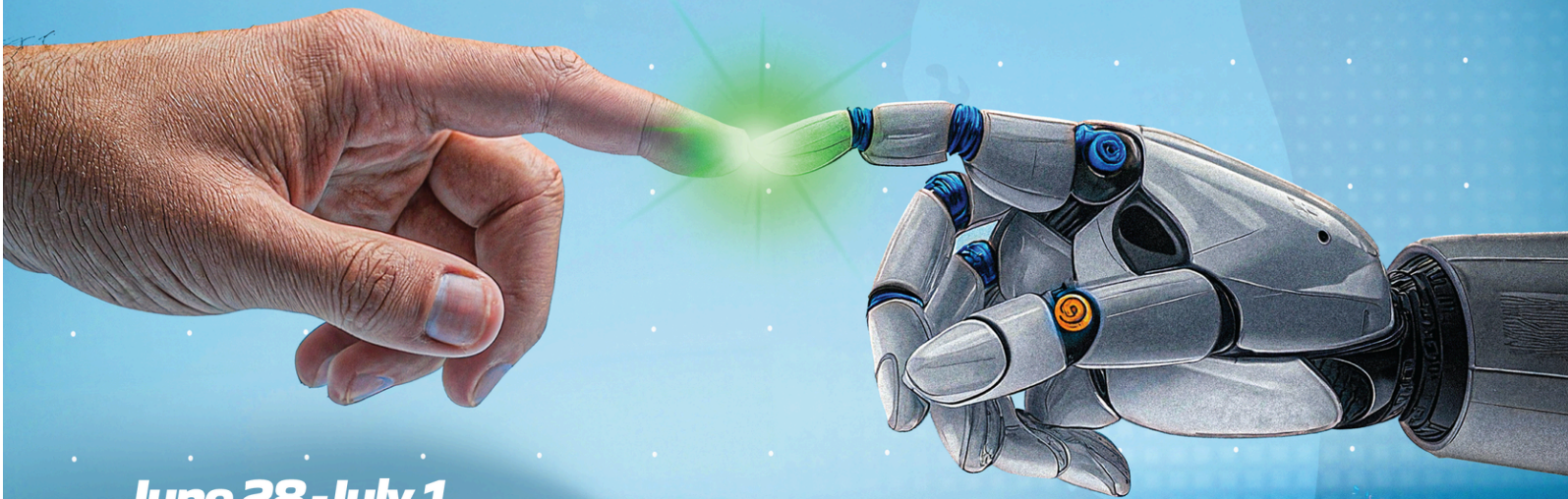


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# Schedule of Events

## Saturday

June 27, 2026

**2:00 - 5:00 PM**

Board of Directors Meeting  
*Tarpon Meeting Room*

## Sunday

June 28, 2026

**8:00 AM**

Annual Associates Charitable Golf Classic  
*Hawks Landing Golf Course*

**12:00 - 5:00 PM**

Exhibitors Move In  
*Oceans Ballroom 1 - 6*

**3:00 - 6:30 PM**

Event Registration  
*Oceans Ballroom Foyer*

**5:00 - 7:00 PM**

Welcome Gathering in Exhibit Hall

**6:00 PM Raffle Drawing**

*Oceans Ballroom 1 - 6*

## Monday

June 29, 2026

**7:00 - 8:00 AM**

Continental Breakfast  
Exhibit Hall  
*Oceans Ballroom 1 - 6*

**7:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

Registration Open  
*Oceans Ballroom Foyer*

**8:00 - 9:15 AM**

Exhibit Hall Closed for Opening Ceremonies

**9:30 AM - 12:30 PM**

Board of Directors Election Booth Open

**10:45 - 11:45 AM**

Morning Refreshment Break  
Exhibit Hall  
*Oceans Ballroom 1 - 6*

**12:30 - 2:00 PM**

Break for Lunch [On Your Own]  
Exhibit Hall Closed

**2:00 - 5:00 PM**

Board of Directors Election Booth Open

**4:00 - 5:00 PM**

Afternoon Refreshment Break & Raffle  
Exhibit Hall  
*Oceans Ballroom 1 - 6*

## Tuesday

June 30, 2026

**7:00 - 8:00 AM**

Continental Breakfast  
Exhibit Hall  
*Oceans Ballroom 1 - 6*

**7:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

Registration Open  
*Oceans Ballroom Foyer*

**7:00 AM - 12:30 PM**

Board of Directors Election Booth Open  
*(12:30 PM Voting Ends)*

**10:30 - 11:30 AM**

Morning Refreshment Break  
Exhibit Hall  
*Oceans Ballroom 1 - 6*

**12:30 - 2:00 PM**

Break for Lunch [On Your Own]  
Exhibit Hall Closed

**12:30 - 2:00 PM**

Board of Directors Meeting  
*Tarpon Meeting Room*

**2:00 PM**

Board of Directors Election *(Results Posted Near Registration)*

**2:00 - 7:00 PM**

Exhibitors Break-Down

**3:00 - 4:00 PM**

General Membership Meeting  
Followed by Raffle Drawing  
*Oceans Ballroom 7 - 12*

**4:00 - 5:00 PM**

Afternoon Refreshment Break  
*Oceans Ballroom 7 - 12*

## Wednesday

July 1, 2026

**7:30 - 8:30 AM**

Continental Breakfast  
*Oceans Ballroom Foyer*

## Name Badges

Both you and your guest must be registered with the FPPTA in advance.

A name badge is required for entry into the General Session and Exhibit Hall.



# Message from the CEO

Dear Conference Attendees,

Welcome to the 42nd Annual Conference! We are excited to have you join us for what promises to be an engaging, informative, and memorable event.

