

# WEALTHY USC HOLDS WAGES DOWN, KEEPS WORKERS IN POVERTY

More than 1,100 USC hospital workers are picketing to demand fair wage increases for ourselves and a fair deal for more than 80 cafeteria workers whose jobs have been outsourced to Sodexo, a conglomerate that pays pennies above minimum wage.

**USC has a \$5.1 billion endowment and its hospitals made \$30 million in 2016. But they refuse to offer their hospital workers decent wage increases, and their cafeteria workers make so little that they qualify for taxpayer-funded programs like food stamps and Medi-Cal.**

Last year, facing public pressure, the university cancelled its contract with Sodexo for 50 housekeeping jobs at Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center and made those workers direct Keck USC employees — full members of the “Trojan Family,” with better wages, retirement and health benefits, and tuition assistance for their children.

**It’s time for USC to do the same for Keck cafeteria workers.**

We are also picketing against USC’s insistence on the right to temporarily assign us to hospital units where we aren’t fully trained to work. This puts patients at risk and prevents us from providing the care they deserve.

**How can USC claim to be a good community partner when it holds wages down and uses subcontractors to keep Los Angeles working families in poverty?**

**It’s time for the university to show it is truly committed to our community.**

## HOW YOU CAN HELP



Contact CEO Rod Hanners at (323)-442-8677 or [rod.hanners@med.usc.edu](mailto:rod.hanners@med.usc.edu) and tell him you stand with USC workers