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## TEAMSTERS STRIKE AMAZON

### Joint Council 7 Local Unions out in force on picket lines

In December, the Teamsters launched the largest strike against Amazon in U.S. history. The nationwide action followed Amazon's repeated refusal to follow the law and bargain with the thousands of Amazon workers who've organized with the Teamsters, including Teamsters at San Francisco's DCK6 Amazon warehouse who demanded union recognition last fall.

In addition to the picket line in San Francisco, Teamsters from every local union in Joint Council 7 participated in around-the-clock picket lines at 10 Amazon fulfillment centers throughout the Central Valley and Northern Nevada.

Nearly 10,000 Amazon workers have joined the Teamsters nationwide as part of a growing grassroots movement to secure strong union contracts and take control of their own lives. On the picket line, they are fighting for increased wages, improved benefits, and safer work conditions.

—See more photos from the Amazon strike on page 3



Amazon Teamsters in San Francisco held an Unfair Labor Practice strike in December after the company's repeated refusal to follow the law and bargain with its workers.



Amazon Teamster Janeé Roberts speaks with the media on the San Francisco picket line.



Joint Council 7 Teamsters on the Amazon picket line.

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## 2025: Our year of investment

November 5 came with a mixed bag of results and a lot of mixed emotions. But no matter how anyone feels about the results of the election, we should take a moment to applaud ourselves for electing some very Teamster-friendly candidates in Joint Council 7's jurisdiction. We elected Teamster Local 856 members who ran for city council seats in Alameda County, we won tax measures to support our public sector members, and we flipped a Congressional seat in the Central Valley.

A big shoutout goes to Local 948, who had soon-to-be-Congressman Adam Gray working out of their office during the election. This was one of the most closely watched Congressional races, and a place where our volunteers mattered most, as Gray won and flipped this seat by fewer than 175 votes.

This election season every Local participated in candidate interviews, volunteered for different candidates or ballot measures important to their Local, encouraged their members to vote, and signed up DRIVE members—some locals even tried something new. In Northern Nevada, Local 533 ran an independent expenditure committee, Working Families for Washoe County, and won all but one of their local races. Local 533 also played a crucial role in securing another term for Senator Rosen.

The participation of members like you is what makes or breaks elections, and ultimately local elec-

tions will have a direct impact on our day-to-day lives. Member participation allows us to invest in the future, as many of our endorsed local candidates will eventually run for higher office. The better local candidates we have, the better state and federal candidates we will have down the road.

Now that the election is over, the real work begins. Our Joint Council will continue to fight for worker protections when it comes to automation, our pensions, misclassification, and other issues that impact our day-to-day working conditions. We plan to run a strong Worker Protection Package of bills in Sacramento through the California Teamsters Public Affairs Council, and to work to strengthen our war chest for the next California gubernatorial election in 2026 by doing a big DRIVE push in 2025.

2025 will be our year of investment. We'll invest in our future by showing up for lobby days to pass our Worker Protection Package of bills, contributing DRIVE to ensure we have the funding to elect in a new Governor who supports workers in 2026, and participating in political actions to protect our jobs and to support our fellow Teamsters who are fighting for the right to organize or for a fair contract. We don't all have to be from the same political party to agree that we need to invest in ourselves—and that means investing in protections for Teamsters and our work. As 2024 comes to an end, I look forward to investing in our future with you in 2025!

### Joint Council 7 Executive Board commences new term



The Joint Council 7 Executive Board (L-R) Felix Martinez, Trustee; Dale Wentz, Trustee; Jeff Berdion, Vice President; Peter Finn, President; John Bouchard, Secretary-Treasurer; Don E. Garcia, Recording Secretary; and Tony Delorio, Trustee.

The Teamsters Joint Council 7 Executive Board was nominated without opposition and therefore reelected through a white ballot last fall. "I am honored to have the opportunity to work alongside the leaders of the 18 Local Unions that make up our Joint Coun-

cil," said Peter Finn, President of Joint Council 7. "Together, we are ready to put in the work to continue to fight every single day to win for the 100,000 Teamster members working across Northern California, the Central Valley, and Northern Nevada," he said.



