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# Members Shaping the Future of CA at One Voice Town Halls

## UNION UPDATE



Local 1000 members joined hundreds of leaders from SEIU locals across the state at SEIU California's One Voice Town Hall on Oct. 21 in Oakland.

The event is part of our union's ongoing endorsement process to choose who we will support for statewide constitutional offices, including Governor, State Attorney General, Lieutenant Governor, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Insurance Commissioner and State Treasurer.

Members began in September with candidate forums, and the endorsement process will continue through 2018.

Who is ultimately elected will have far-reaching implications for state workers and all Californians.

"There's a lot at stake for state workers in the upcoming elections," said Regina Whitney, who works at DOJ in San Francisco and is the president of DLC 743. "I choose to be part of a union with a strong voice on who we partner with on the issues that impact our jobs and our communities."

The interactive town hall, which was also live-streamed to SEIU offices across the state, was another opportunity for members to listen and learn about candidates' positions on issues important to working families.

Member recommendations are discussed at the SEIU California Executive Board for official endorsements.

The next SEIU California One Voice Town Hall will be Jan. 27, 2018, in Los Angeles for candidates for Governor and will be live streamed in other areas.



## VICTORY! JUDICIAL COUNCIL WORKERS WIN RIGHT TO JOIN UNION

After over 18 months of hard work from our Local 1000 Organizing Committee, Governor Brown signed a bill allowing Judicial Council employees the right to join a union.

By choosing a union, nearly 500 employees of the California Judicial Council have a voice in determining their wages, benefits and working conditions.

Union representation means fair and transparent methods for setting compensation, resolving workplace issues and a clear process for our input to be heard.

The Judicial Council is the policymaking body of the California courts and is responsible for ensuring the consistent, independent, impartial,

and accessible administration of justice. Employees currently do not enjoy the same workplace and collective bargaining rights as their executive branch counterparts working in the same classification.

“This is a great day for Judicial Council employees,” said Yvonne R. Walker, President of SEIU Local 1000. “Every day more workers are choosing to come together in a union. They know that together we have the power to negotiate better wages, benefits and retirement security. And together we can improve our workplaces and our communities.”

Congratulations to the Judicial Council employees who helped make this happen.

*“If the last few years have taught us anything, it’s that it’s so important for employees to have a voice in the decision-making process. As they say, if we’re not at the table, we’re probably part of the menu, and I think the last number of years has been a good example of that.”*

**-AMY BACHARACH, SENIOR RESEARCH ANALYST, JUDICIAL COUNCIL**

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