UPDATED DATES DUE TO POSTPONEMENT

OFFICIAL CALL TO THE MEMBER MOBILIZATION INSTITUTE

September 27 – October 2, 2026
The Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center
Onaway, Michigan

ATTENTION: POSTPONEMENT PROCESS

This institute was previously scheduled for April 2026, but due to severe flooding in Northern Michigan, it was postponed. The new dates are September 27 – October 2, 2026. As we previously had more than 200 delegates registered for this institute, we are giving those local unions priority to confirm or cancel their delegates before any new registrants will be approved. **Local unions that registered delegates prior to the postponement must confirm or cancel those delegates by email to the Education Department at education@uaw.net by Monday, July 27, 2026.**

We anticipate that we will be able to accommodate additional delegates due to the postponement. All local unions are invited to submit new registrations at this time, following the processes contained in this call letter packet. New registrants will automatically be placed on a waitlist and will be approved after the new registration deadline if space allows.

Please disregard the previous call letter for this institute and refer to all updated process deadlines contained in this reissued call letter packet.

CONFERENCE DESCRIPTION

The UAW Education Department will hold its Member Mobilization Institute from September 27 to October 2, 2026. This institute will be held at the Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center in Onaway, Michigan.

This institute transforms committed union members into skilled labor movement leaders ready to build union power from the inside out. Three focused tracks offer hands-on training

for rank-and-file members and local leaders who want to step up their involvement or sharpen their existing skills as union advocates.

New Activists Track: For newer UAW members or those just now getting involved, this track will help you find your path and develop skills to take action that makes a difference!

Internal Mobilizing Track: Ready to energize your membership and increase engagement throughout your local? This track gives you the tools to grow solidarity and build collective power.

External Organizing Track: Whether you're curious about organizing or already part of an Organizing Committee, this track provides a roadmap for those passionate about bringing new workers into the movement.

ELIGIBILITY TO ATTEND

This institute is open to any UAW member in good standing who wants to begin or deepen their union involvement. Whether new or experienced, delegates will gain practical skills and strategies to strengthen our union for the fights ahead.

Attendance is mandatory at all sessions and is taken daily. Delegates must be registered by their local union and approved by their region to attend this conference.

REGISTRATION

Due to the postponement of this institute, previously registered delegates will receive priority if confirmed by their local union **by July 27, 2026**.

Local unions must register any additional delegates by **Monday, August 17, 2026, at 4 p.m. ET**. To register delegates, local unions must follow the registration instructions provided in the attached ***Local Union Process*** document.

The registration fee is **$75** per delegate. Local unions will be responsible for the payment of all lost time.

Local and regional approval is required to attend this conference. Approved delegates will receive an email confirmation with complete logistical details before the start of the institute. It is important that delegates provide their personal email address and cell phone number to their local union for registration purposes to ensure that they receive all communications about the conference.

INSTITUTE DETAILS & AGENDA

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2026
TRAVEL DAY
Registration: 3 - 5 p.m.
Center Tour: 5 p.m.
Dinner: 6 p.m.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2026
Institute Opening Plenary: 8:45 a.m.
Workshops: 1:15 - 5 p.m.
All meals provided

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2026
Workshops: 8:45 a.m. - 5 p.m.
All meals provided

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2026
Workshops: 8:45 a.m. - 12 p.m.
All meals provided

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2026
Workshops: 8:45 a.m. - 5 p.m.
All meals provided

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2026
TRAVEL DAY
Breakfast: 7:30 a.m.

Attendance at all sessions is mandatory. Roll call will be taken.

Additional details about the conference agenda will be available on our website as it approaches: https://uaw.org/education/member-mobilization/

Approved delegates will also receive additional information about the conference via email and text message (opt-in may be required).

ACCOMMODATIONS

Due to limited accommodation, spouses/guests of delegates are not permitted to attend this institute.

All delegates will be paired with their requested roommate or a randomly assigned partner. If a private single room is preferred, single housing may be requested before arrival or at check-in for an additional **$330.50 plus tax** for the week. This additional cost may be paid by the local union if approved following local protocol, or it may be the responsibility of the individual delegate. **Please note that single rooms are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed.** Payments must be made via personal credit or debit card, money order, personal check, or local union check. Payment of the additional cost must be made prior to arrival or at check-in. Single room arrangements must be made directly with the FEC by calling (989) 733-8521 beginning the day after registration closes. Refer to the ***Local Union Process*** document for additional instructions.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Transportation costs associated with this institute are subsidized as indicated in the ***Local Union Process*** document. Any costs that remain after subsidies are applied are the responsibility of the local union.

All delegates are expected to arrive at the Family Education Center (FEC) by 3 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on Sunday, the first day of the conference, and remain until the institute concludes at 9 a.m. ET on Friday. Arrivals and departures should be arranged accordingly.

Passenger Vehicle

Please be advised of the following Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center policy:

Vehicles allowed to park in the Family Education Center must be union-made and have a VIN beginning with 1, 2, 4, or 5. If the vehicle VIN is anything other than 1, 2, 4, or 5, parking accommodations are available in a lot adjacent to the Center's front gate.

Air Transportation

Once the delegate is approved to attend, the local union must complete the online airline reservation. Arrangements for booking airline reservations have been made with Travel Solutions International (TSI USA).

To ensure maximum savings, delegates who fly to DTW will be required to arrive in Detroit on Saturday. The International Union, UAW, will provide overnight lodging in Detroit, based on double occupancy at a Detroit Metro Airport hotel. The Family Education Center will arrange hotel shuttles to meet delegates outside the baggage claim when their flights arrive.

At 8:30 a.m. ET on Sunday, a charter bus will take delegates from the hotel to the Family Education Center. Estimated arrival is before 3:30 p.m. ET. A one-hour lunch stop is planned during the bus trip. The bus will leave the Family Education Center for the airport at 9 a.m. ET on Friday. **For the return trip on Friday, no flights should be made before 5 p.m. ET.**

CANCELLATION & SUBSTITUTION

Local unions that previously registered delegates must confirm or cancel those delegates by email to the Education Department at education@uaw.net **by July 27, 2026.**

Cancellations made before **Monday, August 17, 2026, at 4 p.m.** will be fully refunded. After this date, fees are **non-refundable**. However, if a delegate can no longer attend, the local union may send a replacement in their place. In the event of a swap, the local union should register the new delegate in the online portal and immediately notify their regional office, the Education Department at **education@uaw.net**, and Black Lake at **blacklakefec@uaw.net**.

We view this institute as a vital investment in your local union's future and look forward to your participation.

This official call includes information that should be shared with local unions.

In solidarity,

Shawn Fain, President
International Union, UAW

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