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HELPING YOU RETIRE

Happy New Year, Happy Saving!

We hope you all had the happiest of holiday seasons and your retirement team is excited to hit the ground running on making 2018 the most successful year of savings yet! We're excited to share the new IRS plan contribution limits for 2018:

- **\$18,500** (up \$500 from 2017)
- **\$24,500** for participants age 50 and older (also up from 2017)

Be sure to check out [The Standard's](#) retirement planning tools to see how increasing your contributions will impact your paycheck and overall savings goals [HERE](#)

comprehensive evaluation of the country's 100 largest metropolitan areas based on how well they meet Americans' expectations for retirement, with measures including housing affordability, healthcare and overall happiness. Sarasota, Florida, tops the list this year at No. 1 due to high scores in the overall happiness of its residents. The 2018 Best Places to Retire were determined based on a methodology that factored in measures including housing affordability, desirability, retiree taxes, the happiness index, job market and healthcare quality. These measures were selected and weighted based on a public survey of pre-retirees (age 45-59) and retirement-age (age 60+) individuals across the U.S to find out what matters most when considering a place to retire. Data sources include the U.S. Census Bureau, the Bureau of Labor Statistics, as well as U.S. News rankings of the Best Hospitals.



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US News Unveils the 2018 Best Places to Retire

U.S. News & World Report, the global authority in rankings and consumer advice, today unveiled the 2018 Best Places to Retire in the United States. The new rankings offer a

- Top 10**
1. Sarasota, FL
 2. Lancaster, PA
 3. San Antonio, TX
 4. Grand Rapids, MI
 5. El Paso, TX
 6. McAllen, TX
 7. Daytona Beach, FL
 8. Pittsburgh, PA
 9. Austin, TX
 10. Washington, DC

