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## **Colorado PERA Announces Addition of Virtual Museum to Web Site**

DENVER—The Colorado Public Employees' Retirement Association (Colorado PERA) announced today the creation of a virtual online museum tracing the pension fund's long and storied history.

The virtual online museum, accessible at [www.copera.org](http://www.copera.org), was created to commemorate PERA's 75th Anniversary and to celebrate its track record of protecting the promise of a secure retirement for the state's public employees.

"Because PERA's members and retirees can be found in every corner of Colorado, and many are out of state, we thought it made sense to create a museum that all of them could easily access. This is an exciting opportunity for us to trace PERA's history of working hard to provide for the retirements of our members," said Meredith Williams, Executive Director of Colorado PERA.

The site has historic photos and facts from each decade in PERA's history, starting with the 1930s when PERA was first created by the General Assembly, to notable events in 2006 including legislation that was enacted earlier this year to put PERA on a path to full funding.

"We hope our members and other visitors to our Web site will take a few minutes to view the museum," said Katie Kaufmanis, PERA's Communications Director. "It's a great way to learn more about PERA and an opportunity to look back at our history."

Colorado PERA provides retirement and other benefits to 390,000 current and former employees of over 400 government and public entities in the state of Colorado. Colorado PERA is the 25th largest public pension plan in the U.S. with assets of \$38.2 billion.

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