

RHODE ISLAND
JAMES DIOSSA
GENERAL TREASURER



Happy Summer James!

Since being sworn in as General Treasurer my team and I have been hard at work to strengthen our state's financial position by building an economy that works for you.

Every day I hear from working Rhode Islanders who are struggling to make ends meet due to factors like the increase in the cost of living and inflationary pressures. Although our economy is on the path to recovery, I know that Rhode Islanders need a solution now. This is why I have prioritized efforts to **increase financial literacy** for all communities, ensure **our pension system is sound** for generations to come, and that Rhode Islanders receive money back **that rightfully belongs to them**.

I have also championed legislation that would directly and positively impact the lives of Rhode Islanders. Below are just a few of the wins Treasury helped secure for the people of Rhode Island so far this year.

- **School construction bonds** were authorized to go to the ballot for 12 Rhode Island communities by the General Assembly. These bonds will ensure that our state's children will have safe, warm, and modern learning environments that will provide a solid foundation for their future. Additionally, in cooperation with the Rhode Island Health and Educational Building Corporation and state and local leaders, **we closed on a \$93.5 million bond** to finance a new high school in Central Falls.
- **The Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank**, of whose board I am a member, worked tirelessly with legislators, to provide funds to property owners to replace lead water service lines thanks to legislation passed this year. This will make our communities healthier and keep Rhode Island families safe.
- **Retirement options for teachers, public safety officials, and state and municipal employees** have been expanded, with teachers and municipal employees now able to invest in State operated plans and state employees gaining an after-tax Roth 457(b) option. Our state's dedicated public servants now have more ways to build a healthy nest egg for their retirement.

Stay tuned for more updates on our programs, initiatives, and achievements in the weeks and months to come.

In service,



James A. Diossa
Rhode Island General Treasurer

Learn About Treasury's Unclaimed Property Program

- Unclaimed property consists of assets belonging to Rhode Islanders that the state has recovered from businesses, banks, landlords, safe deposit boxes, and utility companies.
- More than 300,000 Rhode Islanders have property waiting to be returned to them in the state's vaults.
- Cash, jewelry, collectibles, and more are being kept safe until their rightful owners claim them.
- You can search your name for unclaimed property for free at [FindRIMoney.com](https://www.findrimoney.com).



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