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IMPORTANT UPDATE

July 29, 2021

Brothers & Sisters

Just as we believed we had turned the corner for the better with Covid-19, we now have to prepare ourselves against the Delta Variant. The deadline for the Cares Act is September 30th, 2021 and our members need to hope for the best but prepare for the worse possible scenario. Our future will not only continue to bring us a fight for our jobs, but also a continued battle for our health, safety and lives.

As always, for updates and information our members should visit our TWU Local 501 website at Local501.twuatd.org or reach out to any of our Union representatives for assistance.

While Covid 19 and the new JCBA's have brought us tremendous challenges, our Local is now in the middle of a re-location process. The Union Hall located on Rockaway Blvd where TWU Local 501 has conducted business from for over the last decade is now being sold by the owners. TWU Local 501 has now entered into a lease at 66-00 Queens Midtown Expressway Suite 106 Maspeth, NY, 11378. (Effective August 1, 2021). This location is centered between JFK and LGA Airports and provides us sufficient space to conduct our NYC membership meetings.

Your Executive Board appreciates your continued support and patience during these trying times and understanding while we transition during this moving period.

Over the time period of the past 30 days, the majority of our TWU Local 501 Executive Board members have provided training to our stewards and newly appointed Section Chairman. Field visits with our members at LGA, JFK, EWR and Philadelphia were also accomplished along with meetings with ALL the managing Directors at these stations.

Your Executive Board will continue to be as visible and available to the members as much as possible at All of our stations and shops where our TWU Local 501 members are located. During the month of August a few of our Executive Board members are planning to make a trip to SJU as Covid has limited our customary visits with our brothers on the Island.

Unless there is an unforeseen change, in early to mid – September your Local Officers will be attending the scheduled Transport Workers Union Twenty-Sixth Constitutional Convention in Las Vegas.

There are many topics that could be discussed, but the following are topics of great importance and in need of an update:

- A GRB process and Local Grievance Committees are still being worked on by the Association.
- NMB Case # R- 7557 involving AMFA is still unfolding.
- TWU Local 501 is patiently awaiting word from the International on how they plan to proceed with the NYC DOL Bi-Weekly topic.
- We are still in a waiting pattern on the Allocators Fleet Arbitration Decision.
- As our TWU Local 501 JFK Title 2 members already know – the company is planning to outsource our F/M Core work to vendors which is work our 501 members perform in BLD 79. Our Local is doing everything possible to prevent this from happening although it's no secret the company has already established this goal of theirs in the system at numerous locations.
- Fleet CBA Article 14 G is of great importance as it provides our members with paid breaks before and after lunch.
- Our Fleet Service members need to know that Crew Chiefs are NOT to be utilized as Agents by the company.

Work Safe and always appreciate your life and blessings.

In Solidarity,


Victor J. Gonzalez

President

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