

Local 728

Weekly Digest

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In The Spotlight this week!

Coming Together During Uncertain Times

With everything going on including the government shutdown, I ask those working to consider sharing their work with those in need.

This issue has information on food insecurity as well as upcoming support events. I hope to see you all next week at the General Membership Meeting.

In solidarity,



Greg Reeves
Business Representative - Secretary
Lighting Technicians IATSE Local 728



IATSE Local 728 | Hybrid Membership Meeting | Nov. 8

The IATSE Local 728 Membership Meeting is taking place as a hybrid meeting.
This meeting is for members only.

When: Saturday, November 8

Time: 9AM

Location: IATSE Local 728

RSVP by 3PM on Friday 11/7/25 (include your full name and union card #)

[In-person RSVP Here](#)

[Zoom RSVP Here](#)

Log-in for access:

[Membership Meeting Information](#)

Additional information about RSVP, Rules for Online/Hybrid Meetings, Meeting Packet and Reports can be found at the above link (some information will become available Friday, November 7th after RSVPs have closed).

Hybrid

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

NOVEMBER 8, 2025

RSVP information now available!

Topics to be covered:

- > Election Results
- > Production Update
- > Workers' Comp Mini-Seminar w/Cheryl Wallach



🕒 9AM | 📍 IATSE Local 728

Scan for RSVP info.



Recording Available | Motion Picture & Television Locals Caucus

If you missed the zoom presentation earlier this month, the Recording for the Locals Caucus is now available on the [Local 728 video library](#) (log-in for access).



MOTION PICTURE & TELEVISION LOCALS CAUCUS

Recording Now Available

October 13 | 12PM-2PM PDT

70TH QUADRENNIAL CONVENTION • JULY 28-AUG 1, 2025 • HONOLULU, HI

MPTF Day at The Ranch | FREE Passes Available!

Join us for the MPTF- IATSE fundraiser Day at the Ranch on Sunday, November 16 at Calamigos Ranch in Malibu, CA.

IATSE Local 728 has a limited amount of FREE passes available for Day at The Ranch. To request your passes, email: community@iatse728.org now to receive up to four (4) passes. Please include the name(s) of your guests in your reply and if children are part of your guest count.

All tickets include admission, parking, lunch, and the opportunity to participate in the auction, raffles, fun activities and more. **Quantities are limited.**

When: Sunday, November 16

Time: 11AM-3PM | Lunch from 12PM-2PM

Location: Calamigos Ranch

MPTF.com/DayAtTheRanch

Purchase Additional Tickets [Here](#)

Paper Registration available [here](#)





MPTF & IATSE PRESENT

DAY AT THE RANCH

FAMILY PICNIC AT CALAMIGOS RANCH

MPTF | IATSE



Sunday, November 16, 2025

Calamigos Ranch

11:00am - 3:00pm • Lunch from 12:00pm - 2:00pm

Join us for a fun family picnic as we raise funds to sustain MPTF's legacy of supporting industry members and their families.

[MPTF.com/DayAtTheRanch](https://mptf.com/DayAtTheRanch)



Scan Here

Presenting Sponsors



Contact events@mptf.com
with any questions or for more information

Scholarship Programs

Information for the 2026 IATSE Local 728 Scholarship is available on the website. You can download an application or request one from the Local 728 office.

The deadline for filing all required materials with the Local 728 office is **Friday, February 6, 2026**. Mail, deliver, or email the completed application package to the Local 728 office. (*Applicants should contact the Local to confirm receipt of application prior to the deadline*).

If you were a recipient in the past, you are ineligible; this is a one-time award. Scholarship Award recipients will be notified in March 2026.

[IATSE Local 728 Scholarship Programs](#)

The IATSE and Union Plus also have scholarships, for application deadlines and additional information please visit the following links:

[IATSE Scholarship](#)

[Union Plus Scholarships](#)



Organizing Victories

You can report your show on the IATSE Local 728 website. See below for some of the recent flips from non-union to union!



Food Programs & Resources

Food insecurity is on the rise and the federal government shutdown is affecting millions, if you or your family need food assistance, please visit [LAFoodBank](#) and [Food Oasis LA](#) (a food directory connecting you to nearby pantries and meals).

