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Unifor Local 114 members.

Why you should think about supporting your local Labour Council

What Labour Councils Do

Labour Councils represents local union members on issues of local concern. They provide a vehicle for collaboration, action and networking among local union members. Together, they work with your community partners to build a stronger and more compassionate society, one that supports the needs of working families.

Member unions elect delegates from their membership to participate in Labour Council activities. Labour Council meetings provide an opportunity to report on and discuss important union and community issues.

Union members can participate in Labour Councils in several ways. You can volunteer time to support other union members on picket lines or attend educational seminars and conferences to learn new skills. Some members get involved with community agencies that deliver vital services, serve on community boards and volunteer in civic, provincial and federal election campaigns.

Labour Council are linked to our political structures and is actively involved in lobbying all levels of government on a range of social and economic issues. Labour Councils help build a more compassionate, responsive and caring society by linking union members to their government representatives.

Our members can communicate their concerns and opinions to elected politicians at all levels so these politicians act in the best interests of the citizens who elect them. Labour Councils commitment is to protect and enhance our democratic rights by supporting and advocating citizen involvement in our electoral system and institutions.

Labour Councils have been standing up and advocating for:

- creation of a universal child care system;
- protections against privatization of our public health care system;
- an increase to BC's minimum wage;
- changes to the Workers Compensation regulations to protect workers who work alone;
- government accountability and workplace standards for foreign workers;
- federal anti-scab legislation;
- stop the BC Liberal government from removing local government decision-making on transportation infrastructure in the Lower Mainland.

Labour Councils in your Community

How are Labour Councils making a difference in our communities?

- Participate and support The United Way unionized workplace campaigns to raise money and awareness for vital community services
- Support local food banks through Protein for People Project
- Support workers in crisis through the United Way Union Counselling program
- Educate secondary school students about their workplace rights
- Endorse candidates seeking election to their City Council or School Board
- Volunteers participate on community decision-making Boards and Agencies
- Support the United Way Days of Caring project
- Lobby governments for legislative change that impacts all workers
- Lobby government to protect public services



Unions Care About People

There have been many changes to our physical environment since Labour Councils were formed more than 100 years ago. The struggles remain the same, however the issues have become more acute and the situation more urgent.

For example, the homeless crisis is now a reality in almost every community outside of the Lower Mainland, a situation that less than a decade ago was largely invisible outside the City of Vancouver.

Thousands of children are without regulated, quality child care or early learning programs, as governments abandon supports to parents.

Good paying industrial jobs are being lost on a daily basis, particularly in the manufacturing and resource sectors.

Skills training is not a priority for governments, yet in recent years they have fast-tracked a temporary foreign worker program to address labour shortages in Canada.

Agricultural workers brought in under a similar scheme are denied equal protection under Provincial employment laws.

Right-wing politicians and some business leaders are ramping up their attacks on the very existence of trade unions and collective bargaining. Key attacks on fundamental labour rights (including the rights to organize, to collect dues, and to strike) have been launched by the Harper government through Bills C-377, C-525, and C-4. In many provinces, too, right-wing politicians have declared "open season" on unions. In Ontario, the conservative party wants to abolish the Rand Formula, and will campaign on that promise in their next provincial election (expected this spring). In Alberta, the government just passed a law making it illegal for trade unionists in the public sector to even *talk* about a strike. In Saskatchewan, repeated anti-union bills (including rules making it harder to certify, and preventing public sector workers from striking) have been rammed through the Wall government. Governments across Atlantic Canada are attacking unions, rolling back labour laws and pensions. And if the Rand Formula is abolished in Ontario, the domino-like pressure to eliminate it (and other forms of check-off) elsewhere in Canada will be intense.

Defending our fundamental human and labour rights must therefore be the top political priority of Unifor (Our union), and the whole labour movement. If right-wing politicians and their business backers succeed in gutting the fundamental rights that underpin our unions, Canada will never look the same.

Unions working together (our collective membership) with the Labour Council are a vehicle for change – our collective voice can make a difference. Labour Councils and the Unions that participate in them are proud of their efforts to bring positive and lasting change for people where they work and live. Labour Councils work to address inequities or injustice continues to challenge us.

If you would like to know more about your local Labour Council have a look at the times and dates of meetings in your communities and if you can volunteer some of your free time to attend and get involved it will be rewarding to you, your co-workers and your families.

