#### PENSION 103: THE PLAN TO DEFEND OUR PENSION

IFPTE LOCAL 21, OCTOBER 2018

#### Pensions 101

- Most important thing: a plan to fund the pension over time
- Increasing new hires and improving investment performance
- We don't have to cut benefits to make the pension sustainable

#### Pension 102

- Wall Street backs the attacks on pensions
- They have the money, but we have the people power
- When we fight back, we win

#### SUMMARY FROM 101 AND 102

#### THE PLAN TO WIN



Talk to our coworkers

2

Elect Pension Advocates

3

Improve staffing



Increase Revenue 5

Fight for a fair contract

### STEP 1: STARTING THE CONVERSATION

- Winning in bargaining and winning politically will take PEOPLE
- It will take leadership to get through a5 step plan
- Union members need to:
  - Understand what's at stake
  - Understand why the pension is worth protecting
  - Be willing to take action



# STEP 2: ELECTING PENSION ADVOCATES

RETIREMENT BOARD & CITY COUNCIL

#### Seven Members

- Four members of the public appointed by City Council
- Two members are city employees
- One retiree representative
- City employee representatives are currently not union members



#### Chuck Reed pushed for changes to the board in 2010

- More outside board members
- Believed that union members and elected officials had "conflicts of interest"

#### RETIREMENT BOARD

#### PUBLIC BOARD SEAT REQUIREMENTS

#### Eligible Experience (at least 12 years)

- Senior executive in pension administration
- Pension actuarial practice
- Institutional investment management
- Auditing
- Accounting
- Legal
- Heath and welfare and/or employee benefits management
- Investment management
- Banking
- Asset/liability management for an insurance company
- University professor

#### Ineligible

- Current and former city employees
- Current or former elected or appointed city officials
- Retirees
- Union representatives
- Family members of retirees

### PUBLIC MEMBERS



SILICON VALLEY VENTURE CAPITAL FUND MANAGER

HEDGE FUND FOUNDER



FINANCIAL ANALYTICS FIRM OWNED BY IBM

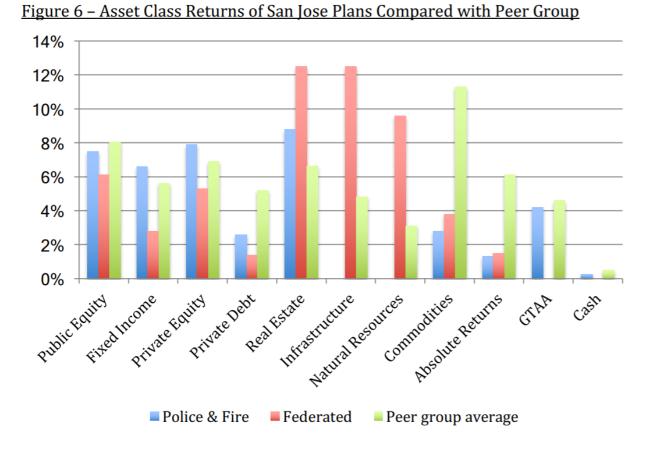


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CONSULTANT &
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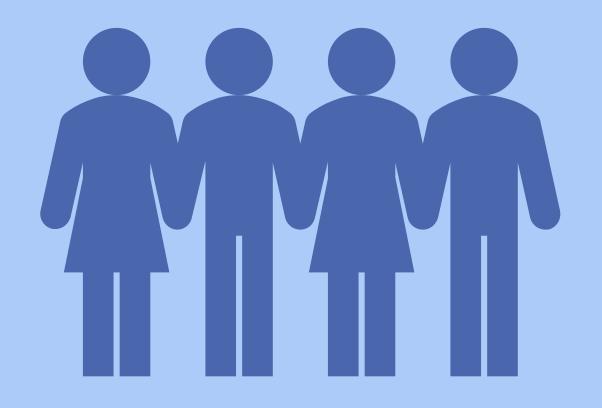
## IS ALL THAT

#### Stanford Study based on 2016 Federated plan underperformed benchmark by 1.7% overall



### SO WHAT CAN WE DO?

- Get union members on the board
- Identify community leaders for public seats that are propension experts
- Change the rules



#### CITY COUNCIL SEATS EXPIRING IN 2020



Johnny Khamis, District 10 (408) 535-4910

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n Expires: 12/31/20 rief of Staff: S. Connolly's

