

Welcome to SEIU Local 503, OPEU

SEIU LOCAL 503, OPEU is the Homecare Workers' Union. By joining together, we are achieving what we cannot accomplish alone.

Our ability to bargain wages, benefits and working conditions is greatly affected by the number of workers who choose to become members. As a member you will have a voice in what happens in your union and a voice to advocate for benefits on behalf of your clients.

Since 1997 we have been working to improve services for homecare clients and quality of life for caregivers. In 2000, we passed Ballot Measure 99 which created the Homecare Commission, our "employer of record" for collective bargaining purposes. Our first contract took 17 months to complete, but brought with it our first health insurance and Workers' Comp coverage. It was a great foundation upon which to build our second contract, which added dental and vision coverage, and for the first time, a properly funded training program.

The fight to improve and maintain quality services for our clients is ongoing. We've accomplished a lot and by standing together, we can continue to win a better life for our clients and ourselves.

What We Stand For

Members of SEIU LOCAL 503, OPEU do over 500 different jobs in 85 state, local, government and non-profit agencies. We share a central mission of providing the services that make Oregon a better place to live. **Our unity makes it possible to improve the lives of our members and help build an Oregon where no one is left behind.**



“ *I always worried that politicians went to Salem and forgot where they came from. Going to town hall meetings with other homecare workers gave me the chance to remind my legislators why they are there.* **”**

Jennifer Snyder
Homecare worker, Cottage Grove