## PUZZLED BY PENSIONS? USDAW PENSIONS SECTION WHO WE ARE, WHAT WE DO AND HOW YOU CAN HELP



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## What we do

- Assist National Officers, Area Organisers and reps in consultation with employers who are proposing to close or make changes to their pension schemes.
- Provide training for:
  - Area Organisers on their induction and Collective Bargaining courses.
  - Summer School 2 delegates.
  - Branch Officers.
  - Regional Conferences.
- Organise the Retired Members' Conference and the Pensions Conference.
- Assist members who have been refused an ill-health early retirement pension.
- Assist members with general pension enquiries about personal, workplace and State Pension benefits.
- Assist members who have disputes with their employer regarding their pension benefits.
- Assist the Legal Team when dealing with pension loss calculations.
- Provide communications about workplace and State Pensions to help and support our reps and members.
- Provide feedback on Government pension consultations.

**Pensions matter** because they will affect each and every one of us when we can no longer continue to work. Usdaw believes that everyone is entitled to a decent standard of living in retirement. Help us to raise awareness and to manage our members' expectations.

## How you can help

- Check out our pensions website at: www.usdaw.org.uk/pensions
- Find out what pensions you have (past and present). Get a forecast of your State Pension at: www.gov.uk/check-state-pension
- Run a Pensions Awareness Campaign apply for a Rep's Toolkit if you're not sure what to do.
- Sign up for our free online Pension Home Study Course at: www.usdaw.org.uk/pensionshomestudy

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