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# UNION UPDATE



# LEADERS CHOOSE TO FIGHT BACK AGAINST ANTI-WORKER ATTACKS

#iChooseMyUnion

SEIU Local 1000 leaders from across the state gathered in Sacramento on June 9 and 11 and made the choice to fight back against attacks to our union, our retirement, our wages and our communities.

Corporations and billionaires are bringing their misleading “right to work” campaign to California, with the intent to suppress workers’ wages, roll-back benefits and privatize jobs, all in an effort to increase their own profits.

When left unchecked, these attacks silence working families’ voices and erode our communities.

Here’s what happened to people in Wisconsin when corporations made it a “right to work” state:

- Workers lost the right to negotiate over benefits, retirement and working conditions.
- They saw an immediate 24% cutback to their benefits.
- Since 2010, state workers in Wisconsin received a mere 2% salary increase.



We’re not letting that happen to our families in California.

Over the next year we’ll be faced with a choice:

Stand strong with 2 million SEIU union members nationwide to fight back against these attacks.

Or stand alone and let our wages, benefits and rights be chipped away.

The Choice is clear. **#iChooseMyUnion**

To learn more, contact your Union Organizer or call the MRC at 866.471.SEIU (7348).



*“You are going to have to ask yourself—is this my union? And if so, you cannot sit back and wait for someone to lead this fight for you. You have to step in. You have to lead. You have to look your coworker in the eye and tell them why this matters and why their choice impacts you.”*

*—Yvonne R. Walker  
President*



# UNION INFORMATION

## CELEBRATING THE GRAND OPENING OF A NEW UNION HEADQUARTERS

In 2015, our union made a long-term investment in our future with the purchase of three buildings and the city block of land they sit on in an effort to consolidate our headquarters operations and to provide additional financial stability through property ownership.

Many members are familiar with the two buildings that have been the Sacramento home to Local 1000 for many years. The acquisition of another two-story building allowed the Member Resource Center and Union Resource Center to move into the facility. Previously those departments occupied rented offices a half-mile away.

"This purchase represents real value for our members," said President Yvonne R. Walker. "It's fiscally prudent, brings our staff departments together in one place, and ensures our ability to grow and face the challenges ahead."

Union members gathered to celebrate our new headquarters complex in Sacramento on June 9th, touring different departments to learn how we apply union resources to win great contracts and protect workers' rights.

### Resource Center

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

### Website

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