

SEIU INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION DELEGATE STATEMENTS



"Networking and interacting with diversified ethnic labor movement outside California is an astonishing opportunity for me! Sharing our vision and goals to generate a fair outcome is the best way to serve our fellow members. Please support me to this convention. Thank You All."

- *Luis A. Aguilar, Asst Engineer, City of Hollister*



"Sisters and Brothers, I respectfully ask for your vote. As Chapter Chair for Santa Clara County, I hold myself to a high quality standard of representation and accountability to the membership; I will advocate that our International leaders do the same. Members' needs must be put first! Hasta la victoria!"

- *wRen Atilano-Bradley, Social Worker III, County of Santa Clara*

Mark Araiza, Child Support Officer, County of Tulare
(no photo or statement submitted)

Maryam Aznavian, Homecare Provider, IHSS Santa Clara
(no photo or statement submitted)



"I humbly ask your vote as delegate to our International Convention. I've been an Elected Steward, Bargaining Team, Member President and SEIU organizer, I will continue to stand with you fighting for good contracts, increase trained member leaders, be community advocates, elect officials who are for working families, the 99%."

- *Luisa Blue, Chief of Staff, Local 521 Staff*



"I'm proud to be delegate to represent homecare workers of San Mateo county who needs voice. With my participations in rallies, negotiatons, meetings, continuing education make me rich in knowledge and activities. I'm chapter chair, member of E-board, apala caucus. I'll continue to support homecare workers of San Mateo County."

- *Myrna Bravo, Homecare Provider, IHSS San Mateo*

"At this upcoming SEIU convention and beyond, let's do our part to take care of our people, promote our cause, run our business efficiently, be accountable, and lead by example!"

- *Robert Brizuela, Social Worker I, County of Santa Clara*
(no photo submitted)

Gloria Carrillo, Eligibility Worker, County of Santa Clara
(no photo or statement submitted)

Diana Calderon, Eligibility Worker, County of Fresno
(no photo or statement submitted)

Demetrio Campos, JS3, County of Fresno
(no photo or statement submitted)



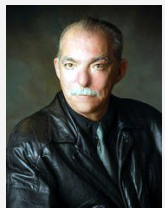
"I, Huong Chung, am the Executive Board & Steward of SEIU 521, would like to be a candidate for the Colorado convention on 5/12. As one of the volunteer active member, I was attending EB meetings, rallies, phone banking. I'll share and apply the experiences to make a better services."

- *Lanhuong Chung, Homecare Provider, IHSS Santa Clara*



"I belong to SEIU521. It has a demographic variable of dedicated staff and members. I'm very passionate about our Union. I'd like to help every way I can through advocacy, volunteering and participation. Our Union is very unique -- a group of people, by the people, and for the people."

- *Dolly Clemente, Homecare Provider, IHSS San Mateo*



"As your union brother, community advocate, political organizer and elected official for the Madera Unified School Board Trustee. The knowledge from this convention will be vital to improve the working conditions for several unions I deal with. We are a stronger union when we assist all our brothers and sisters."

- *Lynn Cogdill, Mental Health Worker, County of Madera*



"If I am elected, I look forward to the opportunity to represent all my union brothers and sisters at Local 521. I have been a steward for about 16 years. I most enjoy encouraging new stewards and members to get involved and learn how to fight the good fight!"

- *Tammy Dhanota, Public Communications Specialist II, Valley Transportation Authority*



"Employed by KMC since October 2009. Immediately joined the union, began functioning as a worksite leader, then Shop Steward. Have assisted with the New Employee Orientation. I've helped with the voting on the contract, attended rallies and was strike captain for my unit. Work with Mr. Harris who mentors me."

- *Chris Fain, Transporter, County of Kern*



"Workers, I believe we have an urgent need to use our precious dues money to guarantee workplace representation first and recruiting new members second. These twin goals are the lifeblood of any union. We must not lose our hard won gains by underfunding member representation in favor of organizing."

- *Zeb Feldman, Internal Organizer, Local 521 Staff*



Kaye Fredrickson is a Unit 3 Member since 2004 and works as a Social Worker for Fresno County's Department of Social Services. Fredrickson earned both her Bachelor's and Master's Degrees at CSU, Fresno. Prior to joining the county, Fredrickson had extensive experience working for attorneys, having earned her Paralegal Certificate.

