On Oct. 14, hundreds of Local 1000 members came together in the city of Commerce to meet with three candidates for Governor: John Chiang, Delaine Eastin and Antonio Villaraigosa. Candidate Gavin Newsom will join our forum in Sacramento on Oct. 28.

We’re making our voices heard by meeting with various candidates for statewide constitutional offices. Already, we’ve hosted forums for Superintendent of Public Instruction, Treasurer, Attorney General and Lt. Governor.

It’s an opportunity to ask candidates our questions and inform them about issues that are important to state workers and our families.

“I’m proud to be part of my union – working hard to inform members about candidates who wish to represent us,” said Joyce Wheeler-Owens, a Job Steward and DLC 701 President who works at EDD in San Diego. “Our members are making political decisions that matter to state workers and working families to build a better California.”

LAST CHANCE TO JOIN A CONSTITUTIONAL FORUM

Meet the candidates for Governor
(John Chiang, Delaine Eastin, Gavin Newsom and Antonio Villaraigosa)

Saturday, October 28
Local 1000 Headquarters
1325 "S" Street
Sacramento 95811
10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

RSVP and get more information: www.seiu1000.org/forums17
Many of our union sisters and brothers and their families have fallen victim to the tragedy of hurricanes and wildfires. In response to these events, relief resources are available, and our members are taking action to offer support.

Resources for State Workers Affected:

ATO: During a governor-declared state of emergency, state workers may qualify for administrative time off.

Disaster expense reimbursement: SEIU California offers disaster expense reimbursement.

Help SEIU families in need by contributing to the SEIU International Disaster Relief Fund.

Find all resources at www.seiu1000.org
For assistance call the Member Resource Center 866.471.SEIU (7348)

USING THE POWER OF OUR CONTRACT TO PROTECT OUR RIGHTS

Leave time restored

When nearly two dozen CDCR employees fell ill due to smoke and particles caused by an HVAC fire in their office earlier this year, they were forced to use their own leave time to recover. When the department initially refused to restore those lost hours with ATO, our union filed a grievance maintaining that the employees were unfairly denied the proper remedy. After an investigation by OSHA and other agencies, the department agreed to settle by paying the affected employees in ATO and more than 160 hours of leave returned to their leave balances.

Workplace bullying corrected

After a Southern California DMV office manager was rude and abusive to one of our members who was working to solve an issue with another DMV branch, the member attempted to discuss the unacceptable behavior with the manager and was told to “get a thicker skin.” A grievance was filed and generated an unsatisfactory response from DMV’s regional administrator. When our Union pressed the issue, the department issued a response acknowledging the inappropriate behavior of the manager.

If you feel your contract rights have been violated, contact your Job Steward or the Member Resource Center at 866.471.SEIU (7348).

—I CHOOSE MY UNION BECAUSE I WANT TO PROTECT HEALTH CARE AND WORKERS RIGHTS. —

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