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## **NYC FIRE DEPARTMENT PENSIONS ADDED TO SEETHROUGHNY**

The names, pension benefit rates and retirement dates of more than 16,000 New York City Fire Department retirees were added to SeeThroughNY today, the Empire Center's government transparency web site.

The average benefit of all retired firefighters was \$55,235, but for those who retired in 2010 the average was \$89,177. The data show a total of \$886 million in benefits paid out last year. Frank Cruthers, a former first deputy commissioner who retired in 2010, earned the highest benefit at \$217,753, while only one other retiree collects more than \$200,000. Eight percent of retired firefighters – a total of 1,267 -- received a benefit over \$100,000. Breaking down the benefit ranges further:

- 12 retirees have benefits between \$175,000 and \$200,000;
- 76 retirees have benefits between \$150,000 and \$175,000;
- 321 retirees have benefits between \$125,000 and \$150,000; and
- 857 retirees have benefits between \$100,000 and \$150,000.

*Attached is a table listing the top 100 New York City Fire Department pensioners.*

SeeThroughNY allows the public to examine government expenditures on the Internet. In addition to pension data for former state and local governments and school districts, it includes payrolls for New York State and New York City government, counties, municipalities, public authorities and school districts throughout the state. Also posted are state legislator office expenditures, pork barrel "member item" spending, and a benchmarking feature for comparing local government and school district spending. The site was launched July 31, 2008.

The Albany-based Empire Center is a project of the Manhattan Institute for Policy Research, one of the nation's leading non-profit 501(c)3 think tanks.

## Top 100 Fire Department Retiree Benefits -- 2010

Rank	Name	Total	Rank	Name	Total
1	Frank Cruthers	\$217,753	51	John Frawley	\$157,842
2	Harold Meyers	\$202,416	52	Robert Hovsepien	\$157,744
3	Arthur Parrinello	\$191,695	53	Robert Cicero	\$157,222
4	James Wendling	\$187,716	54	Kenneth Grabowski	\$157,200
5	John Coloe	\$186,224	55	John Pritchard	\$157,052
6	Peter Hayden	\$183,753	56	George Idiart	\$156,209
7	Jack Taddeo	\$180,467	57	Paul Fornuto	\$156,169
8	William Siegel	\$180,147	58	Robert Schildhorn	\$156,047
9	Theodore Goldfarb	\$179,763	59	Bruce Barvels	\$155,587
10	Daniel Conlisk	\$179,497	60	John Norman	\$155,317
11	Michael Weinlein	\$179,246	61	James Day	\$155,227
12	Patrick Mcnally	\$177,964	62	Barry Quackenbush	\$155,097
13	Nicholas Visconti	\$176,580	63	Patrick Savage	\$154,864
14	Joseph Bryant	\$175,898	64	Richard Posavetz	\$154,320
15	Michael Quinn	\$172,176	65	Raymond Reilly	\$153,971
16	David Corcoran	\$171,483	66	Peter Hart	\$153,240
17	Raymond Goldbach	\$171,240	67	Charles Blaich	\$153,097
18	Kevin Munnely	\$170,700	68	James Curry	\$153,084
19	John Mccormack	\$169,954	69	James Walsh Jr	\$153,018
20	Lawrence Benson	\$169,932	70	Frank Beshears	\$152,674
21	James Gillespie	\$169,576	71	James Montgomery	\$151,968
22	Peter Frontera	\$169,397	72	Richard Persichetty	\$151,555
23	Joseph Ramos	\$168,660	73	Terrance Thorton	\$151,488
24	Robert Marshall	\$167,946	74	Daniel Nigro	\$151,477
25	Robert Ditrani	\$167,669	75	Kevin Loughran	\$151,432
26	Robert Mosier	\$167,531	76	Robert Steiniger	\$151,254
27	Neil Brandes	\$166,704	77	Harry Norum	\$151,191
28	Michael Borst	\$166,659	78	Patrick Kilgallen	\$151,140
29	John Casey	\$166,211	79	Wayne Trivelli	\$151,024
30	Robert Miuccio	\$165,616	80	Michael Hughes	\$150,989
31	Stephen Rasweiler	\$164,775	81	Michael Butler	\$150,804
32	Frederick Reich	\$164,149	82	Michael Hayes	\$150,782
33	John Molloy	\$163,818	83	Edward Schoales	\$150,560
34	John Ginty	\$163,722	84	Robert Bell	\$150,533
35	John Acerno	\$163,560	85	Malachy Mccann	\$150,415
36	Louis Terrusa	\$163,440	86	John Collins	\$150,337
37	George Gabriel	\$162,639	87	Arthur Messbauer	\$150,296
38	Allen Hay	\$162,180	88	Robert Scott	\$150,228
39	Lawrence Cleary Jr	\$162,100	89	John Bassi	\$150,129
40	Louis Garcia	\$161,580	90	John Gulotta	\$150,000
41	Peter Campbell Jr	\$161,160	91	Gary Senger	\$149,764
42	Nicholas Santangelo	\$160,911	92	Michael Giovinazzo	\$149,591
43	John Gleeson	\$160,877	93	Erick Weekes	\$149,248
44	Edward Oconnor	\$160,737	94	William Dedonato	\$149,171
45	Thomas Haring	\$160,719	95	Martin Cass III	\$149,037
46	Kevin Corrigan	\$160,320	96	Edward Henry	\$148,718
47	Philip Gaetani Jr	\$160,140	97	Stephen Zaderiko	\$148,498
48	Brenda Berkman	\$159,673	98	Richard Gleave	\$148,318
49	John Kelly Jr	\$159,343	99	Thomas Kelly	\$148,293
50	John Maguire	\$158,768	100	Bruce Lindahl	\$148,227