This conference provides a wonderful opportunity to connect with colleagues, build new relationships, and strengthen our professional community. Be sure to spend time in the exhibit hall, which serves as the hub of networking and collaboration throughout the conference. We encourage you to visit our exhibitors, reconnect with familiar faces, and meet new friends and partners.

Our general sessions and keynote speakers are sure to inspire and inform, offering valuable insights and fresh perspectives that you will not want to miss. On Tuesday, we also plan to add a little fun to the schedule with our “Morning Show” and the presentation of the BOT during the “Tech Talk” segment. We hope these special events bring both energy and enjoyment to your conference experience.

We encourage you to take full advantage of everything the conference has to offer and make the most of your time here. Thank you for being part of our 42nd Annual Conference, and we look forward to a fantastic event together.

Warm regards,

*Kimberlie E. Prior*

Kimberlie E. Prior, Chief Executive Officer, CPPT, TLC



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**Monday, June 29, 2026**

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM - Breakfast - Oceans Ballroom 1 - 6  
7:00 AM - 3:00 PM - Registration - Oceans Ballroom Foyer

★ Check-In  
★ Check-Out

All Sessions today will be in the Oceans Ballroom 7 - 12

8:00 - 9:15 AM

★ 7:45 AM Check-In

**Opening Ceremonies**

**Presentation of Colors**

**Orange County Fire Rescue Honor Guard**

**Conference Welcome Address**

**Dwight Mattingly**, *Chairman of Board of Directors*

**State of the FPPTA**

**Kim Prior**, *Chief Executive Officer*

**Board of Directors Election**

**Ken Harrison**, *Chairman of Election Committee*

**Raymond T. Edmondson Service Awards**

**Kim Prior**, *Chief Executive Officer*

**Raymond T. Edmondson Scholarship Awards**

**Chris Spencer**, *Chairman of Scholarship Committee*

**Certified Public Pension Trustee (CPPT) Awards**

**Kim Prior**, *Chief Executive Officer*

**Sean McKinstry**, *Director of Education*

**Trustee Leadership Council (TLC) Awards**

**Peter Hapgood**, *Senior Education Consultant*

**MJ Chwalik**, *Chief Operating Officer*

9:15 - 9:45 AM

**Shaping the Future: Communication, Innovation, and Technology**

**Dave Keeling**

*Master of Ceremonies*

9:45 - 10:45 AM

**The Human Edge: Emotional Intelligence Practices that Power Performance**

**Tara Renze**

*Emotional Intelligence Expert & Author*

*"Be Who You Came to Be"*



The Human Edge equips leaders and teams with the emotional intelligence practices that elevate performance in a rapidly changing world. As technology accelerates and pressure intensifies, the ability to regulate emotions, navigate conflict, and build trust becomes the true competitive advantage.

