CWA Political Activist Training Testimonials

Albuquerque, NM (2017)

Arthur Fuldurer
DOH Social Worker (Retired)
Steward, Legislative Activist
Albuquerque, NM, Local 7076

“Empower us to have the ability to speak up and know we make a difference – I mean a real difference.”

Angi Carman
Broadband tech
Union member
Albuquerque, NM. Local 7011

“Every interaction counts. Don't be intimidated by the other side. We have a responsibility to ourselves and generations of future humans to never relent persistence.”

Sandra Oliver
Chemist
Region I VP
Albuquerque, NM. Local 7076

“Change is slow – Keep fighting. When you think you should stop trying is the time to fight harder.”
Sherman Tank  
Network Tech  
Union Vice President  
Taos, NM. Local 7037

“Be prepared to absorb a lot of very important information. Open your mind and be ready to be transformed into a social justice warrior.”

John Rodriguez  
Broadband Technician  
Chief Steward  
Santa Fe, NM. Local 7037

‘Think globally and act locally.’
Diana Koogler  
Local: 4322  
City: Beacrcreek, Ohio  
Job Title: Sales Consultant  

“Focus on the Broad Picture and remember the actions of one can be the reality of many.”

Edward Michael Sullivan  
Local: 4320  
City: Youngstown, Ohio  
Job Title: CSRI  

“Be open-minded, question everything, and explore yourself.”

Michael Jewett  
Local: 4302  
City: North Canton, Ohio  
Job Title: CSS  

“These actions shouldn’t end when the class does. These things are long-term because big businesses are playing the long game.”
Jon Wilkins  
Local: 4322  
City: Xenia, Ohio  
Job Title: Network Technical Specialist  

“Apply your world views to what you want and work to achieve your goals for your fellow union members and yourself.”

Lisa Hoose  
Local: 4220  
City: Gallipolis, Ohio  
Job Title: Retail Sales  

“This training will educate you about our history and the importance of unity in our labor movement. It will take the skills you already have and teach you to utilize your strengths to make you an effective activist – you can make a difference.”

Renee Bates Washington  
Local: 4322  
City: Dayton, Ohio  
Job Title: Sales Consultant  

“Be open to the possibility of understanding.”
Renee Rouser
Local: 4320
City: Youngstown, Ohio
Job Title: Consumer Support

“Get involved. Be involved.”
Greensboro, NC (2018)

Keedren Gantt
Local: 3640
City: Winston Salem, North Carolina
Job Title: Reservations Agent

“I would advise them to pay close attention because even though you may think you are aware, there is always something to learn.”

Kevin Ross
Local: 3640
City: Raleigh, North Carolina
Job Title: Sales Representative

“Get involved on a local level as well as a national level. Make sure you vote.”

Elizabeth Carney
Local: 3642
City: Cary, North Carolina
Job Title: Reservations Representative

“Know the union works on many issues and has a rich history of success.”
Malissa Brisbon  
Local: 3642  
City: Raleigh, North Carolina  
Job Title: Reservationist

“Make sure you do some deep soul searching. Find your talent and make it work for you. Understand that what you bring in the lives of others comes back to you.”

Kerri White  
Local: 3607  
City: Greensboro, North Carolina  
Job Title: Customer Service

“It’s OK to have faults, know your weaknesses (being shy), because they help you to grow as a person. You get to work with people with different backgrounds, but the same goal. Everyone has different strengths and weaknesses that complement one another. People are willing to work together and overcome.”

Rebecca Brown  
Local: 3640  
City: Thomasville, North Carolina  
Job Title: OBR

“Don’t be scared to talk to members or people in your community. All working people have a common ground to build conversations.”
Revonda Mestas  
Local: 3640  
City: Kernersville, North Carolina  
Job Title: Reservations Agent

“You have more in common with others than you think. Identifying those similarities will help you build relationships.”

Marie L. Reaves  
Local: 3607  
City: Kernersville, North Carolina  
Job Title: CSR

“Open your mind to really see what has been going on for years.”

Nathalyn Bladen  
Local: 3642  
City: Angier, North Carolina  
Job Title: Sales Representative

“Keep trying. It’s one step, one person, one win at a time. If you change and educate one person, you’ve possibly impacted the future of our nation.”
Dori Dempsey Rieck
Local: 3642
City: Clayton/Cary, North Carolina
Job Title: Sales Representative

“Stand for equality for all people.”