The IUE-CWA Political Action Fund (PAF) is a non-partisan political action committee that fights for workers’ political power. It is your chance to have your voice — and the issues you care about — heard at the local, state and national levels of government. Your voluntary contribution to the fund goes toward policies and candidates that defend workers’ rights.

Political Action Fund Victories!

Through our Political Action Fund, IUE-CWA has been successful in:

- Defeating right-to-work in Colorado, Missouri, and West Virginia
- Passing Initiative 2, an Ohio ballot initiative that overturned a state law curbing collective bargaining
- Defeating legislative attacks on public sector collective bargaining in Florida, Missouri, and Texas
- Passing Proposition 30 in California, protecting public education and saving thousands of jobs in the public sector
- Mobilizing hundreds of volunteers on the ground in Newark, New Jersey to be the most-active labor union in the city involved in the 2014 Mayoral race — resulting in the election of pro-worker champion, Ras Baraka, as Mayor

Political Action Bootcamp

IUE-CWA members in Minnesota partnered with coalition allies to fight back a voter restriction measure. This attack on voting rights would have required citizens to present a photo ID to vote - which would have resulted in many voters being disenfranchised. IUE-CWA members and CWA participated in the campaign to defeat this measure, educating the public about protecting one of their most fundamental rights - the right to vote.

“Give me 5!” — NLRB

CWA and IUE-CWA led the effort to fill all of the vacant seats on the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB), thus restoring the ability of workers to challenge workplace abuses by their employer. The NLRB makes important decisions for workers in the U.S. For example, they just ruled that our brothers and sisters organizing in T-Mobile could file all of their unfair labor practice complaints collectively creating pressure for T-Mobile to respect workers trying to organize for a collective bargaining agreement on the job.

Pro-worker and progressive elected leaders

Our PAF funds raised go directly into funding organizing efforts around progressive champions across the country, like US Senator Sherrod Brown (OH).

What is the IUE-CWA Political Action Fund?
Current Political Fights!

► Trans-Pacific Partnership
Much like the NLRB victory of 2013, IUE-CWA is leading the progressive charge against the disastrous Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) trade deal — known as “NAFTA on steroids.” The Political Action Fund is being used to support campaigns for candidates who stand with us in opposition to TPP and hold accountable those who want to send our jobs overseas.

► Money In Politics
In light of the dreadful Citizens United v. FEC and McCutcheon v. FEC Supreme Court decisions, our electoral process is now over-saturated and polluted with huge sums of money from major corporations, Wall Street, and the wealthy 1%. We need our politicians to fight against this, and we are using the collective power of our Political Action Fund contributions to support candidates who favor public financing of campaigns, and who want to put power back in the hands of average working Americans.

► Right-to-Work IS WRONG
We are currently fighting against corporate attempts to push right-to-work (IS WRONG) legislation in Missouri and Kentucky, as well as anti-worker efforts in Texas and Michigan, where we are working to elect pro-worker governors like Wendy Davis and Mark Schauer.

“Political action is key for protecting our jobs, and our quality of life. If we don’t get involved, we will see laws getting passed that hurt workers and the middle class. The more engaged our members are, the stronger we can be in our workplaces, in bargaining for our contracts, and in our communities.”  
—Ashley Snider, Louisville, KY

Sign me up for IUE-CWA PAF:
Please deduct the following amount (check one) per pay check:

- $20
- $15
- $10
- $5
- $____other

- 1 hour to the movement. My hourly rate is $___ and I would like to contribute 1 hour each week to PAF.

- I am currently contributing and I want my total contribution to be $____ per paycheck

I authorize my local union to determine how much I am currently contributing and fill in the new total amount to go to my payroll clerk above.

Every dollar you give to IUE-CWA PAF is put to work building political power for you, your family and your future.

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