This keynote delivers practical, actionable EQ strategies that strengthen self-awareness, resilience, and influence under pressure. Because in the age of artificial intelligence, emotional intelligence is what sets people and organizations apart.





# Monday Afternoon, June 29, 2026

7:00 AM - 3:00 PM - Registration - Oceans Ballroom Foyer

◆ Check-In

◆ Check-Out

10:45 - 11:45 AM

## Morning Break - Exhibit Hall - Oceans Ballroom 1 - 6

11:45 - 12:30 PM

### What's Happening with the Global Economy



**Dr. Mary Kelly**

*FPPTA Economist & Leadership Expert*



**Jeffrey Schulze**

*ClearBridge Investments*

Join two of FPPTA's most trusted and engaging presenters, Dr. Mary Kelly and Jeffrey Schulze, as they provide a timely and insightful overview of the global economic landscape. In this session, members will gain a clearer understanding of current market conditions, key economic trends, and the factors shaping the outlook for the months ahead.

This session will equip attendees with valuable perspective to better navigate uncertainty and make informed decisions in an evolving global environment.

12:30 - 2:00 PM

## Lunch - On Your Own

2:00 - 3:15 PM

### How are the Capital Markets Responding?



**Dr. Mary Kelly** - Moderator

**Geoff Gerber**, *Twin Capital Management*

**Jeffrey Detwiler**, *Garcia Hamilton & Associates*

**Kurt Wood**, *DRZ Investment Advisors*

**Laura Stolfi**, *Nuveen*

In today's rapidly changing environment, understanding how capital markets are reacting is critical for informed decision-making. This session will provide valuable perspective across key asset classes, including equities, fixed income, non-U.S. markets, and private markets. Members will gain insight into how these segments are adapting to shifting economic conditions, evolving risks, and emerging opportunities.

Moderated by newly appointed FPPTA Economist, Dr. Mary Kelly, this discussion will translate complex market dynamics into practical takeaways for public pension trustees, helping them better position their portfolios in an ever-changing global landscape.



◆ 1:45 PM Check-In



Monday Afternoon, June 29, 2026

- ★ Check-In
- ★ Check-Out

3:15 - 4:00 PM



**The Learning Pit**  
**Dave Keeling**

*Inspirational Learning, UK*

Take a closer look at how Dave Keeling brings his expertise to life in this engaging and highly practical session. Dave will share proven methods for improving teamwork and communication skills that are essential not only for effective trusteeship, but for success in any professional or personal setting.

Drawing on his experience traveling the world and training adult learners, Dave combines real-world insight with a dynamic, humorous approach that makes learning both impactful and enjoyable. Members will leave with actionable strategies to enhance collaboration, strengthen relationships, and navigate challenges with greater confidence.

4:00 PM

**Afternoon Break & Daily Raffle - Exhibit Hall - Oceans Ballroom 1 - 6**

★ 4:00 PM  
Check-Out

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◆ Check-Out

All Sessions Today will be in the Oceans Ballroom 7 - 12

**8:00 - 9:30 AM**

◆ **7:45 AM**  
Check-In

**The FPPTA Morning Show**

**Dave Keeling** - Host

Featured Guests

- Kim Prior**, *Chief Executive Officer*
- MJ Chwalik**, *Chief Operating Officer*
- Sean McKinstry**, *Director of Education*
- Phyllis Shaw**, *TLC Committee Chair*
- Fred Nesbitt**, *Media Consultant*



Welcome to the FPPTA Good Morning Show - first introduced to the membership at the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference a decade ago and now back with an updated and forward-looking perspective. This engaging and interactive session will highlight the future vision of the FPPTA as it continues to take pride in its mission to excel in Public Pension Trustee Education.

