

Official State Social Security Administrator for California Public Employers

Our Role

The California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) is the official State Social Security Administrator for the state of California's Section 218 Agreement¹. The State Social Security administrator assists local governments in securing Section 218 coverage for their employees, supports local government in properly withholding and reporting Social Security and Medicare, acts as a liaison with the Social Security Administration and the Internal Revenue Service to address coverage-related issues and questions, and performs education and outreach to state and political subdivision employers and employees.

Our Services

Please contact us if you have questions regarding Social Security and Medicare program requirements for government employees. The types of assistance you can receive from us include, but are not limited to:

- Requests for an informational meeting to discuss Social Security and/or Medicare contracting options
- Processing modifications to California's Section 218 Agreement to cover new agencies and/or correct erroneous reporting
- Requests for copies of the Agency Section 218 Agreement
- Guidance in resolving issues related to Section 218 Agreement coverage
- Assistance in determining whether mandatory Social Security and Medicare coverage is necessary, or if a Section 218 Agreement is applicable
- Requests for an employer Social Security training workshop

The State Social Security Administrator's office hosts a variety of informational events to assist California public employers with their roles and responsibilities under the federal Social Security and Medicare programs. If you would like to request an information meeting regarding Social Security and Medicare contracts, please send your request to sssa@calpers.ca.gov.

Our Contact Information

CalPERS
State Social Security Administrator
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Sacramento, CA 94227

916-795-0810²
SSSA@calpers.ca.gov

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¹ California Government Code 22200

² From 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except during state and federal holidays.



Public Employer Resources

Social Security and Medicare Program

CalPERS State Social Security Administrator Program

- Social Security and/or Medicare contracting options
- Copies of Section 218 Agreement
- Guidance in resolving Section 218 Agreement coverage issues
- Report organizational changes (name change, merger, dissolution, etc.)

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| Address | California Public Employees' Retirement System Social Security Program, EAMD PO BOX 720720 Sacramento, CA 94229-0720 |
| Email | SSSA@calpers.ca.gov |
| Telephone | 916-795-0810 |
| Website | www.calpers.ca.gov/SSSA |

Social Security Administration

- Program Benefits
- Employee Records & Benefits
- W-2 Reporting

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| Website | Employer: www.ssa.gov/employer Employee: www.ssa.gov |
| Telephone | 800-772-1213 |
| Publications | SSA/IRS Reporter W-2 News Social Security Handbook Form SSA-1945 |

Internal Revenue Service

- Employment Tax compliance questions
- Request for government information letter
- Request for private letter ruling

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| Website | https://www.irs.gov/government-entities/federal-state-local-governments/fslg-customer-services |
| Telephone | 877-829-5500 |
| Publication | Publication 963: Federal State Reference Guide |
| Forms | IRS Form 14581: FSLG Compliance Self-Assessment |