

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

SAGINAW COUNTY BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS

SAGINAW COUNTY SHERIFF

--and--

POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN
(COMMAND)

UNIT III

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AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, entered into on February 22, 2022 between the Board of Commissioners and the Sheriff for the County of Saginaw, a municipal body corporate of the State of Michigan, hereinafter referred to as the "Employer" and the Police Officers Association of Michigan (Command), hereinafter referred to as the "Union" expresses all mutually agreed covenants between the parties heretofore.

PREAMBLE

THIS AGREEMENT, entered into by the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners and the Sheriff for the County of Saginaw, hereinafter referred to as the Employer, and the Police Officers Association of Michigan, (Command), hereinafter referred to as the Union has as its purpose the promotion of harmonious relations between the Employer and the Union, the establishment of rates of pay, hours of work and other specified conditions of employment.

The parties ascribe to the principle of equal opportunities and shall share equally responsibilities for applying the provisions of this Agreement without discrimination as to age, sex, marital status, race, creed, national origin, political or Union affiliation, or any other protected class status as recognized by state or federal law.

The Employer and the Union encourage to the fullest degree, friendly and cooperative relations between the respective representatives at all levels and among all employees.

ARTICLE I RECOGNITION -- EMPLOYEES COVERED

Section 1.

Pursuant to and in accordance with all applicable provisions of Act No. 379 of the Public Acts of 1965, as amended, the Employer does hereby recognize the Union as the sole, exclusive representative for the purpose of collective bargaining in respect to rates of pay, hours of work and other specified conditions of employment, during the term of this Agreement for those employees of the Employer in a bargaining unit consisting of all full time Lieutenants and Captains of the Saginaw County Sheriff's Department, but excluding all other employees.

Section 2.

The Employer will not interfere with or discriminate in any way against any employee in the above bargaining unit by reason of his membership in the Union, or activity required by this Agreement, nor will the Employer encourage or discourage membership in the Union or any other organization.

ARTICLE 2
MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

Section 1. Management Prerogatives

Unless specifically limited by provisions elsewhere in this Agreement, nothing in this Agreement shall restrict the Employer in the exercise of its function of management under which it shall have among others the right to hire new employees and to direct the working force, to discipline, suspend, discharge for cause, transfer or lay off employees, require employees to observe reasonable departmental rules and regulations, to decide the services to be provided to the public, schedules of work, work standards, and the procedures by which such work is to be performed.

It is agreed that these enumerations of management prerogatives shall not be deemed to exclude other prerogatives not enumerated. The exercise of the foregoing rights and responsibilities shall be limited by other provisions of this Agreement as well as by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Michigan and the Constitution of the United States.

In accordance with the Management rights outlined in this Collective Bargaining Agreement, the EMPLOYER shall have the exclusive right to determine job duties and job classifications subject to the Union's right to grieve the determination. The Union shall be furnished one copy of the job description for each classification of the Bargaining Unit, and shall be provided a copy of all new job descriptions and rate of pay assigned to each position. Any change in the salary structure or wages will be subject to the right of the parties to bargain under the terms of the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Any salary increase determined by a compensation study for any job classification, will be implemented by the EMPLOYER over a five (5) year period of time. Any salary increases in those job classifications not involved in the compensation study will be set through negotiations or through a market analysis.

Pursuant to the Public Employment Relations Act, specifically MCL 423.215(7), the parties recognize that an emergency manager appointed under the Local Financial Stability and Choice Act, being PA 436 of 2012, shall be allowed to exercise powers as specified in said Act.

Inclusion of the language required under section 15 (7) of the Public Employment Relations Act does not constitute an agreement by the Union to the substantive or procedural content of the language. In addition, inclusion of the language does not constitute a waiver of the Union's right to raise Constitutional and/or other legal challenges (including contractual or administrative challenges) to the validity of: (1) appointment of an Emergency Financial Manager; (2) Local Financial Stability and Choice Act, being PA 436 of 2012; or (3) any action of an emergency manager which acts to reject, modify, or terminate this Agreement.

ARTICLE 3
UNION SECURITY AND DUES DEDUCTION

Section 1.

A bargaining unit employee may sign an authorization for deduction of dues/fees for membership in a Union. The authorization for deduction of dues /fees may be revoked by the bargaining unit member upon written notice to the Employer, with copy to the Union.

Section 2.

The amount of dues/fees shall be designated by written notice from the Union to the Employer. If there is a change in the amount of dues/fees, such change shall become effective the month following transmittal of the written notice to the Employer. The Employer shall deduct the dues/fees once each month from the pay of the employees that have authorized such deductions.

Section 3.

Deduction of dues/fees shall be remitted to the Union at 27056 Joy Road, Redford, Michigan 48239-1949. In the event a refund is due an employee for any sums deducted from wages and paid to the Union, it shall be the responsibility of such employee to obtain the appropriate refund from the Union.

Section 4.

If an authorized deduction for an employee is not made, the Employer shall make the deduction from the employee's next pay after the error has been called to the Employer's attention by the employee or Union.

Section 5.

The Union will protect, save harmless and indemnify the Employer from any and all claims, demands, suits and other forms of liability by reason of action taken by the Employer for the purpose of complying with this article of the agreement.

Section 6.

Unless otherwise provided in this article, all matters pertaining to a bargaining unit employee establishing or reestablishing membership in the Union, including requirements established by the Union for providing paid services to non-union bargaining unit employees, shall be governed by the internal conditions mandated by the Union pursuant to its authority under section 10.2 of the Public Employment Relations Act.

ARTICLE 4
STEWARDS AND ALTERNATE STEWARDS

Section 1.

Union employees shall elect a steward who is a regular employee to represent them. Union employees may also elect an alternate steward, who is a regular employee to represent them in the absence of the steward.

Section 2.

The steward, or the alternate in the steward's absence, during regular working hours, without loss of time or pay, in accordance with the terms of this Article, may investigate and present grievances to the Employer, upon having received permission from his supervisor to do so. The supervisor shall grant permission within the eight (8) hour day of occurrence for the steward to leave his work for these purposes subject to necessary emergency exceptions. The privilege of the steward leaving his work during working hours without loss of time or pay is subject to the understanding that the time will be devoted to the proper processing of grievances and will not be abused. Employee abusing such time may be subject to disciplinary action.

The steward and alternate steward may be required to record time spent. All such stewards will perform their regular assigned work at all times except whenever necessary to leave their work to process grievances as provided herein.

Section 3.

The Union will furnish, in writing, to the Employer the names of its authorized representatives who are employed within the unit and such changes as may occur from time to time in such personnel so that the Employer may at all times be advised as to the authority of the individual representative of the Union with which it may be dealing.

ARTICLE 5
SPECIAL CONFERENCES

Section 1.

Special conferences for important matters not normally subject to the grievance procedure will be arranged between the Union and the Employer or his designated representative upon the request of either party.

Section 2.

Such meetings shall be between not more than four (4) representatives of the Employer and not more than four (4) representatives of the Local Union and one (1) representative of the COAM. Arrangements for such special conferences shall be made in advance and

an agenda of the matters to be taken up at the meeting shall be presented at the time the conference is requested. Matters taken up in special conferences shall be confined to those included in the agenda. Conferences shall be held during the normal work day. The members of the Union shall not lose pay for the time lost in such special conference.

Section 3.

Special conferences shall be scheduled within ten (10) calendar days after the request is made unless otherwise agreed.

ARTICLE 6 GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

Section 1.

It is mutually agreed that a grievance is any dispute, controversy or difference between the parties to this agreement on any issue with respect to or concerning the interpretation or application of this agreement or any terms or provisions thereof.

Step 1.

Any employee having a complaint in connection with his or her employment shall present it to the Employer with the following understanding: Before initiating a written grievance, the employee must first discuss the matter orally with the Sheriff or Undersheriff within fourteen (14) calendar days of its occurrence or the date the employee should have been reasonably aware of the occurrence.

Step 2.

Following the meeting with the Sheriff, if the issue is still not resolved it shall be reduced to writing on the regular grievance form provided by the Local Union, signed by the employee and presented to the Sheriff and the County within fourteen (14) calendar days of the mandatory discussion with the Sheriff. The Sheriff shall answer said grievance within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt of same.

Step 3.

If the grievance is not settled in Steps 1 and 2, the Union shall within seven (7) calendar days after the department's answer, request a meeting between the Union representatives and the Sheriff and/or his representative and the County of Saginaw to review the matter. Such meetings will be held within thirty (30) calendar days after the date of written request and the Employer will render his decision within seven (7) calendar days thereafter. The Employer and the Union may by mutual agreement extend the time limits of the grievance procedure.

Section 2. Arbitration

If the grievance is not settled in the last step above, the Union representative may submit such grievance to arbitration. The submission is to be made within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of the last step answer. Each grievance submitted either to arbitration shall be submitted to the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service or the Michigan Employment Relation Commission in accordance with their voluntary rules and regulations then existing, within the time specified above. Such rules shall govern the arbitration hearing.

The arbitrator shall have no power or authority to alter, amend, add to or subtract from the terms of this Agreement, nor to make any recommendation with respect thereto. Both parties agree to be bound by the award of the arbitrator and that the costs of any arbitration proceeding under this provision shall be borne equally between the parties but the fees and wages of representatives other than bargaining unit employees, shall be borne by the party incurring them.

Section 3. Time Limitations

If the time limit is not met, by either party, then the grievance is settled in favor of the non-defaulting party. Unless otherwise specified, the term "days" as used in this Article shall mean Monday through Friday, exclusive of holidays.

ARTICLE 7 DISCHARGE AND DISCIPLINE

Section 1. Notice of Discharge or Discipline

The Employer shall not discharge, suspend, or discipline an employee except for just cause. Before any disciplinary action is taken against a member, he shall be given written notice of the alleged charge(s). Such notice shall be presented to the employee within ninety (90) calendar days of the Sheriff having actual knowledge of an incident. The Sheriff may, at the Sheriff's sole discretion, extend this 90 day period with one 30 calendar day extension, upon written notice to the union. A Notice of Possible Discipline will be forwarded to the employee and the union. The employee shall have fourteen (14) calendar days to respond in writing and state his/her position and offer any evidence immediately available. This response shall be presented to the Sheriff, Undersheriff or their designee.

Section 2. Charges and Specifications

After the fourteen (14) day response time expires, notice shall be given to the employee and Union by the Employer of any discipline or discharge within fourteen (14) days. The notice will normally be delivered to the steward or alternate. If neither are at work, an email or facsimile to the Union shall be sufficient notice. The employee shall sign a copy

of the charge with the understanding that said signing does not necessarily constitute agreement thereto.

Section 3. Specific Sections

Such charges shall cite the specific sections of the rules and regulations and/or appropriate law or ordinance which the member is alleged to have violated. No member shall be required to make any statement written or oral, concerning the alleged offense prior to the Step Three (3) grievance meeting.

Section 4. Representation

At all stages of the disciplinary procedure a Command Officer of the bargaining unit, against whom charges have been made, may be represented by a steward, alternate steward, Union representative or Union attorney.

Section 5. Past Infractions

In imposing any discipline or current charge, the Employer will not base his decision upon any prior infractions of County or Departmental rules or regulations which occurred more than two (2) years previously, unless directly related to the current charge. Written reprimands shall be removed from the employee's personnel file one (1) year from the date of issue. This shall not apply to notices of suspension. This also shall not apply if similar violations occur within one (1) year of the reprimand in question.

Section 6. Relieved of Duty.

In the event a member is relieved of duty, he shall be taken off the payroll and shall turn in his departmental equipment. Relieved of duty shall be used by the Department for awaiting criminal trial implementation and decision. In the event a member is exonerated of the charges causing the relieved of duty condition, he shall be reinstated to his prior position and compensated for all back wages lost due to the relieved of duty condition. Relieved of duty shall not last more than thirty (30) calendar days except when there is a criminal prosecution authorized by a prosecutor or city attorney. During the period a member is relieved of duty, he shall receive all benefits except pay.

Section 7. Special Investigation

If any member shoots, while in the line of duty, another person killing that person, that member may, at the Employer's discretion, be inactivated receiving full pay and benefits for a period of three (3) calendar days, except during periods of emergency. This period may be extended up to thirty (30) calendar days for medical reasons. During the inactivation period the employee must make himself available for investigative purposes.

Section 8. Reassignment

The Employer may, at its discretion, reassign an officer instead of taking one of the actions described above until the investigation is complete. Such reassignment shall be without prejudice.

Section 9. Continuance of Benefits

If a member is suspended for disciplinary reasons, he shall not be entitled to his pay; however, he shall receive all other County benefits. Employee will be responsible for bi-weekly cost sharing on County benefits during the period of suspension.

ARTICLE 8
PROBATION

Section 1.

New employees hired in the unit on a full time basis shall be considered as probationary employees for the first six (6) months of their employment. When an employee finishes the probationary period, by accumulating six (6) months of employment, he shall be entered on the seniority list of the unit and shall rank for seniority from the day six (6) months prior to the day he completes the probationary period. There shall be no unit seniority among probationary employees. Regular full-time employees who are otherwise eligible, may hold probationary status and qualify for benefits.

Section 2.

The Union shall represent probationary employees for the purposes of collective bargaining in respect to rates of pay, wages, hours of employment and other specified conditions of employment as set forth in Article 1 of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 9
SENIORITY

Section 1.

Seniority shall be on a department wide basis in accordance with the employee's date of entry into the Sheriff's Department.

- a) Seniority shall not be affected by the race, color, creed, age, sex, marital status, or dependents of the employee.
- b) The seniority list will show the rates, names and job titles of all employees of the unit entitled to seniority.

- c) The Employer will keep the seniority list up to date and posted at all times and will provide the local Union membership with up to date copies at least every six (6) months.

Section 2.

An employee shall lose his seniority for the following reasons only:

- a) He quits, retires or receives a pension under Saginaw County.
- b) He is discharged and the discharge is not reversed through the procedures set forth in this Agreement.
- c) He is absent for three (3) consecutive working days (voluntary quit) without notifying the employer. In proper cases, exceptions shall be made upon the employee producing convincing proof of his inability to give such notice. After such absence the Employer will send certified written notification to the employee at his last known address that because of his unexcused absence he has voluntarily quit and is no longer in the employ of the County.
- d) If he does not notify the Employer within seven (7) calendar days after receipt of certified written notification to return to work after lay off, as to the date when he will return, which must be within two (2) weeks after the delivery of such notice to his last known address. Exceptions shall be made upon the employee producing convincing proof of his inability to return as required.
- e) Return from sick leave and leaves of absence will be treated the same as (c) above.
- f) If he is laid off during the term of this Agreement for a continuous period equivalent to his seniority. However, in no event will employees laid off for a continuous period in excess of three (3) years retain their seniority.
- g) Transfer or promotion out of the Sheriff's Department.

Section 3.

