

# WE'RE BUILDING POLITICAL POWER MEMBERS WILL GATHER NOV. 5 TO LAUNCH OUR PLANS FOR A CALIFORNIA FOR ALL



"The best way to make change in the workplace, for our families, and in our communities is to use our power to make politics matter. "

- Doryce Caballero, Member Political Leader

We often say 'Politics Matter' because they do. Politics doesn't just refer to a candidate or an election—we're discussing everything from the water we drink and the roads we drive on to the communities we live in and the air we breathe.

We are just one year away from one of the most important elections in our lifetime, and on Nov. 5, we'll kick off a comprehensive effort to engage, educate, and empower Local 1000 members to get active over the next year in our political process.

When we act, we can make a difference!

At our election kickoff, our members will learn about our 2020 political program plans, as well as how to educate others on why politics matter, how to identify the issues and values that are most important to us, and how to take action at work and in our communities to make those ideas a reality.

Join us at our first meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 5, from 5:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., at one of our six regional offices in Sacramento, Oakland, Fresno, Los Angeles, Ontario, and San Diego.

## JOIN THE FIGHT AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE! Learn more and RSVP at seiu1000.org/2020-election

or call the Member Resource Center at 866.471.SEIU (7348)



## Step Up Into Your Leadership-Become a Union Steward

Local 1000's focus on leadership training and development has helped nearly 500 members build a stronger union for us all. Through our Leadership Apprentice Program for Stewards (LAPS), these member leaders have advanced our union's core mission to have a good life, better our workplaces, and create opportunities to serve California.

LAPS is an intensive, multi-step training program for members to develop leadership skills, foster a network of learning and teamwork, and harness the power necessary to amplify the voices of their fellow members. "I appreciate the commitment Local 1000 has in my growth," said Keith Gray, Unit 15 DBUR and LAPS Graduate. "Its my responsibility to pass that on."

Applications for the January 2020 training session are due by November 20. Grow with your union, and step into your leadership today!

## Learn more and apply at seiu1000.org/become-steward





## **SPREADING OUR FIGHT FOR JUSTICE FOR ALL** Weekly News Column raises awareness and support for key issues

The ability to retire with dignity. Affordable and accessible health care. \$15 per hour and the right to union representation. Affordable housing. An end to poverty. These are our union values, and they are the foundation for a good life for all.

The power of our union comes from people coming together to amplify our energy and our values to fulfill our purpose and provide all Californians the opportunity to enjoy the fruits of social, economic, and environmental justice. This fall, we've been sharing our values with hundreds of thousands of readers in a new forum: a weekly column penned by President Yvonne R. Walker.

Recently, she discussed why retirement security for all is important to state workers. The tragically high number of seniors living in poverty who use the social safety net to survive affects our economy and needlessly strains community health care resources and other public services.

Walker promotes solutions, advocating lifting the cap on Social Security taxes so that the wealthy few pay their fair share into the system. "We don't have a resource problem; we have a distribution problem," she says. "Retiring with dignity is a union value, and unless it's available to all of us, it's a union problem."

Check out our weekly labor column in the Sacramento News & Review - available on newsstands throughout Sacramento or online at seiu1000.org or at snr.com.

# **Rise Up! Stay Connected! Stay Strong!**

### An informed membership is a powerful tool, especially when we share what we know and believe.

You can access the latest union information-Local 1000 news, events, issues, and more-online. Thousands of members like you use our website and social media to stay informed and to share our values with their own networks. When you "like" and "share" our pages, our message becomes stronger!

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