

# CAL 1000 SEIU Onger Together JANUARY 22, 2020



## **BUILDING POWER AT WORK AND AT HOME**

Union power becomes community power through member leadership



**Local 1000 member Michelle Burgess** speaking truth to power about the need for renter protections.

SFIU Local 1000 members know that union values represent a bedrock of convictions: that all Californians deserve a safe and secure workplace, a sustainable community, and social, economic, and environmental justice. We also know that fighting for those values is not an easy task, yet 2019 saw us take up that fight time and again.

Building power in our workplace was only the beginning. When we are protected by our contracts, pensions, and union representation on our jobs, we must extend our fight for justice into our communities.

In 2019, our Community Power group worked tirelessly with members

to find solutions to issues members strugale with in communities across California.

Community Power advocated for affordable housing and renter protections in Sacramento, where we also hosted community forums on issues like homelessness and housing shortages.

In addition, we trained members to serve on local boards and commissions. and showed up together and demanded action from local elected officials at city council meetings.

Members drove real change in their communities by using the leadership and determination they developed with SEIU Local 1000.

While currently focused on the Sacramento region. Community Power plans to expand to other regions where members live.

With member leadership and a clear vision of a California for All, the successes generated by our Community Power program will continue to empower Californians at work and at home.

Do you have a vision for what your community could become?

Are you a leader in your community, or are you interested in becoming one?

Contact us at

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## UNION UPDATE

**JANUARY 22, 2020** 

### UNION VALUES REFLECTED IN NEW STATE BUDGET

Housing, heathcare, and homelessness among top priorities outlined by Govenor Newsom

California Governor Gavin Newsom released his proposed budget for fiscal year 2020-21 on January 10. This budget prioritizes expanding affordable housing, curtailing runaway healthcare costs, and finding housing for the unsheltered.

By investing \$1.75 billion to increase housing supply (including funding to local governments for planning and infrastructure), the state can now begin to address the critical need for housing and infrastructure.

This increase takes the form of a \$500 million allocation to the state's housing tax credit program and \$750 million to the Department of Social Services to reduce street-based homelessness and increase the number of stable housing units.

Additionally, funding for Prop. 98 was raised by \$83.2 million to better support state apprenticeship programs. Funding for these programs is vital to building a strong middle class in California.

As a result of these allocations, we now have a budget proposal that truly reflects a 'California for All,' taking our state one step closer to the vision we share as SEIU Local 1000 members.

With a budget that meets the needs of all Californians, we can build a state that delivers the social, economic, and environmental justice that ensures everyone can live in dignity.



**Governor Gavin Newsom** 

#### **California's New Budget** by the Numbers

\$222.2B \$21B

\$1.75B

Budget

**Proposed 'Rainy Day' Fund** 

**Increase** Housing Supply

\$750M

Housing **Tax Credit Program** 

\$500M

Increase stable housing units

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