



Did You Know?

NCRSP E-Newsletter | August/September 2019

"If you fall,
I'll be there."
-The Floor

September Calendar

September 2-5: 1st EFT
payments for new
membership year

September 8:
Grandparent's Day

September 17:
'Get Ready Day'

[*Click for more details](#)

2019 Defenders of Justice Awards

Marge Foreman, NCAE Research Specialist and Government Relations Lobbyist, is the recipient of the 2019 Defenders of Justice Award, hosted by the NC Justice Center. Marge has spent decades advocating for education, students, retirees and all public-school employees. She has worked tirelessly on issues impacting our community.



NCRSP will participate as a sponsor of the awards dinner, scheduled for September 20th and would like for members to support NCRSP in this effort. We have received a few requests to extend the deadline; please mail donations to the State Office by September 5, 2019. Checks should be made payable to NCRSP and in the memo line write 'Celebrate Marge'.

[Click here for the full announcement on Marge's award.](#)

NCRSP State Officer Elections

During the 2020 NCRSP State Elections, delegates will have the opportunity to vote for State Officers. The positions open for nomination and election at the state level are: *President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer*. Nomination is open to all eligible NCRSP members and due by November 15, 2019; [forms are available on the website.](#)

We want to hear from YOU!

The state office recently emailed a survey to all members. The survey is an opportunity for members to give their input in the planning of the 2021 NCRSP State Convention. If you have not submitted a response, please use the following link. NCRSP cares about its members and we want to do our best to provide an informative and exciting event to our members. Survey will close on September 22, 2019.

[2021 State Convention Survey](#)



North Carolina State Budget Status

It has been almost two months of a budget standoff between North Carolina's Democratic governor and the Republican-led General Assembly; both sides are trying new tactics to pass the budget. Tuesday, August 27 Governor Cooper held a budget press conference, [click here](#) to view the video.



2020 NEA-R Nominations

On behalf of the NCRSP Members, the state office would like to thank the 10 delegates who attended this year's NEA-Retired Annual Meeting in Houston, TX. A summary of the meeting and the notes from the delegates will be in the next *PANORAMA* scheduled for the Fall.



NCRSP will hold the 2020 NEA-R Delegate Elections via electronic ballot. If you wish to be a nominee, please complete and send your nomination form to the state office by November 15, 2019. [Forms can be downloaded from the website.](#)

SHP 'Stand-off' ended without a huge impact

NC State Health Plan will continue to operate pretty much as it operates today. Treasurer Dale Folwell expressed that the participants in the state employee insurance health plan will still receive in-network hospital coverage next year through the current provider network offered through Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina.

Jason deBruyn of WUNC offers a report on the latest changes to SHP, [you can read his article here.](#)

Each One, Reach One Member Campaign

It was so successful last year; we want to do it again! Each member is important, every voice counts. *All* members are encouraged to recruit a New Member. As an incentive, for each new member that joins NCRSP, the referring member will receive \$10 and an entry into a drawing.

[Membership Campaign information flyer](#)

United States 2020 Census

Health clinics. Fire departments. Schools. Even roads and highways. The census can shape many different aspects of your community. This is your opportunity to give your response, because it matters. To learn more about the upcoming census click [here](#).

When you take the census, your answers are kept anonymous. Read this [factsheet](#) to know exactly how your response are keep confidential. Want to understand how the data is used? Read ['50 ways census data is used'](#).

Updated your address books!

NCRSP has new e-mail address for the state office staff. Please note the following changes:

Contact Teresa Evans-Hunter, Executive Director at tevanshunter@ncrsp.org

Contact Tera Williams, Administrative Coordinator at terawilliams@ncrsp.org

Contact Lena Whitfield, Membership Coordinator at lenawhitfield@ncrsp.org

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