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						estimate	providing early		only option?	
						participation,	retirement			
						actuarial study, etc.)	incentives?			
Chattanooga	Jason	Silvers	jsilvers@chattanooga.gov	No				Yes, to offer incentivized options for	No	
-								long term employees.		
Clarksville	Tessa	Luntz	tessa.luntz@cityofclarksville.com					No	No	
Collierville	William	Burke	bburke@colliervilletn.gov	No	-			yes	No	-
Gatlinburg	Michele	Diebold	micheled@gatlinburgtn.gov	No	-			no	No	-
Germantown	Courtney	Taylor	ctaylor@germantown-tn.gov	No						-
Greeneville	Patsy	Fuller	pfuller@greenevilletn.gov	Yes	The Bridge is	participation interest	some retirees would		No	
					mandatory	before implementing	-			
					retirement for Police		others receiving the			
					and Fire only. Age 60.	-	bridge is about 70%			
					They receive		of their working pay.			
					additional funds until					
Hendersonville	Jason	Gallo	jgallo@hvilletn.org	No	SS age.			No	No	
	Melanie	Rice		No				Not at this time, due to offering one in	Yes	6-months of salary
Johnson City	Metallie	Rice	mrice@johnsoncitytn.org	NO				2022. It was not exactly an early	res	continuation
								retirement program. We had many		continuation
								staff that were around or well over		
								retirement age and were afraid that		
								years and years of experience and		
								knowledge could walk out of the door		
								at any given day. So, I am answering		
								yes to the next question.		
Knoxville	Kelly	Drummond	kdrummond@knoxvilletn.gov	No				Not recently. We are having a hard	Yes	It was for the
	-							time maintaining full staffing for		teachers when the
								several departments so we don't		County took over the
								need people to retire early.		school system in
										1987. No other
										incentives have been
										offered since that
										time.
Maryville	Leslie	Crawford	lgcrawford@maryville-tn.gov	No				Not at this time.	Yes	This was around 1987
										2000 and I do not
										have the specifics
										regarding the plan.
Murfreesboro	Randolph	Wilkerson	rwilkerson@murfreesborotn.gov	No				It hasn't been discussed since I've	No	
							l	been here.		
Nashville	Mike	Taylor	michael.d.taylor@nashville.gov	No		+		No	No	
Oak Ridge	Eric	Ault	eault@oakridgetn.gov	No				Some have suggested that we	No	
							1	consider offering the 55-25 Bridge		
							1	through TCRS for police and fire		
							1	employees. At this time, there are no		
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Pigeon Forge	Lois	Sutton		No				No	No	
Sevierville	Kristi	Ward	kward@seviervilletn.org	No				No, due to staffing issues.	No	

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Smyrna	Jeff	Craig	jeff.craig@townofsmyrna.org	Yes	Retiree Health	Estimate the savings	Could lose		No	
					Reimbursement	in salary and claims	experienced workers			
					Account is set up for	that will not be paid	we do not really want			
					anyone age 62 with		to lose yet.			
					15 years of service.					
					We will reimburse					
					their ACA premiums					
					until they are age 65					
					and medicare					
					eligible. Up to \$20k					
					per year.					
Springfield	Kimberly	Brickles	Kimberly.Brickles@springfieldtn.g	No				No-Has not come up	No	
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