



September 13, 2024

To: USW Local Union Presidents and Recording Secretaries in the U.S. Public Sector

Greetings:

We are pleased to announce a Public Sector Conference to be held in Pittsburgh, PA, December 3 - 4, 2024. This conference is dedicated to our Public Sector Workers.

Our theme for this year's conference is **"Stronger Together!"**. Our solidarity in the public sector is a cornerstone of strength, fostering a collective voice that resonates through the halls of power. USW public sector workers are more politically active and civically engaged than their non-unionized counterparts, participating in activities like voting, community service, and contacting public officials. Our engagement is not just about numbers; it's about the shared commitment to improving working conditions, securing fair wages, and ensuring a democratic voice in the workplace. The unity of USW public sector workers amplifies our influence, enabling us to advocate effectively for social and economic justice. Moreover, states have recognized the importance of this collective strength, enacting legislation to bolster the ability of workers to join unions and engage in collective bargaining. Such measures not only empower workers, but also contribute to building stronger, more equitable communities.

### Schedule

Conference registration will take place on Monday, December 2nd, from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., and the morning of Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., prior to the opening of the conference.

The conference will take place over 2 days, consisting of workshops and plenary sessions. An evening reception will be held on Tuesday, December, 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Delegates should plan to arrive on Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> and depart after the plenary session adjourns at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> or anytime on Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>.

Please periodically visit the conference website for future announcements and updates to the agenda at: <https://www.usw.org/events/2024-public-sector-conference>.

### Conference Registration and Fee

Registration for the conference is available on-line, by email, or mail, and should be completed by November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024. In order to cover conference costs, a registration fee of \$225 per participant has been set.

- **Online registration:** Visit the Public Sector Conference section of the USW website at <https://www.usw.org/events/2024-public-sector-conference> and follow the instructions. Either pay online with a credit card or e-check, or mail a physical check to the address listed below. Please include a list of delegates or a copy of your registration confirmations if mailing a check.
- **Email registration:** Email the enclosed registration form to Lisa Nutter at [lnutter@usw.org](mailto:lnutter@usw.org), and mail a check to the address listed below.

- **Mail registration:** Mail the enclosed registration form and a check to the address listed below.

All checks should be made payable to: **USW Secretary-Treasurer** with “2024 Public Sector Conference” on the memo line of the check. Mail the check to: USW, c/o Lisa Nutter, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, 60 Boulevard of the Allies, Pittsburgh, PA 15222.

#### **Hotel Information**

A block of hotel rooms has been reserved at the Omni William Penn in Pittsburgh, PA. The room rate is \$139.00 per night plus taxes. A credit card will be needed to make reservations. **The deadline for hotel reservations is Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024.**

Omni William Penn  
530 William Penn Place  
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Call 1-800-THE-OMNI to make reservations and reference ‘USW Public Sector Conference.’ Book on-line at: <https://bookings.omnihotels.com/event/pittsburgh-william-penn/usw-public-employee-conference>

Parking is \$20 in the garage and \$45 valet.

#### **Airline Information**

In cooperation with Direct Travel, we have made special arrangements for delegates to book air transportation to the conference. Please call 877-499-1149 and select prompt “4” (group meetings), and identify yourself as a participant in the USW Public Sector Conference. Please call between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday, or you will incur an after-hours fee of \$16.00.

**In accordance with our established policy, the International Union will not be responsible for the cost of delegate(s) participation. Your local union must bear any expenses for attendance, including airfare and hotel fees.**

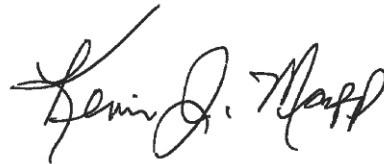
If you have any questions regarding the registration process or conference details, please contact Lisa Nutter at (412) 562-2377.

We look forward to discussing the state of our Union, the public sector, our advances, our challenges and continuing our work to make our workplaces safer.

In solidarity,



Dave McCall  
International President



Kevin J. Mapp  
International Vice President (Human Affairs)

cc: International Executive Board & Staff Representatives  
Public Sector Coordinators