

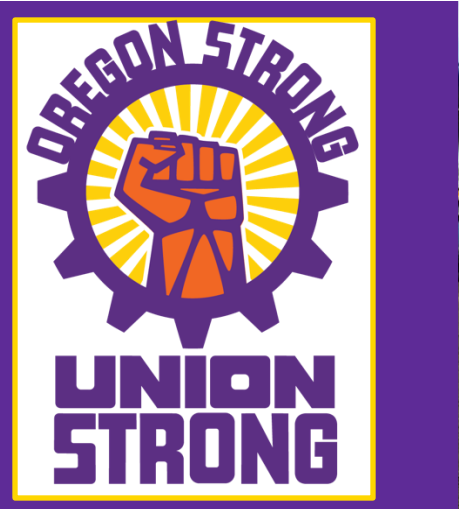


SEIU 503 Storytelling Training

Bargaining Begins at the Legislature

The Oregon budget funds the services that over 90% of SEIU 503 members provide as well as our contracts.

The budget is decided in “long sessions” which are held during odd-number years, just before we bargain for new contracts.



Your Story Helps Humanize the Budget

Oregon's budget is a long document filled with lots of large numbers. Your story humanizes what is essentially a big spreadsheet. You can help win a fair contract by sharing your story.



Staffing, Operations, and Other Programs

	2015-17 Actual	2017-19 Legislatively Approved	2019-21 Current Service Level	2019-21 Legislatively Adopted
General Fund	38,038,197	35,163,956	39,235,606	39,587,633
Other Funds	22,674,703	35,976,039	29,218,892	37,337,696
Other Funds (NL)	1,144,104	206,000	206,000	206,000
Federal Funds	81,642,393	118,191,072	127,286,360	127,560,060
Federal Funds (NL)	2,489,208	18,968,831	19,689,647	19,689,647
Total Funds	\$145,988,605	\$208,505,898	\$215,636,505	\$224,381,036
Positions	142	134	132	148
FTE	1213.63	120.33	122.07	137.37

Digital Storytelling



We're compiling short, 20-60 second videos of SEIU members sharing their stories to support our bargaining campaign and legislative advocacy.

Member stories may be shared through:

- Our website, seiu503.org
- Social media
- Targeted communications to key decision-makers
- Digital lobby days

Finding Your Story

1. Make it personal. Explain the importance of what you do, the people you serve, and/or the impact of your job on your family or community.
2. We're still weathering a public health and economic crisis. How has the pandemic impacted your work, your coworkers, or the need for your services?
3. Be inclusive. Words matter and our union strives to communicate in a way that reflects our diverse membership.



Sharing Your Story



1. Use this link:
<https://seiu503.tfaforms.net/691>
2. A cell phone recording is fine. If possible, have a household member record your video for you. If not, “selfie” style videos are okay. Please hold your phone horizontally.
3. Keep it brief. Videos should be 20 to 60 seconds.
4. We can also help turn your story into written or oral testimony.