

What is CAP?

CAP is an acronym for Community Action Program, a department of the International UAW. It is not a political party, nor is it tied to a political party. It is a non-partisan political arm of the UAW.

- ❖ CAP endorses candidates for public office based on their voting record and programs not on their party affiliation.
- ❖ CAP helps register union members and their families.
- ❖ CAP delegates spend numerous hours canvassing neighborhoods and members to find out how members feel about issues and candidates, and getting out the vote on Election Day.
- ❖ CAP conducts an annual voluntary dollar drive to contribute to candidates for the U.S. House and Senate.
- ❖ CAP does not tell anybody how to vote.
- ❖ CAP does not force union members to contribute to it.
- ❖ CAP does not use dues money to make contributions to federal candidates.

Workers have learned through bitter experience that there is a powerful link between the bread basket and the ballot box. Gains won at the bargaining table can be quickly wiped out by actions of state or national legislatures and political leaders. That is why it is important we support the CAP dollar drive so we can support those legislators who support our interests.