

Local 728

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In The Spotlight this week!

Not all MyUCLA Health Providers are fully covered by MPI



Health

As a reminder, the UCLA app or MyChart app is designed for navigating UCLA's network of providers but is NOT affiliated with MPI's MP3 network. Not all UCLA

providers are MP3 providers. To remain in the MP3 network and receive the highest tier of coverage, a referral from an MP3 provider to another MP3 provider is required.

To repeat, not all UCLA providers are covered at 100% with a \$5 copay. For example, be careful when making an appointment for a flu shot as the provider may be outside of the MP3 network.

For LA residents, benefits are structured in three levels:

- **MP3 Providers:** Covered services are paid at 100%, minus a \$5 copay. Your primary care provider must be affiliated with MP3 and refer you out to other MP3 specialist or location for services. You can track your MP3 referrals at www.mpiphp.org as well as search specialist. You should ask your doctors to refer you only within this network of doctors or receive services at one of the legacy UCLA primary care clinics (formerly the UCLA-MPTF Health Centers) located throughout Los Angeles County.
- **Anthem Blue Cross In-Network Providers:** Covered at 90% of the contracted rate, with a \$30/\$15 copay and 10% patient responsibility.
- **Out-of-Network Providers (not contracted with Anthem):** Covered at 50% of the allowed amount, with a \$30/\$15 copay and full responsibility for the remaining billed amount.

In solidarity,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Greg Reeves", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Greg Reeves
Business Representative - Secretary
Lighting Technicians, IATSE Local 728

UPDATED

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

Happy Hanukkah

Dec. 14 - Dec. 22



SoCalREN Regional Workforce Alliance



Interested in an energy sector side hustle?

The Southern California Regional Energy Network (SoCalREN) invites you to join a discussion about **SoCal's Talent Pipeline: Converting Entertainment Skill Sets into Energy Sector Opportunities** at the [SoCalREN Regional Workforce Alliance Quarterly Meeting](#) on:

When: Wednesday, December 17th

Location: Malburg Atrium and Fletcher Jones Auditorium, [Woodbury University](#)

[Register now!](#)

Meeting Theme: SoCal's Talent Pipeline: Converting Entertainment Skill Sets into Energy Sector Opportunities

The (hybrid) meeting will focus on the current state of the entertainment industry's workforce, transferable skills, and training opportunities in energy efficiency. The meeting will include a networking lunch and resource fair, an exciting line-up of expert panelists, and an optional tour and demonstration of Woodbury University's Solar Future House.

Agenda 11:30 am - 2:30 pm

- In-Person Networking Lunch and Resource Fair 11:30 am - 12:00 pm
- Panels & Discussion 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm (Hybrid via Zoom)
- Networking 1:30 pm - 2:00 pm
- Optional Tour of Solar Future House, Woodbury University 2:00 pm - 2:30 pm

The [SoCalREN Regional Workforce Alliance](#) brings together industry, local government, community-based organizations, training, and education stakeholders to collaborate, network, share tools and resources, and take meaningful action that will advance our region's workforce ecosystem. The purpose is to gain and provide insight into programs, policies, opportunities, gaps, and challenges facing workforce development initiatives in Southern California.

Join Us For A Community Holiday Meal



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Please join MPTF and your industry community in a heartfelt holiday gathering — a chance to break bread, share stories, and be in community with one another. This season let's celebrate the spirit of togetherness, gratitude, and connection. Whether you're reconnecting with old friends or meeting new faces, your presence will help make this celebration truly special.

We look forward to sharing this meaningful time with you.

Saturday, December 20
1:00pm - 3:00pm

I.A.T.S.E. Local 80
2520 West Olive Avenue
Burbank, CA 91505

Join MPTF in a holiday meal gathering to celebrate the spirit of togetherness, gratitude and connection.

When: Saturday, December 20

Time: 1PM-3PM

Location: IATSE Local 80

[RSVP Here](#)

Operation Warm



Team up with IATSE West Coast by Operation Warm



At the Local 728 November General Membership meeting, the membership voted to again support Operation Warm as we've done in the past. This wonderful campaign provides jackets to children in our community who would go without. If you'd like to personally support this campaign, please see the link below.

[Operation Warm-IA West Coast Fundraising](#)

You can also text IATSEWEST to 44321 and get a text with a link to the fundraising page.

Volunteer opportunities are also available as follows:

December 13th - "Gratitude Christmas Party in Woodland Hills, CA

[Sign-up Here](#)

December 17th - Moorpark School District in Moorpark, CA

[Sign-up Here](#)

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.

