All over the state, county workers strive to provide quality services to the most vulnerable communities, but unfortunately lack the same commitment from county boards. In Stanislaus County, members have been in rigorous contract negotiations dating back to April. Through these negotiations, our members have demonstrated that we are as committed to our families and futures as we are to the services we provide to our communities. We made multiple attempts to meet with the Board of Supervisors to discuss the challenges and issues we face but have been continually denied.

Because of this standstill at the bargaining table, member-leaders took the next steps towards achieving a fair and just contract. On September 11, over 200 members took part in a strike school which brought together members from all classifications and covered legal advice, training, and preparations for a potential strike. SEIU 521 members in Stanislaus County are prepared to do what we must to protect critical public services.

Register to vote by October 22 to vote in the November 6th midterm election:

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WIN: KERN MEDICAL MEMBERS SECURE PENSIONS AND RAISES IN NEW CONTRACT

For the first time since 2013, Kern Medical members will see pay increases across all classifications as part of a historic first contract under the new Hospital Authority. The new 2-year agreement covers nearly 1,600 employees and includes a strong economic package with wage increases across the board. The agreement was ratified with over 86% approval.

After 6 months of negotiations and continuous attempts by management to weaken our pensions and retirement, our bargaining team, along with legislation set forth in Sacramento, was able to protect our pensions for current and future Kern Medical employees.

Throughout the campaign members took part in multiple actions in support of the bargaining team which included: presenting petitions to the Board of Governors, lunch time unity breaks, and marches on the CEO.

This agreement highlighted the incredible resolve and commitment on behalf of Kern Medical members, as the main priority is to continue providing medical support for the Kern County community.

We are STRONGER when we work TOGETHER!