# VIA ACTUARIAL SOLUTIONS

## **GASB 75 Experts**

The consultants at VIA Actuarial Solutions are experts in providing public sector pension and retiree healthcare (OPEB) actuarial services. Our team has decades of experience, with a special focus on communicating complex topics in a clear, straight-forward manner.





PENSION PLANS

OPEB & RETIREE HEALTHCARE PLANS



COST CONTROL & RISK MANAGEMENT



**ACTUARIAL AUDITS** 

#### Our competitive advantages are experience, responsiveness, and practical advice

**Experience.** We have been preparing public and private sector pension and OPEB valuations since our founding in 1991. Our clients include over 500 cities, counties, school districts and other public agencies across the USA, including more than 125 annual OPEB valuations for school districts in Iowa.

**Responsiveness.** If it's important to you, it's important to us. Our actuaries understand the importance of providing timely, high-quality actuarial services. Our staff size ensures that we have sufficient resources to respond to our clients' needs. **Our 99%+ client retention rate is a result of our client dedication.**  *Practical advice.* We're known for practical solutions that get the job done. You need a consultant who provides an array of solutions and explains them in layperson's terms to help you decide which one is best.

ISFIS partners with VIA Actuarial Solutions to offer GASB 75 Compliance Services at significant savings. A best-in-class AMM (Alternative Measurement Method) option is also available for smaller districts at a reduced rate. School personnel find partnering with us easier and less expensive than other providers they have used in the past.

### **Information About VIA Actuarial Solutions**

VIA Actuarial Solutions was founded in 1991 and has grown to be one of the leading independent actuarial firms in the US. We are experts in the design and valuation of OPEB/retiree medical plans, defined benefit pension plans, and defined contribution plans.

We have been preparing public and private sector pension and Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) valuations for more than 30 years. Our clients include over 500 public sector entities: cities, counties, special districts, school districts, and other public agencies across the country. More than 100 of our public sector clients are in Iowa.

Our firm employs 16 actuarial professionals plus an operations supervisor. Our consulting team consists of 6 consulting actuaries, including 4 Fellows of the Society of Actuaries, 1 Associate of the Society of Actuaries, and 1 additional ERISA Enrolled Actuary. Our consultants are all Members of the American Academy of Actuaries and meet the Academy's Qualification Standards to render actuarial opinions.



The actuarial support team includes 10 actuarial analysts and managers who prepare much of the technical work. Some are credentialed actuaries, while others are taking actuarial exams and working towards obtaining their credentials.

#### Our company size ensures that you receive quality actuarial services from a reputable firm.

*Credentials:* As mentioned above, the consultants serving are credentialed through the Society of Actuaries (SOA). We are also Members of the American Academy of Actuaries and meet the Academy's Qualification Standards to render actuarial opinions.



**Connections:** We have strong relationships with the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). These connections are useful when questions arise on technical and reporting issues.

**Knowledge leadership:** Our actuaries regularly consult on GASB 75 Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) accounting issues and funding policy strategies. We prepare OPEB cost and plan design projections, speak at conferences and board meetings, and have helped many public agencies work through complex funding arrangements and union negotiations.

**Quality assurance:** Every client deliverable is subject to a formal peer review policy to ensure that all of our work products meet the highest consulting and actuarial standards.