Calendar

Archived Calendar

Website



Sylvia Arenas, District 8

Ph: (408) 535-4908

Calendar

**District Events** 

Email

Term Expires: 12/31/20

Chief of Staff: P. McGarrity's

Calendar Website



Sergio Jimenez, District 2 Ph: (408) 535-4902

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District Events

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Term Expires: 12/31/20 Chief of Staff: V. Sandoval's

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#### Devora "Dev" Davis, District 6

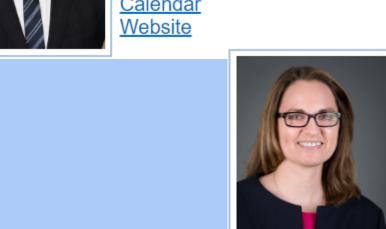
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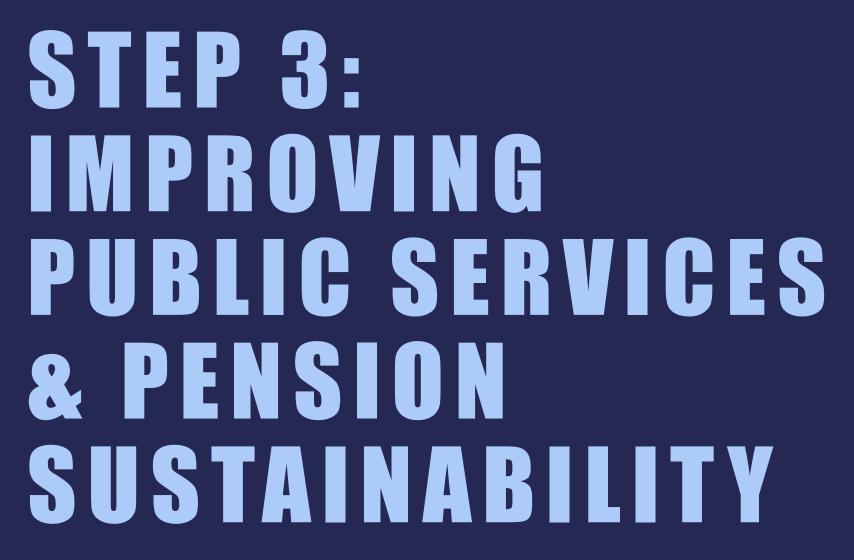
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FILLING VACANCIES AND
TRANSITIONING PART TIMERS TO FULL
TIME

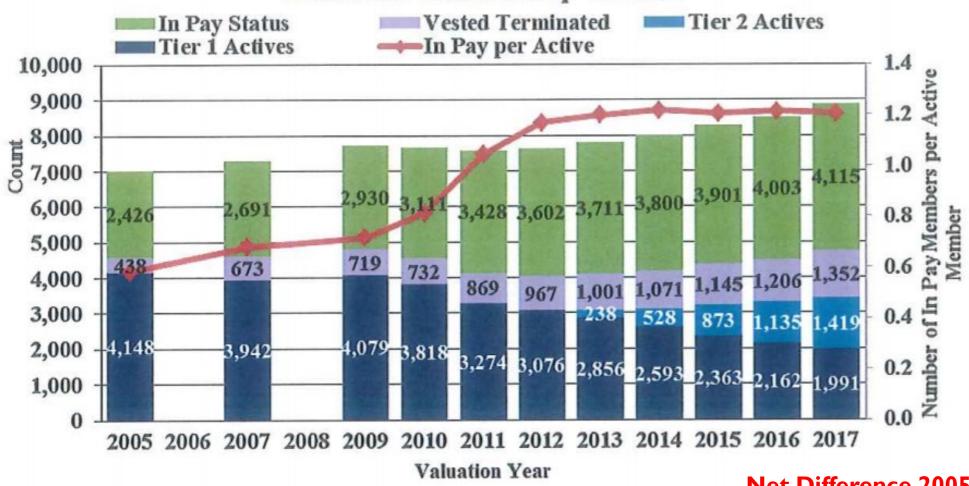
#### VACANCIES AND PART TIME

High ratio of retirees to actives = conservative asset allocation = lower returns

But more importantly...

