

Union Update

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for Local 8 Members at Senior Life Resources

January 30, 2020

Join us in Olympia

It's that time again. The legislative session has begun in Olympia. Local 8 caregivers will be going to the State Capitol in Olympia throughout the legislative session to educate legislators about our profession and our agencies. Local 8 will reimburse for lost wages, gas money (we encourage carpooling and will help to arrange), parking and provide a sack lunch to attend. No experience necessary to join us in Olympia. Local 8 will prepare us for our visits with our legislators.

Senior Life Resources Lobby Day
February 27, 2020
9:30 am – 3 pm.
State Capitol, Olympia

If you can join us please **RSVP by Friday February 7, 2020**, by calling 1-800-600-2433 ext 122, or email Angie at angie@opeiu8.org, leave a message that you can attend. Be sure to leave your name, your phone number with area code and the agency you work for in the message. **Then notify your supervisor to let them know you need to be scheduled off to attend Senior Life Resources Lobby Day. And we will set up your legislative appointments and send more details as we get closer to the event.** Just a FYI - it's a lot of walking so wear your walking shoes. **Angie hopes to see you there!**

Speak Out!

Call the Legislative HOTLINE @ 1-800-562-6000 (TTY for Hearing Impaired 800.833.6388) and send to legislators and the governor. You can call the Hotline from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday – Friday. Interpreter services are available for many languages. You don't need to know who your legislator is, just your address.

When you call tell the operator you want to leave a message for your two State Representatives, State Senator and the Governor.

Hotline Message: "I'm a home care worker in your district, and I ask you to please protect community-based home care agencies like Senior Life Resources by making sure there is a vendor rate increase of 10 cents per hour included in the budget and that the Agency Parity law formula includes the full private agency tax experience moving forward, which has been included in the governor's budget."

Don't delay, make your call today. It's quick and easy and once you've called get your clients to do the same.

Wage Increases

Effective January 1, 2020, every caregiver will receive a 45 cents per hour increase. Next contractual increase of 30 cents per hour will be on July 1, 2020, and a 35 cents per hour increase on January 1, 2021. If you have worked for SLR for less than 14 years, you also will also be receiving a step increase on your anniversary date of hire.

**Questions, contact your Union Representative Angie Mooney
at 1-800-600-2433 ext 122 or angie@opeiu8.org.**

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