

Working Families Fight Back Against Madison Madness



In February, Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker and his corporate cronies schemed to pass a budget bill so unfair that working families across the nation took to the streets in outrage. Not only did Walker demand that nurses, plow drivers, and other hardworking public employees accept sharp cuts in pay and benefits – which they agreed to – but he also insisted they give up their right to bargain fair contracts. Hundreds of thousands of teachers, firefighters, students and SEIU members across the country stood in solidarity with Wisconsin workers to defend the middle class.

Even though 74% of Wisconsinites opposed Walker's bill, he and the Republican senators proved that they were more loyal to corporate greed than democracy by rigging a vote and stripping citizens of their rights. This isn't just an assault on unions, it's an assault on the middle class, and we are standing strong together to fight back.

What's Wrong with Our Economy?

Over the last 30 years, the rich have gotten richer while working families' wages have stayed the same. Today, Bank of America CEOs make \$16,000/hour while the average teller makes \$10.38/hour. Meanwhile, politicians blame workers for the economic crisis to justify slashing services for working families while giving trillions in tax breaks to banks and the wealthy CEO's who fund them.

The wave of anti-worker legislation sweeping the nation calls to question—why do billionaires who have benefited the most from our economy think they should profit *even more* at our expense instead of paying their fair share? We need to stand together to make sure all our children have access to a quality education, good jobs, and the opportunity to become successful.

Local 1 Officer Elections

Elections for Local 1 officers will occur this summer. Please keep an eye out in the mail and at your job site for postcards and notices detailing the process for nominating officers.

Notice to Members

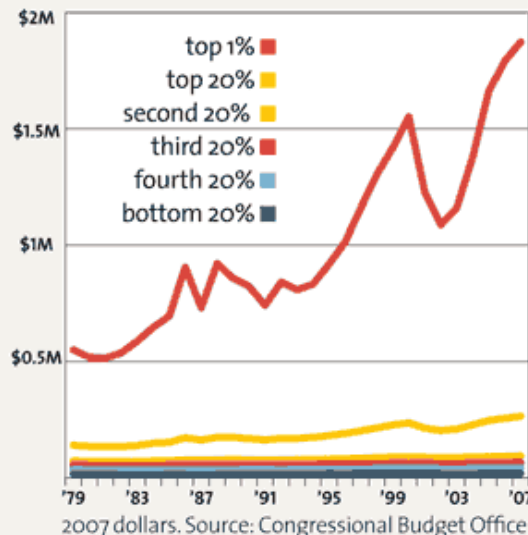
You have the right to become and remain a member of SEIU Local 1, and we strongly recommend that you do so.

You also have the right to be a nonmember. Non members have the right to object to paying for union activities not related to the Union's duties as bargaining agent, and to receive an adjustment for dues and fees spent on those activities. Any objection should be filed in writing with the Union no later than 30 days after resignation from the Union.

If you choose to become a nonmember, you will not have the right to vote on your contract or to participate in developing your contract proposals. You will not have a vote on whether to authorize a strike. You will not have the right to run for union office, to vote for candidates for union office, to select union bargaining representatives, or to bring charges against union members.

If you have any questions, please call Local 1 Secretary-Treasurer Chris Andersen at (312) 233-8701.

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Stay Strong, Stay Connected

With working families under attack, we need to stay connected so that we can defend ourselves and our communities.

There are more ways than ever to stay up-to-date:

- **Member Connection Emails**—Learn about current events and opportunities to take action.
- **SEIU1.org**— View photos and videos, find discounts, learn about your rights, and more.
- **Facebook**—Link to photos, videos, and articles about working people speaking out; share information with your friends, and more.

Call the Member Resource Center to update your contact information today: 1-312-233-8880.