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LAKEWOOD UPDATES

Lakewood workers signed a petition requesting to start work earlier. They delivered the petition to management with more than 80% support. The members will meet with management this month, hoping to change their start hour from 7 AM to 6 AM.

WELCOME, NEW STEWARDS!



“My coworkers challenged me to become a steward because workers need to have a voice. I accepted the challenge to help us advocate for ourselves and our patients.”

— Lanelle Anderson

WHEN WE FIGHT, WE WIN!

YOLANDA BRAMASCO EVS Attendant, Los Alamitos

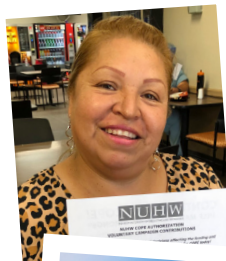
“I am very happy with my wage increase. Now I enjoy an increase of more than \$7. Before it was only a few cents. The fight was long but worth it.”

BRENDA SALVATIERRA Cook 1, Lakewood

“In less than six months, I got an increase of more than 40 percent. The time I spent in negotiation was worth it.”

ISIDRO SANCHEZ Lead EVS, Fountain Valley

“Our first contract provided me with a great increase – I was making a little more than \$13, and now I’m making almost \$18.”





GOV. NEWSOM'S STATE OF THE STATE ADDRESS

In his State of the State address this month, California Governor Gavin Newsom acknowledged the danger posed to patients and caregivers from health care mergers.

Speaking to legislators, Newsom said, that “the consolidation of hospitals and other health providers ... in many cases have limited patient choice and made care more expensive.”

The governor’s remarks come as NUHW has called for strict government oversight of the proposed merger of Providence St. Joseph hospitals in Northern California with hospitals controlled by Adventist.

The 2016 merger of Providence with St. Joseph Health has resulted in hundreds of layoffs and rampant understaffing, while the system’s CEO Rod Hochman saw his total compensation jump from \$4.1 million to \$10.5 million.

Governor Newsom also reiterated his plans to expand Medi-Cal to cover young immigrant adults who are in the U.S. illegally, require all consumers in the state to carry health insurance and increase subsidies for those who can’t afford it.

POLITICAL ENDORSEMENTS WE DECIDE — WE ARE THE UNION

NUHW MEMBERS ENDORSE LENA GONZALEZ FOR CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE, DISTRICT 33

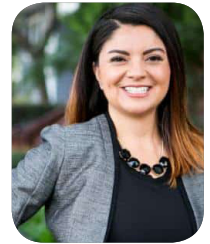
NUHW is proud to endorse Lena Gonzalez for the 33rd State Senate District.

The daughter of immigrants, Lena grew up in a Teamster household and learned the importance of unions at a young age. A working mom, Lena had her first of three children at age 19 and went on to raise her family while working and earning her master’s degree.

Today, as a Long Beach City Councilmember, Lena has never

forgotten her humble beginnings and continues to fight for working families on issues such as a single payer healthcare creating a safe workspace for women.

We are excited to see what she will accomplish in Sacramento!



NUHW MEMBERS ENDORSE LORETTA SANCHEZ FOR OC BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Loretta is a long time friend and ally of NUHW members — always standing with us on the picket line or at the bargaining table. A community activist with more than 20 years of experience in Congress, Loretta will make sure we have a champion in county government.

Loretta fought for us tirelessly in D.C., and we know she will do it again on the OC Board of Supervisors! Vote Loretta Sanchez!



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