

# Talking

# Points



March 2017

## \$15,000 Flood Fund for Members

"What a nightmare to be flooded out of your home. But that's what has happened to our own SEIU 521 members. I am so proud our Union stepped up in a time of crisis and is donating money and resources to help. Never forget we are Stronger Together!"

- Janet Diaz, Patient Business Service, Santa Clara County

To donate, go to:  
[gofundme.com/seiu521relief](http://gofundme.com/seiu521relief)



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## Engage Members

Number of years since members have been able to bargain a new contract with the City of Salinas. The city is two months overdue in negotiating. SEIU 521 members in Salinas have labored tirelessly to clear debris from our roads, waterways, and storm drains since recent storms wreaked havoc on the region. On Feb. 28, City of Salinas public works members staged a rally calling on the City Council to invest in public services.



## Build Political and Community Power

# 2,744



Community members march to Rep. McCarthy's house on Jan. 23.

As of March 1, 2017, the number of days since House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy's last in-person healthcare town hall. McCarthy represents one of the poorest congressional districts in the country. Over 50 percent of his constituents rely on some form of subsidized health care. SEIU members have partnered with the community to call out Rep. McCarthy through a series of actions at his office, his home, and private events. [#fight4ourhealth](#) [#CareNotChaos](#).

Join the fight at [www.SEIU521.org/f4oh](http://www.SEIU521.org/f4oh)

## NEW! Honorary Union Membership

Among the half-dozen bylaws amendments that SEIU 521 members approved in January was the creation of the **Honorary Associate Membership**. Individuals who support the union but are not eligible for membership can join Local 521 as Honorary Members and participate in limited social, community and political activities. Monthly dues: \$5.21.

Read more at:  
[www.seiu521.org/bylaws2017](http://www.seiu521.org/bylaws2017)

## Womens' History Month



Mother Jones was an organizer for the Knights of Labor and the United Mine Workers union beginning in the 1870s. In 1902 she was called "the most dangerous woman in America" for her success in organizing mine workers.

"My friends, it is solidarity of labor we want. We must be together; our masters are joined together and we must do the same thing."

-Mary "Mother" Jones