ELECTION UPDATE
Five of our nine endorsed candidates in Denver Metro won their races!

DENVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
DPS DISTRICT 5 – BRAD LAURVICK – WINNER
DPS AT LARGE – TAY ANDERSON – WINNER

CITY OF AURORA
AURORA WARD 4 – JUAN MARCANO - WINNER
AURORA WARD 5 – ALLISON COOMBS - WINNER
AURORA WARD 6 – BRYAN LINDSTROM - LOST
AURORA MAYOR – OMAR MONTGOMERY - LOST

COMMERCE CITY
COMMERCE CITY MAYOR – STEVE DOUGLAS – LOST

THORNTON
THORNTON MAYOR – ERIC MONTOYA – LOST

ENGLEWOOD
ENGLEWOOD CITY COUNCIL AT LARGE – JOHN STONE - WINNER

Thank you to the Legislative/Political Committee and all the members who came out to phone bank and door knock during the election.

GARDNER VISIT
On October 25th the Colorado Legislative Political Action Team, including 7777 members Anthony Scorzo and Sandra Parker-Murray delivered hundreds of postcards and letters in support of American workers to Senator Gardner’s office. We asked that the senator sign on to the stop offshoring bills as well as the cabin air safety act for our flight attendant sisters and brothers in the AFA.
**PRO ACT**
The Protecting the Right to Organize Act is a bill which would remove existing barriers to workers when joining a union and performing union activities. CWA has made it a litmus test for our elected officials – if they will not support this bill, we will not support them.

**FAMLI**
Legislative committee member Sandra Parker-Murray has been working hard with the FAMLI Coalition. FAMLI is legislation that would provide paid family leave for Colorado workers so that they can take care of themselves and family during time of need and not worry about losing pay during that time.

**NEXTGEN POLITICAL BOOTCAMP**
On November 13th and 14th, CWA hosted a NEXTGEN Political Bootcamp in Colorado. Young workers from across District 7, including two from 7777, attended the training. Participants learned about the class war, CWA legislative priorities, and learned skills to organize. After the training, participants are required to do side by side with their mentors so they can grow their skills and the membership. These bootcamps are essential to keeping our union alive and strong as we must develop young workers into activists and leaders.

**JASON CROW LABOR ROUNDTABLE**
This week union members from across Colorado will participate in a roundtable discussion with Congressman Jason Crow. CWA 7777 and our Legislative/Political Committee will be represented by Sandra Parker-Murray, and Jeff Payne – both are active committee members and residents of Congressional District 6, which Jason Crow represents. We hope to address worker and union issues with the Congressman including The PRO Act, Ending Offshoring, and Cabin Air Safety.

**Legislative Session 2020**
Colorado’s state legislative session begins January 8th. CWA will be working on the FAMLI legislation, as well as pushing for legislation to strengthen the PUC. We will be working in conjunction with the AFL-CIO to pass pro-worker legislation and to train members on how to lobby. We have tentatively planned a labor lobby corps for the week of February 24th and our labor day at the capitol for March 5th. Please let the legislative committee or a local officer know if you are interested in attending.

**National Legislative-Political Retreat**
Last week members of the LP Committee attended the CWA National Legislative-Political Retreat in Maryland. We heard from President Shelton regarding the 2020 elections. Colorado is a key state in the senate race and we believe we can replace Senator Gardner with a pro-worker candidate. We also learned about the success and work being done across the country and Colorado was a shining star exceeding our PAF goals and volunteer shifts. We also learned about 5G and the fight to organize those workers, Medicare for all and Medicare for America, pushing back against racism and identifying dog whistling in politics, and how to build our political activists.

Thank you to everyone who has helped grow our union and the legislative/political committee this year, I cannot do the work alone, no one can. Happy Holidays!

In Solidarity,  
Anthony Scorzo  
Legislative/Political Committee Chair