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Why I joined NUHW In a San Francisco Examiner oped, former SF Supervisor John Avalos discusses his decision to join NUHW's staff after getting termed out of office. Avalos is NUHW's education and training coordinator.

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Updates from around the union

NUHW members won many victories last month, including: a path to staffing relief in the nursing units at Sutter-California Pacific Medical Center; reversing unjust discipline at Santa Rosa Memorial; an EVS worker at Los Alamitos Medical

Center won a schedule change that enables her to take care of her grandchildren; and the adoption of members' staffing solutions at Kindred Hospital Brea in Orange County.

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#### Federal study shows union growth, higher wages

A new report shows that California union membership increased last year, and on average, union workers earn more than non-union workers in every age bracket.



#### Executive Board declares NUHW a sanctuary union

After garnering overwhelming support from our members in an online survey and in membership meetings throughout the state, our Executive Board adopted a resolution declaring NUHW a sanctuary union to help protect and support the immigrant community.

The National Union of Healthcare Workers is a member-led movement for democracy, quality patient care, and a stronger voice in the workplace.



#### Misplaced priorities of nursing home magnate Shlomo Rechnitz

NUHW published a report detailing how Shlomo Rechnitz, CEO of Brius Healthcare, the state's largest nursing home company, spends extravagantly on a private jet while paying poverty wages to caregivers and racking up patient-care violations.

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Dietary workers win protections during kitchen renovation

Dietary workers at St. Joseph's Queen of the Valley in Napa forced management to respond to their concerns about the renovation and secured protection of their jobs and a fair process for arranging schedules and assignments.