For the first ninety (90) calendar days from the date of assignment to a supervisory position within the Sheriff's Department, an employee may upon request voluntarily return to the bargaining unit in line with his accumulated seniority.

Section 4.

Bargaining unit employees who were transferred or promoted prior to the effective date of this Agreement and employees subsequently transferred or promoted within the Sheriff's Department to a position outside the jurisdiction of this Agreement, may be

returned to the position from which he/she was transferred or promoted with all Department seniority reestablished in this bargaining unit.

ARTICLE 10 PROMOTIONS

Section 1.

Whenever a vacancy occurs within the Command Unit, the then remaining members of the group shall evaluate the Sergeants from within the department and recommend to the Sheriff those deemed qualified. The recommendation shall not be binding on the Sheriff. Individuals considered for promotion to this unit may be required to have testing at the discretion of the Sheriff.

Section 2.

Those promoted into this unit shall be subject to the probationary period set forth in Article 8 of this Agreement. In the event the person promoted to the Command Staff cannot, in the opinion of the Sheriff, fulfill the duties of his/her new grade during his/her probationary period as a Command Officer, the Sheriff may reduce the employee back to his/her last grade level at the time he/she was elevated to the higher grade; or if the employee feels that he/she is not able to function in his/her new position, the employee may request to be placed back into his/her previous position.

Section 3.

Those promoted within this unit shall be subject to a six (6) month trial/training period whereby the Sheriff, in his/her sole discretion, may reduce the employee back to his/her last grade level at the time he/she was elevated to the higher grade; or if the employee feels that he/she is not able to function in his/her new position, the employee may request to be placed back into his/her previous position.

ARTICLE 11 LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Section 1.

Employees shall be eligible for leaves of absence after one (1) year of service with the Employer. Leaves of absence are for employees who require time off from their employment, in addition to their regular paid time off (PTO). Employees must exhaust their PTO before becoming eligible for an unpaid leave of absence; except that employees shall have the option of maintaining no more than forty (40) hours of PTO while on an unpaid leave of absence.

In the case of a request for a medical leave of absence, a doctor's certificate may be required. The Employer reserves the right to review the doctor's certificate and prior to

effecting the medical recommendations contained therein, to schedule the affected employee for an examination with a physician retained by the Employer (at the Employer's expense) to reevaluate the employee's medical status and ability to perform his/her normal work duties.

In the event the employee's doctor and doctor retained by the County disagree, a third physician's opinion shall be obtained. The third doctor (whose fee will be split equally between the County and the employee) shall be appointed by a mutual agreement between the two previous doctors. The procedure of Medical Arbitration shall be used in any case involving a medical opinion.

Section 2.

Any request for a leave of absence shall be submitted in writing by the employee to the Employer. The request shall state the reasons the leave of absence is being requested and the approximate length of time off the employee desires.

Section 3.

Authorization or denial of a leave of absence request shall be furnished to the employee by the Employer, and it shall be in writing.

Section 4.

An employee on an unpaid approved leave of absence will not accumulate seniority during the leave. The Employer shall continue to provide life insurance in accordance with the terms of the Employer's contract with the life insurance carrier. The Employer shall continue to provide its share of cost; and coverage for health and dental insurance until the last day of the month that the approved leave of absence commences. If the employee chooses, he/she may make arrangements with the Employer for the continuation and payment of such benefits as permitted under COBRA.

Section 5.

Further extension beyond the return date designated may be granted after thorough investigation and upon a finding that extension of time is necessary and just.

Section 6. Military Leave

Except as herein provided, the reemployment rights of employees and probationary employees after military service will be limited to applicable laws and regulations. However, regular employees involuntarily called to active military duty shall have the same benefits as afforded non-union employees in the Saginaw County Leave of Absence Policy Number 363, as amended on November 20, 2018.

Section 7.

Employees shall be granted a leave of absence with pay when they are required to report for jury duty.

- a) Employees shall be paid the difference between any jury duty compensation they receive and their regular wages for time necessarily spent in jury service. Seniority will continue to accrue to the employee while on jury duty. Employees will be paid for the full day after endorsing the jury check to the Employer, if required to serve on jury duty for the full day. If employees are released prior to the end of the day, they shall report to their regular duty station once released from jury duty.

Section 8.

Employees required either by the County of Saginaw or any other public agency to appear before a court or such agency on any matters related to the lawful performance of their duties to the Employer in their work for Saginaw County and in which they are personally involved as a result of the faithful performance of their duties to the Employer shall be granted a leave of absence with pay (as set forth in the following paragraph) for a period during which they are so required to be absent from work.

Such employees shall be paid the difference, if any, between the compensation they receive from the court or agency and their wages for time necessarily spent in such. Employees will be paid for such time after turning over the witness fees to the Employer.

Section 9.

An employee wishing to further his education in his chosen profession may be granted educational leave for a maximum of two (2) years without pay. This leave may be extended by mutual agreement. Employees shall not accumulate benefits or seniority while on such leaves of absence. Whether educational leave is approved is at the discretion of the Sheriff.

Section 10.

Family and Medical Leave shall be in accordance with Saginaw County Policy #364, as amended on January 20, 2009, subject to law.

ARTICLE 12
HOURS OF WORK AND PREMIUM PAY

Section 1.

The Sheriff shall establish the work week and work schedule of the bargaining unit. Coffee breaks and rest periods shall be taken as in accordance with Sheriff Department Policy and Procedures.

Section 2.

The Employer shall continue biweekly pay periods. Each employee shall be provided with an itemized statement of his earnings and of all deductions made for any purpose.

ARTICLE 13
HOLIDAYS

Section 1.

The following days shall be designated and observed as paid holidays effective upon ratification of the Agreement:

1. New Year's Day, January 1
2. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday, 3rd Monday in January
3. Presidents' Day, 3rd Monday in February
4. Good Friday
5. Memorial Day, last Monday in May
6. Juneteenth, June 19
7. Independence Day, July 4
8. Labor Day, 1st Monday in September
9. Veterans' Day, November 11
10. Thanksgiving Day, 4th Thursday in November
11. Day after Thanksgiving
12. December 24, Christmas Eve
13. Christmas Day
14. December 31, New Year's Eve

Section 2.

In view of the nature of their duties and priority need for law enforcement in times of emergency or natural disaster, bargaining unit personnel will make every reasonable effort to report to work and remain at work during "snow days" or other "acts of God".

Section 3.

It is further agreed that in the event the Board of Commissioners designate other holidays not listed above, and such days are granted to other County employees they shall also be granted to Bargaining Unit Personnel if the holiday added is not in exchange for another holiday.

Section 4.

Employees must work their scheduled day/shift in its entirety before and their scheduled

day/shift in its entirety after a holiday or be on an authorized leave in order to be paid for the holiday.

Section 5.

If one of the holidays listed above should fall on a Sunday, the following Monday shall be observed as a holiday. If one (1) of the holidays listed above should fall on a Saturday, excluding Christmas and New Year's Day the previous Friday shall be observed as a holiday, except for employees assigned to seven (7) day operations, who will celebrate the actual date of the holiday. If Christmas Eve or New Year's Eve falls on Saturday or Sunday, the holiday will be observed on Friday. If Christmas or New Year's Day falls on Saturday, the holiday will be observed on the previous Friday and Christmas Eve or New Year's Eve Day will be observed on Thursday the day before. However, employees assigned to seven (7) day operations will celebrate the actual date of the holiday.

Section 6.

All eligible employees shall receive eight (8) hours pay at their straight time rate for holiday pay.

Section 7.

If a holiday is observed on an employee's scheduled day off or during his PTO, he shall be paid for the unworked holiday.

ARTICLE 14
PAID TIME OFF

Section 1.

Eligible employees, as that term is defined under Michigan's Paid Medical Leave Act, MCL 408.964, as amended, who are less than regular full-time employees, shall accrue Paid Time Off (PTO) in accordance with the Act and pursuant to County Policy #341.

Section 2.

Regular full-time employees shall accrue Paid Time Off (PTO) from the date of hire and may be used on the first day of the month following thirty (30) days of continued full-time service, in accordance with the following provisions:

Non-probationary Employees with more than zero (0) months and less than three (3) years of service shall accrue PTO in the amount of seventeen (17) days per year. Probationary employees are not eligible for PTO and accrued PTO is not credited until completion of the probationary period which is generally 6 months.

Employees with three (3) but less than five (5) years of service shall accrue PTO in the amount of nineteen (19) days per year.

Employees with five (5) but less than ten (10) years of service shall accrue PTO in the amount of twenty one (21) days per year.

Employees with ten (10) years but less than fifteen (15) years of service shall accrue PTO in the amount of twenty three (23) days per year.

Employees with fifteen (15) but less than twenty (20) years of service shall accrue PTO in the amount of twenty-five (25) days per year.

Employees with twenty (20) years or more of service shall accrue PTO in the amount of twenty-seven (27) days per year.

PTO time will not accrue during absence due to Workers Compensation or Paid Disability Leave after the first 90 days of a workers compensation or disability leave.

Section 3.

Should the member separate from employment during this period for any reason, the member shall not be compensated for more than 50% cash value for the unused PTO time up to a maximum of six hundred (600) hours, in accordance with Section 3 herein.

Section 4.

Upon termination of employment of any member of this unit due to resignation, death, retirement, dismissal or layoff, the member shall be compensated at 50% cash value for the unused PTO time up to a maximum of six hundred (600) hours (maximum payment of 300 hours at the member's current rate of compensation) through the date of termination that such employee has accrued.

Section 5.

Scheduled PTO time by classification and affected shifts, will be worked out as far in advance as possible. To accomplish this and to consider the wishes of seniority employees, after December 1st, each employee shall indicate on a yearly calendar his/her PTO request. Said request shall be submitted no later than January 1st. After January 1st, all employees who have failed to select their reserved PTO time will take whatever time is available on a first come first served basis. The sheriff will notify employees of approval of PTO periods within a reasonable time after January 1st, of the applicable year.

Discretionary PTO time (non-documented illness) use must be scheduled in advance. Annual PTO use for purposes other than documented disability or illness is limited to twice the amount of time that can be accrued in a year.

Section 6.

PTO pay will be paid at the current rate of the employee at the time the time is used or paid, in the event employment is severed. Current salary shall include any increase in salary schedule by reason of length of service, or any percentage increase which an employee is entitled to by reason of any increment plans. PTO compensation will be used in computing final average compensation.

Section 7.

If any employee becomes ill and is under the care of a duly licensed physician or recognized practitioner during his scheduled PTO, his discretionary PTO for the number of days documented as ill may be rescheduled with concurrence of the Sheriff. Evidence of illness may be required by the Employer.

Section 8.

Discretionary PTO may not be waived by an employee and extra pay received for work during that period.

Section 9.

When a holiday observed by the Employer falls during an employee's scheduled PTO, the holiday will be allowed and the PTO leave will be extended accordingly by request prior to taking PTO.

Section 10.

In the event an employee is called back to work from PTO, he/she shall be compensated as follows:

- 1) If the employee is required to terminate his/her PTO by the Employer, he/she shall be credited with such time beginning with the day notification is received by the employee.
- 2) By paying him/her time and one-half (1 1/2) his/her regular pay for hours worked during the scheduled PTO period.

Section 11.

For the purpose of computing PTO in accordance with the above provisions, hours worked shall include excused time off with pay due to sickness or injury.

Section 12.

Employees shall be permitted to schedule their PTO in conjunction with their pass day.

Section 13.

PTO shall be used in not less than 15-minute increments.

ARTICLE 15
DISABILITY LEAVE

Disability Leave shall be in accordance with Saginaw County Policy #361, as amended on January 19, 2021.

ARTICLE 16
LONGEVITY

Section 1.

CURRENT MEMBERS of this unit (those employed prior to May 24, 2005) who have completed five (5) or more years of continuous service, as of December 1st of each year, shall be entitled to longevity pay. Longevity pay shall be based on length of continuous service as of December 1st of each year. Regular full time CURRENT MEMBERS of this unit shall receive seventy dollars \$70 for each full year of continuous service. NEW MEMBERS of this unit (those employed after May 24, 2005) are not eligible for nor shall they receive longevity pay, unless they were receiving longevity pay pursuant to their former collective bargaining agreement with Saginaw County, in which case NEW MEMBERS shall receive longevity pay as if they were CURRENT MEMBERS.

An employee who retires or dies during the year, who would otherwise have been eligible for longevity pay on December 1st of the payment year, shall receive pro rata longevity pay for the year. An employee who is laid off subsequent to September 1st of the payment year, who would otherwise have been eligible for longevity pay on December 1st, shall receive pro rata longevity for the year.

ARTICLE 17
INSURANCE

For purposes of this Article, CURRENT EMPLOYEES are defined as bargaining unit members currently employed by the County of Saginaw who were hired prior to May 24, 2005, and NEW EMPLOYEES are defined as bargaining unit members who were hired after May 24, 2005.

Section 1. Health Insurance

The County shall pay the group premium for the high deductible health care plan or provide comparable coverage for each employee, their current spouse and dependents, except as otherwise provided in Section 2 of this Article. Coverage shall be effective on the first day of the month following completion of thirty (30) days of qualifying service. In no event shall the waiting period extend beyond what is required by law.

EMPLOYEES may also be offered additional health insurance plan(s) at the sole option of the Employer, which may be chosen during open enrollment or at the time of hire. Such plans are offered solely at the Employer's discretion and may be altered and/or discontinued at any time.

After selecting a plan, the plan may only be changed during open enrollment, which shall be announced at least fifteen (15) days in advance. Those employees who do not indicate a plan change during open enrollment shall continue under the previously declared plan, if available.

Dependents, as used in this section, shall be in accordance with the definition of insurance carrier. Employees may voluntarily choose between the available coverage or payment in lieu of coverage (as provided in Section 13) at the time they are first hired or at open enrollment.

Benefits and coverage for the high deductible plan is summarized in the attached benefit summary.

Section 2. Health and Dental Insurance Cost Sharing and Compliance with Hard Caps

In respect to the insurance coverage designated in Sections 1 and 6 of this Article, it is agreed that employees shall pay zero percent (0%) of the premium cost of the high deductible health plan, unless the cost of the high deductible plan exceeds the "hard cap" limitations as established in PA 152, as amended (See Section 17). However, the County will "opt-out" of PA 152 during this contract. The County will employ the "hard cap" methodology in calculating the employee's monthly premium share of each plan year cost. The County will apply additional contribution up to \$827,400 each year to reduce the employee share above the "hard cap" calculation. In addition to the annual contribution up to \$827,400, the County will contribute \$500 to each eligible employee's health savings account (HSA) on or about January 1 or each subsequent year. The County will also contribute \$442,800 in American Rescue plan Act of 2021 funding to cover the cost of any eligible COVID-19 related medical claims incurred in 2021 against the 2022 plan year rates.

Employees shall be responsible for ten percent (10%) of the premium cost of the dental plan.

