

## Member Marketing and Outreach Strategy

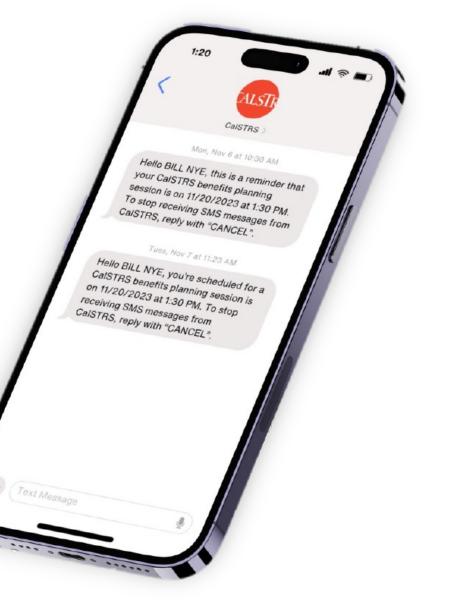
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## Marketing and outreach channels

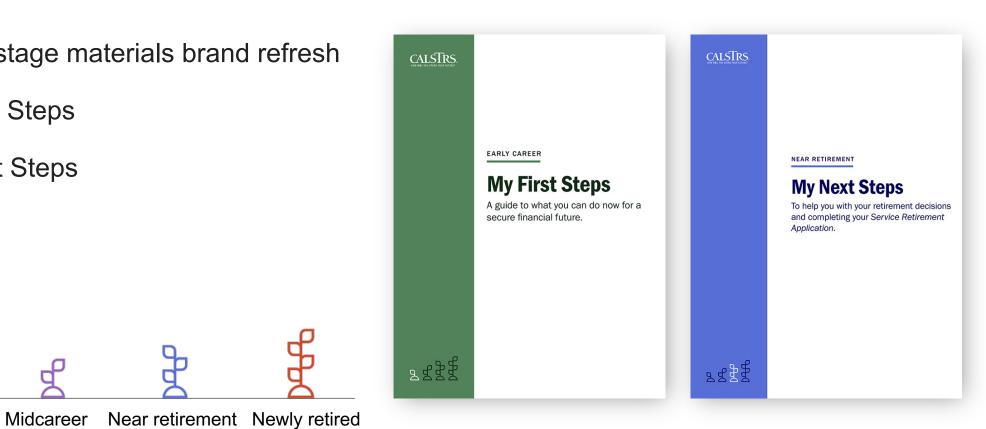
- Print and email campaigns
- Social media
- Industry events and conferences
- Partnerships with employers and stakeholder groups
- Statewide presence with defined regions

- Self-scheduling in *my*CalSTRS
- SMS text appointment reminders
- Additional event-triggered outreach

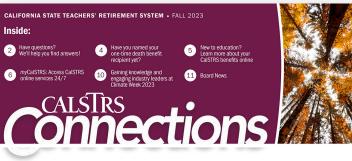


- Career stage materials brand refresh
- My First Steps
- My Next Steps

Early career



### Connections newsletter



YOUR MONEY MATTERS SEMIANNUAL PUBLICATION FOR ACTIVE AND INACTIVE CAISTRS MEMBERS

### Want more money when you retire? Check if you're eligible to purchase service credit

Service credit is the accumulated period of time, in years and partial years, during which you receive creditable compensation and make contributions to the CalSTRS Defined Benefit Program. The more service credit you have at retirement, the greater your CaISTRS monthly benefit will be. And remember-it's less expensive to buy service credit earlier in your career rather than later.

#### You may be eligible to purchase service credit for:

- Nonmember service, or service performed prior to becoming a CalSTRS member, such as part-time or substitute teaching in the California public school system.
- Prior service covered under the CalSTRS Cash Balance Benefit Program.
- Time spent on a qualifying employer-approved leave of absence or sabbatical for which . you did not make retirement contributions to CaISTRS.
- ٠ Certain active military service.
- · University of California or California State University teaching service not credited or purchasable under another retirement system.





CalSTRS annual Member Satisfaction Survey results

### Integrated campaign approach

- CalSTRS.com
- Email
- In-person workshops
- Newsletters
- Publications
- Social media
- Webinars



Thanks to everyone who came to our recent Retired Educator workshops in Santa Clara, as well as our other member service centers. Retired members had a chance to learn about Pension 2 as an instrument of pre-tax savings if working in retirement or as a rollover instrument, how to work without affecting their retirement benefit, how to use tools at their fingertips such as myCalSTRS and more.



