

# The members are the union!

*How you can build a strong union . . .*

1. Stay informed about union activities
2. Do your best to understand your contract
3. Read union materials
4. Vote in elections
5. Communicate with fellow employees and union leadership about important workplace issues

*"Everyone committing a little bit of time will make UPTE a powerful and effective union."*

## *I will. . .*

**Be a contact person** for my area: maintain the bulletin boards, distribute information, keep members aware of bargaining progress (1 hour/mo)

**Become a Union Builder** and sign up current non-members and new hires (3 hours/mo)

**Call 5-10 members** from time to time to recruit for a meeting or event (1 hour/mo)

**Be on the organizing committee** to help UPTE reach and maintain the highest membership numbers in order to win the best contracts possible (4 hours/mo)

**Become a steward** by attending training sessions as necessary and helping to enforce our contracts (4 hours/mo)

**Participate in legislative campaigns** by writing letters, sending e-mails, or making phone calls (1/2 hour/mo)

**Come to monthly membership meetings** (1 hour/mo)

**Stuff envelopes**, make signs, and/or develop union literature (1 hour/mo or less)

**Visit a bargaining session** to see how our contracts are negotiated (one day during bargaining)

**Serve as an UPTE officer** (4-6 hours/mo)

**Turn out for demonstrations** to support UPTE and/or other UC unions (1 hour/mo)

**Sit on a committee** such as reclassification, training and development, professional practices, health and safety, or labor/management meetings (2 hours/mo)

**Help develop the UPTE Davis Local 6 newsletter and/or website** (2-3 hours/mo)

**Other:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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