## Taking the fight to Amazon for all Teamsters

Taking the fight to employers is what we do every day as Teamsters. Whether at the bargaining table or in the workplace, Joint Council 7 Local Unions hold management accountable and demand the respect members deserve. As a Joint Council, and as Teamsters across the country, it is imperative that we also dedicate the time, energy and resources necessary to organizing new members at non-union employers, particularly at big corporations such as Amazon whose business model is built on taking advantage of workers.

Amazon is the poster child for greedy corporations, making \$30 billion in profits last year and slated to pocket a whopping \$50 billion this year. Most disturbing of all, these profits are made on the backs of workers being paid sub-standard wages, with little benefits and poor working conditions. Amazon warehouse workers and delivery drivers here in Joint Council 7 and across the nation are saying enough is enough to Amazon's excessive greed, and are fighting back by organizing with the Teamsters to demand a

fair share of the billions of dollars they make for the company.

As Teamsters we aren't afraid to take on even the largest corporations in the world. That willingness to fight was in full force before the Christmas holiday when Teamster Amazon workers from across the country took to the streets in an unfair labor practice strike to send a powerful message to the company that it's time for Amazon to respect its workers and comply with the law. Amazon Teamsters know that respect comes with a strong contract and are demanding the company come to the bargaining table and negotiate with our Teamsters Amazon National Negotiating Committee.

Not surprisingly, officers, business agents, stewards and members from every Local Union in Joint Council 7 stepped up and have been on the front lines of this fight with Amazon. During the pre-Christmas actions, Joint Council 7 Local Unions joined Amazon workers on the lines at 11 locations across the region, from the Bay Area to Northern Nevada, and

throughout the Central Valley, from Sacramento all the way down to Bakersfield. These actions before Christmas were just the beginning of the fight. Amazon may have the money, but as Teamsters we have the people, and we have willingness to fight for as long as it takes to win.

The fight at Amazon is an example of how important organizing is to our Union. The larger we get as a Union through organizing, the stronger we all get as Teamsters. When we grow through organizing, not only do we help build the middle class through winning strong Teamster contracts for non-union workers, but we protect the hard-fought industry standards we've won at Teamster-represented employers.

More specifically, our growth in size through organizing translates to more power at the bargaining table to win strong contracts, increased resources, and stronger representation. The more we organize, the bigger we are, and the larger we are, the stronger our voice is together and the more resources we have to win for all Teamsters.

### Joint Council 7 Teamsters take on Amazon with ULP strike, extending picket lines



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## LOCAL 150

### NVision Eye Center overwhelmingly votes to join Teamsters Local 150

In December, NVision Eye Center employees voted to join Teamsters Local 150. “We would like to thank I.B.T. Organizing Director Chris Rosell and his team, along with Western Region Vice President Peter Finn and the Teamsters Joint Council 7 Organizers, for making this effort an overwhelming success,” said Local 150 Secretary-Treasurer Dale Wentz.

“The work these folks perform on a

daily basis has a direct impact on the health of our community,” said Peter Finn, Western Region Vice President and Joint Council 7 President. “They are fighting for dignity, respect, and equality at work. This victory demonstrates their desire to form their union and overwhelmingly, choosing Teamsters Local 150 as their bargaining representative. This campaign is a perfect example of what can be accomplished when the Joint Council 7 Organizing

team, IBT Organizing Department and local affiliates work together in coordination. At the end of the day, these workers did the heavy lifting. Now it’s time to get the company to the table and begin bargaining,” Finn said.

“The healthcare team at NVision came together with the goal of unionizing because we were tired of being undervalued and ignored by the people in charge,” said Registered Nurse Cody

Parsons. “Time and time again, the administration showed that they didn’t care to listen to their employees no matter what feedback we had to give. It was leading to a rapid decline in the workplace morale and the quality of the work we were capable of performing. We finally had enough and decided that if NVision’s admin wouldn’t take us seriously as individuals, they were going to have to reckon with us collectively,” Parsons continued.

