



UNION OF SAFETY AND JUSTICE EMPLOYEES

USJE calls for the establishment of Joint review to examine volume and complexity of Parole work amid COVID pressures and public safety concerns at Joyceville Institution

As a result of repeated concerns arising from federal parole officers based out of Joyceville Institution (near Kingston, ON), USJE convened a special meeting between USJE President David Neufeld, CSC Commissioner Anne Kelly, Regional Vice President Bill Bailey, local president Richard Sweetman as well as several federal parole officers working at the federal penitentiary.

During the meeting, the issues of high caseloads, condensed timelines to evaluate offender progress regarding rehabilitative outcomes, and the proper planning to ensure the successful re-integration of offenders back into the community were raised by federal parole officers with the Commissioner.

Learn more at usje-sesj.com.

USJE Virtual Town Halls - It's your turn to speak to our National President

I'm thrilled to invite you to our first ever virtual town hall for USJE members. This town hall will enable me to provide you with a comprehensive update on what the union has been undertaking since Convention and our ongoing campaigns. I'm looking forward to sharing all the work that the National Executive has been doing to advocate on your behalf.

Registration is required: visit usje-sesj.com.

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7:00–8:30pm CDT
6:00–7:30pm MDT & CST
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Both French and English interpretation will be provided.

I look forward to speaking with you and hearing your thoughts and suggestions on how we can continue to work to support you and the important work you do.

In solidarity,

David Neufeld
National President



National Day of Mourning: Work shouldn't hurt

On National Day of Mourning April 28, PSAC recognizes the exemplary work of PSAC members who saved countless lives defending the health and safety of workers during the pandemic.



UPCOMING EVENTS

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National Local Presidents Meeting

Ottawa, ON - Jun. 6-8

Regional Conferences

Ontario - Kingston, ON - Sept. 27-28

Pacific - Vancouver, BC - Oct. 4-5

Atlantic - Halifax, NS - Oct. 25-26

Quebec - Montreal, QC - Nov. 8-9

Prairies - Edmonton, AB - Nov. 15-16

USJE Equity Conference

Winnipeg, MB - January 2023

USJE National Convention

Whistler, BC - July 17-21, 2023



Local President and Equity Committee member Satinder Bains talks labour issues with Regina-Wascana Conservative MP Michael Kram

Local 40002 President Satinder Bains met with his MP, Michael Kram (Regina-Wascana), in Regina to discuss labour issues important to his region and the SV Group, which is currently negotiating their collective agreement. They had a productive discussion and plan to have a follow-up meeting in the near future.

The SV bargaining team is fighting the employer on several fronts, including a fair wage package, an increase in access to professional development, and against the employer's push that variable overtime be changed to time and a half from the current time and three quarters.

USJE would like to know if you meet with your MP to talk about labour issues. Contact us at USJECommunicationSESJ@psac-afpc.com.

At the National Local Presidents Meeting, June 7-8, 2022, Local presidents will get more information on meeting with their MPs and how this can be tracked to help USJE achieve better working conditions for you and all USJE members.

Congratulations to Lois Greenhalgh on receiving USJE's Exemplary Service Award

In April 2022, Lois was honoured with a USJE Exemplary Service Award. This award is given to USJE members who have provided outstanding contributions to their Local or region and Lois is an extremely deserving recipient.

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FAQ: How bargaining with Treasury Board works

Here's a quick primer on how Treasury Board bargaining works, from getting input from you – the members – to leveraging our union's strength at the table and securing a fair contract.

Visit <https://psacunion.ca/faq-how-bargaining-treasury-board-works>

Headlines

Kingstonist: *PSAC, USJE picket at Joyceville Institution to highlight bargaining demands*

Radio-Canada: *Des syndiqués du pénitencier de Drummondville envisagent la grève*