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*For Local 8 Members at City of Ellensburg*

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OPEIU Local 8 strives to protect you and your personal information. However, under state law, the public has the right to obtain some records from state agencies via a Public Disclosure Request. By extension, as a public employee, you can be susceptible to such requests.

For example, the Freedom Foundation, an anti-union organization with a mission to weaken and destroy unions, is known to submit massive Public Disclosure Requests fishing for information about public employees. They then aggressively contact those employees with mailers, phone calls, and even home visits to try to persuade members to opt-out of the Union, which will strip away union rights and benefits, along with diluting the voice and power of workers on-the-job.

OPEIU Local 8 was recently notified by the City of Ellensburg that the Freedom Foundation has requested your information. Please notify me if you are contacted by anyone trying to pass themselves off as a representative from OPEIU. If you are unsure whether the person contacting you is a union staff member, verify online at: <http://www.opeiu8.org/AboutUs/StaffandOfficerDirectory.aspx>.

Having a strong, unified Union at the City of Ellensburg is essential. It is how we uphold fair processes, challenge disciplinary actions, protect against favoritism, and win strong contracts. We have made great strides in bargaining the last couple of contracts in regard to compensation and benefits and would hate to be set back or have our collective power diminished now.

Your participation keeps our Union strong. Thank you for your continued support.

In Solidarity,

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