### Teamsters Local 150 Women’s Committee joins Sacramento’s ‘Run to Feed the Hungry’

On Thanksgiving Day, the Teamsters Local 150 Women’s Committee participated in the annual “Run to Feed the Hungry” event, a local tradition that raises funds for the Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services.

The event, featuring a 5K and 10K run/walk, brings together thousands of community members to help combat hunger during the holiday season.

The Women’s Committee saw this as an opportunity to support the community while promoting solidarity and service. Teamsters Local 150 members volunteered, ran, and walked together, demonstrating the power of collective action to address food insecurity.

Proceeds from the event go to the Sacramento Food Bank, which serves thousands of families each year through food distribution, job training, and emergency services. The Women’s Committee involvement reflected its ongoing efforts to fight for workers’ rights and advocate for those in need, both in the workplace and in the community.

The success of this year’s event underscored the importance of unity and community action, with the Women’s Committee playing a key role in helping ensure that families in Sacramento had the resources they needed for a warm, fulfilling Thanksgiving. We hope to see more of our members next year at this annual event.



The Local 150 Women’s Committee participated in the “Run to Feed the Hungry” on Thanksgiving Day.

## LOCAL 2010

### Two-day training prepares member-leaders for upcoming contract campaigns

More than 100 Teamsters Local 2010 member-leaders from across the state came together at our Oakland Union hall on Nov. 14 and 15 for our 2024 Leadership Training and Conference. Together, members and staff organized, strategized, and began the planning necessary to ensure our Union keeps winning for workers in 2025!

Contracts representing more than 90% of Teamsters 2010 workers will open for negotiations next year, including our UC CX and CSU Skilled Trades statewide contracts. The UC and CSU will likely claim they lack the money to treat workers right, but we know better. We’re ready to not just defend the wages and benefits guaranteed in our current contracts, but to build on our achievements and keep winning for some of the hardest workers in California higher education—the members of Teamsters 2010!

Members learned about the powerful history of the International



Local 2010 members are ready to fight for fair contracts after a recent a two-day extensive training.

Brotherhood of Teamsters through a presentation by Karin Jones, historian with the IBT Strategic Initiatives Department in Washington, D.C.

Secretary-Treasurer Jason Rabinowitz showed how Local 2010 has transformed from a small local with 29% membership to a powerful union of 20,000 workers with 75% full mem-

bership! Rabinowitz’s presentations showed that we have built this power through active and involved members, constant communication, making our Union a presence in our workplaces, and by taking action together on workplace issues, actions such as stickering up, rallying and picketing, circulating and signing petitions, speaking at UC

Board of Regents and CSU Board of Trustees meetings, gaining support of patients, students, faculty and legislators and more.

Members also learned the basics of strategic campaigns and tactics, setting campaign priorities and defining a campaign theme.

Thank you to every member leader who joined us in Oakland. From campaign priorities to targets to slogans, members worked hard brainstorming the foundations for next year’s campaigns. Our unity is our power, and our solidarity is our strength!

“We have built a powerful local union whose members are united and ready to fight for strong contracts with the pay and benefits that we deserve,” Rabinowitz says. “Our successful conference was a great first step in our campaign, which will be the focus of our Union for the coming period. Thanks to all our great member-leaders who participated!”



## LOCAL 853

### Teamsters 853 secures \$1.3 million in back pay for UNFI drivers



Local 853 UNFI drivers prevailed in arbitration, leading to a \$1.3 million award in owed backpay.

After three years of battling for our members at UNFI, Teamsters Local 853 secured an incredible win for its members. Due to a contract violation over wage rates, Business Agent and Vice President Ray Torres enforced the merits of the agreement, arguing that significant back pay was due to these members.

The company did not agree that they had violated the collective bargaining agreement, and so began a three-year grievance that ultimately resulted in arbitration. Three long years later, after considerable back and forth, argument, and counter-argument, a decision that ruled in the favor of the Union was reached. The drivers at UNFI were victorious and secured a whopping \$1.3 million in back pay.