In addition, there are programs available that people may not be aware/don't know they can get help, please see LA County Parks has food programs for Youth, Teens (ages 12-18), and Seniors. The programs are designed to ensure that there is access to free, wholesome meals and snacks. To locate a park near you, please visit: bit.ly/lacparksfoodprograms

The LA County Department of Health Services has different types of food programs, some even help with pet food. Please visit [LA County DHS | Resources | Food](#)



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF

**Parks &
Recreation**

LA COUNTY PARKS **FOOD** **PROGRAMS** FOR YOUTH, TEENS & SENIORS

FREE HOT SUPPER TEEN PROGRAM

- 16 PARKS
- AGES 12-18
- MONDAY THRU FRIDAY
- SERVING TIME: 7:00 PM
- REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

FREE YOUTH SNACK PROGRAM

- 48 PARKS
- AGES 17 AND UNDER
- MONDAY THRU FRIDAY
- SERVING TIME: 3:00PM - 4:00PM
- NO ENROLLMENT REQUIRED

SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAMS

- 9 PARKS
- AGES 60+
- MONDAY THRU FRIDAY
- SERVING TIME: 11:00AM-1:00PM
- PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED
- BASED ON AVAILABILITY

FOR PARK LOCATIONS VISIT:



bit.ly/lacparksfoodprograms



To help support and expand these food programs for youth and families in need, please donate to the Los Angeles County Parks Foundation: www.lacpf.org



Health Services
LOS ANGELES COUNTY

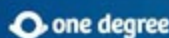


L.A. COUNTY DHS FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS AND RESOURCES

Facility	Distribution Schedule	Location & Contract Info
Harbor UCLA Medical Center	Thursdays 9:00-11:00AM	1000 W Carson St, Torrance, CA 90502 Vermont Alley 424-306-4000
Los Angeles General Medical Center	4th Friday of the month 9:00-10:30 AM (Patients) 10:30-11:00am (Employees)	1200 North State Street Los Angeles, CA 90033 1st Floor entrance (323) 409-6941
Olive View-UCLA Medical Center	1st & 4th Wednesday of the Month 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM	14445 Olive View Dr, Sylmar, CA 91342 (on Reagon Road) (747)-210-3000 (Opt. 5.5)
Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center	4th Tuesday of the Month 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM	7601 Imperial Hwy, Downey, CA 90242 Near Triler F2 562-385-7867
Antelope Valley Wellness Community	3rd Wednesday of the month 9:30am-11:30am	335-B East Avenue K6 Lancaster, CA 93535 661-471-4860 ext. 3 antelopevalleywc@ph.lacounty.gov
San Fernando Health Center	Thursdays, 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM (Various 2025 Dates)	1212 Pico St. San Fernando, CA 91340 (818) 904-8953 SPA2@ph.lacounty.gov
Zev Yaroslavsky Family Support Center	Thursdays, 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM (Various 2025 Dates)	7555 Van Nuys Blvd. Van Nuys, CA 91405 (818) 904-8953 SPA2@ph.lacounty.gov
H. Claude Hudson Comprehensive Health Center	Every 3rd Tuesday of the month 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM	2829 S. Grand Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90007 213-699-7165 or 213-699-7171
Edward R. Roybal Comprehensive	Currently not active	245 S. Fetterly Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90022 323-362-1010
MLK Outpatient Center	1st and 4th Friday of the Month starting Feb 2 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM	1670 E. 120th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90022 90059 424-338-1000

07/2025

More Resources Available!



@WeAreLAHealth | @LAHealthEnEspañol

Food Distribution Event at Ford & Wallach | Nov 1

This Saturday, November 1st, Labor Community Services in Partnership with Ford & Wallach will be hosting a Drive-Thru Food Distribution. Open to members of any union and the community.

When: Saturday, November 1

Time: 9AM-12PM

Location: Ford & Wallach | 3619 Motor Avenue | Los Angeles, CA 90034



**LABOR COMMUNITY
SERVICES
FOOD
DISTRIBUTION**

**November 1, 2025
9:00 am - 12:00 pm**

**Ford & Wallach
3619 Motor Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90034**

**Drive Thru
Distribution**



**Labor
Community
Services**
LOS ANGELES

**FORD &
WALLACH**

Labor Community Services | Food Distribution

Labor Community Services has food distribution events listed all through the month of December. You can find the location nearest you by visiting the following link: [Labor Community Services](#)

Labor Community Services | Thanksgiving Food Distribution

This holiday season, Labor Community Services will be having a Drive-Thru Food Distribution on November 22. Free Turkeys while supplies last.

When: November 22

Time: 9AM-12PM

Location: Electrical Training Institute | 6023 Garfield Ave | Commerce, CA 90040



IATSE Local 44 Needs Volunteers | Nov. 3

Local 44 is looking for volunteers to decorate the toy collection boxes for this year's Lean In Lean On event. If you can help decorate, please RSVP to Krystal.