<http://www.canadianlabour.ca/pacific-region/labour-council-directory>



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Campbell River, Courtenay District Labour Council

2 - 830 14th Avenue, Campbell River, BC V9W 4H4

Phone: 250-287-3884

Email: crcdlc@gmail.com

President: Andrea Craddock Vice: Anne Davis

Treasurer: Brian Clark

Secretary: Vacant

CLC Representative: Orion Irvine Work Phone: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

Regular: 4th Monday 7:30 pm, Halbe Hall – 5388 Island Hwy, Black Creek

Exec: 4th Monday 6:30 pm

AGM: January

East Kootenay District Labour Council

104 - 105 - 9TH Avenue South, Cranbrook, BC V1C 2M1

Phone: 250-426-2670

Email: ekdlc@telus.net

President: Jackie Spain Vice: Kevin Staneland Treasurer: Matt Rose

Secretary: Barbara Shukin

Call the CLC office: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

Regular: Wednesday following 3rd Sunday 6:30 pm, Cranbrook Labour Centre

Exec: 5:30 pm

AGM: February @ 6:30 pm

Fraser Valley Labour Council

202, 9292 - 200th Street Langley, BC V1M 3A6

Phone: 604-314-9867 Fax: 604-430-6762 Website: www.fvlc.ca

President: Brian Harder Treasurer: Kathy Gowdridge

Rec Secretary: Lynda Morrice

CLC Representative: Chantel O'Neill Work Phone: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

Regular: 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 pm, Abbotsford Teachers' Assoc offices

2570 Cyril Street, Abbotsford

Exec 3rd Wednesday, 5:00 pm, Eagles Hall

AGM: Jan

Kamloops & District Labour Council

Mailing Address: PO Box 369, Mn Stn, Kamloops, BC V2C 5K9

929 Laval Crescent, Kamloops, BC V2C 5P4

Phone: Fax:

President: Peter Kerek Vice: Brent Johnson

Vice: Barb Nederpel Sec-Treasurer: John Hall

Contact the CLC office: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

Regular: 1st Tuesday 7:00 pm, 929 Laval Crescent, Kamloops

Exec: Thursday before Reg. Mtg.

AGM: January

Kitimat, Terrace, and District Labour Council

#P.O. Box 713 Stn Main, Terrace, BC V8G 4B8

Phone: 778-634-3791 Fax: 778-634-3794 Email: ktdlc@citywest.ca

President: Doug Dykens

Vice: Michele Freethy

Vice: Andre Ledoux

Sec -Treasurer: Benilde Gomes

Rec. Secretary: Debra Thame

CLC Representative: Chantel O'Neill Work Phone: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

Regular: 4th Wednesday, 7:00 pm

Exec: 6:00 pm on evening of regular meetings in Kitimat 5:30 pm on evening of regular meetings in Terrace

Rotate between: Unifor (CAW) Hall, Kitimat, 235 Enterprise Ave, Kitimat

Carpenters' Hall, 3312 Sparks Street, Terrace

AGM: May

Nanaimo, Duncan & District Labour Council

Mailing address: P.O. Box 822, Nanaimo, BC V9R 5N2 STAFF: Bob Smits,

Phone: 250-760-0547 Fax: 250-760-0548 Email: labour@telus.net

President: Ellen Oxman

Vice: John Little

Vice: Jim Sadlemyer

Vice: Ann Batchelar

Treasurer: Betty Smits

Secretary: Debbie Fraess

CLC Representative: Orion Irvine Work Phone: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

Regular: 3rd Thursday, 7:00 pm - (except Jul/Aug) - Meetings alternate: Nanaimo - Meeting Rm A Nanaimo District Secondary School 355 Wakesiah Ave; Duncan - IWA 1-80 Hall 351 Brae Rd (March & Oct, Dec=Social) Ladysmith - Ladysmith Secondary - 710 6th Ave (May)

Exec: 1st Thursday, 7:00 pm (NDDLDC office)

AGM: December

New Westminister & District Labour Council

Mailing Address: #105 - 3920 Norland Avenue Burnaby, BC V5G 4K7

Phone: 604-291-9306 Fax: 604-291-0996

Email: nwdlc@shawcable.com Website: www.nwdlc.ca

President: Lori Mayhew

Sec-Treasurer: Carolyn Rice - nwdlc@shawcable.com

CLC Representative: Ron Stipp Work Phone: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

Regular: 4th Wednesday, 7:00 pm, Operating Engineers Hall

Exec: 4th Thursday 4:00 pm, NWDLC Office

AGM: February

North Central Labour Council

Mailing Address: Box 1449, Prince George, BC V2L 4V4

Email: nclcbord@gmail.com

President: Troy Zohner Vice: Don Iwaskow

Sec-Treas: Terry Archibald

CLC Representative: Chantel O'Neill Work Phone: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

BCGEU Office, Prince George

Regular: 3 times per year; January, May and October, Saturday all day

Executive: (Heads of Unions) meet 2 times per year; April and September

AGM: October; every even numbered year

North Okanagan Labour Council

1091 Gordon Drive, Kelowna, BC V1Y 3E3

Website: members.shaw.ca/nolc

Email: nolc@shaw.ca

President: Andrew Pritchard

Vice: Ronn Dunn

Vice: Nikki Inouye

Vice: Sandy Thon

Sec-Treasurer: Ron Bobowski

Secretary: Cheryl Stone

Contact the CLC office: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

Regular: Wednesday after 1st Sunday, 7:00 pm

Jan/Feb/Mar/May/Jun/Sep/Nov/Dec: NOLC office, 1091 Gordon Drive, Kelowna,

Oct/Apr: Vernon Lodge 3914 - 32nd Street, Vernon

Port Alberni & District Labour Council

3940 Johnston Road, Port Alberni, BC V9Y 5N5

President: Dave Warrender

1st Vice: Kelly Drybrough

2nd Vice: Charmaine Fines

Treasurer: Leslie Walerius

Corresp. Sec Nancy Czigany

CLC Representative: Orion Irvine Work Phone: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