For any other plan offered at the EMPLOYER'S sole option, the costs will be apportioned as established by the EMPLOYER, but in no event shall the EMPLOYER'S costs exceed

the "hard cap" calculation methodology set forth in PA 152, as amended.

The EMPLOYER shall pay the remaining premium, subject to the limitations set forth in Section 17; provided, however, the employee shall be responsible for the additional cost of sponsored dependent riders, unless applicable law requires the EMPLOYER to be responsible for such dependent riders. Applicable rates for the year are those in effect at the beginning of the plan year. The employee's contribution shall be changed only once each year coinciding with the beginning of the plan period, unless the employee's dependent status changes during the year in which event the new rate will be based on the rate currently in effect for the new dependency class.

Section 3. Coverage Relative to Work Related Injuries or Death

For both CURRENT EMPLOYEES and NEW EMPLOYEES, the Employer shall continue to pay its share of the health care premium as set forth in Section 1, for a maximum of three (3) years. Employees or their surviving family members will be responsible for the employee's share of the premium as established for each plan year or set forth in PA 152, if applicable, during the period, an employee is disabled through injuries or for the surviving spouse and dependents of an employee who is killed or fatally injured as a result of an occurrence arising out of or in the course of the employee's employment while the employee is actually on duty.

Section 4. Continuation of Health Care Coverage Upon Retirement For CURRENT EMPLOYEES Only

To be eligible for continuation of health care coverage upon retirement, CURRENT employees will satisfy both the age and continuous years of service requirements associated with retirement under the MERS Defined Benefit Plan, even if he/she is a member of a Defined Contribution (DC) plan. Employees will be eligible to continue with the group health insurance option in which they are enrolled at the time of retirement, high deductible plan only. Additional plans offered at the Employer's sole option are not available and there will be no opportunity to switch to other existing options, pursuant to the following conditions:

- a) An employee hired before January 1, 2001, retiring from Saginaw County employment and his/her spouse at the time of retirement will be eligible to continue with the group health insurance option in which they are enrolled, provided proper application is made prior to retirement and the employee is a member of the plan on the date of retirement.
- b) An employee hired on or after January 1, 2001, upon retiring from Saginaw County employment, will be eligible for single healthcare coverage (employee only) and may purchase insurance for non-covered dependents at group rates, at their option.

- c) New employees hired after May 24, 2005, retiring from Saginaw County are not eligible for retiree health insurance.

The Employer retains the right to change providers and/or plan features, when savings or efficiencies are available by furnishing an equivalent level of benefits. In the event a retiree chooses to live anywhere other than Saginaw County upon retirement, they may incur additional out-of-pocket costs when using providers that are out-of-network.

Effective after September 29, 2015, an employee who retires under this Agreement and is eligible for and elects to receive retiree healthcare coverage will be required to pay a percentage of the premiums as indicated in TABLE A below. Payment will be in accordance with the number of continuous years of service actually worked for Saginaw County regardless of the total number of credited years of service held by the employee for the purpose of calculating the MERS Defined Benefit Pension.

TABLE A

Full Time Years of Service Actually Worked	Employer Pays	Retiree Pays
6	10%	90%
7	15%	85%
8	20%	80%
9	25%	75%
10	30%	70%
11	35%	65%
12	40%	60%
13	45%	55%
14	50%	50%
15	55%	45%
16	60%	40%
17	65%	35%
18	70%	30%
19	75%	25%
20 & Over	80%	20%

If an employer contribution to a Health Savings Account is made in the benefit year in which the employee retires, the same contribution will be made to the retiree's Health Savings Account until the employee reaches 65 years of age or becomes Medicare eligible, if the retiree is eligible to receive such a contribution. The HSA contribution will be the amount in effect at the time of retirement.

Employees who retire and are eligible for retiree health insurance coverage, may make an irrevocable election to receive offset payments of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) per month, in lieu of said coverage, provided they are not covered under a County health

plan. This election is irrevocable; individuals electing this option may not re-enter the health coverage program under any circumstances.

Section 5. Medicare Continuation

Upon becoming eligible for Medicare, the employee and his/her dependent(s) are required to enroll in both Part A and B of Medicare at the employee's expense. It is each individual's personal responsibility to contact the Social Security Administration regarding Medicare. Once enrolled, Medicare will become the primary coverage, while Saginaw County's health plan will be the secondary payor.

Eligible employees may continue the current health insurance plan, which they are enrolled in at the time of retirement, except that the hospitalization insurance for retirees and eligible dependents, as applicable, shall be converted to Medicare Complementary coverage upon either the employee or a covered dependent becoming eligible for Medicare. The health care option in which the person is enrolled at the time of retirement is the option that the retiree remains covered under until conversion to Medicare.

Section 6. Health Care Savings Program (HCSP) for NEW EMPLOYEES [hired after May 24, 2005.

NEW EMPLOYEES shall not be eligible for retirement health insurance provided under Section 4 above or any other retirement health insurance that may be provided by the County in the future. NEW EMPLOYEES and those employees previously enrolled in the former Retiree Health Savings (RHS) plan shall hereby be enrolled in an employer-sponsored Health Care Savings Program (HCSP) or its equivalent per the Employer's agreement with MERS.

For NEW EMPLOYEES, the County will contribute one percent (1%) of the qualifying employees' salary to the HCSP and those enrolled are mandated to contribute one percent (1%) of their salary. Other mandatory pre-tax contributions and elective post-tax contributions may apply to the HCSP. See HCSP Agreement for more details.

If a NEW EMPLOYEE joins this unit having been eligible for retirement health insurance coverage pursuant to his/her former collective bargaining agreement with Saginaw County, the NEW EMPLOYEE shall be entitled to retirement health insurance coverage as if he/she were a CURRENT EMPLOYEE.

Section 7. Dental Insurance

The Employer agrees to pay the premium for a dental plan for employees and eligible dependents, or comparable coverage except as otherwise provided in this article.

Eligible Persons: Full-time regular employees, their legal spouses and their dependent children as defined by the carrier.

Waiting Period: Employees are eligible on the first (1st) day of the month following thirty (30) days of completed full-time service.

Percentage: Class I - 100% (Preventive, diagnostic, emergency palliative)

Class I Benefits - 80% (Radiographic, oral surgery, restorative, periodontics, endodontics)

Class II - 50% (Bridges, partials, and dentures)

Orthodontic Services – 50% (braces)

\$1,500 maximum per person per contract year for Class I and Class II benefits. \$1,500 maximum per person total per lifetime for orthodontic services.

Section 8. Optical Insurance

The insurance will be in accordance with the plan in effect on the date of ratification of this contract. Vision Benefits are set forth in the Vision Benefits Summary, attached hereto. The Employer reserves the right to change carriers by providing comparable coverage with a carrier for reasons of cost or service. Coverage is effective the first of the month following thirty (30) days of service.

Section 9. Life Insurance

The Employer shall pay the full premium for group term life insurance providing coverage to each full-time employee in the amount of Fifty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$50,000.00) and Fifty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$50,000.00) Accidental Death and Dismemberment insurance effective the first (1st) day of the month following thirty (30) days of completed full-time service. The employee's Life Insurance benefit amount will automatically reduce upon the employees attainment of age 65 but less than age 70 to 92% and age 70 and over to 90%.

Employees who retire will be insured for Four Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$4,000.00) group term life.

Section 10. Liability Insurance

The Employer shall provide at no cost to the employee a policy of liability insurance to indemnify and protect employees against loss arising out of any claim of any nature brought against the employees arising out of the performance in good faith of the official duties of such employee.

For the purposes of this Section, official duty shall be construed to be acts done pursuant to authority conferred by law or within the scope of employment or in the relation to

matters committed by law to the employee or to the EMPLOYER under whose authority the employee is acting, whether or not there is negligence in the doing of such acts. Where there is willful misconduct or lack of good faith in the doing of any such acts, the same shall not constitute the good faith performance of the official duties of any employee within the operation or intent of this Section. The coverage provided shall be in accordance with the specified terms and limits of the Saginaw County general liability insurance policy (currently at \$10,000,000.00 (Ten Million Dollars) and shall include the cost of defense, including attorney fees).

Section 11. Dual Coverage

Employees and retirees of the EMPLOYER shall not be eligible for dual coverage as both a subscriber employee and a dependent for any insurance coverage under this Agreement.

Section 12. Continuation of Insurance

Insurances shall continue in force at County expense as follows:

Health, Dental, Vision, and Life Insurance:

In the event of layoff, health, dental, vision, and life insurance shall be continued at EMPLOYER expense until the last day of the month subsequent to the date of the employee's layoff (e.g. May 15 layoff results in coverage until June 30). Employees would be responsible for any premium share in effect at time of layoff.

In the event of a leave of absence, health, dental, vision, and life insurance shall be continued at EMPLOYER expense until the last day of the month that the leave began (e.g. May 15 commencement of leave of absence results in coverage until May 31). The term "EMPLOYER expense" shall be in accordance with Section 2 of this Article.

Separation:

In all separations except as provided in Section 4 of this Article, all insurance coverage will terminate the last day of the month of the employee's separation (e.g. a last day of separation on May 15 results in coverage until May 31). Health, dental, and vision coverage may be continued at the employee's expense if requested in accordance with applicable federal laws.

All references to continuing coverage at the County or EMPLOYER expense are subject to the employee premium sharing as set forth in this Article.

Section 13. Option to Health Insurance Coverage

An Employee who is eligible to receive or presently enrolled in a County health insurance plan may choose to receive Two Hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$200.00) per month in lieu of such insurance coverage; provided, the employee provides proof of another source of health insurance and signs a statement attesting to said insurance coverage and further must not be covered as a dependent of another County employee.

Employees who leave the health insurance plan of the County may only re-enroll during open enrollment unless an employee's status changes such that he/she is no longer covered under another policy (divorce, death of spouse, etc.). Then the employee may re-enter County coverage subject to IRS regulations for a qualifying event and the terms and conditions of the carrier. In the event that a lapse in coverage occurs due to the employee not notifying the EMPLOYER in a timely manner, or for any other reason not directly attributable to the EMPLOYER, the EMPLOYER shall in no way be held liable for health coverage during such lapse.

Section 14. Wellness Activity Reimbursement

The EMPLOYER shall provide wellness reimbursement to qualified employees pursuant to County Policy #353, as amended December 19, 2017, up to the amount of \$200 per calendar year.

Section 15. Participation in Union/Management Health Insurance Committee

The UNION agrees to provide one representative and one alternate to participate on a Union/Management Health Insurance Committee.

Section 16. Ability to Change Insurance Providers

The Employer may determine the Provider of health insurance, dental insurance, vision insurance, and life insurance, except however, the benefit structure shall be maintained at the same level provided under this Agreement. The Employer recognizes the need to provide similar or better benefits when selecting or changing a Third-Party Administrator. If the level of benefits change, then the County will negotiate prior to any change of Provider.

Section 17. Compliance with Laws

It is the intent of the Employer and Union that this Agreement comply with the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA). Any provisions in this Agreement that are in conflict with PPACA shall be superseded thereby. During the term of this Agreement, the Employer shall opt-out of PA 152 and rates will be calculated as indicated in Section 2 of this article.

ARTICLE 18
LAY OFF AND RECALL

Section 1.

The word "layoff" means a reduction in the Command Staff due to a decrease of work or limitation in funds. Such layoffs shall not be arbitrary or capricious.

Section 2.

Employees will be laid off according to time in grade seniority on a classification basis provided the employees retained are able to perform the available work. Employees to be laid off shall have the option of taking layoff or exercise their unit seniority by bumping downward into the next lower classification in which they have the ability to perform the available work. Bargaining unit employees subject to layoff from the Unit shall be given the opportunity to exercise their Department seniority to bump into the highest paid classification in Units II and I, provided his/her Department seniority is greater than the Department seniority of the employee in Unit II or I.

Section 3.

Employees to be laid off for any period of time shall be given a minimum of fourteen (14) days' notice of layoff. The Steward shall be given a list of employees being laid off on the same date the notices are issued to the affected employees.

- a) When the Command Staff is to be increased or an opening occurs after a layoff, employees shall be recalled in reverse order of layoff.
- b) Notice of recall may be by telephone call, confirmed by certified mail to the employee's last known address.
- c) Employees will be granted up to two (2) weeks to return to work upon request.

Section 4.

In the event that the Sheriff is not reelected or the Undersheriff not reappointed to his present position and provided that the Sheriff or Undersheriff were members of the Rank and File of the Department for a minimum of four (4) years, either may revert back to their former positions in classification held prior to taking office or accepting their appointments. In returning to a position within the bargaining unit either employee shall have accumulated seniority while in the elected or appointed position.

Section 5. Furloughs

Furlough is a reduction of hours of an employee, which management may specify by department and by classification.

Furlough shall be by department and by classification.

Management may find the need to furlough some of its employees due to the present and future financial situation of the employer. Furloughs will allow employees to retain their positions with the employer and their benefits while being on reduced hours.

Management may furlough salaried employees forty (40) hours per week and hourly employees up to forty (40) hours per week.

Those hourly and salaried employees that are furloughed for forty (40) hours a week shall surrender their County equipment (e.g., County provided cell phones and computers) effective the day of their furlough. Those employees who are furloughed shall not complete any work on behalf of the employer while furloughed.

All furloughed employees will retain their health, dental, vision and life insurance, subject to employee premium co-pays and seniority rights. PTO will not accrue during the furlough unless the employee is partially furloughed and actually working. If employee is scheduled for a PTO increase or salary step increase while off on furlough and if the employee is completely off work, the employee shall receive the increase when they return to work. However, if the furlough extends beyond six (6) months, then the PTO increase or salary step increase will not accrue. All employees who are furloughed cannot use PTO to offset a scheduled furlough day.

Prior to furloughing an employee, the Employer will discuss the furlough with the Union and provide proof of financial necessity.

ARTICLE 19 GENERAL

Section 1. Equipment

The Employer shall furnish to the employee all equipment deemed necessary to perform the duties assigned their classification and keep same in safe operating condition.

Section 2. Clothing

The Employer shall furnish employees all necessary equipment and articles of clothing required by the Sheriff in the performance of their duties.

Section 3. Ornamentation

The Employer shall furnish all necessary equipment such as patches, bars, stripes and name tags and replace such items as necessary.

Section 4. Service Records

The parties agree that records of service will be kept in the employee's personnel file and citations will be awarded in instances of meritorious performance, above and beyond the call of duty. The employee shall upon request in the presence of the Employer have access to his personnel file consistent with P.A. 397.

Section 5. Range and Ammunition

The Employer shall make a firing range and ammunition available to the employees for target shooting and the employees shall qualify with their service weapons a minimum of twice (2) yearly. Failure to qualify with the service weapon may be grounds for disciplinary action.

Section 6. Union Representatives

Authorized representatives of the Union shall be permitted to visit the operation of the Employer during working hours to talk with the stewards of the Local Union and/or representatives of the Employer concerning matters covered by this Agreement without interfering with the progress of the work force. The Union will arrange with the Employer for time and place prior to the occurrence of such visits.