This is a great example of why Unions are so important. Without the protection of a contract and the Local Union watching out for its members, that \$1.3 million would never have been given to the workers who are entitled to it.

“It’s not about the size of the win,” said Teamsters Local 853 President Steven Lua. “All wins, big and small, are important because they give justice to those who are impacted. Our members work hard for their money, and it’s our job to hold the company accountable to the agreements that we bargain.” Congratulations to the UNFI workers who waited patiently and trusted their union leaders to get them what they deserve. Teamsters Local 853 will always have your backs and couldn’t be happier to get this win.

## LOCAL 856

### TomaTek members win 20% pay increases in first Teamster contract

TomaTek Local 856 members have voted by 91% to ratify their first Teamsters 856 contract—a landmark four-year agreement that includes average raises of 20% in the first year alone, and yearly increases thereafter.

“I’ve been working at this company for 30 years and I’ve been waiting all these years for a raise and thank God, we’ve achieved it,” said Negotiating Committee Member Elisabeth Zamora. “We couldn’t have done it alone. It’s an honor to belong to this great Teamsters family,” she continued.

In addition to the historic wage increases, the agreement also calls for holiday pay eligibility for seasonal employees, an increased tool allowance for maintenance classifications, increased shift differentials, and a training program for machine operators to facilitate promotional opportunities.

“It was an honor to be a part of a committee that took time to present a contract that respects the union members—I could not be prouder,” said Negotiating Committee Member Mark Barcellos.

“The negotiations committee worked tirelessly to ensure all classifications, from mechanics to general labor, were equally represented at the table,” said Veronica Diaz, Director of the Teamsters 856 Central Coast Division who led negotiations. “The wage increases and contract language the committee achieved pave the way for sustainable careers at TomaTek with dignity on the job.”

The 1,100 Teamsters at TomaTek, who process and package tomato-based products for industrial, foodservice, and retail companies in California’s

Central Valley, elected to become Teamsters last July in a resounding vote. “As Teamsters, we know that an organizing campaign is not over until we negotiate a strong Teamster contract and we will fight for that as long as it takes,” said Peter Finn, Local 856 Principal Officer. “With our rank-and-file committee leading the way, we were able to deliver tangible results that address longstanding wage and language issues at TomaTek and we look forward to aggressively enforcing our new agreement and building on these successes for years to come.”

## LOCAL 533

### Members win bowling tournament for charity



Four teams from Local 533 participated in the Solidarity Spares & Strikes Union Bowling tournament, sponsored by the GGRM Law Firm, which specializes in workers’ comp. The Local 533 team from Southern Glazer’s Wine & Spirits won first place: \$2500 to their favorite charity which focuses on Northern Nevada Union Apprentice Programs.

## LOCAL 315

### Celebrating the holidays with togetherness



Local 315 members from City Coach Vacaville celebrated the holiday season with their annual Thanksgiving potluck in November. From left to right: Don Porter, Janet Mullaney, Dan Orrock, Michael Walker, Darrold Williams, Charlie Kronschnabel, Edward Rogers, Robert Lefell, Alisia Morgan, Terrance Highsmith, Syreeta Soares, Patricia Baker, Sandra Faolitu, Melissa Clanton, and Guillermo Robles.



# Local Union Membership Meetings 2025

## Local 70 Oakland

### General Membership Meetings

- Jan. 25, 10:00 AM
- Feb. 27, 7:00 PM
- March 29, 10:00 AM\*
- April 24, 7:00 PM
- May 22, 7:00 PM
- June 28, 10:00 AM
- July Meeting suspended
- August Meeting suspended
- Sept. 27, 10:00 AM
- Oct. 23, 7:00 PM
- Nov. 20, 7:00 PM
- Dec. 20, 10:00 AM

\*There will be a vote conducted at the March General Membership Meeting on whether or not to suspend summer General Membership Meetings.