High number of vacancies & part-timers = fewer public services

#### **Historical Membership Counts**



Net Difference 2005 – 2017: Loss of 738 Public Sector Jobs

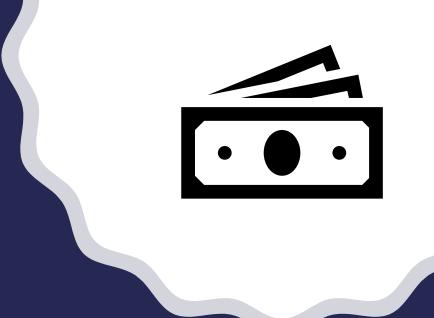
75% 65% 55% 45% 35% 25% 15% 5% -5% -15% -25% Police & Fire Federated SCERS CCERA ACERA ECERA SICERS DRFP Dallas ERE Dallas Fire Active Members Annuitants

Figure 8 - Change in Annuitants and Active Members of Peer Group (2006-2016)

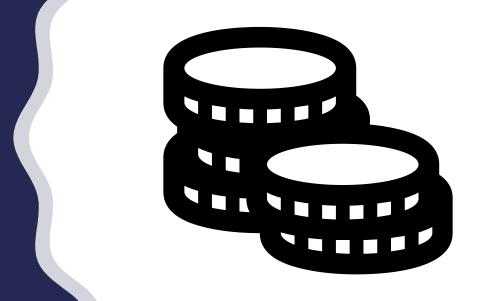
Source: Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports.

Active
Employee
Loss of 25%
since 2006

## STEP 4: REVENUE



IT WAS AN EXCELLENT YEAR FOR REVENUE MEASURES...



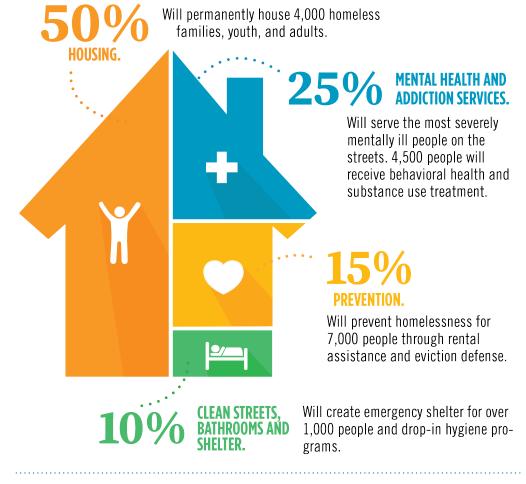
		Annual Revenue
Revenue Measures 2018	Passed?	Projection
San Francisco		
Prop C - Increased tax on businesses with over \$50 Million in Gross Receipts	YES	\$300 Million
Oakland		
Tax on Vacant Properties	YES	\$10 Million
Graduated Real Property Transfer Tax	YES	\$9 Million
Berkeley		
Graduated Real Property Transfer Tax	YES	\$6-\$8 Million
Hayward		
Real Property Transfer Tax Increase	YES	\$13 Million
Union City		
Designate the City as a Charter City and Implement Real Property Transfer Tax	YES	\$5 Million
Richmond		
Graduated Real Property Transfer Tax	YES	\$2.5-\$4 Million
Palo Alto		
Increased Hotel Tax	YES	\$2.5 Million
Sunnyvale		
Increased Hotel Tax	YES	\$2.9 Million
Mountain View		
Graduated Per-Employee Business Tax	YES	\$6 Million
Milpitas		
Increased Hotel Tax	YES	\$5.2 Million

## OUR CITY OUR HOME TAX, SAN FRANCISCO

Raises taxes on the biggest businesses in San Francisco with Gross Receipts of over \$50 Million

\$300 Million in additional revenue from the new tax

Plus secures existing funding for homelessness services, effectively doubling the budget.



100%
ACCOUNTABILITY
AND OVERSIGHT.

The Our City Our Home Oversight Committee is a panel of nine experts created to hold the city accountable to visible and equitable outcomes with this funding.

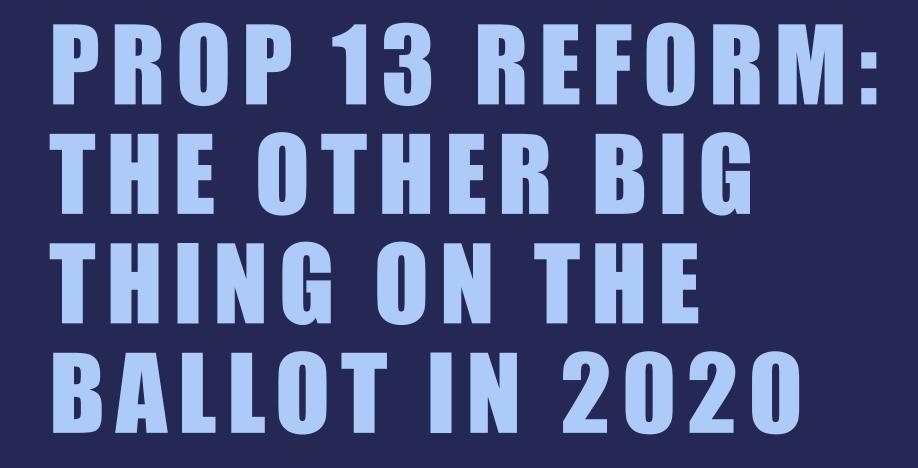














33 Labor endorsements 44 elected officials at the local, state, and national level Over 130 nonprofits and community organizations

