

Greetings Fellow Union Member!

The Executive and I would like to welcome you to CUPE Local 556 - your union.

CUPE Local 556 is comprised of 5 units:

- City of Courtenay
- Town of Comox
- Comox Valley Regional District
- Village of Cumberland
- Hornby Island Residents and Ratepayers Association

Each unit has a unit vice president and shop stewards that represent their members daily. The executive is comprised of a president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer, recording secretary and unit vice presidents.

We urge you to familiarize yourself with your collective agreement, a copy of which has been provided by your employer. If you have any questions or if any issues arise, your shop stewards and fellow union members are there to assist you. We have enclosed a list of contacts for your reference. If you would like a copy of the Local's bylaws or constitution, they are available online through our website. Your shop steward can also arrange for copies.

CUPE 556 holds general meetings at our office at 496 Tenth Street, six times a year usually on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm. Refreshments including pizza are often provided. Aside from keeping you informed, these meetings are an opportunity for meeting other members in our local and learning more about how you can benefit from union resources.

CUPE Local 556 not only strives to improve conditions for all working people in general and we also believe in supporting our community.

Once settled into your new position please ask any of your unit shop stewards or executive about valuable training CUPE offers our members. Again, we all welcome you. Please let us know if you need assistance with anything. All the best in your new job.

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When we are unified, we are strong!

In Solidarity,

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