- *Kaye Fredrickson, Social Worker, County of Fresno*

Veronica Frausto, Admin Asst, County of Santa Clara
(no photo or statement submitted)



"I am Sergio Garcia. I have been a member of SEIU for more than 12 years. I am chief shop steward for FASTA. I have and still continue to participate in SEIU activities. I would appreciate your vote."

Sergio Garcia, Substitute Teacher, FASTA



"I have worked for KMC for about 22 years and have been a Union Member for almost as long. As a worksite leader I have donated countless hours to SEIU's activities and its cause. I relish the opportunity to have a hand in SEIU's future direction as a convention delegate."

- Carol Gates, Office Services Specialist, County of Kern



"It is an honor and a privilege to be a candidate of the SIEU International Convention in Denver, Colorado. Since, my involvement with Union activities such as these, I have inspired my co-workers to get involved and exercise their privileges as well."

- Carolyn Gipson, Admin Assistant, Momentum for Mental Health



"My name is Mai Huynh. I am homecare provider and a steward. Attending the SEIU international convention, I'll have a lot experience about the Union protection employees benefits. I will bring those experiences back to the members."

- Mai Huynh, Homecare Provider, IHSS Santa Clara



"I am an RN, a Nurse Alliance participant, ACA team member, and am also a new Shop Steward for KMC. I bring the Union ideals to the frontline healthcare staff. I am a strong believer in the benefits of the union, and am looking forward to more opportunities to serve."

- Sharon Ingram, RN II, County of Kern



"The International Convention is a very important event. It not only helps shape the goals of the International, but keeps alive the determination and enthusiasm of the Union to help raise the standard of living for working people all over the world. Please vote for me to represent you."

- Scott Johnson, Program Counselor, Achievekids

Donald Kainessie, Monitor Technician, County of Santa Clara
(no photo or statement submitted)



"Brothers and Sisters, I am asking for your vote to attend the SEIU International Convention. I serve on the 521 Executive Board and am Kern County Chapter President. I pledge to use this opportunity to gain expertise in helping to move SEIU forward ensuring our members respect in the workplace."

- Regina Kane, Mental Health Nurse II, County of Kern



"I have been a member and activist of SEIU for the past 36 years. I worked for Santa Clara County Social Services Agency and represented us in numerous issues. Now, as Vice Chair of the Retired Chapter I have continued the fight for justice for working families and retirees alike."

- Cathy Martinez-Rogers, Retired Members



"I've worked 10 years for the City of Bakersfield, and I'm a second generation SEIU member. My Father served 36 years for the City of Bakersfield, and my mother served 10 years for the County of Kern. If nominated I'll represent and obtain knowledge to keep my co-workers informed."

- Preston George,
Trade Maintenance Worker, City of Bakersfield

Adam C. Gintz, Purchasing Clerk, Golden Valley Health Center
(no photo or statement submitted)

Kassandra Holdsambeck, Juvenile Correction Officer I,
County of Fresno *(no photo or statement submitted)*



"As a Chapter Leader and Steward it is important to represent the concerns of our membership in the workplace as well as with the Union. I take this role very seriously, and believe it is also important to help the Union establish policies and procedures that protect our members needs."

- Cynthia Howard, Legal Office Specialist, County of San Mateo



"It has been a tremendous honor and privilege to represent SEIU Local 521 and the GVHC Chapter at the last two International Conventions. Vote and allow for me to continue representing our chapter at the next convention to ensure that our voices are heard. Si se puede!"

- Henry Ildefonso, ISS Specialist,
Golden Valley Health Center



"For over 20 years I have been fighting for the rights of members at a local level. I would Your vote for delegate so that I can continue to be a voice for members through the Decisions, policies and programs of SEIU that will be formulated at the International Convention."

- Jennifer Jensen, Job Specialist III, County of Fresno

Lorenzo Lambaren, Job Specialist I, County of Fresno
(no photo or statement submitted)

Kim Oanh Le, Homecare Provider, IHSS Santa Clara
(no photo or statement submitted)



"I've been a long time SEIU member in Kern County and currently I am a Social Service Supervisor II for CPS. I have participated in many Union activities (pickets, counting votes, getting information out to members, etc.). I appreciate your vote."

