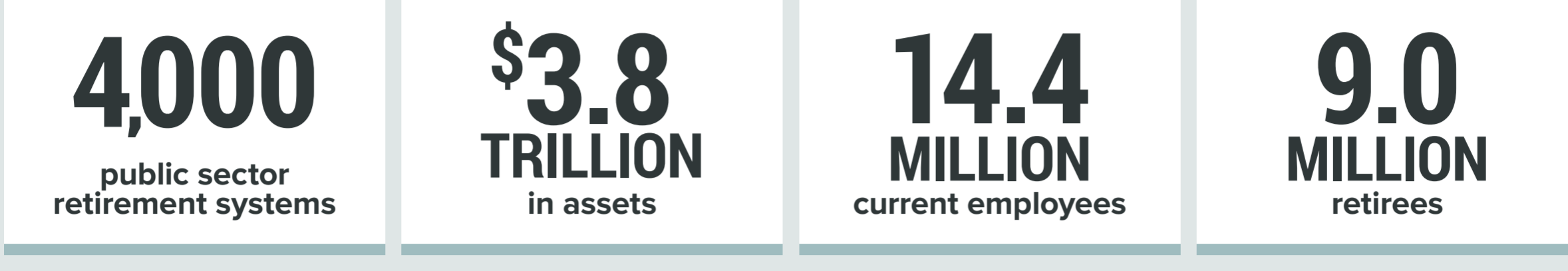


# THE UNCERTAIN FUTURE OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PENSIONS



## STATE AND LOCAL PENSIONS: A VIEW FROM THE TOP



**\$228.5 BILLION**  
in benefit distributions annually

## THE PROBLEM

Public state and local pensions are **underfunded** by

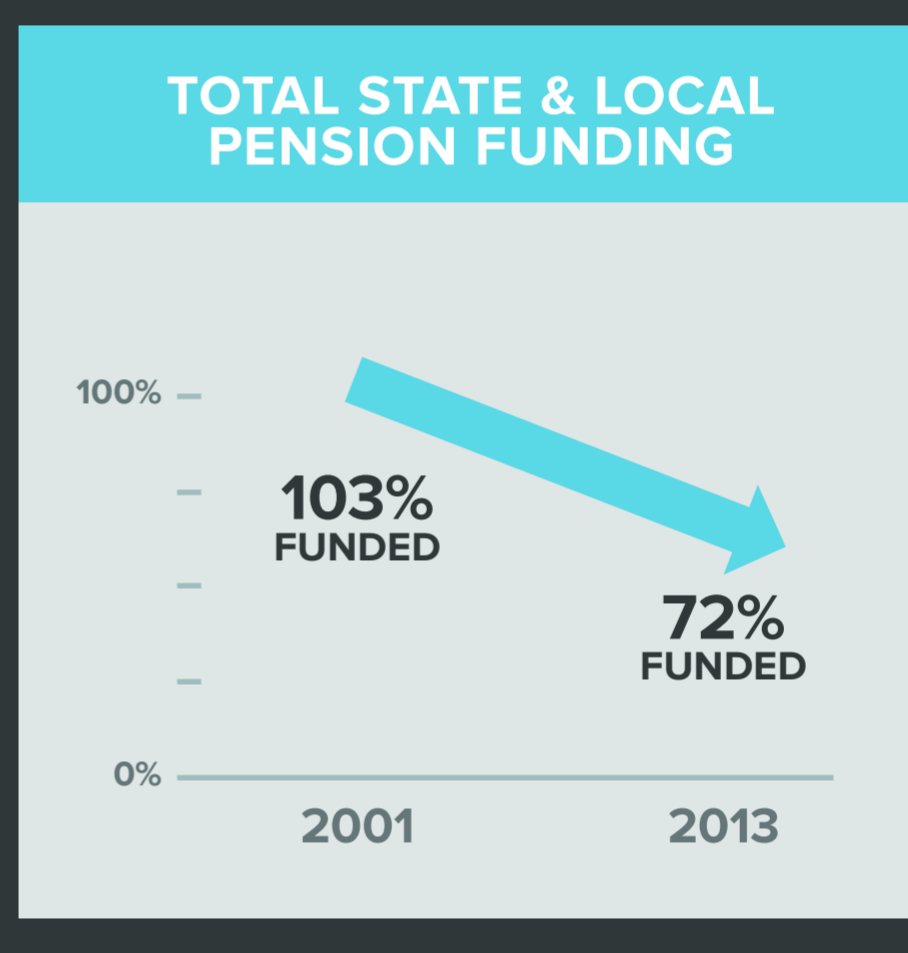
**OVER \$1 TRILLION**

Resulting in an uncertain future where, public employees are worried about their retirement; residents are concerned about tax increases; and governments can't invest in critical services.



## THE CURRENT SITUATION

Politicians have mismanaged funds and continue to ignore the problem as unfunded liabilities grow.



## FAILING TO FIX OUR BROKEN PENSION SYSTEMS MEANS GIVING UP CRITICAL INVESTMENTS IN...



## WE NEED TO ADDRESS THE PENSION CRISIS NOW, OR THE FUTURE WILL BE ONE OF...



## TAKE ACTION

To maintain benefits for current retirees, ensure a fair retirement to future workers, and deliver government services these problems need to be addressed now. Otherwise current and future retirees and residents will suffer.

**Share this image with your local legislator** and ask them what they are doing to ensure fair and sustainable retirement plans.

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