# **Keeping Up the Pressure, Fighting for Justice**

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The virtual **Legislative/Political Conference** will be held on Sunday, September 26, 2021 via Zoom. Registration is required and is separate from the All-Craft Conference registration and the Retiree Conference Registration.

#### **Schedule**

1:00 pm ET Welcome and Legislative Updates

1:30 pm – 3:30 pm ET Workshops (select one (1))

- Legislative Advocacy & Lobbying: Holding Your Representatives Accountable
- Fighting for Justice: Preparing for the 2021/2022 Elections
- Knowledge is Power: Understanding the Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC), Board of Governors, Postal Service Operations, and our Universal Service Obligation
- Organizing to Win: New Strategies for Our Fight

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm ET Break

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm ET Panel – "What Does Worker Solidarity Look Like?"

Join us for a panel discussion and Q&A as we engage with representatives from other labor/community organizations. Our panel will discuss how we can work together to gain support for each other's issues in the post-pandemic world.

5:00 pm – 5:30 pm ET Keynote Speakers and Closing Remarks

## **Workshop Descriptions**

Legislative Advocacy & Lobbying: Holding Your Representatives Accountable: In this workshop, you will learn effective lobbying techniques to build support for APWU's legislative priorities on the "Hill." You will learn how to secure the meeting, how to prepare, and how to effectively educate lawmakers and their staff on our issues. APWU members will also learn how to build and maintain a productive relationship with their members of Congress.

Fighting for Justice: Preparing for the 2021/2022 Elections: Today, elections are underway in many states and the 2022 midterm elections are right around the corner. It's crucial we prepare so we can elect pro-worker, pro-Postal Service candidates. In this workshop, we'll take a deep dive into competitive races, learn about ways to get involved, understand the ongoing attacks on voting rights, and review the Hatch Act and how it affects the election work we do.

Knowledge is Power: Understanding the Postal Regulatory Commission (PRC), Board of Governors, Postal Service Operations, and our Universal Service Obligation: It is important that APWU members expand their understanding of the basic operations of the Postal Service. They will leave the workshop with a solid foundational knowledge of Postal Service finances and operations that will help them in their advocacy.

**Organizing to Win: Building Support for Our Issues:** To build support for our issues, we must organize in both our workplaces and our communities. In this workshop, we'll discuss effective strategies to secure concrete victories for the working class and for our public Postal Service. You'll learn cutting-edge digital strategies, the power of peer-to-peer organizing, how to effectively communicate our issues with the media, and what it takes to organize successful actions.

### Registration

To register for the **Legislative/Political Conference**, click the link below. You will be asked to provide the following information: first name, last name, email address, phone number, local, position in local & workshop selection.

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpce-rqDkqGNBj2a2W1GUPJICt1L0jtOPd

After registering, your membership will be verified. Prior to the conference, you will receive a link to join the conference on Sunday, September 26, 2021.

#### **Important Points to Remember:**

- In order to receive conference materials on time, please aim to register by September 10. Those who register after that date may receive their materials after the conclusion of the conference.
- When registering, only use a personal or local email address. Any registration completed with a usps.gov email address will not be approved.
- Please note that we are unable to make changes to your registration after it's submitted. Therefore, please ensure that you use an email address to which you have access.

## **Contact Information**

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