UC RETIREES
ADVOCATES
AMBASSADORS
ASSETS

University of California Retiree Activities
July 2013 through September 2016

COUNCIL OF
UC RETIREE ASSOCIATIONS
Because survey could not be sent to either a random sample or the entire population of about 75,000 UC retirees, results cannot be generalized to all UC retirees.

Likewise, results for an individual UC location cannot be generalized to all retirees from that location.

Results should be seen as illustrative rather than representative of all retirees.
The most striking finding is the extent to which respondents remained committed to UC’s mission of public service.
The majority of volunteer activities fell into three broad categories—people, animals or the environment.
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TYPES OF COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER SERVICE

60%
(1,506) community/service organization

30%
(739) religious organization

19%
(481) museum/performance arts/cultural

12% (304) school-based mentoring/tutoring
12% (288) teaching/presenting
11% (287) political
11% (278) library/language/literacy
8% (210) governmental/council/advisory
7% (115) medical/hospice/elder care

Because respondents could select more than one choice, percentages total more than 100%.
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Retiree Associations and Retirement Centers

Play a vital role in engaging retirees

- Offer scholarships
- Staff UC events
- Facilitate volunteer opportunities
- Sponsor mentoring programs (formal/informal)
- And more…
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RETIREE ASSOCIATION VOLUNTEER SERVICE

MEMBERS WITHIN 30 MILES OF UC

28% 608 volunteered for UC

67% 1,484 volunteered outside of UC

NON-MEMBERS WITHIN 30 MILES OF UC

12% 131 volunteered for UC

55% 584 volunteered outside of UC
Among non-Senate academic respondents, 42% provided professional services and 33% published one or more written works.
Many retirees return to work to continue social connections, mental stimulation and a sense of purpose.
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LIFE BEYOND SERVICE

- Fitness
- Creative Pursuits
- Travel
- Care Giving
- Lifelong Learning
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FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS 2013 - 2016

- UC Santa Cruz - $13.3 million
- UC San Francisco - $600,000
- UC Irvine - $11 million
- UC Davis - $6 million

Note: Most UC locations do not track retired staff donations, although they do for emeriti, so most of these figures are partial totals.
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REIMAGINING RETIREMENT