market investments, like real estate, and cash equivalents, including commingled accounts that invest in such asset classes, and such other assets as may be appropriate.

As of the end of the Plan Year, the Plan's assets were allocated among the following investment categories as percentages of total assets:

	Asset Allocations	Percentage
1.	Cash (interest and non-interest bearing)	7.8%
2.	U.S. Government securities	1.8%
3.	Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities): Preferred All other	 1.5%
4.	Corporate stocks (other than employer securities): Preferred Common	
5.	Partnership / joint venture interests	15.2%
6.	Real estate (other than employer real property)	
7.	Loans (other than to participants)	
8.	Participant loans	
9.	Value of interest in common and collective trusts	68.7%
10.	Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	
11.	Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	
12.	Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	
13.	Value of interest in registered investment companies, like mutual funds	4.9%
14.	Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	
15.	Employer-related investments: Employer securities Employer real property	
16.	Buildings and other property used in plan operation	
17.	Other	0.1%

For information about the Plan's investment in any of the following types of investments—common/collective trusts, pooled separate accounts, or 103-12 investment entities—contact the Plan Administrator at the address and telephone number shown at the beginning of this notice.

The return on assets for the Plan Year ended June 30, 2026 was estimated to be 14.5%.

Events Having a Material Effect on Assets or Liabilities

By law, this notice must include an explanation of any new events that materially affect the Plan's liabilities or assets. These events could affect the Plan's financial health or its ability to meet its obligations.

All assets and liabilities of the Carpenters' Pension Trust Fund of Kansas City ("Kansas City Fund") (EIN 43-6108379; Plan Number 001) were merged into this Plan effective September 30, 2026. It is anticipated that the merger will not significantly change the Plan's funded status.

All assets and liabilities of the Pension Plan of Carpenters' Pension Trust Fund of St. Louis ("St. Louis Plan") (EIN 43-1622970; Plan Number 001) were merged into this Plan effective September 30, 2026. It is anticipated that the merger will not significantly change the Plan's funded status.

All assets and liabilities of the Southwest Ohio Regional Council of Carpenters Pension Plan ("SW Ohio Plan") (EIN 31-6127287; Plan Number 001) are expected to be merged into this Plan effective December 31, 2026. It is anticipated that the merger will not significantly change the Plan's funded status.

Future notices will include Plan information that reflects the mergers mentioned above.

Right to Request a Copy of the Annual Report

Pension plans must file an annual report, called the **Form 5500**, with the U.S. Department of Labor. The Form 5500 includes financial and other information about these pension plans.

You can get a copy of your Plan's Form 5500:

- **Online:** Visit https://www.efast.dol.gov/ to search for your Plan's Form 5500.
- **By Mail:** Submit a written request to your plan administrator.
- **By Phone:** Call 202-693-8673 to speak with a representative of the U.S. Department of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration's Public Disclosure Room.

The Form 5500 does not include personal information, such as your accrued benefits. For details about your accrued benefits, contact your plan administrator.

Summary of Rules Governing Insolvent Plans

Federal law has a number of special rules that apply to financially troubled multiemployer plans that become insolvent, either as ongoing plans or plans terminated by mass withdrawal. The plan administrator is required by law to include a summary of these rules in the annual funding notice. A plan is insolvent for a plan year if its available financial resources are not sufficient to pay benefits when due for that plan year. An insolvent plan must reduce benefit payments to the highest level that can be paid from the plan's available resources. If such resources are not enough to pay benefits at the level specified by law (see Benefit Payments Guaranteed by PBGC, below), the plan must apply to PBGC for financial assistance. PBGC will loan the plan the amount necessary to pay benefits at the guaranteed level. Reduced benefits may be restored if the plan's financial condition improves.

A plan that becomes insolvent must provide prompt notice of its status to participants and beneficiaries, contributing employers, labor unions representing participants, and PBGC. In addition, participants and beneficiaries also must receive information regarding whether, and how, their benefits will be reduced or affected, including loss of a lump sum option.

Benefit Payments Guaranteed by PBGC

Only vested benefits—those that you've earned and cannot forfeit—are guaranteed.

What PBGC Guarantees

PBGC guarantees “basic benefits” including:

- Pension benefits at normal retirement age.
- Most early retirement benefits.
- Annuity benefits for survivors of plan participants.
- Disability benefits for disabilities that occurred before the earlier of the date the plan terminated or the sponsor’s bankruptcy date.

What PBGC Does Not Guarantee

PBGC does not guarantee certain types of benefits, including:

- A participant’s pension benefit or benefit increase until it has been part of the plan for 60 full months. Any month in which the multiemployer plan was insolvent or terminated due to mass withdrawal does not count toward this 60-month requirement.
- Any benefits above the normal retirement benefit.
- Disability benefits in non-pay status.
- Non-pension benefits, such as health insurance, life insurance, death benefits, vacation pay, or severance pay.

Determining Guarantee Amounts

The maximum benefit PBGC guarantees is set by law. Your plan is covered by PBGC’s multiemployer program. The maximum PBGC guarantee is $35.75 per month, multiplied by a participant's years of credited service.

PBGC guarantees a monthly benefit based on the plan’s monthly benefit accrual rate and your years of credited service. The guarantee is calculated as follows:

1. Take 100 percent of the first $11 of the Plan's monthly benefit accrual rate.
2. Take 75 percent of the next $33 of the accrual rate.
3. Add both amounts together.
4. Multiply the total by your years of credited service to determine your guaranteed monthly benefit.

Example 1: Participant with a $600 Monthly Benefit and 10 Years of Service.

1. Find the accrual rate: $600/10 = $60 accrual rate.
2. Apply PBGC formula:
   Take 100 percent of the first $11= $11
   Take 75 percent of the next $33 = $24.75
3. Add the two amounts together: $11 + $24.75 = $35.75
4. Multiply by years of credited service: $35.75 x 10 years = $357.50

In this example, the participant's guaranteed monthly benefit is $357.50.

Example 2: Participant with a $200 Monthly Benefit and 10 Years of Service.

1. Find the accrual rate: $200/10 = $20 accrual rate.
2. Apply PBGC formula:
   Take 100 percent of the first $11= $11
   Take 75 percent of the next $9 = $6.75
3. Add the two amounts together: $11 + $6.75 = $17.75
4. Multiply by years of credited service: $17.75 x 10 years = $177.50

In this example, the participant's guaranteed monthly benefit is $177.50.