2018 YEAR IN REVIEW
Advancements and accomplishments we achieved together

BUILDING STRONGER COMMUNITIES

Our Local 1000 Purpose Statement leads us in our fight for social, economic and environmental justice for all Californians, and encourages us to make positive change in our jobs and our communities. In 2018, members hosted and participated in dozens of local, regional and statewide events to foster a greater sense of family and community and to build bonds with those who share our values and our vision. Whether we’re standing up for women’s rights, fair immigration policies, promoting equality and education, or celebrating our cultural heritage, we’re working together to build a better life for the 96,000 members we represent, our families, and our communities.

CalSavers, the new retirement savings plan that will allow millions more Californians to retire with dignity, launched its pilot program and will begin enrollment in 2019. In 2016, Local 1000 sponsored SB 1234, the most ambitious push to expand retirement security since Social Security in the 1930s. Currently, less than half of private sector workers have access to a pension plan.

More than 8,000 Information Technology workers represented by Local 1000 were impacted by a sweeping reclassification of decades-old job specifications into a modern system that recognizes the modern skill sets of state IT workers and provides a path for upward mobility. Our IT Reclass Team, backed by members in the workplace, achieved success after a two-year battle.

“Working families we represent and those that live in our communities all deserve to retire with dignity and security.”
President Yvonne R. Walker
Creating sustainable careers for the 96,000 state workers we represent is a top priority and a union value. Local 1000 is an innovator in career development, launching two ground-breaking apprentice programs in health care and information technology. We’ve partnered with the state and community colleges to create new pathways to increase worker’s skills, allowing them to be competitive in the job market. Already, a number of our members have successfully completed the IT apprenticeships, or the LVN-RN program and are working in their new careers. Learn more at seiu1000.org/grow