When: Monday, November 3

Time: 9AM-4PM

Location: Local 44

RSVP: krystald@local44.org



Seeking volunteers
to help
decorate donation boxes

November 3, 2025

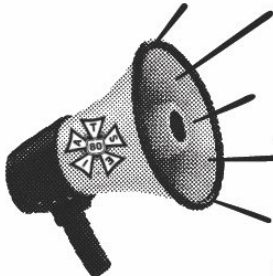
Location @ Local 44 Hall
from 9:00am-4:00pm

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RSVP to
krystald@local44.org



IATSE Local 80 | Tell Disney: Do Not Replace Union Nurses on the Studio Lot
[Sign this petition](#)

 **TELL
DISNEY:
DO NOT REPLACE
UNION NURSES
ON THE STUDIO LOT!**

→
**READ OUR STORY.
SIGN THE PETITION.
SPREAD THE WORD.**
[HTTPS://CHNG.IT/QDXBG2NJPB](https://chng.it/QDXBG2NJPB)



**REMINDER:
"FALL BACK" THIS SUNDAY!**

**TIME SETS BACK 1-HOUR
AT 2AM**



Native American Heritage Month
November 2025



Production List now available on the Local 728
website Dashboard! (log-in required)



IATSE LOCAL 728 SOLIDARITY FRIDAYS!
WEAR YOUR IATSE LOCAL 728 UNION SWAG ON FRIDAYS



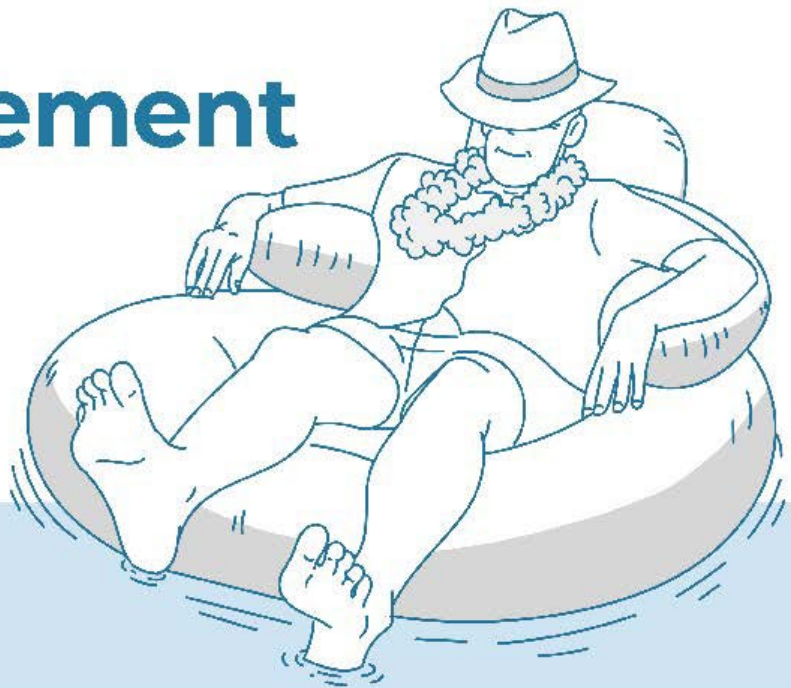
Upcoming Events

MPI Pre-Retirement Seminar

On Saturday, November 1, MPI will host a **Pre-Retirement** Seminar at the Marriott Burbank Airport Hotel.

Register: mpiphp.org (log-in to your account->resources tab->upcoming workshops).

Pre-Retirement Benefits Seminar



MPTF Webinar | Advance Health Care Community

Join MPTF's Palliative Care team on Friday Nov. 5th for a webinar, Advance Health Care Community to learn about Advance Directives.