Hosted in a lively "Morning Show" format by Dave Keeling, the session will feature interviews with FPPTA staff, providing important updates on the organization, including enhancements to the FPPTA website, developments in the new FPPTA and CEU curriculum, and a report on the historic first meeting of the FPPTA Leadership Council.

Blending information with energy and creativity, this session offers attendees a unique opportunity to stay informed while experiencing the innovation and momentum driving the FPPTA forward.

**9:30 - 10:30 AM**



**Shaping the Future: Technology & Resources**

- Don Trone**, *CEO, Behavioral Governance Institute*
- Matthew Bertram**, *CTO & Entrepreneur*



Join Don and Matthew for an exciting look at the latest technology innovations emerging from the new TLC Program, launched in the fall of 2024. This interactive session will showcase how these advancements are being integrated into FPPTA's Trustee Education Programs, offering members a firsthand look at the future of learning.

Participants will experience how technology is enhancing engagement, improving accessibility, and transforming the way trustees receive education and training. As a first-of-its-kind, groundbreaking approach within the public pension industry, this session highlights FPPTA's continued commitment to innovation and excellence in Trustee Education.

**10:30 - 11:30 AM**

**Morning Break - Exhibit Hall - Oceans Ballroom 1 - 6**



# Tuesday Afternoon, June 30, 2026

7:00 AM - 3:00 PM - [Registration](#) - Oceans Ballroom Foyer

- ◆ Check-In
- ◆ Check-Out

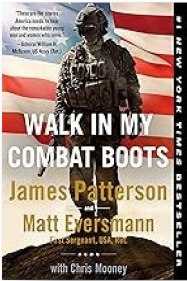
## General Session - Oceans Ballroom 7 - 12

11:30 - 12:30 PM

### Strategic Shock: Leadership Lessons for Public Trustees from Black Hawk Down

**First Sergeant Matt Eversman**

*Documentarian*



First Sergeant Matt Eversmann is a highly decorated retired Army Ranger veteran of the Battle of Mogadishu, Somalia (the battle made famous by best selling book & movie "Black Hawk Down") and the Iraq War surge. During his 20-year military career, he served as an Infantry Company First Sergeant, served as an Operations Sergeant at the US Army War College, and also as a leadership instructor at Johns Hopkins University.



Since retiring in 2008, First Sergeant Eversmann has become a consultant with his own firm "Eversmann Advisory," an Emmy-winning documentarian, and multi-time New York Times bestselling author alongside James Patterson.

12:30 - 2:00 PM

## Lunch - On Your Own

2:00 - 3:00 PM

### Elimination of Local Property Tax: Legislative Referendum

**Dwight Mattingly**, *Chairman of Board of Directors*  
**Paul O'Connell**, *TLC Communications Committee Chair*

**Jeff Branch**, *Florida League of Cities*  
**Lauren Bush**, *Florida League of Cities*



This important session will examine the proposed legislative referendum focused on the elimination of local property taxes and its potential impact on municipalities across the State of Florida. As this initiative raises significant concerns about the reduction of local revenues, the discussion will highlight the unintended consequences such changes could have on essential municipal services and long-term financial stability.

Attendees will gain insight into how this issue may affect public pension systems and local governance, as well as the broader implications for communities statewide. The FPPTA has been actively engaged on this issue, working closely with the Florida League of Cities, a key resource in understanding and addressing the challenges associated with this proposal.

3:00 - 4:00 PM

## General Membership Meeting

4:00 PM

## Afternoon Break & Daily Raffle - Exhibit Hall - Oceans Ballroom 7 - 12

◆ 4:00 PM Check-Out



Wednesday, July 1, 2026

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM - Breakfast - Oceans Ballroom Foyer

- ★ Check-In
- ★ Check-Out

General Session - Oceans Ballroom 7 - 12

8:30 - 8:45 AM



**Opening Comments**  
**Kim Prior**, *Chief Executive Officer*

8:45 - 10:00 AM

★ 10:00 AM Check-Out



**Embrace the Shake**  
**Phil Hansen** - *Artist*

For the tens of millions who have seen Phil's art on TV and online, it's hard to imagine that his artistic journey nearly came to an end when a tremor developed in his drawing hand.

