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December 3, 2025

TO: All Local Union Presidents, Recording Secretaries, Financial Secretaries, Area CAP Council Chairpersons and Staff, Region 4 UAW

Dear Union Siblings:

Plans and arrangements for the <u>2026 UAW National CAP Conference</u> are now under way. The conference will be held on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>February 8 and concluding Wednesday</u>, <u>February 11</u> at the <u>Washington Hilton</u>, <u>1919 Connecticut Ave. NW</u>, <u>Washington</u>, <u>DC 20009</u>.

The National CAP Conference is open to all active and retired members ready to help build a member-centered, member-driven political program. We encourage all attendees to be V-CAP contributors to show their commitment to building our political power. Please note the following is **REQUIRED** as you begin your delegate selection process:

- Participation and attendance at the plenary sessions, activities and workshops is **mandatory**. This is our only opportunity to meet nationally to learn from one another to build our political strength.
- All attendees must participate in our lobbying visits on the Hill to make sure elected officials know our priorities as a union and feel accountable to UAW members.
- Conference closes on Wednesday at 3:00 p.m. Return flights should not be booked before 3:00 p.m. that evening.

Delegates attending have the honor of representing their membership and region at a national meeting. It is also their duty to return to their worksites and share the knowledge gained during their week in Washington. Dues dollars pay for this opportunity, and members deserve nothing less.

The application process for credentials and hotel reservations is available online only. Applications may be completed by the delegates, officers or staff of the local or CAP Council. Once completed, the International will provide weekly registration reports to the Regional Director for final approval by the close of business each Friday. Registration is complete only upon submission of the registration fee which is \$325. Unlike past years, the UAW will not be able to accommodate members' guests, including spouses, partners, and/or companions. No refunds will be given for cancelled registrations. Local unions or CAP councils, however, may replace delegates (pending approval from the regional director). Similarly, a link to reserve a hotel room will be available on the registration website. Deadline for hotel reservations is Sunday, January 18, 2026, and we urge you to comply with the informational packet "Building Power for the Working Class" guidelines, review them carefully and take the necessary steps to assure that all information is provided.

To access the registration site, use the following URL and password, it is case sensitive.

Website: https://cap.uaw.org
Username: CAP2026
Password: UAWCAP

Submit your online application no later than <u>Friday</u>, <u>January 16th</u>. If you are unable to complete the application online, please call the National CAP Department (313) 926-5531 for assistance.

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2026 National CAP Conference

We encourage you to contact your legislators and invite them to the UAW Reception on Tuesday, February 10th. This is an opportunity for UAW members to share an evening with their congressional elected officials and national partner groups and allies. If a congressperson cannot attend, it is not necessary for them to send aides or staff for representation.

I look forward to your participation in an informative and productive conference.

In Solidarity,

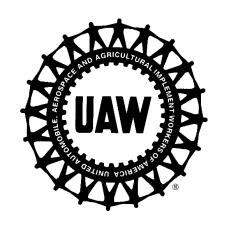
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Enclosure – 2026 Conf Info Packet – Building Power for the Working Class

cc: Lucas DeSpain, Asst. Director



"Building Power for the Working Class" UAW National CAP Conference

Washington, DC February 8-11, 2026

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INTRO

We are in a vital moment for the labor movement and for our country. We are facing unprecedented attacks on working families and unions. The world's richest 1% own more than the bottom 95% combined. Corporations are raking in record profits, while workers get left behind. Billionaires are doing everything they can to divide workers and pit us against one another.

Our union, the UAW, must lead if we have any shot at uniting and winning for the working class. This year's CAP Conference is focused on building our political muscle to win at the bargaining table, in the legislative halls and at the ballot box, focused on our core issues: wages, healthcare, retirement, and getting our time back.

The conference will showcase speakers who are leading in their communities, bold legislative solutions for a working-class agenda, and workshops that build the skills necessary to build political power from the ground up.

SCHEDULE

Location	Date	Arrival and Registration
Washington Hilton 1919 Connecticut Ave. NW Washington, DC 20009 (202) 483-3000	Sunday, February 8 through Wednesday, February 11	Saturday & Sunday February 7-8

Quick Overview Agenda		
Saturday February 7	Travel Day Registration 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.	
Sunday February 8	Travel Day Registration 9:00 a.m 3:00 p.m. Opening Plenary Session 3:00 p.m. Dinner & Event	
Monday February 9	Regional Breakfasts 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Plenary/Workshops 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	
Tuesday February 10	Workshops/Lobby on the Hill 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Evening Reception w/ Community Partners & Political Allies	
Wednesday February 11	White Shirt Day Constituency Breakfasts 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Plenary 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. The Conference ends at 12:00 p.m. Note: arrange travel for after 3 p.m.	

ATTENDEES

All active and retired UAW members are welcome to register and attend the 2026 National CAP Conference in Washington, DC, pending the Regional Director's approval.

National CAP wants to encourage as much participation as possible, and should include:

- 1. International Officers and Regional Directors
- 2. All CAP Staff Representatives
- 3. Members from state CAP councils
- 4. Members from each area CAP council
- 5. Members selected from local unions active on CAP committees
- 6. Retirees

Each Regional Director and Officer may send (3) additional members of their staff, beyond the allocation for CAP Representatives. The Assistant Director or Administrative Assistant would be counted as one of the three additional staff.