Section 7. Training Expenses

The Employer shall pay the tuition, expenses, and provide proper transportation for schools or courses attended at the direction of the Employer. Employees will receive mileage at the current County rate if the class is held outside of Saginaw County (except for Delta College) and if transportation is not otherwise available. When training, schools or courses are held at Delta College, mileage and expenses shall not be provided for by the Employer.

Section 8. Mileage

Whenever an employee is requested by the Employer to use his own personal vehicle in the line of duty and on the business of the Employer, he shall be accorded mileage allowance. The mileage compensation paid will be equal to the prevailing Internal Revenue Service Rate.

Section 9. Vehicles

If a vehicle should be regarded as defective, an employee must immediately inform his immediate supervisor. If the supervisor determines the car to be defective, he shall cause the vehicle to be removed from service until cleared by a certified mechanic designated by the Employer as fit for road service.

Section 10. Time Lost

An employee who is injured while on the job and is required to leave the job by medical authority will be paid for the time lost from scheduled work for the remainder of the day.

Section 11. Accidents

Any employee involved in any accident shall immediately report said accident and/or any physical injury sustained, to his immediate supervisor prior to termination of his duty shift in which his injury occurred.

Section 12. Bulletin Board

The Employer will provide a bulletin board in the facility where employees hereunder are employed for the posting of seniority and PTO leave lists and for the use of the Union and the Employer. Only official notices are to be posted and must have the signature of the Union Business Representative or the Shop Steward for the Union. The Union will promptly remove from such Union bulletin boards upon written request of the Employer any material which is detrimental to the Union-Employer relationship.

Section 13. Schools and Training

The Employer will post a list of schools and training courses which it makes available to department personnel and will offer such schooling and training to a predetermined number of those employees of the bargaining unit who request, in writing, their desire to attend. Seniority shall be considered in the selection of employees who attend such schooling or training. The decision of the Employer in his selection shall not be arbitrary or capricious.

Section 14. Higher Classification Pay

Employees may be directed by the Department Head or Supervisor to perform duties above their classification. Employees who are temporarily requested to perform duties above their classification shall be paid at the lowest merit step in the new pay grade which is at least 5% above the salary the employee is currently receiving. Employees shall be required to keep a log of their time worked above their classification and submit same to their Department Head or Supervisor. Logs should contain actual time worked, specific tasks performed, and employees will be paid at the higher rate of pay accordingly.

Section 15. Rest Period

Employees shall normally be granted a minimum rest period of eight (8) hours before having to report back to duty, except in situations of manpower shortages or emergencies.

Section 16. Bonds

Should the Employer require any employee to be bonded, any premium involved shall be paid by the Employer.

Section 17. New Classification Pay

When the Employer assigns rates of pay to new classifications, the Union may challenge such rates through the Grievance Procedure.

Section 18. Lockers

The Employer will provide wash rooms and lockers for the changing and storing of clothing. Lockers of individual officers will not be opened for inspection, except in cases of a court order, or in the presence of the officer or his designated representative or Steward.

Section 19. Background Checks

The parties agree and acknowledge that EMPLOYER shall have the right to conduct criminal background checks on employees pursuant to any applicable laws, policies or regulations established by the state or federal government or pursuant to conditions on grants or funding received.

Section 20. Motor Vehicle Record Checks

The parties agree that the EMPLOYER shall have the right to subscribe to services rendered by and through the State of Michigan which provide driving record information to the EMPLOYER for employees who are required to have a valid Michigan driver's license as recognized in their job description or who are required or permitted to drive during the course of their employment.

ARTICLE 20 CLOTHING ALLOWANCE

Section 1.

A clothing allowance in the amount of \$450.00 per year shall be paid to all employees required to wear civilian clothing. Payment shall be based on twelve (12) equal monthly increments -- one-half (1/2) payable on or about June 15 and December 15 each calendar year. Employees required to wear civilian clothing shall receive payment on a prorated basis for those months they are required to wear civilian clothes.

Section 2.

The cleaning of uniforms issued by the Employer shall be the responsibility of the

Employer. Employees required to wear civilian clothes shall be entitled to an equivalent value of cleaning services.

ARTICLE 21
WORKER'S COMPENSATION

Section 1.

In the event an employee sustains an occupational injury, he will be covered by applicable Worker's Compensation Laws. Any employee sustaining an occupational injury, shall receive the first seven (7) calendar days with pay not chargeable to any other benefit. The employee shall fill out the appropriate Worker's Compensation forms and must substantiate such injury. This Article shall apply only to compensable injuries.

Section 2.

An employee shall be entitled to use his PTO bank to supplement worker's compensation payments to 100 % of his regular net pay. Average net pay and worker's compensation payments shall be as defined by the applicable Michigan Worker's Compensation Laws. Supplementation shall be to the nearest full hour at the employee's regular rate of pay. All lost time must be substantiated by medical opinion. Supplementation of contested or litigated claims shall not be made until an award is made in favor of the employee.

Section 3.

Fringe benefits that will be provided for an individual on workers compensation will be Health Insurance, Dental Insurance, Vision Insurance and Life Insurance. PTO will accrue for the first 90 days only. Insurance coverages will be continued under the provider's terms and conditions.

ARTICLE 22
PENSION

Effective January 1, 1994, the retirement program shall be as follows:

1. Michigan Municipal Employees Retirement System plan B-4 (2.5% of member's final average compensation) multiplied by years and months of credited service. This benefit shall not exceed 80% of member's final average compensation.
2. FAC 5 - Final average compensation is computed on the highest 60 consecutive months of earning, divided by 5.
3. F55/15, F60/6, E-2 and 25-out - Standard retirement requires age 55 with 15 years of service, or, age 60 with 6 years of service, or 25 years of service with no age requirement.

4. V-6 - Employees shall be vested (entitled to applicable pension benefits) after six years of credited service with pension payable at age 60.

Effective January 1, 1994, all new County employees shall become members of the Saginaw County Defined Contribution Plan (DC Plan) (formerly administered as a Trust Fund in conjunction with the International City Managers Association ICMA) which provides for the following:

For CURRENT MEMBERS of this unit (those employed prior to May 24, 2005):

<u>Employer Contribution</u>	<u>Employee Contribution</u>	<u>Total</u>
6%	0%	6%
9%	3%	12%

For NEW MEMBERS of this unit (those employed after May 24, 2005):

<u>Employer Contribution</u>	<u>Employee Contribution</u>	<u>Total</u>
3%	0%	3%
6%	6%	12%

If NEW MEMBERS join this unit having the same employer/employee contributions as those provided for CURRENT MEMBERS herein, pursuant to their former collective bargaining agreement with Saginaw County, those NEW MEMBERS shall be entitled to the employer/employee contributions as if they were CURRENT MEMBERS.

The employee shall select one of the above contribution plans for which he/she is eligible initially upon being hired and this selection is irrevocable. Employees under the DC Plan can retire at age 55 with 15 years of service, age 60 with six years of service or after 25 years of service with no age requirement.

If any NEW MEMBER joins this Unit after the effective date of this contract and is not a Saginaw County Employee prior to joining, then that employee will be eligible for the following contribution plan:

<u>Employer Contribution</u>	<u>Employee Contribution</u>	<u>Total</u>
6%	6%	12%

Under the DC Plan, the employee will be provided with maximum portability of both the employee and employer contributions including earnings on the employer and employee contributions by allowing the employee, upon termination of employment to withdraw the entire amount of the employee contribution including earnings on the employee contribution and a percentage of the employer contributions, on a sliding scale based on the years of service as scheduled below:

Years of Service

Retained by Employee

Up to 35 months	0%
36 through 47 months	25%
48 through 59 months	50%
60 through 71 months	75%
72 months or more	100%

The County shall be responsible for coordinating the DC Plan with the DC Plan Administrator and shall hold the Union harmless for employee liability related to the new program. Employees who join this unit as members of the DC Plan shall remain as members of that program.

ARTICLE 23
MAINTENANCE OF STANDARDS

The Employer agrees that all conditions of employment in his individual operation relating to wages, hours of work, overtime differentials and general working conditions shall be maintained at not less than the highest minimum standards in effect at the time of the signing of this Agreement, and the conditions of employment shall be changed wherever specified provisions for changes are made elsewhere in this Agreement.

ARTICLE 24
SALARIES

Consideration of Wages in Fiscal Years 2022, 2023 and 2024.

Employees will be provided a 2% base wage increase for fiscal year 2022. Employees will be provided up to a 2% wage increase contingent on the Budget Stabilization Fund for fiscal years 2023 and 2024.

Pursuant to County Policy #221, a minimum balance of five percent (5%) of the most current Board Approved General Fund Budget (Budget) shall be maintained as a Budget Stabilization Reserve (Stabilization Fund) for fiscal years 2022 and 2023. If the Stabilization Fund ends the 2022 and 2023 Fiscal Years, as audited, in compliance with Policy #221, then any amount in the Reserve Fund greater than five percent (5%) of the Budget shall be applied to provide a base wage increase equal to but not greater than two percent (2%) commencing October 1 of the requisite fiscal year. The actual base wage increase, if any, shall be based on General Fund employee payroll and considered in quarter percent (0.25%) increments.

For example, if \$50,000 represents the amount to provide no more and no less than a 0.25% base wage increase, and if the Stabilization Fund ends Fiscal Year 2014 with \$50,000 greater than 5% of Budget, then employees shall receive a 0.25% base wage increase. Using the same example, if the amount is \$49,999, then no increase will be provided; if the amount is more than \$50,000 but less than what would be required to

provide a 0.5% base wage increase, then the employees shall receive a 0.25% base wage increase. In summary, the amount above the Policy amount of 5% must be at or above the requisite quarter percent increment in order for that base wage increase to be provided.

The Employer has agreed to roll in the previous on-call stipend of \$5,250 annually into the base wage for employee Lieutenants.

The Employer agrees to provide for a two-part Coronavirus Premium Pay Plan which will provide:

- a) Those eligible employees who are currently on the County's payroll and who worked in person between March 24, 2020 to July 27, 2020 shall receive up to the sum of \$2,500 under Part A, depending upon the duration of in-person work performed.
- b) Those eligible employees who are currently on the County's payroll shall receive a one-time lump sum payment of \$1,250 under Part B of the Plan.
- c) Any employee who will make in excess of \$80,085, with inclusion of either Part A or B or both, must provide explanation justifying why he/she should be eligible for the premium pay/hazard pay.
- d) Employees will be expected to complete an Affidavit verifying the percentage they are eligible for under Part A. The Department Head will be expected to sign affirming they are unaware of any information that would contradict information attested to by the employee.

Direct Deposit shall be mandatory.

Determination of the conditional wage increases of 2.0%, as set forth in the second paragraph of this Article, will be made at the conclusion of the annual audit.

If any other 312 bargaining unit receives an across-the-board wage increase during the life of this Agreement (excluding any individual classification market value adjustment), the same across-the-board increase, in accordance with any corresponding proposal, shall be offered to all employees in this bargaining unit.

ARTICLE 25 FUNERAL LEAVE

Bereavement leave shall be in accordance with County Policy #362, as amended on November 20, 2018.

ARTICLE 26
SAVINGS CLAUSE

If any Article or Section of the Agreement or any addendum thereto should be held invalid by operation of law or by any tribunal of competent jurisdiction, or if compliance with or enforcement of any Article or Section should be reinstated by such tribunal, the remainder of the Agreement and addendum shall not be affected thereby, and the parties shall enter into immediate collective bargaining negotiations for the purpose of arriving at a mutually satisfactory replacement for such Article or Section.

ARTICLE 27
TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

Section 1.

This Agreement shall become effective as of the date of ratification by both the Union and the County of Saginaw. The Agreement shall continue in full force and effect to and including September 30, 2024, and from year to year, thereafter, unless written notice of desire to cancel or terminate the Agreement is served by either party upon the other at least sixty (60) days prior to date of expiration.

Section 2.

It is further provided that where no such cancellation or termination notice is served and the parties desire to continue said Agreement, either party may serve upon the other a notice, at least sixty (60) days prior to September 30, 2024, advising that such party desires to continue this Agreement but also desires to revise or change the terms or conditions of such Agreement. The respective parties shall be permitted all lawful economic recourse to support their request for revisions if the parties fail to agree thereon.

Section 3.

In the event of an inadvertent failure by either party to give the notice set forth in Section 1 and 2 of this Article, such party may give such notice at any time prior to the termination of automatic renewal date of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 28
DRUG TESTING

A. POLICY

It is the policy of this department that the critical mission of law enforcement justifies maintenance of a drug-free work environment through the use of reasonable employee drug testing programs.

Drug and/or alcohol testing and any actions occurring as a result of that testing, shall

follow the policies and procedures of the Saginaw County Sheriff Department.

ARTICLE 29
PSYCHOLOGICAL TEST

It is acknowledged that law enforcement work is stressful and at certain times very emotional. Personnel are required at all times to exhibit keen minds that are stable, focused and in control. Consequently, there could be times that an employee could under the abnormal stress of the job suffer from irrational or unstable behavior. Therefore, the parties to this policy agree to abide by these provisions designed to protect the health and welfare of the employee, as well as safeguard the department from allegations of inappropriate behavior by an employee.

The testing of employees may occur in the event of the following:

1. Any on or off duty officer involved in a shooting incident.
2. Any on or off duty officer involved in accidents resulting in serious or fatal injuries
3. After any incident in which an officer has been exposed to undue trauma or stressful assignments.
4. At the request of the Sheriff when probable cause exists that an employee has or is exhibiting abnormal behavior that may be caused by unusual stress, mental illness or other medical related problems.

Testing of the employee will be discussed with the employee prior to the test to ascertain information that may warrant a reconsideration of the test.

Testing will consist of two phases in most instances unless testing is specifically needed in test areas and is requested by a physician.

1. Emotional Stability - Testing to determine the mental health and state of the employee.
2. Personality Factor Analysis - Testing to determine an individual fitness to act in the Law Enforcement Profession.

Testing will be done at the Expense of the County and by the Physician or agency chosen by the County. An employee retains the right to a second opinion by a physician of his/her choice at the employee's expense. In the event that the second physician disagrees with the first physician, a third physician selected by the Saginaw County Medical Society will be retained and the fees for same will be split between the parties.

Test results will be kept confidential and will be kept by the attending Physician. The results may be used to place an employee on medical leave pending farther testing or treatment.

