

## REGION 1

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INTERNATIONAL UNION, UNITED AUTOMOBILE, AEROSPACE & AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENT WORKERS OF AMERICA – UAW



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September 8, 2023

LASHAWN ENGLISH  
DIRECTOR, UAW REGION 1

To: Local Union Presidents, Vice Presidents,  
Financial Secretaries and Recording Secretaries

*Via Email*

Re: **MEDIA TRAINING**

Greetings:

We are anticipating a high volume of media requests in the coming days related to bargaining and potential labor disputes. To ensure that designated spokespersons from each local union are prepared to respond to interview requests, Region 1 will be hosting a media spokesperson training from **5 pm to 7 pm on Monday, September 11, 2023** in coordination with our Communications Department.

Local unions are encouraged to send a diverse group of members who are committed to representing our union well when speaking to the press. All local union officers who may be asked to speak to the media are also encouraged to attend.

Remember: media outlets will be eager to speak to a range of members with diverse backgrounds when covering any story, whether it be about bargaining or any potential labor dispute. Locals are encouraged to train a significant number of people to ensure preparedness.

Presidents and Financial Secretaries, please submit a list of names attending this training directly to Rashon Byrd by email to [rbyrd@uaw.net](mailto:rbyrd@uaw.net) **as soon as possible**.

If you have any questions, please contact Rashon Byrd of my staff at (586) 427-9200.

As always, all members attending this training must be in good standing.

In solidarity,

LaShawn English, Director  
UAW Region 1

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English/2023/Strike Preparation/Media Training 9-8-23

cc: Rashon Byrd, International Representative, UAW Region 1  
Ray Pecoraro, Assistant Director, UAW Region 1



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Greetings,

We would like to remind members of eligibility and preparation for potential strikes.

To be eligible for strike pay and benefits, members must:

- be in good standing on the day before the strike starts, and current on dues and initiation fees if applicable.
- be on active payroll at the start of the strike. Members laid off, on workers compensation or receiving sick and accident benefits are not eligible.
- participate in the assigned strike duties: picket assignments, strike committee, etc.

Eligible members include new hires, temporary employees, probationary employees, and anyone who has completed an application for membership as well as anyone who is current in their union security obligations such as fee payers or objectors. Also included are members of the bargaining unit per Article 6, Section 20 of the International Constitution.

If you have any questions, please reach out to your Auditor. If you do not know your Auditor, contact the Audit and Strike department at the Solidarity House at (313) 926-5287.

In solidarity,

Margaret Mock  
Secretary Treasurer

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Greetings,

We are excited to announce our new strike sign-up process! You will now be able to receive your strike pay electronically. In preparation of a potential strike, we would like to inform our UAW members of the necessary items and information you will need to bring to sign up for our new electronic strike process. It is necessary that you have an established email account (Gmail, Yahoo, Hotmail, etc.) prior to the sign-up process. This email is essential in registering for strike benefits. You, the member, are responsible for the accuracy of your information.

The following is a list of items needed to register for strike assistance benefits.

- Your legal name
- Address
- Telephone number
- Accessible email address
- Social Security number
- List of dependents and their following:
  - Social Security number, birth date, and insurance information
- Bank routing number
- Bank account number
- Insurance information
  - Life and health

**Please remember to bring your cell phone or tablet with internet capability.** If you have any questions regarding the new process, please reach out to your Auditor for assistance. The Secretary Treasurer's office is ready to assist and address any of your needs or concerns.

Thank you for your cooperation.

In solidarity,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Margaret Mock".

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Secretary Treasurer

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