

## REGION 1

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March 30, 2026

**VIA EMAIL**

To: UAW Region 1 Local Union Presidents, Vice Presidents, Financial Secretaries, Recording Secretaries, Chairpersons, Unit Chairpersons, Conservation and Recreation Chairpersons and Committee Members

Re: **UAW Region 1 STEP-UP Workshop – Earth Day**  
**Wednesday, April 22, 2026**  
**10 a.m. - 1 p.m. & 4 - 7 p.m.**

Greetings Brothers and Sisters:

UAW Region 1 is proud to invite you and your membership to join us for a special STEP-UP Workshop in recognition of Earth Day, taking place on Wednesday, April 22, 2026, at UAW Region 1, located at 27800 George Merrill Drive, Warren, MI 48092.

In 2025, we marked the 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Earth Day, a historic moment that launched the modern environmental movement. From its beginning, our union has stood for more than just fair wages and safe workplaces. We have always fought for a high quality of life for working families, not only on the job, but in our homes and communities as well.

This Earth Day STEP-UP Workshop will explore:

- The connection between pollution, health, and overall well-being.
- How environmental challenges directly impact working-class communities.
- Practical, everyday actions that can lead to meaningful improvements for the planet we all share.

The workshop will be offered in two sessions to ensure broad participation and to avoid lost time costs to local unions:

**Time: Two sessions:**

- **10 a.m. - 1 p.m.**
- **4 - 7 p.m.**

This STEP-UP Workshop is open to all UAW members in good standing. Whether members attend individually or as part of a committee, this workshop offers valuable insight and engagement around environmental responsibility, solidarity, and collective action.

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We respectfully ask that you share this invitation with your Executive Board, committees, and membership, and encourage participation from those who are passionate about conservation, community health, and protecting our future generations.

Registration is required so please use the QR code or link below to register today. **The deadline for registration is Tuesday, April 21, 2026.**



<https://forms.office.com/r/bXffZANLqy>

By coming together on Earth Day, we reaffirm a core UAW principle that protecting workers also means protecting the world they live in. We look forward to standing in solidarity with you as we learn, engage, and take steps toward a healthier, more sustainable future.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ronke Ciers, of my staff, at (586) 427-9200 or by email at [rciers@uaw.net](mailto:rciers@uaw.net).

In solidarity,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "LaShawn English".

LaShawn English, Director  
UAW Region 1

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Attachment

cc: Ronke Ciers, Education Representative, UAW Region 1

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