San Francisco
Board of
Supervisors





Oakland
Unified School
District





Pasadena
Unified School
District





# LOCAL GOVERNMENTS SUPPORTING PROP 13 REFORM

#### WHAT WAS PROP 13?

- Approved in 1978 by two-thirds of California voters
- When a property is sold, tax is 1% of assessed value and can only be increased by a maximum of 2% per year
- Assessed value at point of sale is basis of the tax, not market rate
- Effectively decreased tax rates by 57%
- Took local funding control away from cities



Closing the loophole for COMMERCIAL and INDUSTRIAL properties

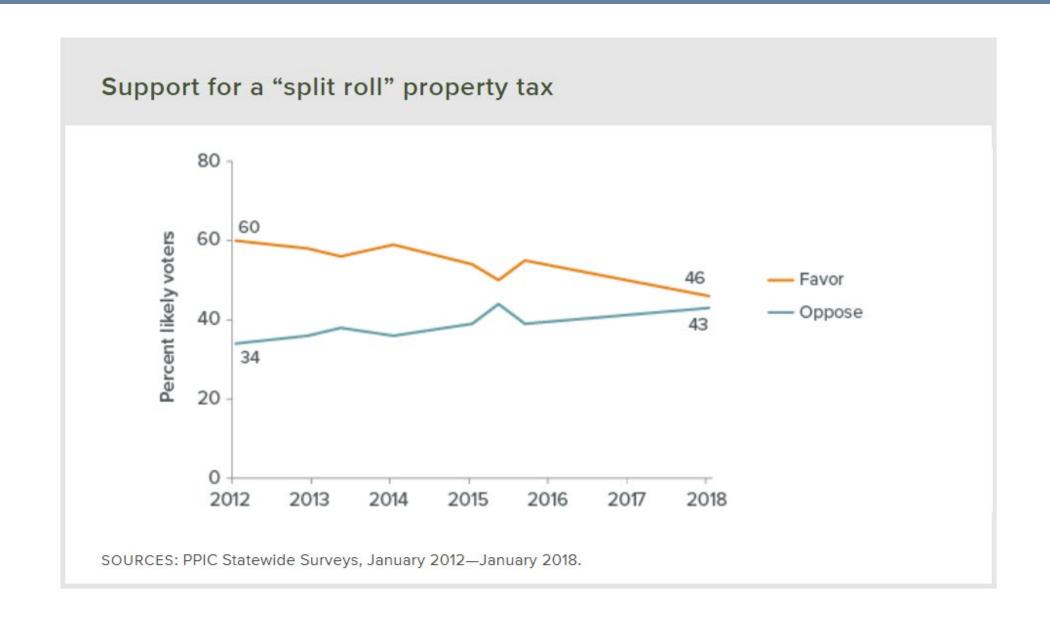
Include protections for small businesses

NOT homeowners

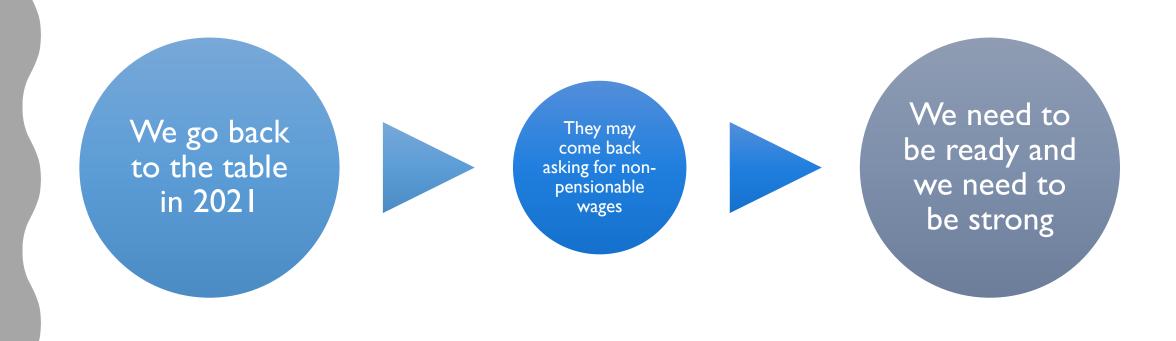
Assessment of commercial and industrial properties at fair market value