We highly encourage all attendees to be V-CAP contributors to show their commitment to building our union's political power.

UAW officers and Regional Directors will invite distinguished guests and allies to participate in various segments of the conference; however the conference will be centered on UAW members and our political program. All distinguished guests must be approved by the respective Officer or Regional Director, and the President of the International Union.

Unlike past CAP conferences, the UAW is unable to accommodate any guests of our member participants, including spouses, partners, and/or companions, at the CAP conference where meals are provided. Our deepest apologies.

REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2026 National CAP Conference will take place online. Local unions already set up for ACH payments can pay online for member attendees.

Again, our apologies, the UAW is unable to accommodate member participants' guests at the CAP conference.

There will be no refunds given for cancelled registrations. Local unions or CAP councils may replace member attendees. The registration fee for active and retired UAW members is \$325.

If paying by check, make it payable to: International Union, UAW

Mail to: UAW National CAP Department

8000 E. Jefferson Ave. Detroit, MI 48214

ONLINE REGISTRATION AND CREDENTIALS

All active and retiree UAW members attending the 2026 National CAP Conference must fill out an online application at the site below.

All entries are case sensitive: https://cap.uaw.org

Username: CAP2026 Password: UAWCAP Applications can be filled out by the applicants, officers or staff of the local union, or CAP council.

If a member and/or local is unable to register online, please call (313) 926-5531.

HOTEL RESERVATION INFORMATION & REGISTRATION

The 2026 National CAP Conference will be held at the Washington Hilton in Washington, DC.

All attending members must register their hotel rooms at https://book.passkey.com/go/UnitedAutoWorkersCAPConference.

All hotel reservations and cancellations are the responsibility of the respective conference attendee. Reservations are made on a first-come, first-served basis.

The UAW-negotiated rate is \$239 per night, plus applicable taxes and fees. Hotel check-in time is 4:00 p.m.; check-out is 11:00 a.m.

CAP Conference registration will be on the Terrace level of the hotel which can be accessed through the lobby or the T-street entrance of the hotel.

***Cut-off date for reservations is January 18, 2026. Reservations requested after this date will be accommodated based on hotel availability. Please note one-night's room deposit is required for all reservations.

AIRLINE RESERVATION INFORMATION

Conference attendees are responsible for making their own travel arrangements, and the cost of the airline reservation is the responsibility of the local union and/or CAP council. Arrangements can be made through TSI by calling 866-397-0667.

TRANSPORTATION

UAW member attendees can fly in/out of any of the (3) airports in the Washington, DC Metropolitan areas: Reagan National Airport (DCA) 8 miles away, Dulles International Airport (IAD) 30 miles away, or Baltimore-Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport (BWI) 33 miles away.

Uber/taxis are highly encouraged for members. Parking can be difficult to find and expensive.

EXPENSE GUIDELINES

FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Lost time, transportation, hotel costs and the \$325 member registration fee will be paid by participating local unions, CAP councils, outside organizations, and, where appropriate, from retiree regional funds. Seven meals will be provided and should be deducted from any per diems: Sunday dinner, Monday breakfast and lunch, Tuesday breakfast, lunch, and dinner, and Wednesday breakfast.

Adherence to these financial guidelines will expedite the registration process at the conference and in some cases, prevent issues at the CAP Conference registration desk and be greatly appreciated.

TUESDAY RECEPTION

We encourage you to contact your legislators and invite them to attend the UAW reception on Tuesday, February 10 at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of this event is for UAW members to share an evening with their congressional elected officials and national partner groups and allies.

If a congressperson cannot attend, it is not necessary for them to send aides or staff for representation.

DRESS ATTIRE

Winters in Washington, DC can be cold but are much milder than January weather in the Midwest or Northeast. Temperatures generally range from 30 to 40 F, with frosty mornings and occasional snow, rarely sticks. Down jacket/coat is appropriate, gloves and a warm hat are recommended, and temperatures dip in the evenings.

Dress attire for the National CAP Conference is business casual, wear what you are comfortable in. Members will wear everything from UAW-branded polos, hoodies and some will choose to wear suits to go lobby on the Hill with lawmakers. Members may want to dress up for the Tuesday political and allies reception. It is your preference throughout the conference.

DC is a walking town. comfortable shoes and warm socks because you'll be walking throughout different parts of the trip. We will have transportation for attendees with mobility issues.

Only Ask: Please bring a <u>WHITE</u> shirt to wear on Wednesday, February 11th, to commemorate the end of the 1937 Flint Sit-Down Strike, the final day of the conference.

V-CAP SALES BOOTH

All UAW local unions and CAP councils will be able to sell their merchandise during the 2024 National CAP Conference. They will be allowed one eight-foot table for sales.

The application to have a V-CAP sales booth is attached as an addendum. Locals or CAP councils must complete the form and submit it to their Regional Director for approval. Once approved, the Region will forward the form to the National CAP Department.

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2026 UAW National CAP Conference V-CAP SALES BOOTH FORM

Date:
Contact Person:
Local Union/CAP Council:
Address:
Phone:
Regional Director
Date

Once approved by the Regional Director, this form should be sent to the National CAP Department at rearrigan@uaw.net.

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