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UNION UPDATE



Eureka Town Hall, April 4

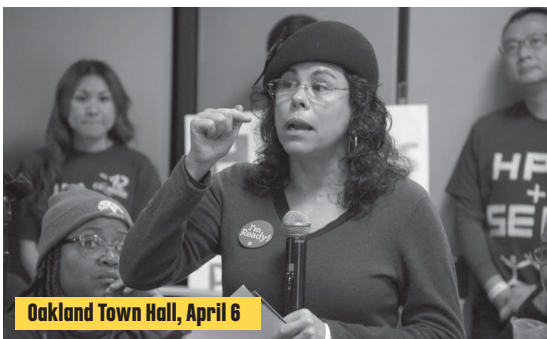
ATTEND A BARGAINING TOWN HALL MEMBERS - MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!



Redding Town Hall, April 5

As our bargaining team prepares to win a contract that reflects the values of our union, our members are stepping up and speaking out to share their ideas about what matters most. Already, thousands of members have attended 19 town halls across the state—with five more scheduled through Apr. 27.

Get engaged! Meet our bargaining team, learn about the bargaining process and how to educate your fellow members as we come together to build the strength necessary to win a great contract.



Oakland Town Hall, April 6

TO RSVP: Schedule online at seiu1000.org
Call the MRC at **866.471.SEIU (7348)**

FILL OUT A BARGAINING SURVEY:
Share your ideas at seiu1000.org,

Unit 3 Educators Form PIA Task Force

The Local 1000 Prison Industry Authority (PIA) Task Force has met three times—most recently on April 8 and 9—to discuss how the rapid expansion of PIA may impact the work of our Unit 3 employees. The Task Force will focus on ensuring that quality education and training will continue to be provided by credentialed Unit 3 educators.

The PIA Task Force is comprised of four Bargaining Unit 3 members: Charles Thompson, Pelican Bay State Prison, Task Force Lead; Jack Dean, Correctional Training Facility, Soledad; Robert Holtz, California Institution for Men, Chino; and, Matt Wheeler, Chuckawalla Valley State Prison.

The PIA Task Force work is ongoing. The team is currently conducting research and gathering data from a variety of sources. We welcome information from members about what is happening at your worksite. In particular, we are looking for specific instances of changes in classroom assignments or displacements.

Knowledge is power - take action and share your comments and ideas to:
unit3@seiu1000.org or call the Member Resource Center at **866.471.SEIU (7348)**.

We're Telling Big Health Insurance "Don't Raise our Rates!"



Over the past decade, our health care premium rates have gone up by more than 50%, a rate much higher than the cost of living ... and members are fighting back.

On April 10, we delivered nearly 1,000 letters to Kaiser's Sacramento office, a first wave in our efforts to put pressure on health insurance CEOs to reduce out-of-control health care costs and to put patients before profits.

Each year, our health care premium rates are established during negotiations between CalPERS and health care insurers like Kaiser and Blue Shield, a process which includes public discussion in May and a vote by the board in June.

In 2018, our members took action to put pressure on the CEOs of these extremely profitable insurance companies to tell them, "Don't Raise our Rates!" Through thousands of members sharing stories, sending letters and our strong presence on the CalPERS board, we were able to make a difference.

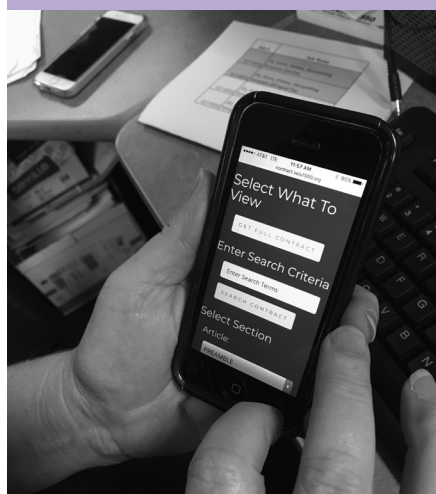
Eight of 13 health care providers reduced their rates for 2019 and, as a result, most of the 96,000 state workers we represent enjoy reduced health care premium rates.

California's working families deserve quality, affordable health care, and together we can tell wealthy insurance companies to do the right thing.

There's still an opportunity to join the fight for better health care premium rates. Actions are planned to deliver more letters, make lobby visits and to have a strong, vocal presence at CalPERS board meetings.

Send your letter to insurance CEOs today.
seiu1000.org/dont-raise-our-rates

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