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The Newsletter for Homecare Workers Local 99

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Celebrating our 2007 Accomplishments

A New Homecare Contract with an additional \$4 million needed to fund pay raises, fully paid premiums for health/dental/vision care, cash out on paid time off plus legislation to guarantee workers compensation coverage.

Child care workers won \$33 million to cover their first contract with the first wage increase they've seen in ten years and a decrease in Child Care co-pays for low-income families.

Nursing Home workers won \$3 million to fund better staffing ratios and a contract with living wage increases.

Adult Foster Care workers gained the right to form a union and are just beginning to bargain their first contract.



"2007 has been a great year for Homecare, Child Care, Nursing Homes and our newest addition, Foster Home providers. We've made major progress in wages, benefits, staffing and organizing. Give yourselves a pat on the back. You helped by telling your story to legislators, signing petitions, completing a postcard, making phone calls, attending lobby days, town hall and regional meetings. Thank you all."

Mary Wood, President, Local 99



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