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# **Black History Month**

SHAPING THE FUTURE OF THE CENTRAL VALLEY



We celebrate Black History Month as an opportunity to honor the contributions of Black Americans who have done so much to shape the ongoing battle for social, economic, and racial justice. Many of those who have accomplished so much serve as inspiration for today's leaders. One such leader in our union is LeRoy Candler.

Candler, an 24-year state veteran who works at CalTrans as a Transportation Engineer Technician in Fresno, is a Job Steward and a member of the Unit 11 bargaining team. Following the Local 1000 Purpose Statement, he's a long-time fighter for working families and the community at large through his volunteer work.

Through his work in VOICE, (Voice of Including Community Equitably), he's worked with a coalition of government, non-profit groups and numerous churches to improve training and job opportunities for residents of Fresno's poorest areas.

"We believe public money should be reinvested in the community," Candler said. "We're working to help some of the most disadvantaged people in the area to gain skills that lead to good jobs and bright futures."

As the president of the Fresno branch of NAACP, LeRoy leads a group dedicated to ensure the political, educational, social and economic equality of rights to all persons and to eliminate race-based discrimination.

LeRoy Candler finds personal inspiration from the accomplishments of Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall, the nation's first African-American justice. Marshall was a champion of individual rights and freedoms, and spent his life fighting for social justice and equality.

"We're continuing the fight for economic justice by creating new opportunities for working families in the Central Valley."

- LeRoy Candler

CalTrans, Fresno, Job Steward

## **MEMBERS MEET SENATORIAL CANDIDATES**







More than 100 of our members came together to make 'politics matter' by meeting and talking with three candidates vying to be the next Senator representing California: Kevin de León, Alison Hartson and Sen. Diane Feinstein, the incumbent.

It's an opportunity to ask questions of the candidates and inform them about issues that are important to state workers, our families and our communities. Already, Local 1000 has hosted similar forums in Sacramento and Los Angeles for six statewide offices, including Governor, Lt. Governor, Attorney General, Treasurer, Superintendent of Public Instruction and Insurance Commissioner.

# UNION INFORMATION

# Resource Center

Monday-Friday 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. **866.471.SEIU (7348)** 

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## Members Receive

# JLMC TRAINING



## BUILDING A STRONGER UNION THROUGH THE POWER OF OUR CONTRACT

More than 60 of our members gathered in Sacramento Jan. 25 and 26 for intensive training in support of their commitment to improve working conditions and other workplace issues by forming Joint Labor Management Committees (JLMCs).

Committees affecting all 9 of our bargaining units have or will soon be formed. JLMCs have consistently proven to be an effective way to address workplace issues with management in a collaborative manner.

In the two-day training, our members learned how they can resolve issues raised by their fellow members. They also learned the importance of engaging those members to join them to build power and effect meaningful change.



"I'm learning to become a stronger leader and how to use our contract to improve working conditions for my fellow cooks."

#### - Calixtro Duarte

Unit 15 Correctional Supervising Cook, Job Steward, Wasco State Prison

You can learn more about active JLMCs in your bargaining unit online at seiu1000.org

Become an

## **ELECTED LEADER OF LOCAL 1000**

#### LEADERSHIP NOMINATION FORMS DUE FEB 12.

Nomination forms for Local 1000 officers and bargaining representatives must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 12.

As a statewide officer, as an officer in your District Labor Council, or as a bargaining unit representative, you have a voice in the future of your union and the issues that matter most to you, your fellow workers and your families.



Mail your Ballots to:

SEIU LOCAL 1000, 1808 14TH STREET, SACRAMENTO 95811



Faxed forms will be accepted at: 916.554.1295 ONLY



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Download a nomination form

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