

# MERS of Michigan names Vanden Bosch as next CEO

Vanden Bosch brings years of public sector experience to build on MERS' track record of providing retirement security

LANSING, MICHIGAN – **Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS) of Michigan** today announced **Kerrie Vanden Bosch** has been selected by the Retirement Board as CEO. Vanden Bosch assumes leadership effective Jan. 2, 2020, following the retirement of **Chris DeRose**.

"Kerrie's years of experience will help MERS build upon our solid foundation and track record of providing retirement security to our customers and members," said **Michael Brown**, MERS board chairman. "Kerrie is committed to fairness, transparency and accountability, and has a deep understanding of fiscal best practices. Kerrie will work tirelessly to ensure we continue to meet the needs of our members across the state."

Vanden Bosch is the eighth executive leader of MERS of Michigan, a voluntary retirement system serving municipal members since 1945.

"It is an incredible honor for me to lead and serve this great organization," Vanden Bosch said. "I look forward to continuing to serve Michigan's public employees in my new role at MERS."

Vanden Bosch comes to MERS from the State of Michigan Office of Retirement Services, where she served as executive director since 2015. She has acquired experience in all aspects of public retirement from the various positions she has held during her career including Assistant Director/Chief Operating Officer, Director of the Plan Development and Compliance Division, Business Process Owner and Leader and Analyst. Vanden Bosch has a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Calvin College and a Master of Arts in Industrial and Organizational Psychology from Michigan State University.

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## About MERS of Michigan

The Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS) of Michigan is an independent, professional retirement services company that was created to administer the retirement plans for Michigan municipalities on a not-for-profit basis.

The team at MERS is made up of top industry experts who use fiscal best practices to give members peace of mind and security in their retirement. MERS listens and works in partnership with our members to deliver a superior value that meets our members' needs.

We proudly serve more than 100,000 participants, including local firefighters, nurses, and the men and women who plow our roads and keep our communities safe.