### Stewards Council Meetings

- Saturday, March 29, 8:00 AM
- Saturday, June 28, 8:00 AM
- Saturday Sept. 27, 8:00 AM

### Stewards Appreciation Breakfast

- Saturday, Oct. 4, 9:00 AM

### Sick Benefit Meeting

- 3rd Wednesday of each month

All meetings are held at Teamsters Local 70: 400 Roland Way, Oakland unless otherwise noted.

## Local 87 Bakersfield

2531 G St., Bakersfield  
Sundays, General Membership Meetings at 10:00 AM, Executive Board Meetings at 8:00 AM.

- Jan. 26
- Feb. 23
- March 30
- April 27
- May 18
- June 29
- July 27
- Aug. 31
- Sept. 28
- Oct. 26
- Nov. 16
- Dec 14

## Local 137 Redding

3540 S Market St., Redding, 7:00 PM

- January 14 • February 18 • March 18 • April 15 • May 20 • June 17 • July 15 • August 19 • Sept. 16 • October 21 • November 18 • December 16

## Local 150 Sacramento

1st Wednesday of each month, 7:00 PM  
7120 East Parkway  
Sacramento, CA

- Jan. 8 (due to holiday)
- Feb. 5
- March 5
- April 2
- May 7
- June 4
- July 2
- Aug. 6
- Sept. 3
- Oct. 1
- Nov. 5
- Dec. 3

## Local 315 Martinez/Vallejo

**Martinez**  
2727 Alhambra Ave., Martinez  
8:00 PM unless noted otherwise

- Jan. 8
- Feb. 12
- April 9
- May 14
- July 9
- Aug. 13
- Oct. 11 (9:00 AM)
- Nov. 12

**Vallejo**  
445 Nebraska St., Vallejo  
8:00 PM unless noted otherwise

- March 12
- June 14 (9:00 AM)
- Sept. 10
- Dec. 10

## Local 350 SF & San Jose

Meetings for San Francisco and San Jose will be held at either Executive Park Properties located at 150 Executive Park Blvd., San Francisco, CA 94134, or at Teamsters Local 853 South Bay located at 1452 North Fourth Street, San Jose, CA 95112, starting at 5:30 p.m.:

### San Jose:

- Jan. 16 • March 20 • May 15 • July 17 • Sept. 17

### San Francisco:

- February 20 • April 17 • June 19 • Aug. 21 • Oct. 16

The November and December 2025 Membership Meetings will be held at 5:30 p.m. at the following locations:

November 19, 2025  
DoubleTree by Hilton San Jose  
2050 Gateway Place, San Jose, CA 95110

December 18, 2025  
The Westin San Francisco Airport  
1 Old Bayshore Highway, Millbrae, CA 94030

## Local 386 Modesto

1225 13th Street, Modesto  
2nd Thursday of the month, 7:00 PM

- Jan. 9 • Feb. 13 • March 13 • April 10 • May 8 • June 12 • July 10 • Aug. 14 • Sept. 11 • Oct. 9 • Nov. 13 • Dec. 11

## Local 431 Fresno

Membership Meetings are held the first Thursday of each month (\*\*unless otherwise noted due to conflicting meetings), 7:30 p.m. at Local 431 Membership Hall, 1140 W. Olive, Fresno. A vote will be held at the May 1st meeting to determine suspension of summer months' meetings.

- Jan. 2
- Feb. 13\*\*
- March 6
- April 10\*\*
- May 1
- June 5
- July 3
- Aug. 7
- Sept. 4
- Oct. 2
- Nov. 13\*\*
- Dec. 11



## Local 439 Stockton

General Membership Meetings are held 3rd Wednesday of the month, 7 p.m., at Local 439, 1531 East Fremont St., Stockton, CA 95201

- Jan. 15
- Feb. 19
- March 19
- April 16
- May 21
- Sept. 17
- Oct. 15
- Nov. 19
- Dec. 17

Summer Recess/No Membership Meetings: June, July, and August

## Local 517 Visalia

Locations to be announced.

- Jan. 16 - Bylaw Proposal Meeting
- Feb. 20 - Bylaw Proposal Meeting
- March 20
- April 17
- May 15
- June 26
- July 17
- Aug. 21
- Sept. 18
- Oct. 16
- Nov. 20
- Dec. 18

Meeting times are 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM.  
All meeting dates and times are subject to change.