An employee determined unable to serve as result of this testing will be placed on the disability program.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

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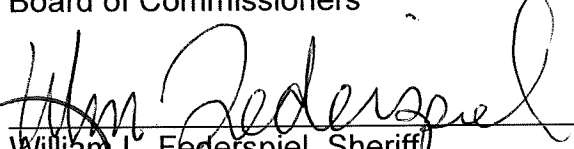
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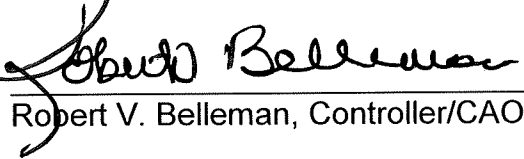
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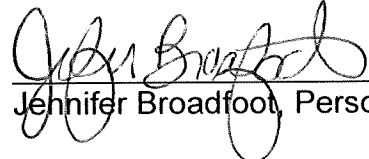




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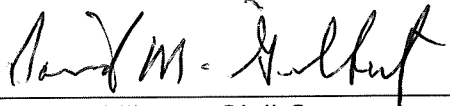


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Jennifer Broadfoot, Personnel Director

Approved as to Form:



David M. Gilbert - Civil Counsel
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Saginaw County, G-1147

Benefit Description	\$1,400 Deductible HSA Plan	
	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Benefit Year	January 1 through December 31	
Comprehensive Medical Benefit Deductible per Benefit Year	\$1,400/person \$2,800/family	\$2,800/person \$5,600/family
General Benefit Percentage	100% after deductible (0% coinsurance)	80% after deductible (20% coinsurance)
Total Maximum Out-of-Pocket per Benefit Year (Includes Deductible, Coinsurance, Medical Co-payments, and Prescription Drug Co-payments)	\$2,250/person \$4,500/family	\$4,500/person \$9,000/family
Special Notes about the Comprehensive Medical Benefit: 1. The family deductible must be met in full, either by one covered family member or by any combination of covered family members, before the Plan will begin paying benefits for any individual in a family. Additionally, the family Total Maximum Out-of-Pocket must be met in full, either by one covered family member or by any combination of covered family members, before the Plan's benefits will increase to 100% for all covered persons in the family for the applicable benefit tier. Medical and prescription drug co-payments will no longer be charged for the remainder of the Benefit Year after the applicable In-Network Total Maximum Out-of-Pocket is satisfied. 2. The Total Maximum Out-of-Pocket amounts do not include medical- and prescription drug-related expenses that constitute a penalty for noncompliance, exceed the usual and customary charge, exceed limits of the Plan, or are otherwise excluded.		
Outpatient Physician Services (Includes Office Visits, Urgent Care Center Visits, Telemedicine E-Visits, and Second Surgical Opinions) Physician's Fee for an Examination All Other Charges Billed in Connection with the Examination	100% after deductible Paid the same as any other illness; cost-sharing provisions such as deductibles, coinsurance, or co-payments may apply depending upon the type of service rendered	80% after deductible Paid the same as any other illness; cost-sharing provisions such as deductibles, coinsurance, or co-payments may apply depending upon the type of service rendered
Routine Preventive Care Physician's Fee for an Examination Routine X-Rays and Lab Tests Flu Shots and Other Routine Immunizations Colonoscopies and Other Routine Services FDA-Approved Contraceptive Methods Procedures for Women with Reproductive Capacity Sterilization Procedures for Women with Reproductive Capacity and Mammograms	100%; deductible waived 100%; deductible waived 100%; deductible waived	Not covered 100%; deductible waived 80% after deductible
Special Notes about Routine Preventive Care: 1. Coinsurance or an office visit co-payment may be imposed on preventive care services if either the visit is billed separately from the preventive care service or the services are provided during an office visit whose primary purpose is not preventive care (and the services are not billed separately). 2. The Routine Preventive Care Benefit will provide coverage (including coverage for services or items billed by an Out-of-Network Provider to the limited extent required by Health Care Reform) for certain evidence-based items (with A or B ratings) in the recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force; routine immunizations, including those immunizations recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (see preventive care summary on the Claim Administrator's Website for a list of these immunizations); evidence-based preventive care and screenings for infants, children, and adolescents provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA); and additional women's preventive care and screenings in comprehensive guidelines supported by the HRSA.		
Routine Immunizations Administered in a Pharmacy or at the Department of Community Health (Includes Injection Fee Charges)	100%; deductible waived	100%; deductible waived
Special Note about the Routine Immunizations Benefit: The covered person may have to initially pay for these charges in full and then submit the expense directly to the Claim Administrator for reimbursement.		
Emergency Room Treatment Physician's Fee for an Examination in the Emergency Room All Other Charges Billed by the Hospital, Physician, or Any Other Provider in Connection with the Emergency Room Visit	100% after deductible 100% after deductible	Paid as in-network Paid as in-network
Special Note about the Emergency Room Treatment Benefit: The Plan does not require certification for emergency services.		
Ambulance Transportation (Ground or Air)	100% after deductible	Paid as in-network

Benefit Description	\$1,400 Deductible HSA Plan	
	In-Network	Out-of-Network
<u>Certification Requirement</u>	Certification is required for all inpatient hospital admissions, observational stays at the hospital, select surgical procedures, and certain outpatient services listed at the end of this summary	
<u>Inpatient Hospital Services</u> Room and Board, Surgical Services, and Ancillary Services	100% after deductible	80% after deductible
<u>Inpatient Physician Services</u> Hospital Visits, Surgical Procedures, and Anesthesiology	100% after deductible	80% after deductible
<u>Obstetrical Care</u> Delivery and Postnatal Care Prenatal Care Visits	100% after deductible 100%; deductible waived	80% after deductible 80% after deductible
Special Notes about Obstetrical Care: 1. If prenatal care, delivery, and postnatal care services are consolidated for billing purposes (i.e., one charge is billed for all services), the claim will initially be paid like a surgical charge. The provider will need to resubmit the claim with separate charges for each service in order for the benefits above to apply. Eligible charges for prenatal care, delivery, and postnatal care services that are <u>not</u> consolidated for billing purposes will be paid as stated above. 2. Obstetrical care may also include tests and services described elsewhere in this summary. Such charges will be paid the same as any other illness; cost-sharing provisions such as deductibles, coinsurance, or co-payments may apply depending upon the type of service rendered.		
<u>Transplant Services</u> Bone Marrow, Kidney, Cornea, and Skin Transplant Services Other Organ Transplant Services	100% after deductible 100% after deductible	80% after deductible Paid as in-network
Special Note about the Transplant Services Benefit: For the purposes of this benefit, the term "Transplant Services" as used above includes charges for any transplant-related pre-operative office visits, the hospital's facility fee, the surgical procedure (including, but not limited to, the surgeon's fee, the assistant surgeon's fee, the anesthesiologist's fee, and charges for medical supplies), all transplant-related laboratory charges or X-rays, prescription drugs administered while the covered person was an inpatient during the transplant procedure, and any transplant-related post-operative office visits.		
<u>Obesity Treatment</u>	Paid the same as any other illness; cost-sharing provisions such as deductibles, coinsurance, or co-payments may apply depending upon the type of service rendered	
Special Note about Obesity Surgical Treatment: The Plan will cover one surgery to treat obesity per covered person in a lifetime.		
<u>Outpatient Services</u> Surgery and Surgery-Related Services Chemotherapy and Radiation Therapy Hemodialysis Diagnostic X-Rays and Lab Test Services	100% after deductible	80% after deductible
<u>Allergy Services</u> Injections, Serum, and Testing	100% after deductible	80% after deductible
<u>Outpatient Infusion/Injection Therapy</u>	100% after deductible	Paid as in-network
<u>Chiropractic Care</u> Spinal Manipulations, Therapy Treatments, a Physician's Fee for an Initial or Periodic Evaluation, and Diagnostic Spinal X-Rays 24 Visits* Allowed per Covered Person per Benefit Year for All Chiropractic Care (In-Network and Out-of-Network Services Combined) *A visit includes one or more chiropractic services rendered by one provider in a day, but does not include a visit where the only service that the covered person received was chiropractic X-rays.	100% after deductible	80% after deductible
<u>Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, and Orthotics</u>	100% after deductible	Paid as in-network
<u>Diabetic Supplies</u>	100% after deductible	Paid as in-network
Special Note for Diabetic Supplies: When billed with an eligible diagnosis code, charges eligible under the Diabetic supply benefit include, but are not limited to, insulin pumps and pump supplies, diabetic test strips, lancets and lancet devices, glucose monitors, and glucagon. For additional information about the supplies eligible to be covered under this benefit, the Covered Person can contact the Claim Administrator using the information listed on the health plan identification card.		
<u>Outpatient Rehabilitative Services</u> Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, and Occupational Therapy 60 Outpatient Visits Allowed per Covered Person per Benefit Year (In-Network and Out-of-Network Services Combined)	100% after deductible	80% after deductible
<u>Autism Spectrum Disorder Services</u> Outpatient Rehabilitative Services, Nutritional Counseling, and Other Medically Necessary Services (Including Mental Health Services) for Autism Spectrum Disorder Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Therapy	Paid the same as any other illness; cost-sharing provisions such as deductibles, coinsurance, or co-payments may apply depending upon the type of service rendered 100% after deductible	Paid the same as any other illness; cost-sharing provisions such as deductibles, coinsurance, or co-payments may apply depending upon the type of service rendered 80% after deductible

Benefit Description	\$1,400 Deductible HSA Plan	
	In-Network	Out-of-Network
<p>Behavioral Care (Includes Mental Health Care and Addictions Treatment)</p> <p>Inpatient/Partial Hospitalization Services</p> <p>Outpatient/Intensive Outpatient Mental Health Care Services Performed in a Physician's Office and Billed With a Place of Service Code "11" (Physician's Office)</p> <p>Outpatient/Intensive Outpatient Mental Health Care Services Performed in a Facility, Clinic, or Any Other Place of Service, including Telemedicine E-Visits</p> <p>Outpatient/Intensive Outpatient Addictions Treatment Services, including Telemedicine E-Visits</p>	<p>100% after deductible</p> <p>Paid the same as any other illness; cost-sharing provisions such as deductibles, coinsurance, or co-payments may apply depending upon the type of service rendered</p> <p>Paid the same as any other illness; cost-sharing provisions such as deductibles, coinsurance, or co-payments may apply depending upon the type of service rendered</p> <p>Paid the same as any other illness; cost-sharing provisions such as deductibles, coinsurance, or co-payments may apply depending upon the type of service rendered</p>	<p>80% after deductible</p> <p>Paid the same as any other illness; cost-sharing provisions such as deductibles, coinsurance, or co-payments may apply depending upon the type of service rendered</p> <p>Paid as in-network</p> <p>Paid as in-network</p>
Diagnosis or Treatment of Underlying Cause of Infertility	Paid the same as any other illness; cost-sharing provisions such as deductibles, coinsurance, or co-payments may apply depending upon the type of service rendered	
<p>Special Note about Infertility Coverage: The Plan does not cover infertility treatment services or prescription drugs, except to the extent a service is being provided to diagnose or treat any underlying cause(s) of infertility.</p>		
Temporomandibular Joint Dysfunction (TMJ) Treatment	Paid the same as any other illness; cost-sharing provisions such as deductibles, coinsurance, or co-payments may apply depending upon the type of service rendered	
Convalescent Care and Home Health Care	100% after deductible	Paid as in-network
Private-Duty Nursing Care	100% after deductible	Paid as in-network
Hospice	100% after deductible	Paid as in-network
Miscellaneous Plan Provisions		
<p>Services Requiring Certification:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Inpatient hospital confinements and observational stays Select surgical procedures (a list of surgical procedures requiring certification can be accessed by logging on to www.asrhealthbenefits.com or by calling ASR Health Benefits at 800-968-2449) Durable medical equipment if the purchase price or forecasted total rental cost is \$2,500 or more Home health care Custom-made orthotic or prosthetic appliances if the purchase price is \$2,500 or more Oncology treatment Infusion or injection of select products (a list of the products can be accessed by logging on to www.asrhealthbenefits.com or by calling ASR Health Benefits at 800-968-2449) <p>As required by the No Surprises Act, if a covered person receives services in the following situations, the services will be paid at the in-network benefit level: (1) Emergency care; (2) Transportation by air ambulance; or (3) Nonemergency care at an in-network facility provided by an out-of-network physician or laboratory, unless the covered person provides informed consent.</p> <p>Additionally, if a covered person receives eligible treatment at an in-network facility, any charges for the following will be paid at the in-network benefit level, even if provided by an out-of-network physician or laboratory: (1) Anesthesiology, pathology, radiology, or neonatology; (2) Assistant surgeons, hospitalists, or intensivists; (3) Diagnostic services (including radiology and laboratory services); and (4) Items and services provided by an out-of-network physician or laboratory if there was no in-network physician or laboratory that could provide the item or service at the in-network facility.</p>		
<p>If a covered person receives treatment from an out-of-network provider and the Plan Administrator determines that treatment was not provided by an in-network provider for one of the reasons specified below, the claim may be adjusted to yield in-network-level benefits:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> There is not access to a Qualified in-network provider located within a Reasonable Distance from the covered person's residence. It was not reasonable for the covered person to seek care from an in-network provider because of a medical emergency. A covered person either traveled to a place where he or she could not reasonably be expected to know the location of the nearest in-network provider or traveled to a place where no in-network providers are available. A covered person receives eligible treatment at an in-network facility and he or she had no choice over the physician that provides treatment. <p>The term "Qualified" as used above means having the skills and equipment needed to adequately treat the covered person's condition. The term "Reasonable Distance" as used above approximates a 50-mile radius.</p> <p>Coordination with Other Coverage for Injuries Arising out of Automobile Accidents In the event that a covered person is injured in an accident involving an automobile, this Plan shall be the primary plan for purposes of paying benefits and the covered person's automobile insurance shall pay as secondary.</p>		

Health Savings Account (HSA)
<p>Individuals enrolled in the \$1,400 Deductible HSA Plan may be eligible to establish and maintain a health savings account (HSA). The terms of the HSA are governed by Section 223 of the Internal Revenue Code and the terms of the trust or custodial agreement establishing the HSA. Funds contributed to an HSA are not subject to federal income tax at the time of deposit and can be rolled over and accumulated from year to year if not spent. HSA funds can be used to purchase qualified medical expenses, for example, the cost of a doctor's office visit or a prescription drug. In 2022, you may contribute up to \$3,650 for single coverage or \$7,300 for family coverage to an HSA. Additional catch-up contributions (\$1,000) may be made if you are age 55 or older.</p> <p>An individual who contributes to a HSA should not participate in a non-HDHP for the entire plan year in which the contributions are made in order to be eligible for the HSA.</p>

