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*For Local 8 Members at King County Dental Program*

May 10, 2024

## **Time to Bargain**

It is time to start negotiating our successor contract. Please complete the attached survey so that we know what is important to YOU! Keep in mind that without your input we are not able to bargain the best contract.

Please complete the survey by **Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**, by clicking [here](#).

We will be meeting next week to review the results and talk about any other issues. This will also give you the opportunity to meet with Tara Powell, the representative assigned to your group.

## **New Representative**

Tara Powell has been part of the OPEIU Local 8 family for many years. Starting as a rank-and-file member, she became a shop steward and filled that role for more than 13 years before changing careers and working for OPEIU 8. She is looking forward to helping you through the bargaining for the successor contract.

## **Save Public Health**

King County has said that they have a budget shortfall which could result in layoffs effective January 1, 2025, for members working in King County Public Health. We are currently part of a multi-group campaign to ensure everyone knows that Public Health

is something that we need in this area. Please take time to sign the attached petition. Share this petition with your family, friends, and the community, as well.

Scan the QR code to sign the petition:



Click [here](#) to see the Save Public Health flyer.

## Solidarity Summit

RESJ is putting on a Local 8 Solidarity Summit on Saturday, June 1st in Olympia from 10 am – 2 pm at the WSLC Davis-Williams Building in Olympia. This event will offer an intersectional space for sharing and learning on an array of important labor and social justice topics that ultimately help us build community, be better allies/accomplices, and grow overall awareness and connection.

We are hoping you can attend; please [RSVP](#) here. If you would like to see the flyer to share with others, click [here](#).

***As always, please reach out to Tara Powell with any questions at 206-441-8880 ext. 106 or at [tara@opeiu8.org](mailto:tara@opeiu8.org).***



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