## Local 533 Reno

1190 Selmi Dr., Suite 100, Reno, Nevada

- Jan. 16, 6:00 P.M.
- Feb. 20, 6:00 P.M.
- March 20, 7:00 P.M.
- April 17, 7:00 P.M.
- May 15, 7:00 P.M.
- June 19, 6:00 P.M.
- July 17, 6:00 P.M.
- Aug. 21, 6:00 P.M.
- Sept. 18, 7:00 P.M.
- Oct. 16, 7:00 P.M.
- Nov. 20, 6:00 P.M.
- Dec. 18, 6:00 P.M.

## Local 665 Santa Rosa/ San Francisco

### Santa Rosa

1371 Neotomas Ave., Santa Rosa

- 4th Tuesday of the month, 6:00 PM
- Jan. 28 • March 25 • May 27 • Oct. 28

3rd Tuesday of the Month, 6:00 PM  
Dec. 16

### San Francisco

150 Executive Park Blvd., San Francisco

- 4th Tuesday of the month, 6:00 PM
- Feb. 25 • April 22 • June 24

3rd Tuesday of the month, 6:00 PM  
Nov. 18

Summer Recess/No Membership Meeting  
July, August and September

## Local 853 Oakland

7750 Pardee Lane, Oakland  
2nd Thursday of the month, 7:00 PM

- Jan. 9
- Feb. 13
- March 13
- April 10
- May 8
- June 12
- July 10
- Aug. 14
- Sept. 11
- Oct. 9
- Nov. 13
- Dec. 11

## Local 856 San Bruno

Chetcuti Hall  
453 San Mateo Ave., San Bruno  
All meetings start at 6:00 PM

- Jan. 28
- Feb. 25
- March 25
- April 29
- May 27
- June, July, August suspended
- Sept. 30
- Oct. 28
- November TBD
- December suspended

## Local 948 Modesto/Visalia

### Modesto

1221 I St., Modesto  
3rd Tuesday of the month, 7:00 PM

- Jan. 21 • Feb. 18 • March 18 • April 15 • May 20
- June 17 • July 15 • Aug. 19 • Sept. 16 • Oct. 21
- Nov. 18 • Dec 16

### Visalia

2354 W. Whitendale Ave., Visalia

- 2nd Thursday of the month, 7:00 PM
- Jan. 9 • Feb. 13 • March 13 • April 10 • May 8
- June 12 • July 10 • Aug. 14 • Sept. 11 • Oct. 9
- Nov. 13 • Dec. 11

## Local 2010 Oakland

Membership meetings, with the exception of December, will be held at 7:00 PM via Zoom.

- Jan. 23
- Feb. 20
- March 20
- April 17
- May 22
- June 19
- July 10
- Aug. 14
- Sept. 11
- Oct. 16
- Nov. 13
- Saturday, Dec 6—In-person at both Bellflower and Oakland Union halls with holiday party immediately following Membership Meeting.

## Local 2785 Daly City

3rd Tuesday of each month, 7:30 PM at  
1440 Southgate Ave, Daly City.

- Jan. 21
- Feb. 18
- March 18
- April 15
- May 20
- June 17
- July 15
- Aug. 19
- Sept. 16
- Oct. 21
- Nov. 18
- Dec. 16



# LOCAL 665

## Organizing heats up at Teamsters 665

### Spin Electric Scooter Workers Join Local 665

Mechanics, operation specialists, dispatchers and fleet ambassadors at Spin in the City of San Jose have won union recognition, joining Teamsters Local 665 as a regional bargaining unit.

“Local 665 has represented Spin workers in San Francisco for the last few years since they launched. This win solidifies and expands our organizing strategy,” said Tony Delorio, Secretary-Treasurer at Local 665. “We look forward to continuing to connect with workers in the tech industry to improve their lives and ensure they have a voice at work. As Teamsters, our members—regardless of craft or industry—will always have a voice that we will lift up.”