Benefit Description	\$1,400 Deductible HSA Plan Prescription Drug Benefit
<p>Prescription Drugs Drugs Purchased <u>Before</u> the In-Network Medical Deductible is Satisfied</p> <p>Drugs Purchased <u>After</u> the In-Network Medical Deductible is Satisfied</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retail Prescription Drug Co-payments (30-Day Supply) A covered person may fill a prescription for up to and including a 30-day supply for the co-payment amounts shown. If a prescribing physician requests more than a 30-day supply of a drug, up to a 90-day supply of a covered prescribed medication can be purchased at a participating pharmacy for the applicable Mail Service Program co-payment specified below. <p>Mail-Order Prescription Drug Co-payments (90-Day Supply)</p> <p>Drugs Purchased <u>After</u> the In-Network Medical Total Maximum Out-of-Pocket is Satisfied</p>	<p>The covered person must pay the full cost of the prescription at the time of purchase. The amount paid to purchase an eligible prescription drug will apply toward the in-network medical deductible. If an eligible prescription drug is purchased at a pharmacy within the appropriate network, through the Mail Service Program, or through the specialty pharmacy the covered person may receive a discount toward the purchase price of the drug. The availability and amount of the discount will depend on the type of medication, whether the drug is brand-name or generic, and the dosage.</p> <p>\$10/Rx Formulary Tier 1 drug, \$40/Rx Formulary Tier 2 drug, \$80/Rx Formulary Tier 3 drug</p> <p>Specialty Prescription Drugs are eligible; contact the PBM to learn the co-payment that will be charged and other special terms that may apply</p> <p>\$20/Rx Formulary Tier 1 drug, \$110/Rx Formulary Tier 2 drug, \$230/Rx Formulary Tier 3 drug</p> <p>Specialty Prescription Drugs are eligible; contact the PBM to learn the co-payment that will be charged and other special terms that may apply</p> <p>Plan pays 100% of the purchase price; no co-payment applies</p>
<p>Special Notes about Prescription Drug Coverage:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Plan's Pharmacy Benefits Manager (PBM) maintains lists of preferred and non-preferred generic and brand-name prescription drugs, and a drug's co-payment is determined by the drug's categorization in these lists. The term "Rx Formulary Tier 1" means a category of prescription drugs that generally includes most generic drugs and may include some low-cost brand-name drugs. The term "Rx Formulary Tier 2" means a category of prescription drugs that includes preferred brand-name drugs and may include some high-cost generic drugs. The term "Rx Formulary Tier 3" means a category of prescription drugs that generally includes all non-preferred drugs. For additional information about the coverage status and Rx Formulary Tier category of a drug, as well as any quantity/age limits or prior authorization requirements that may apply, the covered person can contact the PBM using the information shown on the front of his/her identification card. 2. The pharmacy will dispense generic drugs unless the prescribing physician requests "Dispense as Written" (DAW) or a generic equivalent is not available. If the covered person refuses an available generic equivalent and the prescribing physician has not requested DAW, the covered person must pay the applicable co-payment plus the difference in price between the brand-name drug and its generic equivalent. 3. Certain over-the-counter drugs will be covered under the Plan and shall be subject to the Rx Formulary Tier 1 co-payments shown above after the In-Network Medical Deductible has been met. A physician's prescription for these products is required. 4. In accordance with the requirements of Health Care Reform, the Plan provides coverage for certain preventive care medications, including, but not limited to, certain FDA-approved contraceptive agents and smoking cessation products with a prescription as well as breast cancer medications that lower the risk of cancer or slow its development, without any cost-sharing provisions such as medical deductibles or prescription drug co-payments. For more information about eligible preventive care medications, the covered person can contact the Pharmacy Benefits Manager (PBM) using the information shown on the front of his/her identification card. 5. The Plan requires that specific criteria be met before certain high-cost medications are covered. The covered person must have tried a lower-cost PBM-approved equivalent medication within the past six months before the Plan will cover the more costly drug. Alternatively, an identified high-cost drug may be covered if the covered person's physician contacts the PBM and receives prior approval or authorization. If a covered person chooses to fill a prescription for one of these identified drugs without first trying a PBM-approved equivalent medication or getting prior approval from the PBM, coverage may be denied and the covered person may have to pay the full cost of the drug. 6. Special coverage terms may apply to certain Specialty Prescription Drugs included in the Navitus Specialty Access Program. As used in this benefit, the term "Specialty Prescription Drug" means a prescription drug identified on the drug list maintained by the PBM that includes drugs typically used to treat complex medical conditions. Coverage available under this benefit for Specialty Prescription Drugs may be reduced or may only be available if the covered person participates in all program requirements or if patient advocacy programs fail to provide a solution. Advocacy solutions come from a variety of sources, including manufacturer assistance programs, copay cards, and grants. Specialty Prescription Drug purchases will be limited to a 30-day supply, and prescriptions for such drugs must generally be filled through Lumicera Health Services specialty pharmacy or the drug will not be eligible for coverage under the Plan. For additional information about Specialty Prescription Drugs, including information about which drugs are currently on the PBM's Specialty Prescription Drug list and coverage terms that apply, the covered person can contact the PBM at the telephone number on the front of the identification card. 7. This benefit will cover charges (including serum and injection fee charges) for certain immunizations when administered at a pharmacy at 100% with no medical deductible or prescription drug co-payment applied. For more information about eligible immunizations, the covered person can contact the PBM using the information shown on the front of his/her identification card. 8. The Plan requires that a covered person purchase self-injectable medications through the Prescription Drugs benefit. For more information about self-injectable medications, the covered person can contact the PBM using the information shown on the front of his/her identification card. 9. Diabetic needles/syringes will be covered at 100% with no medical deductible or prescription drug co-payment applied. 	

Delta Dental of Michigan Dental Benefit Highlights for Saginaw County #7673



Delta Dental PPO SM (Point-of-Service)	Delta Dental PPO Dentist	Delta Dental Premier [*] Dentist	Non-participating Dentist
	Plan Pays	Plan Pays	Plan Pays*
Diagnostic & Preventive			
Diagnostic and Preventive Services - exams, cleanings, fluoride, and space maintainers	100%	100%	100%
Emergency Palliative Treatment - to temporarily relieve pain	100%	100%	100%
Sealants - to prevent decay of permanent teeth	100%	100%	100%
Brush Biopsy - to detect oral cancer	100%	100%	100%
Radiographs - X-rays	100%	100%	100%
Basic Services			
Minor Restorative Services - fillings and crown repair	80%	80%	80%
Endodontic Services - root canals	80%	80%	80%
Periodontic Services - to treat gum disease	80%	80%	80%
Oral Surgery Services - extractions and dental surgery	80%	80%	80%
Major Restorative Services - crowns and inlays	80%	80%	80%
Other Basic Services - misc. services	80%	80%	80%
Relines and Repairs - to bridges, dentures, and implants	80%	80%	80%
Major Services			
Prosthodontic Services - bridges, dentures, and implants	50%	50%	50%
Orthodontic Services			
Orthodontic Services - braces	50%	50%	50%
Orthodontic Age Limit	Up to age 19		

* When you receive services from a Nonparticipating Dentist, the percentages in this column indicate the portion of Delta Dental's Nonparticipating Dentist Fee that will be paid for those services. The Nonparticipating Dentist Fee may be less than what your dentist charges and you are responsible for that difference.

Maximum Payment - \$1,500 per person total per calendar year on Diagnostic & Preventive, Basic Services, and Major Services. \$1,500 per person total per lifetime on Orthodontics.

Deductible - None.

Note - This document is only intended to provide a brief description of your benefits. Please refer to your Certificate and summary for a complete description of benefits, exclusions, and limitations.

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Your Vision Benefits Summary



Get access to the best in eye care and eyewear with COUNTY OF SAGINAW and VSP® Vision Care.

Using your VSP benefit is easy.

- **Create an account at vsp.com.** Once your plan is effective, review your benefit information.
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That's it! We'll handle the rest—there are no claim forms to complete when you see a VSP provider.

Best Eye Care

You'll get the highest level of care, including a WellVision Exam®—the most comprehensive exam designed to detect eye and health conditions. Plus, when you see a VSP provider, you'll get the most out of your benefit, have lower out-of-pocket costs, and your satisfaction is guaranteed.

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From classic styles to the latest designer frames, you'll find hundreds of options. Choose from featured frame brands like bebe, CALVIN KLEIN, Cole Haan, Flexon®, Lacoste, Nike, Nine West, and more.¹ Visit vsp.com to find a Premier Program location that carries these brands. Plus, save up to 40% on popular lens enhancements.² Prefer to shop online? Check out all of the brands at eyeconic.com®, VSP's preferred online eyewear store.

Plan Information

VSP Coverage Effective Date: 07/01/2018

VSP Provider Network: VSP Choice

COUNTY OF SAGINAW and VSP provide you with an affordable eyecare plan.

Visit vsp.com or call **800.877.7195** for more details on your vision coverage and exclusive savings and promotions for VSP members.

1. Brands/Promotion subject to change.

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Benefit	Description	Copay
Your Coverage with a VSP Provider		
WellVision Exam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focuses on your eyes and overall wellness • Every 24 months 	\$10
Prescription Glasses		
Frame	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$130 allowance for a wide selection of frames • \$150 allowance for featured frame brands • 20% savings on the amount over your allowance • \$70 Costco® frame allowance • Every 24 months 	Included in Prescription Glasses
Lenses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single vision, lined bifocal, and lined trifocal lenses • Polycarbonate lenses for dependent children • Every 24 months 	Included in Prescription Glasses
Lens Enhancements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard progressive lenses • Premium progressive lenses • Custom progressive lenses • Average savings of 20-25% on other lens enhancements • Every 24 months 	\$0 \$95 - \$105 \$150 - \$175
Contacts (instead of glasses)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$130 allowance for contacts; copay does not apply • Contact lens exam (fitting and evaluation) • Every 24 months 	Up to \$60
Diabetic Eyecare Plus Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Services related to diabetic eye disease, glaucoma and age-related macular degeneration (AMD). Retinal screening for eligible members with diabetes. Limitations and coordination with medical coverage may apply. Ask your VSP doctor for details. • As needed 	\$20
Glasses and Sunglasses		
Extra Savings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extra \$20 to spend on featured frame brands. Go to vsp.com/specialoffers for details. • 20% savings on additional glasses and sunglasses, including lens enhancements, from any VSP provider within 12 months of your last WellVision Exam. 	
	Retinal Screening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No more than a \$39 copay on routine retinal screening as an enhancement to a WellVision Exam
	Laser Vision Correction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Average 15% off the regular price or 5% off the promotional price; discounts only available from contracted facilities
Your Coverage with Out-of-Network Providers		
Get the most out of your benefits and greater savings with a VSP network doctor. Your coverage with out-of-network providers will be less or you'll receive a lower level of benefits. Visit vsp.com for plan details.		
Exam	up to \$45	Lined Trifocal Lenses
Frame	up to \$70	Progressive Lenses
Single Vision Lenses	up to \$30	Contacts
Lined Bifocal Lenses	up to \$50	up to \$105
Coverage with a participating retail chain may be different. Once your benefit is effective, visit vsp.com for details. Coverage information is subject to change. In the event of a conflict between this information and your organization's contract with VSP, the terms of the contract will prevail. Based on applicable laws, benefits may vary by location. In the state of Washington, VSP Vision Care, Inc., is the legal name of the corporation through which VSP does business.		

Category: 300

Number: 341

Subject: **PAID TIME OFF (PTO)**

1. **PURPOSE:** It is the purpose of this policy to establish a uniform system regulating the accrual and use of paid time off hours. PTO leave is intended to be used to compensate for vacation leave, earned sick time, personal leave, paid time off and paid medical leave as required under the Paid Medical Leave Act.
2. **AUTHORITY:** The Saginaw County Board of Commissioners.
3. **APPLICATION:** The rules and regulations herein set forth apply to all employees paid by Saginaw County, pursuant to Policy #301.
4. **RESPONSIBILITY:** The Controller/CAO of Saginaw County shall be responsible for the implementation and administration of this policy.
5. **DEFINITIONS:** For purpose of this policy, regular full-time employees and regular part-time employees, who are otherwise eligible, may hold probationary status and qualify for PTO.
6. **POLICY:**

6.1 Rate of Accrual.

6.1.1 Each regular full-time employee shall accrue Paid Time Off hours at the following rate. Regular part-time, part-time, and on-call employees who work on an average of more than 25 hours per week during the immediately preceding calendar year shall accrue Paid Time Off hours at one-half the below rate, as long as the accrued time equals at least 40 hours.

	<u>Annual Rate</u>	<u>Biweekly Rate</u>
First day of the month following		
30 days* - 3 years continuous service	136 hours	5.2308 hours
3 - 5 years " "	152 hours	5.8462 hours
5 - 10 years " "	168 hours	6.4615 hours
10 - 15 years " "	184 hours	7.0769 hours
15 - 20 years " "	200 hours	7.6923 hours
20 or more years " "	216 hours	8.3077 hours

*PTO accrued during the waiting period (date of hire – first day of the month following thirty days of service) shall be credited on the first day of the month following 30 days of service.

6.2 Accumulation of Paid Time Off (PTO) Hours.

- 6.2.1 When an employee's continuous length of service reaches a point entitling him/her to the next higher rate of PTO accrual, earning at the new rate will begin on the first day of the current pay period.
- 6.2.2 Employees shall be paid during PTO leave on the basis of the normal workweek for the classification of work in which they are normally employed and at the rate of pay prevailing during the period that the time is taken.
- 6.3 Separation. Upon separation from County employment, an eligible employee shall receive pay for 50% of the unused accumulated PTO hours up to a maximum of 600 hours or 75 days (or actual pay-off at 300 hours, or 37.5 days), or as negotiated in employment contracts. Upon retirement, PTO pay will count toward the employee's final average compensation, for those having defined benefit pensions, unless otherwise provided by employment contracts. Compensation for unused PTO hours will be paid at the regular rate (not overtime) prevailing on the employee's last working day.
- 6.4 Holidays. If a holiday, as defined in the Holiday Policy, falls within an employee's PTO period, it shall not be counted as a PTO day unless the employee was scheduled to work on the holiday.
- 6.5 Leave of Absence. PTO leave shall not accrue during an employee's unpaid leave of absence.
- 6.6 PTO Scheduling/Management. Employees are responsible for managing their PTO accounts. It is important for employees to plan ahead for how it will be used. Employees should develop a plan for taking vacations, as well as doctor's appointments and personal business. Employees should hold a reasonable amount of PTO time in reserve which allows for the unexpected, such as emergencies and illness.
 - 6.6.1 PTO Used for Vacation. Vacation schedules for employees shall be developed and approved by Department Heads. It shall be the practice of each Department Head to schedule vacations over as wide a period as possible in order to obviate the need for temporary increases in staffing. The schedule may be changed by the employee only if approved by the Supervisor/Department Head.
 - 6.6.2 The use of PTO hours for "personal" reasons other than vacations is a request and therefore, it requires supervisory approval. Requests shall be made in advance and in accordance with Department policies/practices. There may be occasions such as an illness or emergency, when an employee cannot request use of PTO in advance and/or obtain prior supervisory approval. If an illness or emergency exists which prevents an advanced request from being made, employees must discuss the absence

with their supervisor. Subject to FMLA, documentation of the illness and/or emergency may be required by the Department Head.