- Danny P. Luna,
Social Service Supervisor II, County of Kern

Bill McKinney, Driver, County of Fresno
(no photo or statement submitted)



"My name is Riko Mendez. I have been working for SEIU for the past 10 years now working with SEIU members. I am a lifelong dedicated union member and SEIU political director. I care about our movement and am committed to our cause."

- *Riko Mendez, Political Director, Local 521 Staff*



"I believe and live by Unionism's principles – fairness, justice, equality. I encourage member participation in the Union. From steward to First Vice President, I'm committed to moving this Union forward—one that members can continue to rely on for support, especially when their rights are being challenged."

- *Carmen Morales-Board, RN, MSN, FNP-c, County of Kern*

Sheri Najera, Instructor, Hope Services
(no photo or statement submitted)



"I am currently the Region 2 Vice-President for Local 521. I have been part of SEIU since 1984, but have never attended an International Convention. I would be honored to represent us in Denver. I am especially excited about supporting our new president, Mary Kay Henry."

- *Matthew Nathanson, Public Health Nurse II, County of Santa Cruz*



"My name is Tuan Manh Nguyen. I've cared for my mother as a care provider since August, 2007 – moving her in and out of bed, accompanying her to medical appointments. As an union member, I wish to have opportunities to meet members from other states and learn from them."

- *Tuan Nguyen, Homecare Provider, IHSS Santa Clara*

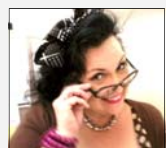
"My name is Belinda Ocegueda, thank you for accepting my request to attend the SEIU Convention in Colorado. I am a shop steward and have attended both SEIU 521 Conventions held in San Jose Ca. If selected, I assure you I will represent SEIU to the best of my ability."

- *Belinda Ocegueda, Eligibility Worker III, County of Fresno (no photo submitted)*



"Vote for me, to represent you as a delegate to the international convention, I will represent 521 to the fullest and will bring our priorities to the forefront so that we can be STRONGER TOGETHER!!!"

- *J. Diego Quevedo, Eligibility Worker II, County of Monterey*



"Hi my name is Molly Rodriguez. I've been an SEIU-521 Steward since 2000. Currently I have served for 4 years as V/P of Human Relations. My interest has always been to seek fair working relationships for all members. I have worked hard on several negotiations/political committees with positive outcomes."

- *Amadita (Molly) Rodriguez, Behavioral Health Specialist II, County of Stanislaus*

Joanne Mercado, Eligibility Worker II, County of Santa Clara
(no photo or statement submitted)

Sahr C. Moiwa, Hospital Services Asst II, County of Santa Clara
(no photo or statement submitted)

Edward J. Molcilo, Driver I, Hope Services
(no photo or statement submitted)



"If elected I will be a voice for the smaller Chapter's in Region 5. Making sure all our members are aware of the information and training our Union offers is key and very important. Unity is what we need and Stronger Together is how we Achieve!!"

- *Robert Murillo, Motor Sweeper Operator I, City of Delano*



"As a former rank and file County employee, I know the importance of member involvement. I've been committed to empowering others to have a voice at work where we can demonstrate power together. As a proud member and staff director in Region 2, I'd be honored to have your vote."

- *Debbie Narvaez, Internal Organizing Director, Local 521 Staff*

Socorro Negrete, Self Sufficiency Counselor III, County of Tulare
(no photo or statement submitted)

Sonia Negrete, Self Sufficiency Counselor III, County of Tulare
(no photo or statement submitted)



"As a steward I know that my ability to represent workers is directly impacted by the knowledge and experiences I have gotten over the years. Participating in events like the convention will give me new skills and allow me to be a voice for our local."

- *Donna Nielsen, Legal Office Specialist, County of San Mateo*

"My name is Santiago OC Ocegueda and I am the current President for Unit 4 Eligibility Chapter. I am also currently on the negotiating team and have attended the Bylaws convention and the Biennial Convention both for SEIU. I can represent you and protect your interests."

- *Santiago Ocegueda, Eligibility Worker III, County of Fresno (no photo submitted)*

Darlynn Qualls, Job Specialist III, County of Fresno
(no photo or statement submitted)

Rebecca Renovato, Job Specialist III, County of Fresno
(no photo or statement submitted)



"Our successes have always been on the defense, we have to do more. If we fail to improve the national economic conditions for all Working Families, we will lose financial security we have worked so hard to achieve. Vote for me as a delegate to the 2012 Convention."

