

# Talking

# Points



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## Sanctuary County

"We go into people's homes to do nursing assessments. Our initial visits are the longest ones because we want to develop rapport with our patients. Otherwise, we can't be effective. If the environment becomes more anti-immigrant, it will become more difficult for me to do my job. Trust is a huge part of my work."

- Marilyn Mara, Public Health Nurse,  
Santa Clara County



Read more about our union's amicus brief in support of Santa Clara County being a "sanctuary" jurisdiction: [www.seiu521.org/sanctuary](http://www.seiu521.org/sanctuary)



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Potential Honorary  
Members

7,041,413

April is National Volunteer Month. Over 7 million Californians volunteer every year according to the Corporation for National Community Service. Many of these people volunteer to support libraries, Animal Services, and other public agencies.

Did you know the volunteers you work with can also become Honorary SEIU Local 521 members? Volunteers that help us deliver quality public services already support our mission. During National Volunteer Month, you can help them take their activism to the next level by signing up here: [www.seiu521.org/htamembers](http://www.seiu521.org/htamembers)

## Build Political and Community Power

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How many days it took for "repeal and replace" to become "reveal and retreat." The healthcare bill intended to replace the Affordable Care Act crashed and burned on March 24. In the end, the Republican leadership didn't even let the bill come to a vote. The marches we led, the candlelight vigils across Local 521, the phone calls and digital activism all played a part in this victory. Let's stay vigilant and continue to [#fight4ourhealth](#). [#CareNotChaos](#).

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

## Upcoming Events

April 3: Immigration Lobby Day in Sacramento

April 15: Immigration KYR workshop in San Jose

April 17-22: International Week of Action

April 29: People's Climate March

May 1: International Worker's Day March and Rally

Get synced with all the events on our website at [www.seiu521.org/events](http://www.seiu521.org/events)

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## Develop Leaders

Number of new activist members whose bilingual chants filled the air at Encompass Community Services' first unity rally on March 27. The rally kicked off the beginning of Encompass workers' fight for a contract that invests in our community. Encompass workers provide vital Head Start and preschool childcare services in Santa Cruz County. Over the years, these childcare providers have been working to improve the quality of early education in Santa Cruz and Watsonville, but as parents themselves, Encompass workers have struggled to afford the same quality of care for their own children.

