

UNITED FOR A STRONGER TOMORROW



Public Employees Union/AFSCME Local 1 is joining together with AFSCME Council 57 in a historic unification that will blend two strong unions to become a more powerful union for all AFSCME members in Northern California and the Central Valley.

By unifying with AFSCME Council 57, PEU/AFSCME Local 1 members and staff will gain:

Autonomy – Though PEU, Local 1 will join AFSCME Council 57, Local 1 will retain its identity and maintain their own governance. Additionally, immediately after unifying, PEU/AFSCME Local 1 will gain two seats on the AFSCME Council 57 board to have a say in the direction of the council.

Increase Member Power – Joining in the collective strength of 28,000+ public sector employees from 23 autonomous local unions in AFSCME Council 57, PEU/AFSCME Local 1 will become part of a stronger and more influential group member base.

Greater Resources – Historically, PEU/AFSCME Local 1 has been able to access specific resources through AFSCME International. Now, PEU/AFSCME Local 1 members and staff will be able to access the resources, training, and professional services such as an organizing director and staff, more staff training, experienced negotiators needed to continue winning greater respect and workplace improvements for all public employees, and a dedicated political director from a council that is local, understands our membership, and their issues.

Bargaining Power – Due to overlapping geographic areas, PEU/AFSCME Local 1 will obtain an increase in bargaining power in some areas.

Lower Dues – Even though PEU/AFSCME Local 1 members will gain many benefits from the unification, membership dues will be reduced.

Legislative Action – Since 1963, AFSCME Council 57 has been mobilizing workers to participate in the political process and supports legislation that raises the awareness and advocates for issues that impact working families.

By joining AFSCME Council 57, PEU/AFSCME Local 1 members and staff will now gain more strength and the resources to continue fighting and winning the dignity, respect, and improvements for public service workers.

When public workers unite, we win!