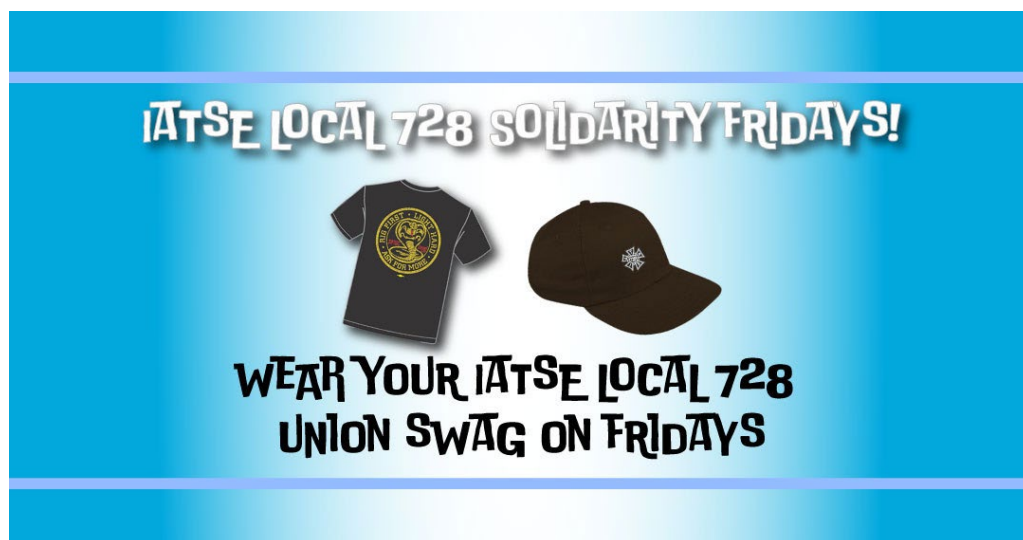
[IATSE Local 728 Scholarship Programs](#)

IATSE Scholarship and Union Plus

The IATSE (Walsh/DiTolla/Spivak Foundation) and Union Plus also have scholarships, for application deadlines and complete details please visit the following links:

[IATSE Scholarship](#) -Application Deadline: December 31st of each year

[2026 Union Plus Scholarship](#) – Application deadline: January 31, 2026



Upcoming Events

Lean In & Lean On Holiday Party * Dec. 13



**Labor
Community
Services**
LOS ANGELES

LEAN IN & LEAN ON HOLIDAY PARTY

The Hollywood studio IATSE Locals, Teamsters and Basic Crafts are once again partnering with Labor Community Services to provide families with a holiday party and gifts.



DECEMBER

SATURDAY 13 1:00 TO 5:00 PM



JOIN US @ LOCAL 80

2520 W. OLIVE AVE, BURBANK CA 91505

- PHOTOS WITH SANTA
- TOY GIVEAWAY
- PETTING ZOO
- HOLIDAY CRAFTS
- SNACKS AND DRINKS
- SNOW FX
- FOOD DISTRIBUTION
- GIFT RAFFLES
- BOUNCE HOUSE
- FACE PAINTING
- MAKER MARKETPLACE
- & MORE

RSVP HERE!



<https://bit.ly/LeanInLeanOn>

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IATSE LOCAL 695

Join us for the 3rd Annual Lean In & Lean On Holiday Party. An event for the entire family to enjoy and celebrate the season.

When: December 13

Location: IATSE Local 80

Time: 1PM-5PM

RSVP for the party [here](#) (event details will be emailed to those that register)

Donations:

[Donations-Lean In and Lean On](#)

Special Executive Board Meeting Announcement

A Special Executive Board meeting has been called for Saturday, December 13, 2025 at 10AM. The meeting will be held at IATSE Local 80 in Burbank, CA. An email informing the membership was sent on Wednesday, December 10, 2025 from community@iatse728.org

Upcoming Training Events

UPCOMING TRAINING EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2025

OSHA 10 General Industry – Focus on Entertainment - November 24 & 25

Practical Fixtures & Wiring 101 - November 26

Mappable LED Assembly Technician - December 6 & 7, 2025 (Lottery 11/17)

Power Distribution/Electrical Safety for Live Events with Richard Cadena

Electrical Power Lab with Richard Cadena, December 13, 2025

Certification Rehearsal Exam - December 20, 2025

DMX Networking 101 with Bobby DeChellis - December 21, 2025

Ethernet Protocols with Bobby DeChellis - December 22, 2025

Ethernet Protocols Lab with Bobby DeChellis - December 23, 2025

sACN & ArtNet with Bobby DeChellis - December 28, 2025

Astera Products Hands-On Course - December 29, 2025



For more information and to sign-up, please visit

<https://training728.org/lms>

Some events are not open for sign-ups yet

Some events will require lottery

More events to become posted & available soon



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](#)

Food Programs & Resources



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

If you or your family need food assistance, please visit [LA Food Bank](#) 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](#)
[View Food Distribution & Resources Flyer](#)

IATSE PAC



IATSE PAC

Political Action Committee of
The International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees

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](#)