

Dear L&I interpreters,

The Washington State Labor Council (WSLC), AFL-CIO lends its full support to your campaign to join Interpreters United (WFSE). Joining a strong union doesn't just give you a voice in your profession; it opens up a path toward state-funded health insurance, fair pay, and equal access to interpreter work.

The choice for representation couldn't be any clearer, and the time couldn't be any more right. With Interpreters United (WFSE), you'll have the backing of nearly 47,000 workers represented by WFSE, and one of the strongest labor movements in the nation right here in Washington state.

In early 2022, a date will be set for a union representation election. We strongly encourage you to cast your vote for the only legitimate union on the ballot: Interpreters United (WFSE).

Interpreters United (WFSE) is a strong, member-run union and the only organization in Washington with experience representing spoken language interpreters. It is the only organization to have negotiated an interpreter collective bargaining agreement and the only professional organization on the ballot with staff and resources to ensure you get the support you need.

Interpreters United (WFSE) fought for and won the legislation that allowed independent interpreters to unite in a union in the first place. They have successfully won improvements for interpreters like one-hour minimums and reimbursements for late cancellations and no-shows.

As an affiliate of the WSLC -- alongside the American Federation of Teachers, Teamsters, SEIU, and more than 600 local unions and councils representing some 500,000 rank-and-file union members -- Interpreters United (WFSE) will strengthen the voice of L&I interpreters and connect you to your community of labor that fights for ALL working people in Washington state.

This opportunity doesn't come often, so don't miss it. You and your fellow interpreters have worked tirelessly over the past several years to secure a voice on the job. Cast your ballot for Interpreters United (WFSE) and you'll be on your way toward negotiating a contract that improves your profession and your livelihood.

In solidarity,

Larry Brown

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Larry Brown, President April Sims, Secretary Treasurer Washington State Labor Council, AFL-CIO

P.S. On the reverse side, take a look at all the unions -- in addition to Interpreters United (WFSE) -- that are affiliated with the Washington State Labor Council, AFL-CIO and part of our movement.



When you belong to a Union affiliated with the Washington State Labor Council, AFL-CIO

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And those are just SOME of the unions represented at the WSLC. Visit wslc.org for more information.

