

JULY/AUGUST 2026

OPSEU Frontlines

OPSEU Local 101's newsletter

Message from the President

Hello OPSEU Local 101 Members,

In leaving the hot and stormy summer days of this past week behind, we transition into fall, and are hopeful for a long and relaxing Labour Day weekend. Some of us will be able to enjoy time off, but some of us will also be working and keeping the ship afloat. Always steady. Always stable. Tackling every storm that comes our way to make sure our patients and coworkers make it through to see another day. Labour Day is a celebration of recognition for the people, who through their commitment and dedication, keep the ship from sinking. Although the metaphor may seem simplistic, there is no doubt that some days feel like a storm, from which we may never recover. As coworkers and united members, we are here to support and help each other through times of uncertainty and change. As workers, who are deserving of better wages, fair collective bargaining legislation and safer working conditions, we stand in solidarity to ensure that all of us benefit from the fight. When we are faced with challenges and roadblocks, the Union and its members will stand together and forge ahead to try and ensure the best possible outcomes. If we lead with a clear mind, an unwavering spirit and a kind heart, we can establish a good working foundation. Progress and change are only possible if everyone is united in their perseverance of a common goal.. Once again, reflect on the accomplishments of the past, look to the positive changes of the future and be grateful for everything that is in between.

In solidarity, Susan Bohnert Hamelin

HPD central agreement reached

OPSEU Hospital Professionals Division reached a central arbitration award. This covers HPD members who are covered by the agreement. Local 101 negotiates our own collective agreement with the employers. We refer to the HPD central agreement, however, during our negotiations. Local 101 negotiating teams go back to the table this fall. We will keep members informed as our negotiations proceed. For more information and a link to the award, please go to: https://opseu.org/hpd-central-arbitration-award/

Labour Day Draw Winners!

OPSEU LABOUR DAY DRAW GIFT CARD PICK UP
WINNERS LISTED CAN PICK UP THEIR CARDS AT THE FOLLOWING:

WRH- MET CAFETERIA- Friday Sept 11, 2026 11:00-12:00
WRH- OUE CAFETERIA- Friday Sept 11, 2026 12:30-1:30
HDGH- TAYFOUR CAFETERIA-Tuesday Sept 15, 2026- 12:30-1:30

Congratulations to all of the OPSEU winners!

Rojin Golbaz - Kristina McClelland - Sonia Pecile - Alyssa Fiore
Elisa Wright - Elsbeth Jansen - George Pardalis - Jose Martinez
Peter Dumo - Jessica Scott - Olivia Speziale - Morena Gjecovik
Kelly Soulliere - Amanda Hocson - Courtney Nantais
Breanna Grenier - Shannon Powers - Sylvia Adisho
Sridevi Kanneganti - Patricia Borkulak - Calvin D Clapdorp
Rebecca Dehoop - Shalini Lakshminarayan - Rachel Dupuis
Leah Paschin - Nicole Bernier - Sonia Ricci-Debono
Michele Wuerch - Salina Ciccone - Savannah Moulder
Hailey Rizok - Suela Cela - Tianyu Yao - Yasmine Rabah
Jennifer Lenhart - Monica Bagga - Laura Brode - Margaret Leblanc
Brooke Schulz - Therese Vander Doelen - Sara Deluca-Guarnaccia
Emma Rothera - Christina Hindi - Stefanie Morello - Julie Rauth
Dejana Trninic - Katie Tompkins - Karla Vucenovic
Arjuna Indirakumar - Nicholas Goodwin - John Antoniw
Julia Thibert - Annita Mitrevski - Felda Matti - Jennifer Lewton
Jennifer Dreveny - Barbara Corrent - Burcu Bayraktar
Michelle Mulligan - Alfredo Villacorte - Cassandra Roach
Natalie Demarco - Jared Dolman-Smith - Miranda Albano
Colette Boughner - Lauren Thompson - Rachel Laporte
Tania Babister - Jessica Fortier - Diana Pisani - Alisha Cunning
Sierra Liberato - Emma Smit - Malinda Ruggeri - Eric Cunningham
Kristy Barker - Lauren Valmassoi - Danielle Demitroff
Dayna Meloche - Landah Hoag - Kayla Cercone - June Reid
Nicole Pirouet - Staci Harris - Julia Valeriani - Aleyna Tocco
Cindy Charlebois - Amanat Ludhar - Nicole Biloski
Aneeta Younus - Amanda Cameron - Maja Stavridis
Jacqueline Nikolic - Alexandra Rafinski - Jennifer Bastie -
Michelle Gallagher - Jennifer Rogers - Kerry Brooks - Alana Fischer
Mitchell Van Teeling - Leigh-Anne Erwin



Region 1 Virtual Educationals Oct 3-4, 2026

Registration Deadline is Friday September 11th by 2pm. The course will be held virtually by ZOOM on Saturday, Oct. 3, from 9am – 5pm and on Sunday, Oct. 4, from 9am – 1pm.