In exploring new ways to create art, Phil discovered that by embracing his shake, limitations could become the passageway to creativity.

His inspirational story was first shared on the TED stage to a standing ovation, and then shared around the world including on PBS, BBC and CBC. Phil's ability to draw parallels to the business setting has gained him followers among industry and business leaders, leading to invitations to speak at the TED conference, Adobe MAX Creativity Conference, World Summit of Nobel Peace Laureates, and the Million Dollar Round Table.



# Raymond T. Edmondson Scholarship Award



The FPPTA is proud to announce the Raymond T. Edmondson Scholarship Award, established in 2019 to honor the outstanding leadership and enduring legacy of Raymond T. Edmondson. As the founding CEO of the FPPTA, Mr. Edmondson guided the organization from its inception in 1984 until his retirement in 2014, shaping its mission and impact for over three decades.

The scholarship is open to all FPPTA active Members, Associate Members, and Members' spouses, children, & grandchildren seeking financial assistance at a college, university, police academy, fire academy, trade or vocational school.

This year's recipients of the Raymond T. Edmondson Scholarship Award embody the values of hard work and determination—qualities essential for lasting success. We are proud to support their aspirations and firmly believe in their ability to achieve them.

## Congratulations to this year's recipients:



*Drew J. Smith*

Drew Smith is a Raymond T. Edmondson Scholarship recipient whose academic journey reflects an exceptional commitment to scientific research and improving the lives of others. After earning his Bachelor of Science in Neuroscience from Nova Southeastern University in just three years and completing a Master of Science in Biotechnology from Johns Hopkins University, Drew is now pursuing a Ph.D. in Therapeutics and Pharmacology at the MD Anderson UTHealth Houston Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences.

Drew's research focuses on developing novel treatments for neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's disease and stroke. Throughout his academic career, he has participated in prestigious research programs at the University of Florida, Nova Southeastern University, and UTHealth Houston, earning numerous honors including the McKnight Brain Research Foundation First Place Poster Award and the Patrick Cummings Research Award from Johns Hopkins University.

In addition to his research accomplishments, Drew remains dedicated to community service through organizations such as the Houston Humane Society, the American Heart Association, and educational outreach programs for children. His long-term goal is to become an independent research scientist leading efforts to develop life-changing therapies for neurological disorders while mentoring future generations of researchers.

FPPTA Member - Sunrise Police Pension Fund, parent Emily Smith





## *Charleigh Shanks*

Charleigh Shanks-Velazquez, a graduate of Barron Collier High School in Naples, has been selected as a recipient of the Raymond T. Edmondson Scholarship. Charleigh will attend the University of Florida this Fall, where she plans to major in Business Administration with a concentration in International Business.

Throughout High School, Charleigh distinguished herself through academic excellence, leadership, and community service. She served as President of HOSA-Future Health Professionals, Vice President of Leadership for DECA, Vice President of the Tri-M Music Honor Society, and Cello Section Leader for the Barron Collier Orchestra. Her accomplishments include earning AP Scholar with Honor recognition, National Honor Society membership, and multiple DECA and HOSA competitive awards.

Charleigh is also deeply committed to serving others. Through the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Student Visionaries of the Year program, she led fundraising efforts supporting blood cancer research and patient services while developing valuable leadership and teamwork skills. Her long-term goal is to build a successful business career that positively impacts communities both locally and globally while mentoring future generations of students and leaders.

FPPTA Member – Marco Island Police Pension Fund, parent Mark Hauter



## *Manuel Villar, III*

Manuel Villar is a dedicated student leader and Raymond T. Edmondson Scholarship recipient who exemplifies service, leadership, and commitment to his country. Currently a third-year Criminology and Criminal Justice major at Florida State University, Manuel is also pursuing a minor in Aerospace Studies and a certificate in U.S. National Intelligence Studies.

