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Program: Agency-wide

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SAP Position Number (8 digits) Annual Salary Fund Source Rationale for Approving Exception

5/1/2025 Retirement Specialist 3

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600 The Retirement Specialist 3 (RS3) serves as the primary resource for Retirement Specialist 2s (RS2), who are the direct service link for our customers. The Contact Center, which is responsible for phone, in-person and email contact with our customers, has four teams with approximately 37 RS2 team members. A significant number of the RS 2s in the CC are relatively new and are still learning, which requires coaching and assistance from the RS 3 team. While the Contact Center has five RS 3 positions, which also manages escalations of member issues, two of the positions have been vacant since the fall of 2024.