

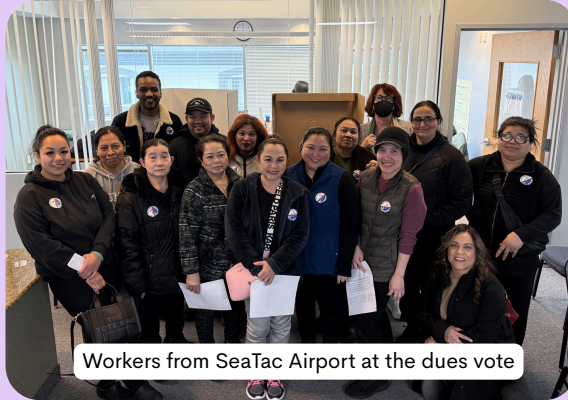


## Local 8 members approve dues increase in overwhelming YES vote!

**In February, we voted  
77% YES to raise our dues to  
FUND OUR FIGHTS!**

“We voted YES on the dues vote because we get a voice, health insurance, and better wages. A lot of us are immigrants and it’s hard to find good jobs like ours. Let’s keep going forward!”

– Lily, SSP SeaTac Airport



Workers from SeaTac Airport at the dues vote

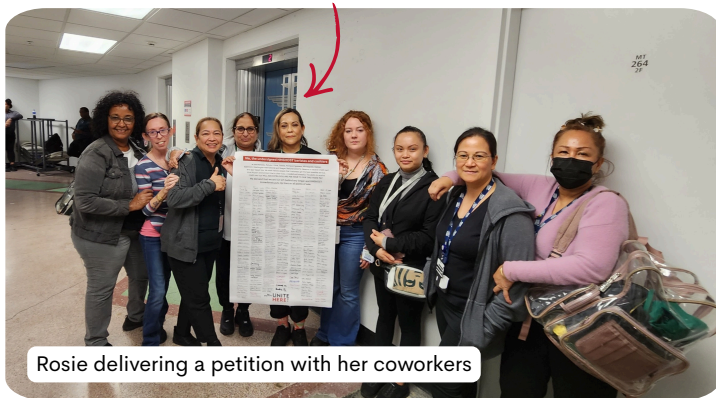
“I was absolutely committed to build our reserves so that if and when any of the many members of our Union need to take a stand against corporations taking advantage of us, we would be prepared to fight. It takes money to strike, and to keep the Union going.”

– Helen, Doubletree SeaTac Hotel

### MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

#### Rocio (Rosie) Olinger-Ledezma

Barista at Seatac Airport, Central Terminal Starbucks Shop steward and Local 8 executive board member



Rosie delivering a petition with her coworkers

“I’ve worked at the airport for 26 years, but I wasn’t active in my Union at first. I started to get involved because the leader I followed moved to the off-site warehouse and I knew someone had to speak up for the baristas. I have three sons that I raised for years on my own, and this job and the medical is what made that possible.

I am most proud of winning tip lines on credit cards in our last contract fight. This adds between \$5-\$8 more per hour on our pay checks – a huge difference in so many of our lives! We signed petitions and did delegations, and it was so amazing on the last day of bargaining to see the room full of my co-workers.”

### VICTORIES

#### Cafeteria workers at Seattle University win big raises



“We won \$8.50 over 4 years, plus up to \$1.50 in seniority based raises. Now I’m able to live more comfortably with my son, without having to worry about the cost of living as much!”

– Andrea, Supervisor

### ONGOING FIGHTS

#### Sky Chefs workers fight for safety on the job

“At Sky Chefs we’re fighting hard for safety at work – the most important thing! We’re also fighting nationally for a raise and union health insurance so we are sending representatives from all around the country to national negotiations. In Portland we are sharing our stories and asking the Port to investigate the safety issues. We did our first picket at the airport: it felt good to see a lot of people turn their heads and ask what we were doing. Our fight is just beginning!”

– Sam Scott, PDX driver



## ONGOING FIGHTS

### Embassy Suites Pioneer Square hotel workers fight for ground-breaking contract standards ahead of the World Cup



Embassy Suites workers at a delegation in April

“We won strong raises in our last contract, but management responded by cutting hours while pushing more work onto fewer people. This has left my coworkers and I more physically and mentally exhausted, while the cost of basic necessities like rent and groceries continues to rise.

We’re currently fighting for ground-breaking protections like minimum staffing levels, fair workloads, year-round healthcare, and protections against ICE.

Our hotel is next to Lumen Field, and our current contract ends right before the World Cup. We know the value our hard work brings to the hotel and are standing together to make sure our next contract reflects that.”

– Una Scott, Front Desk Agent

“I’m a house attendant and I’m so overworked. I’m constantly running over the whole hotel doing deliveries, stripping rooms, helping housekeepers, re-stocking, vacuuming the floors, taking out the trash, taking out the laundry, and more. There’s not enough of us to do the work. Usually I don’t have time to take all my breaks. I feel tired all of the time, I just go directly to sleep when I get home. I feel pain in my back after every shift, and some days I can’t even walk very well.

My coworkers and I are fighting for better staffing and fair and reasonable workloads. We’re also demanding that ICE doesn’t stay in our hotel. We deserve better treatment.”

– Elkin Ortega, House Attendant



Embassy Suites Bargaining Committee at the first negotiation in March

## GET INVOLVED

### All out for May Day to demand No ICE at the World Cup!

Immigrants are the backbone of the Seattle hospitality industry. But at a time when we should be preparing to celebrate the World Cup, the Trump administration is terrorizing our communities and undermining tourism.

We want to welcome people from around the world to the Pacific Northwest this summer. We call on FIFA not to cooperate with the Trump administration’s attacks on us.

#### MAY DAY PORTLAND!

Friday, May 1st, South Park Blocks

Unite Here meetup at the corner of SW Madison & SW Park Ave (Near Oregon Historical Society) at 3:15 PM  
*Workers and Migrants Unite! March with Unite Here!*

#### We demand, NO ICE IN OUR CUP

- \*No ICE as security in or around event venues
- \*No ICE staying in our hotels
- \*No sharing of workers’ personal information with ICE

**March & Rally to FIFA Headquarters for  
May Day - International Workers’ Day  
Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Launch at 3:30PM @ WAMU (corner of  
Occidental and Royal Brougham)**

