



# BENEFITS...

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# 30 Day Overview in 30 Minutes

- Core benefits covered on Day 1
- Leaves of Absence
- Sick Leave Banks
- Worker's Compensation

Health, Life, & LTD

Dental & Vision

Flexible Spending

Metro &  
Recall

# JOB PROTECTION

FMLA

*sick*

PFML

UNPAID

PAID

MEDICAL

FAMILY

*Vacation*

*Excess  
Workload  
Credits*

*military*

*Long Term  
Disability*

BONDING

SICK  
BANKS

*Worker's comp*

*comp time*

*personal*

# TIME OFF AND LEAVES





## SPECIAL LEAVES

SABBATICAL

professional

BEREAVEMENT

jury/court

blood

weather

domestic violence

volunteer

HOLIDAYS

MILITARY

organ donor/bone marrow

## TIME OFF AND LEAVES

# Leaves of Absence

## Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA)

- **Federal** job protected leave - **unpaid**
- Eligibility – 1 year and 1250 hours worked
- Up to 12 weeks for self or family in most cases
- Longer periods when military related



## Paid Family and Medical Leave (PFML)

- **State** job protected leave – **paid or unpaid**
- Eligibility – Immediate and earned \$6000 (2023) in last 4 quarters
- Up to 26 weeks for self and family combined

**RUNNING  
CONCURRENTLY**

## Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) Leave

- **Union** job protected leave - **paid or unpaid**
- Eligibility depends on union association
- Runs concurrently with FMLA and PFML unless longer periods available



# Leaves of Absence

## How to Start a LOA

### SUBMIT

Submit LOA form **30 days** before leave is expected to start

### ELIGIBILITY

HR responds within **5 days**; provides notices and requests medical certification

### MEDICAL

Medical certification due back to HR within **15 days**

### DETERMINE

HR determines leave approval within **5 days**



# Sick Leave Banks

## AFSCME

- Called “Extension of Sick Leave”
- No employee donation required
- Eligibility after 12 months
- Application required
- Cost - History of sick leave usage - Length of request
- Must exhaust all own PTO before eligible
- Off payroll 5 days
- 100% paid sick leave
- Use for own illness; not family
- Up to 12 weeks w/additional 3 weeks



# Sick Leave Banks

## APA

- Must opt **IN**
- Employee donation of 1 day required for membership
- Eligibility after accruing 45 hours sick time
- Open enrollment during **September** annually
- Must exhaust all own PTO before eligible
- Off payroll 5 days
- 100% paid sick leave
- Use for own illness or **birth/adoption**
- Up to 2 years in a 5 year period

If the bank falls below 25 days, must donate to maintain membership.





# Sick Leave Banks

## MSCA

- Must opt **OUT**
- Employee donation of 1 day required for membership
- Eligibility after accruing 45 hours sick time
- Open enrollment during **October** annually
- Must exhaust all own PTO before eligible
- Off payroll 5 days
- 100% paid sick leave
- Use for own illness or **birth/adoption**
- Up to 2 years in a 5 year period

If the bank falls below 50 days, must donate to maintain membership.



# Sick Leave Banks

## NON-UNIT

- Called “Supplemental Sick Leave”
- No employee donation required
- Must exhaust all own SICK time before eligible
- 100% paid sick leave
- Use for own illness; **not family**
- Up to 12 weeks in a 1 year period





# Worker's Compensation

## WORK RELATED INJURY OR ILLNESS

- Must report the injury **within 48 hours** to start a claim
- Medical is covered from **Day 1**
- Coordination and **approval** of care is administered by the state Worker's Compensation unit
- After **5 days** lost time, claim advances
- Claim pays **60%** of average weekly wage (AWW)
- Employee can augment with **40%** own sick time
  - **Not** creditable toward retirement



# Workers Compensation

## Report a Work-Related Injury or Illness

### REPORT!

All work-related injuries must be reported to the supervisor and HR the day they occur.

### MEDICAL

Arrange for any immediate medical attention, if necessary.



### PACKET

The **Injured Employee Workers Compensation Packet** must be provided to the employee.

- Portions of this packet must be provided to the treating medical provider.

### SUBMIT

Submit **NOTICE OF INJURY** form within 48 hours of the injury to HR.



# Metro



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## BANKING

- Savings & Club Accounts
- Checking Accounts
- Money Market Accounts
- Retirement Accounts
- Certificates of Deposit

## BORROWING

- Home Equity Lines & Loans
- Mortgages
- Auto Loans
- Consumer Loans

## METRO CONNECT



A new service that provides face-to-face contact with a live Metro representative to complete almost any transaction that would be done in-person.



# Questions or Feedback?



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