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Subject: Plan 1 COLA

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Dear SCPP members,

I worked in Federal Way and Seattle School Districts and contributed to the Washington State Teachers Retirement Program for 28 years. I taught elementary, junior high, middle school and high school.

I completed a Master's degree in Teaching English As A Second Language. I started the Newcomers School at Sealth High School in Seattle and stayed with that program twenty years until I retired in 2001. I am 78 years old.

I'm finding it hard to keep up with inflation, especially in a year when I don't receive any COLA at all. I think it's only fair that Plan 1 retirees receive the same COLA that Plan 2 and 3 retirees receive. I urge you to recommend that Plan 1 members receive a yearly COLA equal to that of all other state retirees.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Janet Lewis

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