

Can you provide the number of eligible voters for each voting group (Active Police members, Active Fire members, and Retirees)?

The current number of eligible voters for each group is as follows:

Retirees: 42,600

Active Police: 32, 846

Active Fire: 6,823

These numbers are subject to change as members enter or leave each of these groups. If the number of eligible voters would affect the price quote or procedure for the election, please include that information in the Bid.

Can you provide the number of employer locations for the Active Police and Fire voters?

There are 690 Active Police and Fire employer locations. The employer locations serve both the Active Police and the Active Fire collectively.

How many Trustee positions are to be elected in election year 2025?

There is currently one anticipated Active Police election for election year 2025, however, there could be additional elections in the year 2025 if an elected Trustee leaves their position before their term expires.

Historically, how many candidates are there for each open Trustee position?

The number of candidates for each elected Trustee position has historically varied. There are typically more candidates for the nomination process than the final ballot. In recent years the most nominations were twelve (12) which yielded three (3) candidates on the ballot. There is no limit to the number of nominees or candidates on the ballot. If the number of nominees or candidates would affect the price quote or procedure for the elections process, please specify those differences in the Bid.

How many words are allotted for each candidate's biographical sketch within the ballot packages?

Candidates are allotted 250-300 words for their biographical sketch.

According to the sample timeline provided in the RFP, Phase 1 would have started by now. Can you confirm PFRSNJ is already in Phase 1 for this year's cycle, and for which election?

The sample timeline is just to provide an example of what a timeline will look like for an election. PFRSNJ has not started Phase 1 for this year's cycle and will provide an official timeline after the vendor has been selected.

How often are the elections?

There are three elected positions on the PFRSNJ Board of Trustees, one Active Police, one Active Fire, and one Retired member. Each of these positions is for a term of four (4) years. Elections are scheduled to occur every two (2) years. Active Police elections are offset from the Active Fire and Retired member elections. Active Fire and Retired member elections occur in the same year.

In the upcoming years within the life of the contract, can you provide which electorate groups (Active Police, Active Fire, Retirees) have a scheduled election and when, and the terms for each Trustee position?

For the initial scheduled term of the contract there is only one election scheduled, the 2025 Active Police election. Within the potential contract extensions there are two additional elections scheduled, the 2027 Active Fire and 2027 Retired member elections.

For each group, how often is the election contested/required after the nominations phase? Historically, how often is there no need for an election?

For the Retired member position there is almost always an election following the nominations process. Active Police and Fire elections are less frequent than Retired member elections and in the past five (5) years a ballot has not been needed after the nominations phase for an Active Police or Fire election. Upon determination by the Board of Trustees that it is appropriate to contest the results of an election, an election's results may be contested. Election results are rarely contested.

Can there be unschedule elections/vacancies? Historically, how often do those occur?

Yes, if an elected Trustee leaves their position prior to the end of their term then an unscheduled election would occur to fill the vacated position for the remainder of that positions term. In recent history this has rarely happened.