Electric bicycle and scooter sharing was developed as an app-based transportation alternative in San Francisco and has expanded to many metropolitan locations in the United States. The growing workforce repairs and maintains a large fleet of vehicles. The growth comes as the public embraces this new form of mobility.

“We are proud to welcome these new members at Spin to North America’s strongest union,” said Rocco Calo, Director of the Teamsters Industrial Trades Division. “We know that crafts and industries are everchanging, and that’s why we have been working tirelessly to organize workers in new and emerging industries such as scooter sharing. Regardless of the work involved, Teamsters remain focused on improving the wages, benefits, and working conditions of all workers who play a role in technological innovation.”

### SFO Airport Bag Handlers are Now Local 665 Members

Further north, agents, drivers, security ambassadors, and supervisors at Bags, a subsidiary of the Metropolis Company, at the San Francisco International Airport (SFO) have joined Teamsters Local 665.

“We are proud to welcome these new members to our Teamsters 665 family. They work alongside other Local 665 members who told them about how life changing Teamsters representation is,” said Tony Delorio, Secretary-Treasurer of Local 665. “It’s becoming common knowledge to workers in all sectors that Teamsters membership is key to bringing improvements and dignity to their workplace.”

The 40 new Teamsters work as Remote Airline Check-In (RAC) workers, processing air traveler baggage at SFO’s parking garages, rental car facility, and at the Air Train.

“The cost of living in the Bay Area is so high. We heard from other airport workers that the Teamsters have been getting good contracts with pay scales that keep up with inflation. After we talked about it, everyone who worked



Local 665 Principal Officer Tony Delorio (far left) with newly organized Spin Electric Scooter members and Business Agent Joe Matekel, far right.

at Bags said yes to joining Local 665,” said Nyeisha Thornton, a Bags worker at SFO.

This organizing drive follows several recent wins for Local 665. During the recent organizing campaigns, the Teamsters Industrial Trades Division provided tools and added support for organizing new bargaining units.

“These efforts at airports and other locations add to

the strength of the Teamsters. Our division will be there to back up successful organizing campaigns, from start to finish,” said Rocco Calo, Director of the Teamsters Industrial Trades Division.

### New Teamsters Provide Access to Public Transit in Underserved Communities

In San Francisco, drivers at Via Transportation, a contractor for the San Francisco Municipal Transit Agency (SFMTA), have finalized a successful card-check organizing effort to join Teamsters Local 665. The new partnership between the Teamsters and the SFMTA will play a key role in launching the Bayview Shuttle, which will create public transit access to members of the Bayview neighborhood of San Francisco.

“We are proud to be part of this transit launch that brings expanded service to residents in the Bayview community,” said Tony Delorio, Secretary-Treasurer at Local 665. “San Francisco’s southeast neighborhood has high density union households, and this new service will benefit workers and community residents alike. This is a great opportunity to bring mobility to seniors, workers, and youth while at the same time creating new employment opportunities for Teamsters.”

The card check for representation was conducted by San Francisco Supervisor Shamann Walton, a longtime champion of transit expansion to underserved neighborhoods. Walton represents District 10, which includes the Bayview community. Launched in November, the Bayview Shuttle brings public transit access to communities that historically lacked adequate connections to metropolitan and regional public transit services. The SFMTA has announced that additional communities in San Francisco may soon enjoy expansion of the program.



## The TEAMSTERS Scholarship Fund

Children and financial dependents of active Teamsters who are entering a four-year college, vocational school, or technical school may be eligible for the Teamster Scholarship Fund!

Apply here!



Scan the code above to find out more about eligibility requirements and to access an application.

(Please use program key: TSF)

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Additional scholarships available to Teamster dependents can be found at [teamstersjc7.org](http://teamstersjc7.org).



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87 .....	661-327-8594	533 .....	775-348-6060
137 .....	530-243-0232	665 .....	415-347-7406
150 .....	916-392-7070	853 .....	510-895-8853
315 .....	925-228-2246	856 .....	650-635-0111
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