



TOWN OF KNIGHTDALE

Human Resources

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Employee Benefit Information for Law Enforcement Officers

NC Local Government Employees' Retirement

What does it mean to become vested? You become vested once you have completed 5 years of creditable service. Vested means you are eligible to apply for monthly retirement benefits based on the formula as well as age and service requirements set by the state of NC as long as you do not withdraw your contributions.

What if you leave the system prior to becoming vested? You are only entitled to a refund of your contributions.

- 1) Mandatory participation with a pre-tax payroll deduction of 6% of gross salary
- 2) Town contributes 13.04% of employee's gross salary
- 3) Unreduced benefits available after:
 1. Age 55 with 5 years of creditable service; or
 2. Any age with 30 years of creditable service
- 4) Reduced benefits available after:
 1. Age 50 with 15 years of creditable service; or
 2. Any age with 25 years of creditable service
- 5) Disability benefits available after 5 years of creditable service

For more information regarding NC Retirement, please refer to the following website:

<https://www.myncretirement.com/media/2878/open>

NC Supplemental Retirement Plans

Prudential 401(k) plan

1. 100% vesting: you are fully vested in the plan from your first contribution, meaning the money is yours.
2. Employee contributions are optional.
3. Traditional pre-tax and Roth post-tax deductions available
4. Rollovers allowed from other qualified retirement plans
5. Town contributes 5% of employee's gross salary
6. Loans are available.
7. Benefits available upon retirement with no penalty at age 59 1/2

Prudential 457(b) plan

1. 100% vesting: you are fully vested in the plan from your first contribution, meaning the money is yours.
2. Employee contributions are optional (Town does not contribute).
3. Traditional pre-tax and Roth post-tax deductions available
4. Rollovers allowed from other qualified retirement plans
5. Loans are available.
6. Benefits available upon retirement with no penalty at any age

For more information regarding NC Supplemental Retirement plans, please refer to the following link:

www.NCPlans.Prudential.com

Insurance (subject to change annually on July 1st):

The Town currently funds \$550 monthly toward each employee's health, dental and vision coverage. Employees who participate in free on-site health assessment screenings receive an additional \$150 per month bringing their town funding up to \$700 per month. The current maximum allowance of \$700 covers 100% of current employee premiums for health, dental, and vision with a small portion leftover that funds a flexible spending account. Any elections for dependent coverage or FSA funding resulting in a cost above the Town allowance are handled through a pre-tax payroll deduction. The Town also funds every employee's medical FSA with \$500 annually, which is the maximum amount allowed for employer contribution.

- 1) **Flexible spending account** (FSA) administered by the P&A Group
 1. Includes Town funding of \$500 annually for medical, dental and vision expenses
 2. Possible further adult and childcare funding by Town depending on insurance selections
 3. Pre-tax funding by employee is optional
 4. Can be used to pay for medical, dental, vision expenses or adult and childcare costs

- 2) **Health Insurance** provided by Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina (BCBSNC) with 2 plans to choose from
 1. Core Plan has \$1,500 individual deductible with an 80/20 cost share; \$25 primary care co-pay; \$50 specialist co-pay; \$10/\$45/\$60 Rx Tiers
Monthly rates: Employee Only \$587.43
Employee + Spouse \$1,176.48
Employee + Children \$1,001.99
Family \$1,881.49
 2. Value Plan has \$5,000 individual deductible with an 80/20 cost share; \$35 primary care co-pay; \$70 specialist co-pay; \$10/\$45/\$60 Rx Tiers
Monthly rates: Employee Only \$448.89
Employee + Spouse \$897.77
Employee + Children \$763.11
Family \$1,436.44

- 3) **Dental Insurance** through Delta Dental
 1. Diagnostic and preventive services covered at 100%
 2. Basic services covered at 80%
 3. Major services covered at 50%
 4. Monthly rates: Employee Only \$32.77
Employee + Spouse \$67.03
Employee + Children \$88.01
Family \$134.83

- 4) **Vision Insurance** provided by VSP (Vision Service Providers) with 2 plans to choose from
 1. Core plan features a \$10 co-pay that includes a \$150 featured frame brands allowance, \$130 general frame allowance, \$130 contact lenses allowance, or \$130 Lightcare™ allowance to be used towards non-prescription sunglasses or blue light filtering glasses. Polycarbonate (impact-resistant) lenses are included in this benefit.

Insurance continued

Monthly rates: Employee Only	\$14.12
Employee + Spouse	\$22.59
Employee + Children	\$23.06
Family	\$37.18

2. Value plan features a \$10 co-pay that includes a \$150 featured frame brands allowance, \$130 general frame allowance, \$130 contact lenses allowance, and additional \$130 Lightcare™ allowance to be used towards non-prescription sunglasses or blue light filtering glasses. Polycarbonate (impact-resistant) lenses are **not** included in this benefit.

Monthly rates: Employee Only	\$13.53
Employee + Spouse	\$21.66
Employee + Children	\$22.11
Family	\$35.64

- 5) **Short-term Disability and Life, Accidental Death & Dismemberment** Insurance through Unum Provident where 100% of employee coverage paid by Town
- 6) **Additional Life, Accidental Death and Dismemberment** Insurance through Unum Provident available at employee cost by post-tax payroll deduction
- 7) **Retiree Health Insurance** available based on years of service with the Town: at 100% with 25 years of service; 75% with 22 years of service; 50% with 19 years of service; 25% with 15 years of service

Other Benefits

Pay Increases

- Annual performance evaluations are required with potential merit increase opportunities.
- Biennial salary studies ensure competitive salaries.

Longevity

Longevity pay is offered annually upon the completion of 5 years of service as a percentage of base salary:

- 2% after 5 years
- 3% after 10 years
- 4% after 15 years
- 5% after 20 years

Education Tuition Reimbursement

Employees wishing to further their educations to improve current job skills or in preparation for promotional opportunities may apply for tuition assistance. Funding is based on budget availability and varies annually.

Leave Information

- Holidays – 11 to 12 paid holidays each year
- Vacation Leave – The following hours are accrued each month based on years of service:

Leave Information continued

Completed Years of Service	Hours Accrued Per Month
Less than 2 years	6.66
2 to 5 years	8.00
6 to 10 years	10.00
11 to 15 years	12.00
16 to 20 years	14.00
More than 20 years	16.00

- Sick Leave – 96 hours of sick leave earned per year; unlimited transfer of accumulated sick leave hours
- Community Service Leave – 8 hours per year allowed for volunteer community/schoolwork

Pool Membership

Free membership at the Knightdale Recreation Center Pool is provided for employees and immediate family members.

Employee Assistance Program

The Town provides an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) providing confidential counseling for employees and immediate family members free of charge. The program is administered entirely by a third party, BHS/Frank Horton Associates.

Direct Deposit

All Town employees receive direct deposit of payroll checks on a biweekly basis.

NC Local Government Federal Credit Union Membership

Town employees are eligible for banking at the LGFCU.