Courses offered:

-Stewards 1: Making a Difference in the Workplace

-Duty to Accommodate 1: A Tool for Inclusive Workplaces

-Intro to Grievance Handling: Rights Enforcement in the Organizing Toolbox

-Local Treasurers Course

For more information and to find the application form: https://opseu.org/region-1-virtual-educational-oct-3-4-2026/

Reminder to those registered for the Local 101 Stewards Training to be held:

Sept 23, 2026 9-5
@ Caboto Club
Oct 14, 2026 9-5
Held at NEW Area Office
(location to follow)

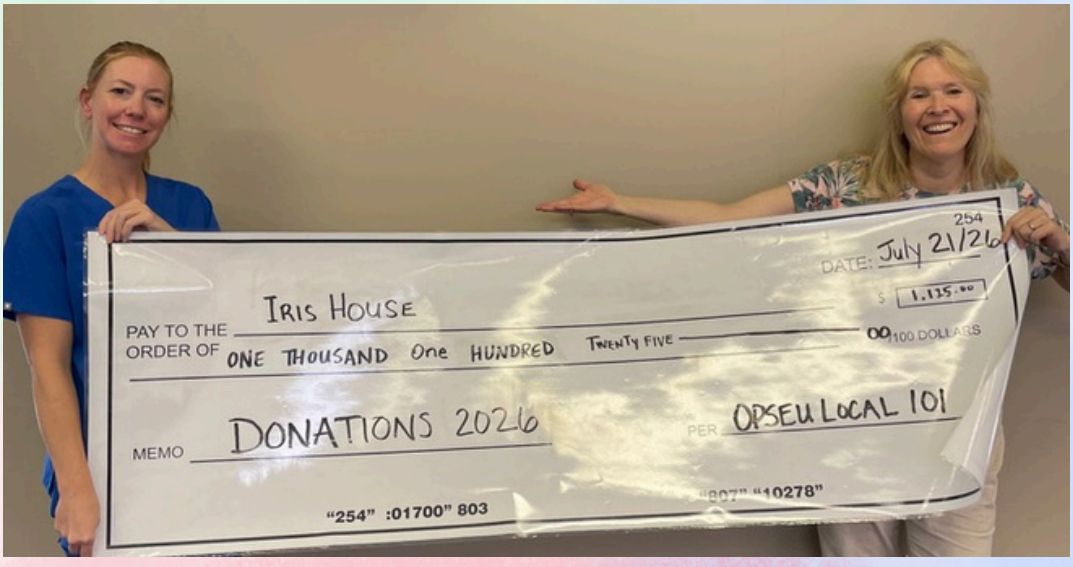
Photos from recent OPSEU 101 Donations Committee cheque presentation

This year, the Donations Committee presentated money to 5 worthy local organizations. Here are some photos and information about the groups.

Street Help's mission is to provide sanctuary from the streets where the homeless will be given the dignity to provide to themselves and to others the services they require. www.street-help.com



Women United Luncheon and Networking throught the United Way. This is a group is an inclusive, vibrant community of change-makers bound together by a sense of belonging – to one another, to our community, and to our mission. www.weareunited.com



Iris House is a charity that operates in the heart of downtown Windsor, Ontario. It is a home that provides permanent housing, food services, and supervised care to 67 people aged 18+ living with persistent serious mental illness (PSMI). www.irisinn.ca

Windsor West Little League ensures that sports are accessible to children who are interested regardless of their financial situation with greatly reduced or free rates and fees. www.wwll.ca/wwll/

Bryerswood Youth Camp Optimist Club provides structured programs in an outdoor setting, focusing upon fostering self-esteem, leadership and life skills, outdoor skills and environmental education. www.bryerswood.com

