

09 Appointed Department Heads	Rate:	Description:
Benefits		
Retirement Plan		County of SLO has an independent pension system. Employee and County contribution rates vary by hire date and/or age of entry. For more information, please see the Pension Plan Document here.
County Pickup of Employee Retirement (Miscellaneous Retirement)	9.29%	For Tier 1 & Tier 2 employees. Pickup not pensionable for Tier 2
County Retiree Health		For the most up to date information, please click here.
Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) Tier 1 Only	Up to 5 years	Employee continues active employment while Pension benefits are paid to a DROP account.
FICA (Social Security and Medicare) Employer	6.20%	FICA wages up to \$137,700 base wage max (2020)
FICA (Social Security and Medicare) Employee	6.20%	FICA wages up to \$137,700 base wage max (2020)
Medicare Employer/Employee	1.45%	Medicare wages with no maximum. Add an additional 0.9% on taxable wages above \$200,000.
Unemployment	0.15%	0.20% effective 7/1/2021
Workers' Compensation	Varies	
County Cafeteria Contribution	\$975/mo EE \$1,100/mo EE+1 \$1,340/mo EE+2	\$836/mo without medical coverage, effective 01/01/14 Proration for part time employees hired after 02/25/05 No cashout for employees who newly opt out of medical on or after 1/2/2015
Health Insurance		Multiple plans available for employee and their family. Coverage for domestic partners. Click here for more information.
Post Employment Health Plan	Up to \$15,000	Post employment health plan that provides reimbursements for qualified health care expenses.
Healthcare Flexible Spending Account (FSA)	Pretax deduction	Employee paid up to \$2,750 per plan year (2020/2021)
Healthcare Dependent Care Flexible Spending Account	Pretax deduction	Employee paid up to \$5,000 per plan year (2020/2021)
Limited Purpose Flexible Spending Account	Pretax deduction	HDHP enrollees only, dental & vision expenses only, \$2750
Health Savings Account (HSA)	Pretax deduction	Employee paid up to \$3,550 per individual/ \$7,100 per family per plan year. Employer contributes up to \$750 per year. Must be enrolled in HDHP.
Deferred Comp	Pretax deduction	Employee paid up to \$19,500 or 100% of wages/yr
Deferred Comp Catchup	Pretax deduction	Employee paid up to \$6,000 for 50+
Deferred Comp Match		The County will provide a match of \$0.50 for every \$1.00 contributed by BU 09 employees to the Deferred Compensation program, up to an annual maximum County contribution of \$500 per employee.
Management Life Insurance	\$6.45/mo	\$50,000 coverage
Long Term Disability Insurance	.298% x Salary	On first \$13,500/mo of salary. Pays 66 2/3% salary
Supplemental Life Insurance		Employee paid for coverage of annual salary of 1x, 2x or 3x salary to \$300,000 max
Spousal Life Insurance		Employee paid term life for coverage of 1/2 supplemental coverage
Dependent Life Insurance		Employee paid term life for coverage of 10% supplemental coverage to \$10,000 max
Disability Insurance		This bargaining unit does not pay into Ca State Disability. Please see the Voluntary Short Term Disability plan option offered through BenXcel.
Pay and Leaves		
Vacation 320 hours cap	10 days/yr 15 days/yr 20 days/yr	Beginning of service to end of fourth year Beginning of fifth year to end of ninth year Over ten years of service Maximum payoff of 320 hours after 6 months of service
Pay-in-lieu Program	40 hrs/fiscal yr	One time per fiscal year, permanent employees with a minimum balance of 200 vacation hours may sell back vacation hours. Additionally, employees must have used 40 hours of vacation in the current fiscal year to be eligible
Personal Leave	1 day/fiscal yr	Employees on initial probation excluded
Administrative Leave	7 days/fiscal yr	No carryover or payoff for unused time
Sick Leave	12 days/yr	2080 hours (260 days) max accrual; payoff @ hourly for 50% of hours up to 1440 after 5 years of service
Sick Leave Exchange for Vacation	80 hrs for 40 hrs	Per fiscal year. Must maintain a 30-day balance; 5 years of service required
Holiday	12 days/yr	
VTO	160 hrs/fiscal yr	With Department Head approval
Jury Leave		Regular pay while on jury duty; cannot claim jury pay
Paid Military Leave	20 days/fiscal yr	20 working days or 1 month's salary maximum when called to active duty
Tuition Reimbursement	\$250/fiscal yr	
Wellness/Fitness	\$200/yr	Paid through Risk Management (may be taxable to the employee)
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Auto Allowance	\$450/mo	Auto allowance not pensionable for Tier 2 effective 12/26/10. Auto not pensionable for Tier 2 effective 12/26/10