- *Veronica Rodriguez, Employee Training Specialist II, County of Santa Cruz*



"It has been my esteemed pleasure to be a part of every 521 and legacy 715 IHSS negotiating team and to serve as your regional VP a part of building a Home Care Chapter that is the standard for the highest quality in the State of California."

- Ellen Rollins, Homecare Provider, IHSS Santa Clara

"I just wanted to express my thanks to all the member at local 521 SEIU for supporting me on this great opportunity to attend the conference in Denver, Colorado. I look forward to learning many things about being a Union Delegate, and also sharing it with my Union. Thank you"

- Grace Samayoa, Instructor, Hope Services (no photo submitted)

Rosaena Sanchez, Self Sufficiency Counselor III, County of Tulare (no photo or statement submitted)

Terri Songer, Eligibility Worker III, County of Fresno (no photo or statement submitted)



"As the SCHIHSS Chapter Chair and APALA Chairperson, my goal is to bring members together to strengthen our union membership, and rebuild America with Obama. The convention will give me the opportunity to network with current and past leaders around the nation in exploring ways and methods toward my goal."

- Yong O. Soung, Homecare Provider, IHSS Santa Clara

"My name is Max Stone and for the following reasons I'd like your support in becoming a 521 delegate for the international convention: Shop steward since 2005. 3 years as bargaining Unit K President. 2 years Executive Board member of the Local. Solidarity Forever, Thanks for your consideration!"

- Max Stone, Eligibility Worker II, County of Monterey (no photo submitted)



"I have been a loyal union member for over 30 years and continue working to protect our rights to keep pension, Medicare and social security for all. If elected, I will represent all members' rights at the convention."

- Rachel Subega, Retired Members



"I've been the Education and Training Director of Local 521 for the past four years and a twenty-year SEIU member from San Lorenzo Valley School District. At this pivotal time for working people and unions, strong membership and leadership must be our focus; there is important work to be done!"

- Beth Thomas, Education and Training Director, Local 521 Staff

Cathy Switzer, Social Worker I, County of Stanislaus (no photo or statement submitted)



"Hi, my name is Larry Torres of Region 5 - Kern County. I'm a Fiscal Support Specialist. I represent union members as a shop steward at my work site. Let me represent you as a delegate at the 2012 International Convention. Thank you for your vote."

- Larry Torres, Fiscal Support Specialist, County of Kern



"I am Helen Trinh. I am a steward in SEIU 521 and a member in APALA. I joined meetings, phone banking, and actions. I like to attend the SEIU 25th International Convention. I can learn everything in Convention to understand about the Union to help members."

- Helen Trinh, Homecare Provider, IHSS Santa Clara



"Hi, I'm Wanda Wallace of Region 5-Kern. I'm a very active and involved 521 Union member who would love to represent 521 union members interest at the International Convention. I ask for your vote to send me to the 2012 SEIU International Convention as a delegate. Thank you."

- Wanda Wallace, Social Service Supervisor II, County of Kern

"I am very pleased to be able to participate in Seiu 521 conventions and learn more information about the Seiu 521 activities, meet other Seiu 521 members globally at this convention. I have been an active member since Seiu 715 and participate in contract negotiations."

- Charlene Watkins, Community Services Specialist, Momentum for Mental Health (no photo submitted)



"I like pies but don't like apples; I deal with politicians but don't like their babble. SEIU Convention, I want to go. Worker unity, I want to show. Fighting for a fair economy, you me together. Taking on the 1 percent, let's go to Denver!"

- Khanh Weinberg, Communications Director, Local 521 Staff



"I ask for your vote to represent you at our International Convention. I am the Trustee for Region 1, the co-chair for COPE and I am a member of the pension committee. This Convention will be crucial to SEIU 521 as this will set the stage for our future."

- Rachel Welch, Forensic Chemist, County of Santa Clara

Ryan Wilson, Child Support Officer II, County of Tulare (no photo or statement submitted)

Wanda Yarbrough, Social Worker III, County of Fresno (no photo or statement submitted)