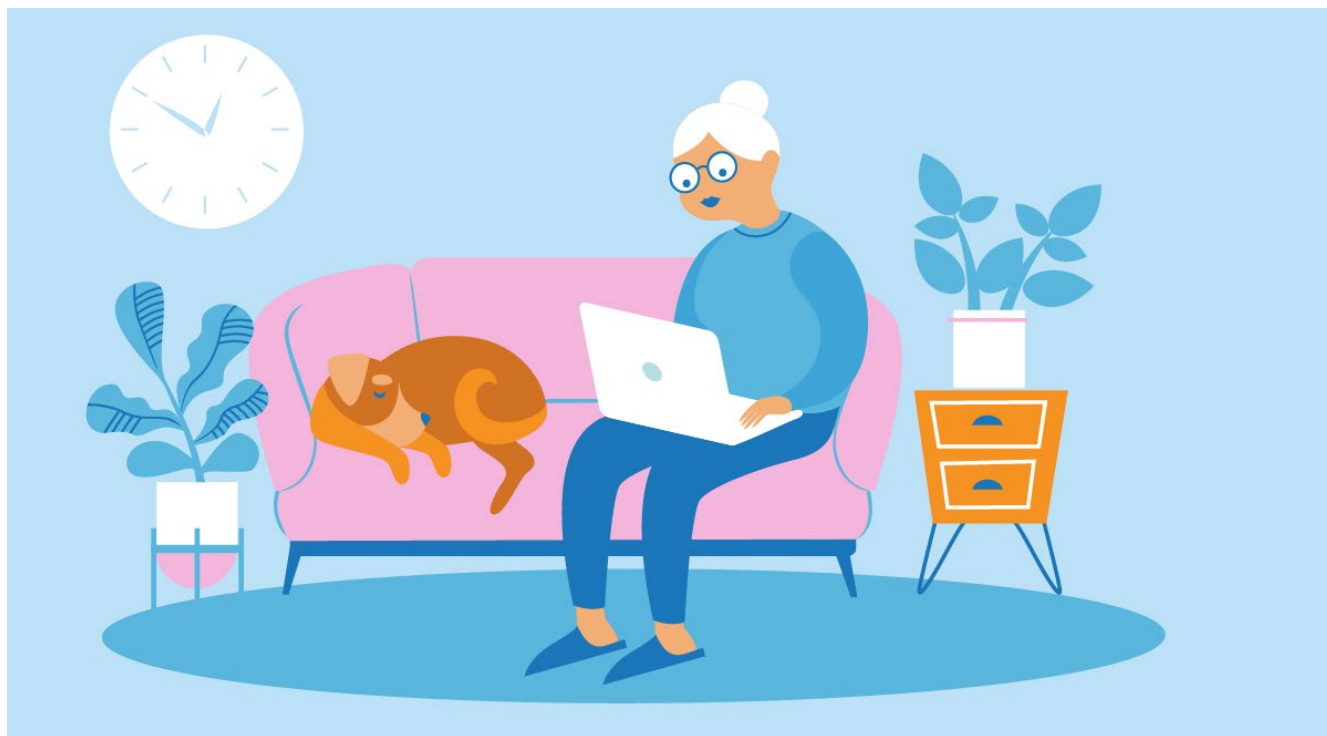
When: Wednesday, Nov. 5th

Time: 4PM-5:30PM PT

Location: via Zoom

RSVP: Anne Front anne.front@mptf.com or 818.876.1524

Once you register, you will receive information on how to access the Zoom link.



LDI Expo Las Vegas | Dec. 7-9

The LDI Expo lets you experience the latest gear, experience trending innovations, meet 300+ leading suppliers, distributors and brands exhibiting. Don't miss the live demos and discussions. IATSE Local 728 will be at LDI Booth#3723.

When: Expo: Dec. 7-9

Location: Las Vegas Convention Center - West Hall

Register: [Registration Options](#) | [LDI Show](#)



LDI

Pro Training: Dec. 3-9, 2025

Expo: Dec. 7-9, 2025

Las Vegas Convention Center - West Hall

**SEE WHAT WE'RE BRINGING
TO LDI 2025!**



Booth# 3723

FREE Expo Hall Pass with code: 10071

[LDIShow.com](#) | [#LDI2025](#)

Union Resources

Information and tools for financial, mental health and wellness, assistance, food banks, alternative health insurance, discounts and more can be found at the following:

[Financial Assistance and Resources](#)

[Resources | Assistance](#)

[Mental Health Tools and Resources](#)



Domestic Violence Awareness

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month, if you are in need of resources please see below.

- Peace Over Violence (213) 955-9090
- Strength United (818) 886-0453 | 24-hour hotline
- Haven Hills (818) 887-6589 | 24-hour hotline
- Jewish Family Services of Los Angeles (JFSLA) – Hope & Heal Program (818) 789-1000
- Valley Community Healthcare (818) 763-8836
- YWCA Greater Los Angeles (310) 264-6644

IATSE PAC

IATSE Local 728 Fundraiser to support IATSE PAC

Local 728 now has its own personalized PAC Donation Landing Page.

[Please give today!](#)



IATSE PAC

The IATSE PAC is about access to politicians regardless of platform on behalf of ALL members.

While the work stoppage last year impacted you and your colleague's financial wellbeing, The fights we take on with PAC resources continue for our industry, benefiting ALL U.S. members and Local Unions whether they contribute or not.

Donate today!

[What is the IATSE PAC? Play Video](#)



Brother Richard Kamins

A 58-year member of Local 728, Brother Kamins passed away on October 6, 2025. Richard received his Gold Card in 2024.

[Notice of member passing | Richard Kamins](#)

IN MEMORIAM

Brother Richard Kamins



A member since March 11, 1967

Passed away on October 6, 2025

At the age of 78