A highly accomplished Air Force ROTC cadet, Manuel has held numerous leadership positions, including Flight Commander, Cadet Operations Commander, and Vice Cadet Wing Commander. He has also served as President of both the Student Aviation Club and Arnold Air Society at FSU, helping expand student engagement, secure significant funding for aviation training resources, and led community service initiatives. His achievements have earned him recognition including the American Legion Military Excellence Award, the Charles McGee Leadership Award, and ranking among the top 5 percent of cadets in his academic year group.

Upon graduation, Manuel plans to commission as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Air Force and pursue pilot training with the goal of becoming a fighter pilot. He also intends to earn a graduate degree in national intelligence or security studies and continue a career dedicated to national defense, leadership, and public service.

FPPTA Member – Miami Beach General Employees' Pension Fund, parent Manuel Villar, II

**We congratulate these exceptional students and their families, and take great pride in awarding scholarships that will support them in reaching their academic and professional goals.**



# Raymond T. Edmondson

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## Service Award



The Raymond T. Edmondson Service Award was established in 2004 to recognize the decades of leadership he provided to the Florida Public Pension Trustees Association, and to annually acknowledge a member of the Association who emulates his tireless commitment to protecting the retirement security of Florida's Public Employees and their retirement systems.



*W.O. Bell*

William O. "W.O." Bell has been an integral part of the Florida Public Pension Trustees Association since its earliest days. He was present at the pivotal meeting when the Association reorganized and Raymond T. Edmondson was elected as the new Administrator, marking the beginning of a new era for FPPTA. From that moment forward, W.O. has remained a dedicated and influential member of the organization.

Over the years, W.O. has generously devoted his time and expertise through service on numerous Committees, including the Advisory Board and Education Committee. He also played an important role on the committee responsible for developing the Raymond T. Edmondson Scholarship program, helping to create a lasting legacy that continues to benefit students today.

W.O. was also instrumental in helping FPPTA build and strengthen relationships with key organizations, most notably the League of Cities, further expanding the Association's reach and influence. As a regular presenter and a dependable leader always willing to serve wherever needed, W.O. has exemplified the spirit of commitment and service that defines FPPTA. It is with great appreciation and respect that FPPTA recognizes William O. Bell with the Raymond T. Edmondson Service Award for his many years of outstanding dedication to the Association.



*Kurt Wood*

Kurt Wood of DRZ has been a dedicated member and steadfast supporter of the Florida Public Pension Trustees Association for many years. Throughout his longstanding involvement with FPPTA, Kurt has consistently demonstrated an unwavering commitment to the organization and its mission through his leadership, service, and willingness to contribute wherever needed.

Kurt has been a familiar and respected presence at FPPTA Conferences and Educational Programs as a regular presenter and Sponsor. In addition to sharing his expertise with members, he has generously volunteered his time serving on the Advisory Board and played an instrumental role on the Committee responsible for developing the Raymond T. Edmondson Scholarship program.

Beyond his formal contributions, Kurt is known throughout the Organization as someone who can always be counted on. Whether offering guidance, support, or stepping in to help with a project or initiative, he has continually answered the call with professionalism, generosity, and enthusiasm. FPPTA is proud to recognize Kurt Wood with the Raymond T. Edmondson Service Award for his years of dedication and outstanding service to the Association.

# Exhibitors

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- 2 PPM America, Inc.
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### Associates Charitable Golf Classic Committee

Steve Aspinall  
Janna Hamilton  
Brian Casey  
Ricki Levy  
Steve Stack  
Kurt Vroman  
David Jackson