United Steelworkers Hall, Port Alberni

Regular: 3rd Tuesday 7:00 PM

Executive: 2nd Wednesday 7:00 PM

AGM: April

Prince Rupert Labour Council

867 Fraser Street, Prince Rupert. BC V8J 1R1

Phone: 250-627-8833 Fax: 250-627-8833

Email: prlc@citytel.net

President: Calvin Thompson

Vice: Christina Nelson

Treasurer: Yvonne Ramsey

Recording Secretary: Yvonne Ramsey

CLC Representative: Chantel O'Neill Work Phone: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

Fisherman's Hall, Prince Rupert, 867 Fraser Street

Regular: 4th Thursday of: January, March, May, June, September, November. 7:30 PM

Executive:

AGM: January

Shuswap Columbia Labour Council

Mailing address: Box 1230, Revelstoke, BC V0E 2S0 Email: scdlabourcouncil@gmail.com

President: Michelle Cole

Treasurer: Bill MacFarlane

Secretary: Jannica Hoskins

VP West: Terry Coates

VP East: Dianna Lehman

Contact the CLC office: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

Alternate between:

Revelstoke Community Centre and

Teacher's office, Revelstoke

Regular: 2nd Thursday of the month, 7:30 PM

Executive:

AGM: March

South Okanagan Boundary Labour Council

697 Martin Street, Penticton, BC V2A 5L5

Phone: 778-476-5771 Fax: 250-492-5540 Email: soblc@shaw.ca

President: Brent Voss

Vice: Greg McGowan

Vice: Deb Passarell

Treasurer: Terry Green

Secretary: Lynn Kelsey

CLC Representative: Ron Stipp Work Phone: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

697 Martin Street, Penticton

Regular: 1st Tuesday following 1st Sunday 7:00 PM

Executive:

AGM: January

Squamish & District Labour Committee

PO Box 424, Squamish, BC V8B 0A4 Phone: 604-815-5133 - message service; input phone # at prompt.

Fax: 604-815-0811

Email: sdlc2001@hotmail.com

President: Lyle Fenton

Vice: Carl Walker

Treasurer: Andrea Duncan

Secretary: Cheryl Underwood

CLC Representative: Ron Stipp Work Phone: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

Howe Sound Teachers' Assoc Office, #104 – 40775 Tantalus Rd, Squamish

Regular: Last Tuesday 7:00 PM

Executive Last Tuesday 6:00 PM

AGM: February

Sunshine Coast Labour Council

PO Box 1391, Gibsons, BC V0N 1V0

Phone: 604-886-2733

Fax: 604-886-7650

Website: www.sclc.ca

President: Robert Hood

Vice: Stevo Knauff

Treasurer: Marilyn Green

Secretary: Glen Skidmore

CLC Representative: Ron Stipp Work Phone: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

Unifor (CEP) Office, Gibsons

Regular: 2nd Wednesday 6:30 PM

Executive: 2nd Wednesday

AGM: January

Vancouver & District Labour Council

#020 – 1880 Triumph Street, Vancouver, BC V5L 1K3 Phone: 604-254-0703 Fax: 604-254-0701

Website: www.vdlc.ca Email: office@vdlc.ca

President: Joey Hartman

1st Vice: Terry Engler

2nd Vice: Stephen Von Sychowski

Treasurer: Paul Sihota

Secretary: Georgi Bates

CLC Representative: Ron Stipp Work Phone: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

Maritime Labour Centre, Vancouver

Regular: 3rd Tuesday 7:30 PM

Executive: 3rd Tuesday 12:00 PM

AGM: February

Victoria Labour Council

#219 – 2750 Quadra Street, Victoria, BC V8T 4E8 Phone: 250-384-8331 Fax: 250-384-8381 Website:
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Email: vlcbc@telus.net

President: Mike Eso

Sec-Treas: Stan Dzbik

Rec-Secretary: Kim Manton

CLC Representative: Orion Irvine Work Phone: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

BCGEU office, 2994 Douglas St, Victoria

Regular: 3rd Wednesday 7:00 PM

Executive: 3rd Monday (Location TBA) 5:15 PM

AGM: January

West Kootenay Labour Congress

c/o #2, 910 Portland Street, Trail, BC V1R 3X7 Phone: 250-505-7411

Email: wklc1958@gmail.com

Acting President: Gerry Shmon

Vice: Stephanie Smith

Vice: Sophia Dricos

Treasurer: Jean Poole

Secretary: Michelle Bennett

Call the CLC office: 604-430-6766

MONTHLY MEETING/TIME/LOCATION/AGM:

BCGEU Office, 2316 Columbia Ave, Castlegar, BC

Regular: Tuesday following 3rd Sunday 7:00 PM

Executive: Tuesday following 3rd Sunday at 6:30 PM