

Position Paper

Retirement Resource Interest Group

The Retirement Resource Interest Group encourages its members to remain active and involved with the CPCU Society by sharing their extensive experience, resources and knowledge with fellow CPCU professionals. It also provides a valuable networking link to its members for sharing or obtaining information related to their post-career phase in life. The benefits and enjoyment of keeping in touch with friends, both professionally and socially, are meaningful and rewarding to these members, regardless of career disciplines.

The "Retirement/Resource group", ages 55 and older, have homogeneous interests, unrelated to their diverse career paths. Information focusing on retirement issues is, at some point, common to all. The Retirement Resource Interest Group provides the resources for obtaining this information through its newsletters, resource library and seminars. Examples of the topics offered are: financial planning, maintaining a healthy lifestyle, relocation options, estate planning, travel opportunities and volunteerism.

Another meaningful service offered to retirement/resource members is the opportunity to socialize and reminisce at regional dinners and at local chapter gatherings. The Retirement Resource Interest Group supports and encourages these types of programs for members.

While the membership in the Retirement Resource Interest Group has declined since the initiation of the "Primary Interest Group" selection program, it is nonetheless a viable and valuable resource for all Society members considering retirement or already retired. Without such a service to identify with, these members would be separated from the one network that specifically addresses their issues.

Over the years, senior members have contributed much of their time, talents and money to the CPCU Society and the Loman Foundation. The Retirement Resource Interest Group programs are one way of giving back to seniors and making them feel they are still an appreciated and important part of the CPCU organization.

As pointed out earlier, the Retirement Resource Interest Group has an objective of including seniors in both national and chapter level activities for as long as they are able to, or desire to, participate. The Retirement Resource Interest Group also assumes the responsibility of providing seniors with the tools needed for maintaining the quality of their lives and the opportunity for staying connected with the CPCU Society and fellow professionals.