

UAW Dues

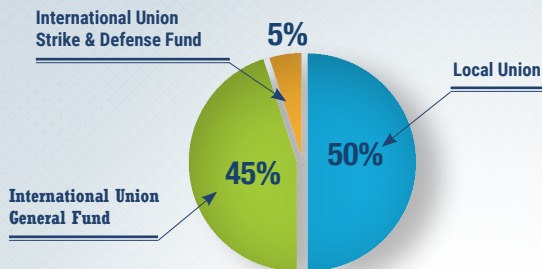
Explained!

UAW members contribute monthly dues to support the work of their union. Members employed part-time who work at least 40 hours per calendar month are subject to the minimum monthly dues. From bargaining contracts to enforcing them through the grievance procedure, union dues provide the resources used by locals every day. Article 16 is set by delegates to UAW Constitutional Conventions. The last change to the dues structure occurred at the 37th Constitutional Convention held in June 2018.



Once the Strike and Defense Fund reaches \$850 million, the lower dues structure shall remain in effect unless the Strike and Defense Fund drops to \$650 million at which time the higher dues structure will be in effect until the Strike and Defense Fund once again reaches \$850 million.

HOW UAW DUES ARE ALLOCATED*



► In addition, when the UAW Strike and Defense Fund is under \$850 million, the additional half-hour or .29% in dues goes entirely to the Strike and Defense Fund until it reaches \$850 million.

HOW UAW DUES ARE USED

LOCAL UNION:

A large portion of dues are rebated back to the local union. This is used to support member representation and education, as well as fund the many activities of the local within their community.

INTERNATIONAL UNION GENERAL FUND:

The International UAW pays for membership education, communication and organizing – programs geared toward building the union's strength when it comes to negotiating benchmark pensions and health care benefits, job security provisions, strong health and safety standards, fair work procedures, joint quality programs and many other important contractual provisions. UAW's legal, social security, research, and health and safety departments provide expert assistance to help negotiate and enforce collective bargaining agreements.

INTERNATIONAL UNION STRIKE & DEFENSE FUND:

A well-funded Strike and Defense Fund puts employers on notice that UAW members have the resources to strike, if necessary, to win important bargaining demands. It has proven again and again that being prepared to strike can be the most effective way to avoid a strike. That's why few UAW contract settlements have involved strikes.

ARE UNION DUES USED FOR FEDERAL CANDIDATE CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS?

No. That is a common misunderstanding. The fact is federal (and many state) election laws prohibit unions from contributing members' dues money directly to political candidates' campaign committees. The only money that can be used for contributions to federal candidates is money members voluntarily contribute to V-CAP (the UAW's political action program.)

* When the UAW Strike and Defense Fund is over \$550 million and other conditions are met, a portion of the dues going to the Strike and Defense Fund can be rebated in a once a year 13th check that goes to Local Unions and the International Union General Fund. For more information, go to www.uaw.org/dues

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