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WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER.

We hope you had a wonderful 4th of July celebration with your family and friends and enjoyed your time together. As we are entering into the second half of 2021 and the world is reopening, we are seeing our Employers request the members who have been working from home to return to in office/in person working. As we are being asked to transition back, it may be causing anxiety for some of our members. This is natural with all we have been through in the last 15 months. With that being said, there are things we can do to make this change a little less complicated.

We must hold the Employer accountable by ensuring they are following the Cal OSHA Regulations as well as State and Federal Laws. If you find this is not the case, please contact our office immediately so we may address the issues. If you are feeling unsafe or uncomfortable, please notify the Employer

and the Union of your feelings and the reasons therefore. The following link will provide you with the latest obligations required by the Employer.

<https://www.osha.gov/coronavirus/safework>

<https://www.dir.ca.gov/DIRNews/2021/2021-62.html>

OPEIU IDENTITY PROTECTION BENEFIT

Safeguard Your Identity Through the

OPEIU Identity Protection Benefit

OPEIU is pleased to offer an identity protection benefit free for all members and your family living in the same household.

All OPEIU members have a proactive, comprehensive defense against identity theft, all at no cost to you. OPEIU has contracted one of the nation's leading identity protection solutions, IdentityIQ (IDIQ), to protect members against this \$16 billion crime that impacted almost 15.4 million Americans last year.

Activate your benefit for free at www.OPEIUIdProtect.com. You can visit www.opeiu.org for more information. If you still have questions, please call 800-637-5680.

UNION STRONG

WE'RE ONLY AS STRONG AS OUR MEMBERSHIP!



We would like to welcome the following members to OPEIU Local 537 and extend an invitation to join us for our General Membership meeting September 15, 2021.

Genesis Cuevas
Mayra Franco
Danielle F. Hershman
Erica Medrano
Joanna C. Padilla

Jennifer Puetthong
Alexander J. Ruiz
Mariela Sillas
Dominique Valadez

EARN YOUR DEGREE FOR FREE ONLINE

Thinking about going back to school? Through the union, you can complete your associate or bachelor's degree online for FREE with OPEIU Free College and Bachelor's Completion benefits. **Classes start August 16.**



Online learning is safe and can fit into your busy schedule. As always, you can earn your associate degree or certificates for FREE. Now, students enrolled in

2021 also can complete their bachelor's degree for FREE! The program is provided by OPEIU to all members and their families. For more information and a complete list of enrollment deadlines, visit freecollege.opeiu.org



The Officers and Staff of OPEIU Local 537 sends out a Special Congratulations to our following member who served tirelessly to the Union and Employer.

Lorraine Clayton of Southern California Pipe Trades Administrative Corporation, retired June 30, 2021, after 41 years of service.

OPEIU wishes you the best as you enter into a new phase in your life.



RATIFIED CONTRACTS

- Asbestos Joint Apprenticeship Local 5
- Firefighters Local 112
- IBEW Local 440
- Ironworkers Local 416 - Wages

UPCOMING NEGOTIATIONS

- California Federation of Teachers - Wages
- ILWU Local 13
- UBC - United Brotherhood Carpenters

WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY.....

Local 537 extends our heartfelt condolences to Renee Olloque of ILWU Local 13 on the passing of her husband Mario Olloque who passed away on May 21, 2021. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers through this difficult time.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 537 BYLAWS, THERE WILL BE NO GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING HELD IN JULY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN SEPTEMBER