- 6.6.3 PTO, once approved, must be taken in chronological and sequential order in accordance with the excused absence(s) during the payroll-reporting period.
- 6.7 Subject to FMLA, taking time off without the accrued PTO available is prohibited. Absence from work without the use of authorized PTO may result in discipline, up to and including discharge.
- 6.8 PTO Increments. PTO can be taken in increments of fifteen (15) minutes.
- 6.9 PTO Donation. The purpose of PTO donation is to allow County employees to support fellow employees who have a medical emergency pursuant to FMLA, or must take unexpected time off from work to support a family member who does, or for the reasons enumerated in the Paid Medical Leave Act. County employees may donate earned PTO hours to a voluntary leave bank with the understanding that the recipient member accepts all tax liability. Donations must be in eight (8) hour increments and the donor's personal PTO bank cannot fall below eighty (80) hours as a result of the donation. Each employee may donate no more than an accumulated total of eighty (80) hours per calendar year. Donations are irrevocable. Donor cannot specify who receives time once it is donated to the leave bank. Donations can be made through Payroll by completing a PTO donation request form.
 - 6.9.1 A family member can be defined as a spouse, parent, or child.
 - 6.9.2 A medical emergency is defined as a medical condition that is likely to require the employee to be absent from work for a prolonged period and results in a substantial loss of income due to lack of available PTO or other paid leave. A substantial loss of income is an unpaid absence of 24 work hours or more. Said hours do not have to result from a continuous absence, but can result from time taken on an intermittent basis related to the same condition or illness.

In order to receive donated PTO, an employee who is being personally affected by a medical emergency or for the reasons enumerated in the Paid Medical Leave Act, must submit a request in writing using the designated form. This will include stating the details of their medical emergency or the reasons listed in the Paid medical leave Act, the amount of time they are requesting, and certifying they have exhausted all other paid leave available to them. The requesting employee will be required to provide medical or other documentation to verify eligibility. Written requests shall be submitted to the Payroll and Benefits Supervisor for consideration. Employee requests for donated PTO will be considered on a first come, first served basis.

The County may notify employees when a request for donated PTO has been received but the PTO Donation Bank has insufficient time available to cover the request. Such notifications will be made exclusively by the Controller's Office.

Applicants are only eligible to receive leave after their request has been approved and it has been confirmed that all other available paid leave has been exhausted. Employees reserving PTO in accordance with the FMLA, disability or any other leave policy are not eligible for leave donation. Employees may receive a total donation of no more than the time needed to cover the leave time requested. For employees with intermittent need for leave, the bank will be reviewed periodically to ensure sufficient, but not excessive levels of PTO. Employees not otherwise eligible for PTO are not eligible for the donation program.

Once received, donated PTO will be placed in a separate bank for that recipient employee. Any donated PTO not used at the conclusion of the medical emergency or for those reasons listed in the Paid Medical Leave Act or within one year of receipt will be returned to the PTO donation bank. Liquidation of donated PTO for cash is not permissible.

Doctor's slips or other documentation will be required as proof of how leave was used and must be submitted to Payroll when donated PTO is used.

Donors cannot claim an expense, a tax deduction or a charitable contribution for any leave donated under the plan. All paid leave granted to the recipient employee is considered wages and is subject to appropriate tax withholding. Recipient employees will receive paid leave at his/her normal rate.

Management shall have the exclusive right to approve or deny the use of PTO under this provision, and any decision made relative thereto shall not be subject to the grievance procedure unless management acted arbitrarily or capriciously.

- 6.10 Compliance with Laws. It is the intent of the County that this policy complies with the Paid Medical Leave Act. (Public Act 338 of 2018 and Public Act 369 of 2018; MCL 408.961 *et. Seq.*). Any provisions of this policy that are in conflict with the Paid Medical Leave Act shall be superseded thereby.

7. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES: NONE

8. CONTROLLER/CAO LEGAL COUNSEL REVIEW: The Controller/CAO has determined that this policy as submitted to the Board of Commissioners contains the necessary substance in order to carry out the purpose of the policy. County Civil Counsel has determined that this policy as submitted contains content that appears to be legal activities of the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners.

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Saginaw County Controller/CAO

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Saginaw County Civil Counsel

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Category: 300

Number: 353

Subject: **WELLNESS ACTIVITY REIMBURSEMENT**

1. **PURPOSE:** The purpose of this policy is to establish procedures to reimburse eligible employees and retirees for participation in certain wellness activities and in accordance with the specific provisions enumerated herein.
2. **AUTHORITY:** The Saginaw County Board of Commissioners.
3. **APPLICATION:** This policy shall apply to all eligible non-union employees only and retirees who participate in programs or activities that further personal wellness.
4. **RESPONSIBILITY:** The Controller/CAO shall be responsible for the implementation and administration of this policy.
5. **DEFINITIONS:**
 - 5.1 **Personal Wellness Activity.** Participation or membership in groups such as Weight Watchers, fitness facilities such as the YMCA, or activities such as fitness classes are included. Sporting leagues of entertainment value, such as bowling, golf, or softball leagues, are not included.
 - 5.2 **Eligible Employees.** Employees or retirees who receive or are eligible to receive health insurance benefits from Saginaw County, as defined in Policy #343. This policy does not include employees' families and/or dependents.
6. **POLICY:**
 - 6.1 It is the policy of Saginaw County to encourage its employees to live as healthy a lifestyle as possible. To support employees to that end, the County has joined with certain local wellness organizations to offer discounted rates to employees for participation in those programs. To further encourage a wider number of employees and retirees to participate in wellness activities, the County will reimburse each eligible non-union only employee or retiree up to \$200.00 for the cost of participation or membership in such activities. Employees covered by a Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) will receive up to \$100 per calendar year for the cost of participation or membership in such activities unless the applicable CBA states otherwise. Proper documentation and verification must be provided as outlined in 7.1.
 - 6.2 **Eligibility and Restrictions.** Programs, facilities, or activities must contribute to the employee's or retiree's wellness or self-improvement, as solely determined by the Controller's Office. The following rules shall specifically apply:

6.2.1 Employee or retiree must be enrolled in a program or activity or belong to a fitness facility on or before December 1 of each year in order to be eligible for reimbursement.

6.2.2 An employee or retiree shall not be reimbursed for any amount over \$200.00 in one calendar year. If an employee's or retiree's actual costs are less than \$200.00, the employee or retiree will be reimbursed for the lesser amount.

6.2.3 Only the cost of participation in a program, activity, or facility may be reimbursed. Fitness equipment, manuals, food, supplements, or other costs are not eligible for reimbursement.

7. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES:

7.1 The employee or retiree must apply to the Controller's Office for reimbursement of fees prior to December 15 of each year using the appropriate County form and attaching proper documentation and verification. The Controller's Office shall approve or deny the employee's or retiree's application requesting reimbursement for participation in a specific program, facility, or activity and certify that the employee or retiree meets the eligibility criteria. The Controller's Office shall decide what constitutes an eligible program, facility, or activity.

7.1.1 Proper documentation includes a letter or receipt from the program or facility that indicates the cost of fees to belong to or attend wellness activities.

8. RETIREE ELIGIBILITY:

8.1 Retirees who are 65 years of age and older or are Medicare eligible are not eligible for Wellness Activity Reimbursement.

8.2 Any retiree who turns 65 or becomes Medicare eligible during the reimbursement year will be reimbursed for Wellness Activity, on a 1/12 prorated basis, from the start of the reimbursement year to the first day of the month they are ineligible to receive Wellness Activity Reimbursement.

9. CONTROLLER/CAO LEGAL COUNSEL REVIEW: The Controller/CAO has determined that this policy as submitted to the Board of Commissioners contains the necessary substance in order to carry out the purpose of the policy. County Civil Counsel has determined that this policy as submitted contains content that appears to be legal activities of the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners.

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Number: 361

Subject: **DISABILITY LEAVE**

1. **PURPOSE:** It is the purpose of this policy to establish a system of uniform and appropriate rules and regulations regarding employees who are unable to work due to non-work related reasons.
2. **AUTHORITY:** The Saginaw County Board of Commissioners.
3. **APPLICATION:** The rules and regulations herein set forth apply to all employees paid by Saginaw County, pursuant to Policy #301.
4. **RESPONSIBILITY:** The Controller's Office shall be responsible for the implementation and administration of this policy.
5. **DEFINITIONS:** For purpose of this policy, regular full-time employees may hold probationary status and qualify for leave.
6. **POLICY:**
 - 6.1 **Coverage.** A non-probationary regular full-time employee who is unable to work for reasons due to injury or illness of a non-work related nature is eligible to apply for disability leave (described in 6.2) the first day of the month following the completion of thirty (30) days of service. Upon approval, the disability plan works in concert with the Paid Time Off process described in the Paid Time Off Policy (Policy # 341). The plan requires an unpaid 14 calendar day waiting period during the disability before the disability compensation program begins, however, the employee must use his/her Paid Time Off bank during the 14 calendar day period, if such PTO time is available. Prior to beginning a Disability Leave, an employee may choose to retain up to forty (40) PTO hours of banked time by opting for unpaid time once his/her PTO bank reaches forty (40) hours, (or the desired amount of banked time up to forty [40] hours), by indicating so on his/her disability application. If the disability continues beyond the 14 calendar days, the employee shall receive 60% of his/her pay up to one year or the employee's seniority, whichever is less. The employee may also choose to supplement disability pay with PTO, so long as total pay is no more than 100% of the employee's pay.

Disability leave may be allowed in cases of sickness or injury occurring during a Paid Time Off (vacation) period. Evidence of such incapacity from the first (1st) day must however be provided to the satisfaction of the employer.

If a subsequent disability occurs, solely resulting from the same illness or injury, the original fourteen day waiting period described above shall be considered the waiting period required for the subsequent disability except however, no more than one year of disability pay shall be paid for the same illness or injury.

PTO shall only accrue for the first ninety (90) days of the disability. All payroll deductions in effect prior to disability will be deducted from disability payments. The disability plan will also provide for health, optical and dental coverage to continue during the entire period of disability (up to one year) with the same employee co-pay or percentage of premium contribution. Basic life insurance coverage will also continue without cost during the disability. Voluntary additional coverage will be maintained based on continuous employee premium payments.

- 6.2 Eligibility. Under no circumstances will an employee be eligible for benefits described in Section 6.1 except by County approved medical disability. Requests are submitted and processed through the Controller's Office and for Court employees in coordination with the designated court official(s). Benefits will not be paid unless the employee submits the attending physician's certificate of disability stating the nature of illness or injury and anticipated period of disability. In all cases of alleged disability, the County retains the right to verify said certificate(s) and may refer the employee to a physician of its choice whenever it deems necessary, which will be paid for by the County.

6.2.1 An eligible employee requesting disability leave who may also be eligible under the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) requirements shall have the time used counted towards the annual (FMLA) entitlement of twelve (12) total weeks (See Policy #364).

- 6.3 Final Determination. The Controller's Office will exclusively make the final determination to grant a disability claim and notification will be provided to the affected Department Head along with any work restrictions.

- 6.4 Termination. Disability payments shall terminate when the employee is able to return to regular work or restricted work if directed by medical authority and can be accommodated by the County or when the treating physician's statement of disability expires and an extension is not provided; when the employee retires as a result of disability or normal service retirement; upon layoff, death, discharge, or resignation or after twelve months pursuant to section 6.1 above. If disability benefits are exhausted and the employee cannot return to work, with or without reasonable accommodation, the employee's employment with the County of Saginaw shall be terminated. If an employee is terminated because of exhausting disability leave, all insurance and other employment benefits will also terminate.

- 6.5 Social Security Offset. Disability payment described herein shall be offset by any Social Security disability payment or insurance settlement relating to such disability (subject to language contained in a collective bargaining agreement) due or received by the employee. An employee determined to be disabled for an indefinite period shall be obligated to apply for benefits from the Social Security Administration and in such case any disability payments received by the employee from the County for any period paid by Social Security shall be repaid by the employee to the County.
- 6.6 Returning to Work. The employer will ensure that employees are able to return to the workplace as quickly and safely as possible. All employees will be evaluated for possible accommodations in accordance with the County's Americans' with Disabilities Act (ADA) Policy.
- 7. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES: NONE
- 8. CONTROLLER/CAO LEGAL COUNSEL REVIEW: The Controller/CAO has determined that this policy as submitted to the Board of Commissioners contains the necessary substance in order to carry out the purpose of the policy. County Civil Counsel has determined that this policy as submitted contains content that appears to be legal activities of the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners.

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Category: 300
Number: 362

Subject: **BEREAVEMENT LEAVE**

1. **PURPOSE:** It is the purpose of this policy to establish guidelines for employees who need to be absent from work due to the loss of a family member.
2. **AUTHORITY:** The Saginaw County Board of Commissioners.
3. **APPLICATION:** The rules and regulations herein set forth apply to all employees paid by Saginaw County, pursuant to Policy #301.
4. **RESPONSIBILITY:** The Controller/CAO of Saginaw County shall be responsible for the implementation of this policy. It shall be the responsibility of Department Heads, and Agencies of Saginaw County to administer this policy.
5. **DEFINITIONS:** NONE
6. **POLICY:**
 - 6.1 **Full-time Employees:** In the event of a death in an employee's family, specifically the following relationships: mother, father, current step-parent, sister, brother, son-in-law or daughter in-law, legal guardian, parent-in-law, current step parent-in-law, grandparent, current step-grandparent, grandchildren, brother or sister-in-law, the employee shall be granted twenty-four (24) hours additional Paid Time Off (PTO). In the event of a death in an employee's immediate family, specifically spouse, child or step-child, the employee shall be granted forty (40) hours additional (PTO). This additional paid time off shall be added to the employee's current PTO Bank. The purpose of the additional paid time off is to enable the employee bereavement time, and all other terms and conditions governing PTO shall apply. However, the Employer will make every effort to grant PTO days, when requested, for purposes of bereavement.
 - 6.2 **Employees Excluded.** Bereavement leave is not authorized for other than regular full-time employees. However, Department Heads may reschedule regular part-time, temporary and seasonal personnel to provide for time off for bereavement purposes, if possible.
 - 6.2.1 A full-time employee that is of probationary status will have the leave time credited to his or her PTO bank. The leave time will be available to them to use upon the successful completion of the probationary period. Department Heads may reschedule such probationary personnel to provide for time off for bereavement purposes, if possible.

7. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES: NONE
8. CONTROLLER/CAO LEGAL COUNSEL REVIEW: The Controller/CAO has determined that this policy as submitted to the Board of Commissioners contains the necessary substance in order to carry out the purpose of the policy. County Civil Counsel has determined that this policy as submitted contains content that appears to be legal activities of the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners.