### CALSTRS HOW WILL YOU SPEND YOUR FUTURE?

### Newly Retired Series





### Newly retired webinars

As a retired CalSTRS member, you have access to our services and resources. Learn how to continue making the most of your CalSTRS membership by attending these online webinars.

myCalSTRS: Discover What You Can Do 📥

### Wednesday, May 1 at 3:30 p.m.

With your *my*CalSTRS account, you can change your address and income tax withholdings, view and print your benefit statements and 1099-R forms, manage your direct deposit account and update your one-time death benefit recipient. Attend this webinar to learn more about your *my*CalSTRS account.

For more information and to register for this event, please visit <u>CalSTRS.com/webinars</u>.

### Learn and Discover: Retired Educator

### Wednesday, May 1 at 3:30 p.m.

As a retired educator, you have access to valuable CalSTRS tools and resources. Register to learn when you can work without affecting your CalSTRS retirement benefit, how the federal required minimum distribution may affect you, and more.

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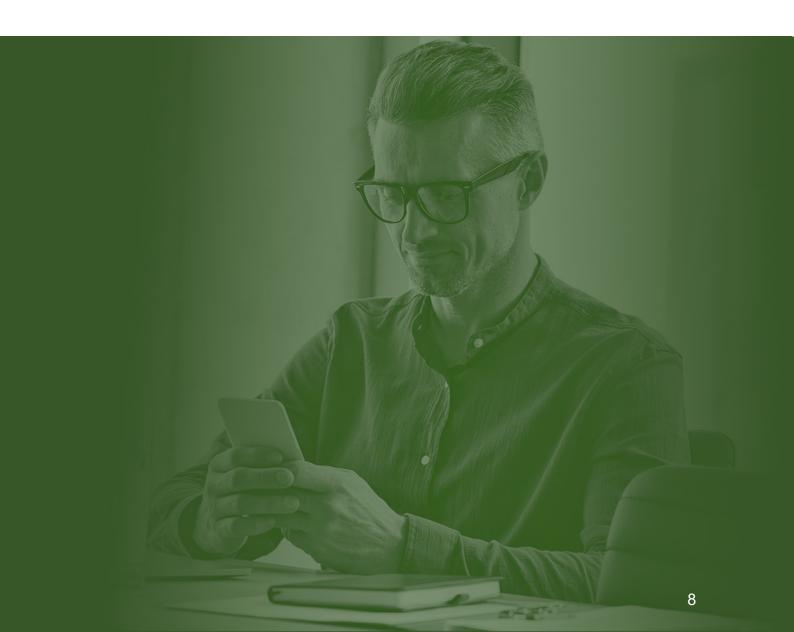
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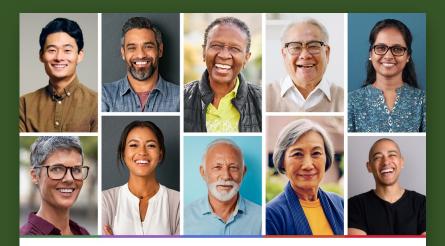
## **Foundations of outreach**

- Customization
- Repetition
- Exposure
- Word choice
- Trusted entity



## **Next steps**

- Continue Retirement Readiness and
  - Communications partnership
- Use CalSTRS research to inform decisions
- Develop and use member persona tool
- Learn from A/B message testing



### **CalSTRS** member persona tool

Serving members is our top priority. Understanding them helps us be of service. Every CaISTRS member has their own unique needs and concerns about retirement. Yet, members often share many of the same attributes as they move through their careers and into retirement.

After asking members about their career stage, financial planning behaviors, life stage, debt load, gender identification and other qualities, we categorized them into five segments:

Single with student loan debt
 Family life and mortgage

- 3. Seeking retirement knowledge
- Secure in retirement
  Retired and self-supported

This tool outlines characteristics, needs, communication preferences and tools relevant to members based on the five segments. Use this tool to learn more about our members and what's important to them at different times in their career, life and relationship with CaISTRS.

This tool can also help determine the best way to communicate with members or write content for a publication, fact sheet, webinar presentation, letter or email. When you understand our members, you can provide the best service possible in writing, over the telephone, during a benefits planning session or at a member service center.



CaISTRS Member Personas

# **Questions?**