

Keep Your Union Benefits with Evergreen Membership

Interpreters United (WFSE) Local 1671's new digital Evergreen Membership option will protect your member benefits even when you're not working and keep our interpreter local strong.





Helen Eby, Local 1671 Member

"Signing up for Evergreen Membership is important because I don't want to lose track of whether I'm a member or not due to not taking the required appointments or not billing. Our local, and all I get from it, are too important for me to risk that.

Our union needs strong membership numbers to keep doing great work for interpreters. Down in Oregon, interpreters are making around \$30 an hour. We make \$46 now that our latest union contract is in effect. That's why I pay my \$16 a month even when I'm not interpreting. It supports fellow interpreters and our profession, plus I get a great return on the investment."

Union Membership Matters

We've accomplished a lot through our union: dignity and respect on the job, regular pay raises, hourly minimums per appointment, reimbursement for late cancellations/no-shows, and more. We have substantially improved language equity in Washington state and stood up for the patients and clients that depend on our services.

But what we can accomplish in the future is directly tied to our membership numbers.



The Pandemic Hit Our Local Hard

Our union was there for interpreters during the COVID-19 pandemic. We won in-person rates for remote appointments, sent masks to our members, paid members one-time \$300 grants for groceries, and created a \$15,000 Interpreter Hardship Fund through the Foundation for Working Families.

But the pandemic hit us hard. Our membership numbers suffered, and we are still trying to recover.

In order to remedy this situation we are launching a digital Evergreen Membership option that will allow our members to keep all the benefits of membership even when not working or billing for an extended period of time.



Why We Need the Evergreen Card

When our members do not work or bill for their appointments for three months, they are automatically dropped from the membership rolls.

As a result, our members often find themselves unable to attend our free continuing education credit workshops, vote on our contracts, hold elected office, and more.

This hurts our membership numbers and our local's finances.



"With WFSE's help, my income doubled in five years. I was a single mom trying to make it on one income and it was very difficult. Thanks to my union I went from barely surviving to thriving. I am thankful for the help WFSE gave me and other Washington state interpreters when we needed it most. That is why I became an Evergreen Member."

Karen Castle, Local 1671 Member

Your Banking info is Secure

Our digital Evergreen Membership uses a platform called Unionly, a Washington-based, union-focused company that was built specifically to help organized labor collect dues with the highest level of online payment security.

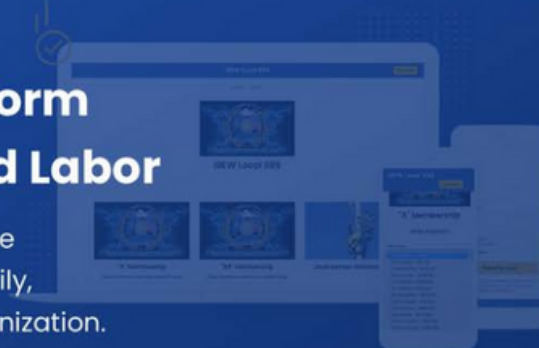
With end-to-end encryption, all card numbers are encrypted and decryption keys are stored on separate machines.

No cardholder information is stored on WFSE servers or on Unionly's servers.

Unionly

Custom Online Payment Platform Built Specifically for Organized Labor

We believe that managing online payments should be effortless. That's why we created a way for you to easily, safely, and transparently collect money for your organization.



Why

- Unionly is a union-focused company that was built specifically to help organized labor
- Your local will have the highest level of online payment security through Unionly
- Your local will be able to create custom payment pages within minutes through Unionly
- Unionly is extremely user-friendly and optimized for all devices
- Unionly is working with locals like yours across the nation

How

- All funds go directly to your local's bank account
- Unionly emails a receipt to members immediately following each transaction
- Unionly provides full reporting on demand and on an automatically scheduled basis
- Unionly provides text to pay functionality and the ability to create unlimited QR codes
- Unionly provides dedicated account management and support 24/7
- It will take 15 minutes for your local to get fully set up with Unionly

What

- Your local will be able to process any kind of online transaction through Unionly
- Unionly combines the functionality of a merchant account and a gateway in one, providing **a one stop shop to accept payments** and deposit funds directly to your bank account

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How Does it Work?

Sign Up

If you are ever in danger of losing your membership, you will receive a link to make your first \$16 payment.

IMPORTANT: Choose Auto Pay

To ensure you keep your membership whenever you're not taking appointments, choose autopay when making your first payment.

\$16 will be deducted automatically for any month that dues are not received by the union from my employer. You will not be charged dues twice.

Pay Dues

Select one

One Month - \$16.00

☒ Auto pay [learn more](#)
The plan you selected will charge your card on a monthly schedule.

First Name*

Last Name*

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