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Saginaw County Civil Counsel

APPROVED: April 23, 2002
AMENDED: November 20, 2018

Category: 300

Number: 363

Subject: **LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

1. **PURPOSE:** It is the purpose of this policy to establish a system of uniform and appropriate regulations for employee leaves of absence.
2. **AUTHORITY:** The Saginaw County Board of Commissioners.
3. **APPLICATION:** The rules and regulations herein set forth apply to all employees paid by Saginaw County, pursuant to Policy # 301.
4. **RESPONSIBILITY:** The Controller/CAO of Saginaw County shall be responsible for the implementation of this policy. It shall be the responsibility of Department Heads, and Agencies of Saginaw County to administer this policy.
5. **DEFINITIONS:** NONE
6. **POLICY:**
 - 6.1 **Policy.** Leaves of absence may be approved for employees who request time off for personal reasons. Leaves of absence are without pay and benefits unless otherwise specified in the County personnel policies or collective bargaining agreement. Employees shall first be required to utilize any Paid Time Off (PTO) available to them prior to requesting or taking an approved leave of absence. However, employee may elect to maintain a maximum balance of no more than forty (40) hours in his/her bank through the leave of absence, if requested and granted through the Benefit Division of the Controller's Office prior to approval of the leave of absence. All employee benefits shall remain in place so long as PTO is being utilized by the employee. Leaves of Absence to pursue other employment opportunities are prohibited.
 - 6.2 **Approval.** Department Heads are encouraged to approve leave requests based upon the merit of the request and the work requirements of the department. Leaves of absence are granted at the sole discretion of the Employer. All leaves of absence of 31 days or more must be approved by the Controller. Requests for a leave of 30 calendar days or less must be approved by the Department Head.
 - 6.3 **Military Leave.** The County shall observe the provisions of the Federal regulations regarding re-employment rights and leaves of absence.
 - 6.3.1 In addition, the County adopts the following additional benefits in response to the War on Terrorism. These benefits may continue up to two years, or until the involuntary service ends, whichever comes first.

- 6.3.1.1 The County will grant a leave of absence to an employee who is reporting for full-time active federal military service.
- 6.3.1.2 The employee, while on active duty, continues to accrue “years of service” credit, as if the employee were on continuous service with the County. The returning veteran will be entitled to the same privileges that would have been granted had the employee not entered military service.
- 6.3.1.3 The veteran must apply for re-instatement within ninety days of release under honorable conditions or ninety days following hospitalization associated with active duty. (The hospitalization may be up to one year after release.)
- 6.3.1.4 The County will pay the difference between regular salary and military pay for employees who are called up to active duty from the National Guard or Reserves, or who are involuntarily inducted. It is the responsibility of the employee to provide the Personnel Department with their military pay vouchers.
- 6.3.1.5 For employees who are involuntarily inducted or for National Guard or Reserve call-up, insurance benefits for the employee and his/her dependants will be continued with the employee making the normal contribution, if military health insurance is not immediately available.
- 6.3.1.6 Annual leave will continue to accumulate for the first six months of active duty.
- 6.3.1.7 An employee, as a member of the County’s retirement plan at the time of entry into active military service, will receive retirement credit for the time in military service as if it were County service with the employee making the normal contributions, if applicable.
- 6.3.1.8 The following actions must be taken by the employee prior to beginning active duty, or within two weeks upon beginning active duty, and after release from active duty:
 - 6.3.1.8.1 Notify the Department Head upon receipt of official military orders to report to full-time duty and provide a copy of the induction notice or military orders.

6.3.1.8.2 The Department Head arranges for an exit interview with the Personnel Director, if time allows.

6.3.1.8.3 Apply for re-instatement within ninety days of release from active duty to the Personnel Department.

6.3.1.8.4 Present a copy of the official discharge or separation papers to the Personnel Department.

6.3.1.9 This policy applies to employees who are members of the National Guards or Reserves who are called up to active duty or for employees who are involuntarily inducted for their first tour of duty. It does not apply to non-active duty service such as the normal two weeks per year training commitment normally required of Reserve personnel.

6.4 Special Leave. An employee may request a special leave of absence for any reason not specified elsewhere subject to approval in accordance with Section 6.2.

6.5 Extension. An employee may request an extension of a leave of absence for any reason not specified elsewhere subject to approval in accordance with Section 6.2.

6.6 Benefits. No PTO or vacation leave shall accrue to an employee during an unpaid leave of absence. Coordination of Health, Dental, Optical and Life Insurance benefits during an unpaid leave of absence shall follow applicable continuation of insurance language in Employee Insurance Policy, # 343, Section 6.7.5.

6.7 Continuous Length of Service. Time spent on leave of absence shall be included as continuous length of service, if the leave does not extend beyond 180 days. Leaves extending beyond 180 days shall not be included in continuous length of service, except Military Leaves in compliance with federal law.

6.8 Return From Leave of Absence. When granted a leave of absence the employee commits himself to returning to work immediately at the end of the leave. If an employee fails to return to work immediately at the expiration of a leave of absence, or extension thereof, the failure to return shall be considered a resignation from County employment.

7. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES: None.

8. CONTROLLER/CAO LEGAL COUNSEL REVIEW: The Controller/CAO has determined that this policy as submitted to the Board of Commissioners contains the necessary substance in order to carry out the purpose of the policy. County Civil Counsel has determined that this policy as submitted contains content that appears to be legal activities of the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners.

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Subject: **FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE POLICY**

1. **PURPOSE:** It is the purpose of this policy to establish uniform guidelines and rules for those employees who elect to apply or otherwise qualify, for leave in accordance with the Family and Medical Leave Act (29 USC 2601).
2. **AUTHORITY:** The Saginaw County Board of Commissioners.
3. **APPLICATION:** The rules and regulations herein set forth apply to all employees paid by Saginaw County, pursuant to Policy #301.
4. **RESPONSIBILITY:** The Controller/CAO of Saginaw County and/or his/her designee shall be responsible for the implementation of this policy. It shall be the responsibility of the Controller's Office and Department Heads to administer this policy.
5. **PRELIMINARY STATEMENT:** Saginaw County shall administer this policy in accordance with the Family and Medical Leave Act and its accompanying regulations, set forth in 29 CFR 825.100, et seq. Thus, although this policy sets forth a summary of the requirements, process and procedure regarding employees' use of leave under applicable circumstances, Saginaw County shall administer this policy in accordance with the Act and its regulations.
6. **DEFINITIONS:**
 - 6.1 **Serious Health Condition.** Is defined as stated in 29 CFR 825.113, but is generally regarded as an illness, injury, impairment, or physical or mental condition that involves either an overnight stay in a medical care facility, or continuing treatment by a health care provider for a condition that either prevents the employee from performing the functions of the employee's job, or prevents the qualified family member from participating in school or other daily activities. Subject to certain conditions, the continuing treatment requirement may be met by a period of incapacity of more than three consecutive calendar days combined with at least two visits to a health care provider or one visit and a regimen of continuing treatment, or incapacity due to pregnancy, or incapacity due to a chronic condition. Other conditions may meet the definition of continuing treatment.
7. **POLICY:**
 - 7.1 **Eligibility.** Saginaw County's family and medical leave policy is available to employees with at least 12 months of service and who have worked at least 1,250 hours within the preceding 12 month period, so long as the County has 50 employees within 75 miles. If eligible, an employee may be able to take unpaid leave as indicated below during the calendar year (based on a 12 month rolling calendar).

7.1.1 Basic Leave Entitlement. FMLA requires covered employers to provide up to 12 weeks of unpaid, job protected leave to eligible employees for the following reasons:

7.1.1.1 To care for the employee's child after birth (within the first 12 months after birth);

7.1.1.2 The placement of a child with the employee for adoption or foster care (within the first 12 months of placement);

7.1.1.3 To care for the employee's spouse, son or daughter, or parent who has a serious health condition;

7.1.1.4 For a serious health condition that makes the employee unable to perform the employee's job; or

7.1.1.5 For incapacity due to pregnancy, prenatal medical care, or child birth.

7.1.2 Military Family Leave Entitlements. FMLA requires covered employers to provide leave in the following circumstances relating to military service:

7.1.2.1 Eligible employees with a spouse, son, daughter, or parent on active duty or call to active duty status in the National Guard or Reserves in support of a contingency operation may use their 12 week leave entitlement to address certain qualifying exigencies. Qualified exigencies may include attending certain military events, arranging for alternative childcare, addressing certain financial and legal arrangements, attending certain counseling sessions, and attending post-deployment reintegration briefings.

7.1.2.2 Eligible employees (spouse, son, daughter, parent, or next of kin of a covered service member) may take up to 26 weeks of leave to care for a covered service member during a single 12 month period. A covered service member is a current member of the Armed Forces, including a member of the National Guard or Reserves, who has a serious illness or injury incurred in the line of duty on active duty that may render the service member medically unfit to perform his or her duties for which the service member is undergoing medical treatment, recuperation, or therapy; or is in outpatient status; or is on the temporary disability retired list.

7.2 Application and Approval. Qualified employees seeking to take leave in accordance with the Family and Medical Leave Act shall contact the Personnel Division of the Controller's Office. Staff will discuss the need for leave with the employee and will provide the employee with a Notice of Eligibility and Notice of Rights and Responsibilities within the timeframe indicated within the Act. The Notice of Rights and Responsibilities will detail

additional information an employee must provide in order for a determination to be made if the absence qualifies as FMLA Leave. If sufficient information is not provided in a timely manner, an employee's leave may be denied.

After review of any additional documentation required in the Rights and Responsibilities Notice, a representative from the Personnel Division shall indicate if the leave request has been approved or denied by providing the employee with a Designation Notice in the timeframe indicated within the Act.

7.3 Employer/Employee Responsibilities.

7.3.1 Employee Responsibilities. When requesting leave, the employee must provide the Saginaw County Personnel Department with at least 30 days advance notice when the need for leave is foreseeable. When 30 days notice is not possible, the employee must provide notice as soon as practicable and generally must comply with the employer's normal call-in procedures. Employees must provide sufficient information for the employer to determine if the leave may qualify for the FMLA protection and the anticipated timing and duration of the leave. Sufficient information may include that the employee is unable to perform job functions, the family member is unable to perform daily activities, the need for hospitalization or continuing treatment by a health care provider, or circumstances supporting the need for military family leave. Employees must also inform the employer if the requested leave is for a reason for which FMLA Leave was previously taken or certified. Employees also may be required to provide a certification and periodic recertification supporting the need for leave.

7.3.1.1 Certification. Certification will be required if the leave request is for the employee's own serious health condition, to care for a family member's serious health condition, or for a qualifying exigency or serious illness or injury of a covered service member for military family medical leave. Failure to provide the requested certification in a timely manner (within 15 calendar days) may result in denial of the leave until certification is provided.

Consistent with other County policies and procedures and/or terms set forth in applicable collective bargaining agreements, the County may request and, to the extent allowed by law, require a fitness-for-duty certification prior to reinstatement to ensure the employee is able to perform the essential functions of the employee's job. Qualifying FMLA Leave will not be counted as an absence under the applicable department's attendance policy.

As allowed by the Act, the County, at its expense, may require an examination by a second health care provider designated by the County of Saginaw if the County has a reasonable question regarding the medical certification provided by the employee. Or, in accordance with the manner prescribed in the Act, the County may request authentication or clarification from the employee's health care provider as to an issue(s) relating to the provided medical certification.

The County may also seek re-certification of a serious medical condition in accordance with the Family and Medical Leave Act.

7.3.2 Employer Responsibilities. Covered Employers must inform employees requesting leave whether they are eligible under FMLA. If they are, the notice must specify any additional information required as well as the employees' rights and responsibilities. If they are not eligible, the employer must provide a reason for the ineligibility.

Covered employers must inform employees if leave will be designated as FMLA-protected and the amount of leave counted against the employee's leave entitlement. If the employer determines that the leave is not FMLA-protected, the employer must notify the employee.

7.4 Benefits and Restoration. The County of Saginaw will maintain health care benefits under any "group health plan" and life insurance for the employee while on FMLA Leave on the same terms as if the employee had continued to work, including that the employee is responsible for paying the normal monthly contribution. All other benefits cease to accrue during an unpaid portion of the leave. Use of FMLA Leave cannot result in the loss of any employment benefit that accrued prior to the start of an employee's leave.

As allowed by the Act, employees must use any personal time off (PTO) to the extent available, subject to allowance for a 40 hour PTO bank limitation (see Section 7.4.1), during this leave period. Absences in excess of these accumulated days will be treated as leave without pay. Upon return from leave, most employees must be restored to their original or equivalent positions with equivalent pay, benefits, and other employment terms.

7.4.1 40 Hour PTO Bank Limitation. Prior to beginning a FMLA Leave, upon written request to the Personnel Division or authorized officials, an employee may retain up to forty (40) PTO hours-banked time by opting for unpaid time once their PTO bank reaches that level of time.

7.5 Intermittent Leave. An employee does not need to use FMLA Leave in one block. When medically necessary, employees can take intermittent FMLA or reduced leave schedule leave. The County will work with employees to arrange reduced work schedules or leaves of absence in order to care for a family member's serious health condition or their own serious health condition. However, employees who are on approved intermittent leave must still, when practicable, give notice of any and all prearranged leaves, including, but not limited to, scheduled doctors appointments, treatment times, etc., which will result in the employee's absence from his/her department for any period of time. Employees must also make reasonable efforts to schedule leave for planned medical treatments so not to unduly disrupt the employer's operations.

Leave due to qualifying exigencies may also be taken on an intermittent basis. Leave because of the birth or adoption of a child must be completed within the 12 month period beginning on the date of birth or placement of the child. Leave taken after the birth of a healthy child or placement of a healthy child for adoption or foster care may not be taken intermittently without special permission from the Department Head or applicable Elected Official.

7.6 Applicability of Other Laws. When state and local laws offer more protection or benefits, the protection or benefits provided by those laws will apply.

7.7 Accordance with the Law. This policy shall be interpreted, and construed in accordance, with the Family and Medical Leave Act.

7.8 Any employee who is off on a FMLA Leave and is determined to be acting in a manner, means, or activity not related to the leave can be disciplined up to and including discharge.

7.9 Unlawful Acts by Employers and Enforcement Mechanisms. The FMLA makes it unlawful for any employer to interfere with, restrain, or deny the exercise of any right provided under FMLA or to discharge or discriminate against any person for opposing any practice made unlawful by FMLA or for involvement in any proceeding under or relating to FMLA. If an employee feels they are being discriminated against, they may file a complaint in accordance with County Policy #322, Discrimination and Sexual Harassment.

Concerns or complaints about FMLA Leave can be directed to Personnel, or an employee may file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Labor, or may bring a private lawsuit against an employer. FMLA does not affect any Federal or State law prohibiting discrimination, or supersede any State or local law or collective bargaining agreement which provides greater family or medical leave rights.

8. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES: None

9. CONTROLLER/CAO LEGAL COUNSEL REVIEW: The Controller/CAO has determined that this policy as submitted to the Board of Commissioners contains the necessary substance in order to carry out the purpose of the policy. County Civil Counsel has determined that this policy as submitted contains content that appears to be legal activities of the Saginaw County Board of Commissioners.

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