



for OPEIU Local 8 Members at Northwest Justice Project

## **Happy Holidays!**

Happy holidays from your union family at Local 8. We want to wish you a happy and safe holiday season. And, we look forward to seeing you in 2023!

### **Upcoming Raises**

As negotiated, staff at NJP will receive a 3.5% wage increase effective January 1, 2023.

#### **Telecommuting**

Remember to submit your telecommuting requests by Tuesday, January 3rd!

#### **Recruitment to Safety Committee**

We need to fill two seats on the statewide Safety Committee to ensure we have our full complement of 7 union members. Are you interested? If so, email <a href="mailto:valarie@opeiu8.org">valarie@opeiu8.org</a>.

#### **Adding More Stewards!**

Local 8's Shop Stewards play a vital role in building a strong union workplace and protecting all workers. Stewards represent peers in meetings with management that could lead to discipline, help mobilize co-workers to take action, introduce the union to new employees and much more.

Our Stewards take on a leadership role within the union as an organizer, educator, mobilizer, sounding board, communicator, and a defender of workers' rights on the job.

Part of having an effective union is having good stewards! Are you interested in becoming trained to be a Steward? If so, email valarie@opeiu8.org.

#### **Current Stewards Include:**

- Elizabeth Flavin, Attorney Seattle
- Tanya German, Legal Assistant, Longview
- Meredith Grigg, Attorney Seattle
- Catherine Houser, Attorney, Wenatchee
- Tim Murphy, Attorney, Vancouver
- JoAnn Ortiz, Legal Assistant, Everett
- Evan Purcell, Legal Assistant, Tacoma
- Jason Quackenbush, Attorney, Kent
- Abbas Rizvi, Attorney Seattle
- Matt Woods, Attorney Seattle

# Questions? Contact Valarie Peaphon, Union Representative, <u>valarie@opeiu8.org</u>

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