

# WAYS TO GET INVOLVED & STAY INFORMED

Local 8 is only as strong as you make it. That's why it's so important to become an active member. The Membership runs this Local Union; here are some ways you can get involved!

## In your Workplace

- Be a workplace contact and help distribute updates and information to your coworkers.
- Talk to your coworkers about the [Local 8 Member Benefits](#) available to them and their families through our Union.
- Register co-workers to vote.
- Become a Shop Steward for your worksite.
- Attend the New Member Orientations in your workplace to meet new union members. Welcome new members.
- Organize a brown bag lunch for your co-workers to discuss workplace issues.
- Maintain your workplace Union Bulletin Board.
- Serve on the negotiating team or CAT (Contract Action Team) during contract bargaining.
- Show a coworker your [Workplace page](#) on the Local 8 Website.
- Make sure all of your coworkers know they can support the [Local 8 Hardship Fund](#) with a small monthly donation, and how to apply for assistance if they have an unexpected financial emergency.
- Provide monthly updates on LMC (Labor Management Committee) and/or crowd source topics for LMC.

## In your Union

- Know what's happening with Local 8. Understand Local 8's policies and bylaws. Attend Regional Meetings and/or Membership Assemblies to find out what's happening and to participate in decisions. Report back to your co-workers on news, meetings, events and trainings.
- Write an article for the Local 8 Journal or Workplace Update.
- Join one of the [Local 8 Committees](#).
- Attend a Shop Steward/Activist Training (open to all members).
- Help teach a segment of the Shop Steward/Activist Training.

## In the Community

- Work on a political campaign or issue.
- Reach out to a non-union friend or co-worker in your industry or profession and encourage them to organize for a union where they work.
- Engage fellow members to get them to attend a rally or other community event.
- Attend a rally or action in support of our union or another union or labor related organization.
- Wear your Local 8 T-shirt, lanyard, button, cap or other item with pride!
- Follow the [Local 8 Facebook page](#).
- Share & support solidarity campaigns.
- Collect information on organizing leads.