# CPPT Recipients



## 2025 Fall Trustee School Graduates

Ronald Baez	North Miami Police Officers' Pension Plan
John Baublitz	Coral Gables Police Officers' Pension Fund
Michael Bellamy	Tallahassee General Employees' Pension Fund
Cleveland Black	Tallahassee General Employees' Pension Fund
Terrie Boultin	Clair T. Singerman Pension Plan
Monique Coney	Miami Beach Employees' Retirement Plan
Julian Cover	West Palm Beach Firefighters' Pension Fund
Matt Cross	Maitland Police Officers & Firefighters' Pension Trust Fund
Richard Gruich	Coral Gables Police Officers' Pension Fund
Benden Hahn	Lakeland General Employees' Pension Board
Ross Hodges	Bradenton Police Officers' Pension Fund
Zachary Huff	Pinellas Park Police Officers' Pension Fund
David Kanter	Gulfport Firefighters' Pension Fund
Corinne Lajoie	Dania Beach General Employees' Pension Fund
Kelly Machado	St. Lucie County Fire District General Employees' Pension Fund
Micah Mathews	Palmetto Police Officers' Pension Fund
Carrie Moss	Pinellas Park General Employees' Pension Fund
Mark Nicholas	Sarasota General Employees' Pension Plan
Christopher Nickoloff	Fernandina Beach Police Officers & Firefighters' Pension Fund
Jorge Norman	North Miami Police Officers' Pension Plan
Sergio Ramirez	North Miami Police Officers' Pension Plan
Donald Ritts	Clair T. Singerman Pension Plan
Fabio Sanchez	Miami Police Officers Relief & Pension Fund
Steve Sanders	Ocoee General Employees' Pension Fund
Lilyvette Serrano	St. Cloud General Employees' Pension Fund
Alfred Stabile	Hollywood Police Officers' Retirement System
Cody Stogner	Pembroke Pines Firefighters & Police Officers' Pension Board
Marie Talley	Golden Beach General Employees' Pension Fund
Nelson Vega	Haines City General Employees' Retirement Plan
William Weaver	Pinellas Park Firefighters' Pension Fund
Dana Whicker	Fernandina Beach General Employees' Pension Fund

# CPPT Recipients



## 2026 Winter Trustee School Graduates

Darwin Arroyo	Sunrise Police Officers' Pension Fund
Kristy Bada	Miami Beach Employees' Retirement Plan
Timothy Bargeron	St. Lucie County Fire District General Employees' Pension Fund
Nicholas Bliss	Jacksonville General Employees' Retirement System
David Brown	Coral Springs Police Officers' Pension Fund
Claudine Buzzo	First Responders Resiliency Foundation
Levertis Byrd	Tamarac General Employees' Pension Fund
Matthew Champion	Cape Coral Municipal Police Officers' Pension Plan
James Carroll III	Cape Coral Firefighters' Pension Fund
Jaha Cummings	Punta Gorda Police Officers' Pension Board
Curtis Cooper	Homestead Municipal Police Officers' Retirement Plan
Martin Dorow	Delray Beach General Employees' Pension Fund
Danny Felico	Punta Gorda Firefighters' Retirement System
Michelle Fletcher	Jacksonville General Employees' Retirement System
Jonathan Foster	St. Augustine General Employees' Retirement System
Dan Goetz	Kissimmee Utility Authority Employees' Retirement Fund
John Hall	Ft. Lauderdale Firefighters' Insurance Trust Fund
Eric Hayden	Tampa Firefighters & Police Officers' Pension Fund
Donna Howard	Okeechobee General Employees' Pension Fund
Cristopher Keith	Jacksonville General Employees' Retirement System
Estefany Madrid	Coral Springs Police Officers' Pension Fund
Greg Malesev	Boynton Beach General Employees' Pension Fund
Teresa Martin	Tamarac Firefighters' Pension Fund
Edward McCabe	Delray Beach Police Officers' Pension Fund
Chris Moderson	Cocoa Police Officers' Pension Fund
Jackie Moore	Starke General Employees' Pension Fund
Janice Mortimer	Starke General Employees' Pension Fund
Chris Nelson	Ft. Lauderdale Firefighters' Insurance Trust Fund
Nayo Olafemi	Tampa Firefighters & Police Officers' Pension Fund
Kristopher Pike	Jacksonville Beach General Employees' Retirement System
Aaron Scott	Tallahassee 185 Pension Fund
Luis Skeberis	Delray Beach Police Officers' Pension Fund

