Purpose of the Community Services Standing Committee

The Community Services Committee performs the important task of getting help for members and their families in time of need. If being there to assist when an emergency, natural disaster, or even just hard times strike is something you feel strongly about, then this is the committee to give your time and effort to. Some examples of community service activities include:

- hurricane relief
- organ donor awareness
- food drives
- blood drives
- support for laid off workers

The Community Services Committee works through public and private organizations to assure that members faced with problems in emergency situations get relief when needed.

Generally, strike insurance benefits are handled by this committee when local unions are forced to demonstrate their economic strength. This committee serves as the local’s link with the community as we all work together to help those in need.

How do we help members needing....

General Resources

- Establish Peer Support Networks
- Provide Service Agency Information
- Develop a Referral Network
- Connect members to EAP

Worksite Closing Info

- Provide worksite closing information
- Provide employment program information
- Provide services information

Strike/Lockout Assistance

- Handle health and welfare problems
- Connect with community agencies
- Provide peer support and referral services

Disaster Relief

- Coordinate & identify community resources
- Recruit volunteers to assist Red Cross
- Collect info on members impacted
- Prioritize for those affected by disaster