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for OPEIU Local 8 members Senior Life Resources

## The Bargaining Team is Recommending a YES! Vote

Our negotiating team reached a tentative agreement for a new contract that will bring improvements to our benefits, work conditions, accruals and more. We worked through the negotiation process with our member-driven bargaining committee to negotiate new contract standards. It is important to recruit and retain staff while also ensuring that quality care is provided for our clients, and this agreement addresses many of the concerns that our co-workers brought up before negotiations began.



*Eboney Wright (Tri Cities), Robin Sullivan (Clarkston), Rhonda Collins (Clarkston), Angie Wedekind (Negotiator, Representative), Barb Cameron (Ellensburg), Jesse Holtzinger-Cruz (Representative)*

**Your vote to ratify the contract is the next step.** Everyone will have time to review the changes including wages, benefits and more before the contract can go into effect. Votes will be held in a location near you and on Zoom starting August 14th.

### **A preview of what your bargaining team will share at Vote Meetings:**

*"We are getting more per mile. This contract will address our transportation concerns." - Robin Sullivan*

*"We emphasized the importance of respecting our experience. Many staff may decide to come to SLR based on credit for experience, and current staff should also have credit for past experience acknowledged. Come see how we addressed this issue at the vote meetings." - Eboney Wright*

*"WE are excited about a new PTO and wage increase; you should come join us to discuss how this will benefit you and your family." - Rhonda Collins*

	<b>Vote Times</b>	
Monday, Aug. 14th	4 - 6:30 pm	Fazarri's Pizza 1281 Bridge St., Clarkston
Tuesday, Aug. 15th	4 - 6:30 pm	Pizza Hut 510 Rose St. Walla Walla
Wednesday, Aug. 16th	4 - 6:30 pm	Round Table 3300 W Clearwater Ave., Kennewick

RSVP to [angie@opeiu8.org](mailto:angie@opeiu8.org) so we get an accurate count for ordering food.

	<b>Zoom Votes</b>	
Monday, Aug. 14th	12 - 1 pm	
Tuesday, Aug. 15th	12 - 1 pm	
Wednesday, Aug. 16th	12 - 1 pm	7-8 PM

[Click here](#) to join the Zoom meeting.

***Need to contact your Representative with any questions?***

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