# CPPT Recipients

## 2026 Winter Trustee School Graduates

Chuck Smithers	Orange Park Police Officers' Pension Fund
Jonathan Snell	Jacksonville General Employees' Retirement System
Paula Stephens-Keith	Riviera Beach General Employees' Pension Fund
Wendy Sullivan	Starke General Employees' Pension Fund
Abner Vargas	Miami Shores Village Police Officers' Pension Fund
Jonathan Varner	Englewood Firefighters' Pension Fund
William Wagner	Ocoee Police Officers & Firefighters' Pension Fund
Nicholas Wilson	St. Lucie County Fire District Firefighters' PensionFund
Abraham Zuniga	North Miami Police Officers' Pension Plan



## Pension Fundamentals for New Trustees

*\*THIS PROGRAM IS REQUIRED FOR TRUSTEES BEGINNING THE CPPT PROGRAM\**

This virtual program is intended to be a primer for New Trustees walking into their role on the Pension Board. This 90 minute virtual program will cover the various roles people play in the pension system, give a run down of how a defined benefit plan works, and familiarize a new trustee with the language, players, and lay of the land they'll come to know in their new role.

In addition to this program, participants will receive access to a digital reference book full of useful information for trustees no matter their experience level. This program does not offer CEU credits. This program is a requirement for any trustee intending to enroll in the CPPT Program — trustees must complete this program before entering into the Basic CPPT course.

# Trustee Leadership Council

## Class of 2026 Graduates

Robert Bacon	Tallahassee 185 Pension Fund
Angel Charlton	Tallahassee General Employees' Pension Plan
John Creasman	Okeechobee General Employees' Pension Fund
Mark Donley	Hialeah Police Officers' Pension Plan
Harry Freeman	Riviera Beach Firefighters' Pension Fund
Arnold Gaines	Ft. Pierce General Employees' Pension Fund
Ann Harris Wynter	Tamarac Firefighters' Pension Fund
Matt Hettler	Casselberry Police Officers & Firefighters' Pension Fund
Karel Rodriguez	North Miami Police Officers Pension Plan
Jay Spencer	Palm Beach Gardens Police Officers' Pension Fund
Russell Thomas	Naples General Employees' Pension Fund
Stephanie Thomas	Clair T. Singerman Pension Plan
Kurt Vroman	Deltona Firefighters' Pension Fund
Kevin Warren	North Miami Police Officers' Pension Plan
Warren West	Avon Park Firefighters' Pension Fund
David White	Sanford Police Officers' Pension Fund
Frank Winewski	North Palm Beach Police Officers & Firefighters' Pension Fund
Kafele Wright	Tallahassee 175 Pension Fund



# Upcoming Events

<b>Trustee School</b>	September 27 - 30, 2026	Rosen Shingle Creek
<b>Trustee School</b>	January 31 - February 3, 2027	Rosen Centre
<b>Trustee Leadership Council</b>	April 2027	St. Augustine Embassy Suites Beach Oceanfront Resort
<b>43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference</b>	June 27 - 30, 2027	Signa by Hilton Bonnet Creek
<b>Trustee School</b>	September 26 - 29, 2027	Sawgrass Marriott Resort



## Save the Date

### **Fall Trustee School**

September 27 - 30, 2026  
Rosen Shingle Creek

Join us at the Rosen Shingle Creek for the Fall Trustee School, September 27 - 30, 2026. The Fall Trustee School offers the FPPTA's hallmark CPPT program as well as a wide variety of CEU sessions for those maintaining continuing education credits. The FPPTA Orientation Program, a full day orientation on Sunday for New Trustees, will once again be available on September 27, 2026.

The Trustee Leadership Council (TLC) class of 2027 will also embark on their educational journey over the course of three events starting in September. The TLC program is offered exclusively to Trustees who have earned their CPPT designation and offers a unique learning experience that accumulates in the trustees providing direction and participation in FPPTA's Education, resources, and initiatives.

*Shaping the Future - Trustee by Trustee*