## WHAT ARE THE PROPOSED REFORMS?

County	Estimate Range	Mid Estimate	County	Estimate Range	Mid Estimate		
ALAMEDA	523.9 - 583.9	553.4	PLACER	58.3 - 66.5	62.4		
ALPINE	.22	0.2	PLUMAS	3.8 - 4.3	4.1		
AMADOR	2.4 - 2.9	2.7	RIVERSIDE	314.6 - 356.7	335.3		
BUTTE	15.0 - 17.5	16.3	SACRAMENTO	134.2 - 155.5	144.7		
CALAVERAS	2.3 - 2.7	2.5	SAN BENITO	5.8 - 6.5	6.2		
COLUSA	4.0 - 4.4	4.2	SAN BERNARDINO	387.5 - 438.2	412.4		
CONTRA COSTA	329.5 - 366.7	347.8	SAN DIEGO	800.1 - 898.4	848.4		
DEL NORTE	1.4 - 1.6	1.5	SAN FRANCISCO	795.4 - 877.7	835.9		
EL DORADO	16.1 - 18.4	17.2	SAN JOAQUIN	84.0 - 96.1	90.0		
FRESNO	106.7 - 120.4	113.4	SAN LUIS OBISPO	54.8 - 61.8	58.2		
GLENN	3.2 - 3.5	3.3	SAN MATEO	559.5 - 615.7	587.2		
HUMBOLDT	20.8 - 23.2	22.0	SANTA BARBARA	122.7 - 137.4	129.9		
IMPERIAL	14.4 - 16.3	15.3	SANTA CLARA	1,011.4 - 1,121.3	1,065.5		
INYO	6.8 - 7.9	7.3	SANTA CRUZ	43.5 - 48.7	46.1		
KERN	105.4 - 119.1	112.1	SHASTA	18.6 - 21.3	19.9		
KINGS	15.6 - 17.6	16.6	SIERRA	.11	0.1		
LAKE	1.7 - 2.1	1.9	SISKIYOU	4.5 - 5.2	4.9		
LASSEN	1.3 - 1.5	1.4	SOLANO	57.6 - 66.2	61.8		
LOS ANGELES	3,443.8 - 3,826.9	3,632.2	SONOMA	109.0 - 122.0	115.4		
MADERA	10.4 - 12.1	11.2	STANISLAUS	43.6 - 50.2	46.8		
MARIN	67.1 - 75.1	71.0	SUTTER	13.3 - 15.0	14.1		
MARIPOSA	1.9 - 2.2	2.1	TEHAMA	6.3 - 7.0	6.6		
MENDOCINO	25.8 - 29.0	27.4	TRINITY	1.4 - 1.6	1.5		
MERCED	29.5 - 33.2	31.4	TULARE	30.1 - 35.2	32.6		
MODOC	.34	0.4	TUOLUMNE	5.6 - 6.4	6.0		
MONO	2.0 - 2.5	2.2	VENTURA	163.0 - 183.2	172.9		
MONTEREY	61.9 - 70.6	66.2	YOLO	25.2 - 29.2	27.1		
NAPA	62.9 - 70.7	66.7	YUBA	7.1 - 7.9	7.5		
NEVADA	15.8 - 17.8	16.8	Total	10,778.8 - 12,031.3	11,394.7		
ORANGE	1,025.3 - 1,145.4	1,084.4					

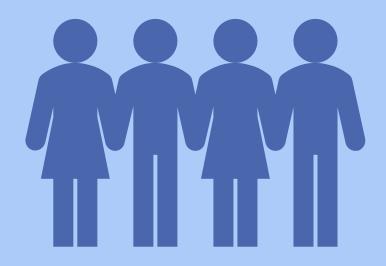


## STEP 5: NEGOTIATIONS



## WHAT DO YOU THINK IT WILL TAKE TO WIN?

- We need to talk to all union members. We're in this together.
- Leadership on the pension board. We'll need volunteers!
- Build our political capacity:
  - Canvassing and door-knocking team
  - Education for City Council Members on our Platform
- Volunteers for labor management committees to push for filling vacancies:
  - Should be the departments most impacted



#### DISCUSSION

