February 6, 2008

TO: All Local Union Presidents and Unit Chairs

Greetings:

Enclosed is the brochure with registration form and complete information on the Michigan AFL-CIO Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Conference, co-sponsored by the Michigan Association of United Ways scheduled for MONDAY, April 28 – FRIDAY, May 2, 2008, at the UAW Education Center at Black Lake.

The National Community Services Department has arranged for the UAW-Chrysler, Ford and GM Training Centers to circulate this information through their network and are anticipating a good response from their efforts.

I want to make sure that all Labor/Management EAP counterparts in Region 1-D are given the opportunity to participate in this very important conference. By involving all units, we will fulfill our original mission of meeting the EAP training and development needs of those bargaining units not covered by joint training language in their national collective bargaining agreements.

I hope that your local/management can be represented at this very informative conference. If you have any questions you can call the 517 371-4360 *15.

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Donald Oetman
Director
Region 1-D, UAW

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Enclosure
New this year... School starts on Monday

April 28 - May 2, 2008

REGISTRATION

To: Union Leaders and Community Services Representatives

The Michigan AFL-CIO Community Services School, co-sponsored by the Michigan Association of United Ways will be held Monday, April 28 - Friday, May 2, 2008 at the UAW Family Education Center, Black Lake in Onaway, Michigan.

The planning committee has developed an exciting and dynamic program agenda. In a cost cutting measure, (reduced from $630 to $495), we have condensed the program from 5 days into 4 days with the same amount of training hours.

It is an important year to have your community service committee effectively trained to deal with the difficulties that union families are facing today.

We are also conducting a community service project to replenish the two food pantries in the local area. We are asking delegates to bring at least two non-perishable items to the Center. More details inside.

Also in this flyer is an application for our scholarship program. Two will be awarded. More details inside.

It is important for you to contact your local union, AFL-CIO Labor Council or UAW-CAP Council as soon as possible for positive action on this matter.

Chuck Kennedy, Director
Michigan State AFL-CIO Community Services Committee
Michigan Association of United Ways

Featured Sessions

Tuesday - “Mobilizing Union Memberships in Michigan” - Mark Gaffney, President, MI State AFL-CIO. Mark will give everyone an update on labor happenings in the state and propose proactive solutions to ongoing problems.

Wednesday - “United Way/A Safety Net of Programs and Services for Union Families.” The discussion will focus on the human needs facing Michigan citizens and the presenters will outline the United Way’s response to “Fundraising and Community Impact.”

Thursday - “Panel Presentation on Foreclosures/Internet Scams/Identity Theft & Computer Predators”. Open discussion to follow on safeguards and ways to protect yourself from the many scams that unscrupulous people use to prey on the elderly and unsuspecting.

Registration Fee: $495
(Double Occupancy)

Registration Deadline:
April 23, 2008

Please return your registration form and check or money order.
General Sessions:
Mobilizing Union Memberships in Michigan
United Way / A Safety Net of Programs and Services for Union Families
Panel Presentation on Foreclosures/Internet Scams/Identity Theft & Computer Predators

Basic Community Services Classes
(Designed for those with no formal Community Services training.)
Basics of Community Services - How to do I & R - Problem Solving - Gathering Resources/Networking with Agencies - Best Practices (approaches to solving social problems)

Advanced Community Services Class
(Designed for those who have been trained in Community Services and want to learn new and innovative ways to deal with problems facing union members.)
Skill Building

The following Workshops will be provided to all students:
- Problem Solving Techniques
- Best Practices
- Mobilizing Membership to Get them Involved
- How to Solicit
- Impact Funding
- Allocation Review
- Foreclosures/Predatory Lenders
- Internet Phishing/Credit Card/Cell Phone Scams
- Identity Theft
- Computer Predators
- Buy USA/Union Made—Safety of Imported Items
- Gang Awareness
- Substance Abuse

Scholarship Application Form (clip or copy and return)

We are offering (2) two scholarships to this year's program. It will consist of a $495 registration fee, which includes the room, meals and all registration fees based on double occupancy. Any other costs such as mileage, lost wages, etc. will be the responsibility of the union or individual.

The winners will be decided at a random drawing of all entries on Monday, March 24th, 2008, and will be notified by telephone on Monday. Each applicant is only allowed one entry.

Entries must be submitted to the Michigan Association of United Ways office by no later than Friday, March 21st.
MAUW, AFL-CIO CS Department, 1627 Lake Lansing Rd., Lansing, MI 48912-3789

Name_________________________________ Home Address_________________________________

City__________________________ Zip_________ Email:_______________________________

Home telephone________________________ Local Union & Inter. Union_____________________

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Date Signature

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Date Signature
2008 Community Service Project - “DELEGATES REPLENISH FOOD PANTRIES”

This year during the Community Services program at Black Lake, we will be involved in a community project “DELEGATES REPLENISH FOOD PANTRIES”.

The project will be built around the National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) Food Drive which is always held on the second Saturday of May. As we will have delegates at the Black Lake facility from April 28 through May 2, 2008, we want to get a jump start on the food drive before the May 10, 2008 event and we are looking for delegate participation.

Your participation can come in the form of collection of non-perishable food, personal hygiene items, laundry supplies, peanut butter, etc.

In addition to the food drive, the Michigan State AFL-CIO Community Services Liaisons will be hosting a “Silent Auction” at the facility to supplement the drive to stock the food pantry. All monies collected at the auction will go directly to the pantries. This auction will be held for all staff, delegates and unions at Black Lake and will not be open to the public.

We are asking the delegates who attend this year’s seminar to bring at least two items to the conference to fill our collection boxes and monies to participate in the silent auction.

Hopefully we can make this event one the community and delegates will be proud of.
Make check or money order payable to MAUW and mail to:

Michigan Association of United Ways
AFL-CIO CS Department
1627 Lake Lansing Rd., # B
Lansing, MI 48912

April 28 - May 2, 2008

Read Carefully
Use a separate form for each student. If additional forms are needed, feel free to duplicate. Please PRINT or TYPE. Names can be misleading, please check male or female.

If a student is sent by a Central Labor Council or UAW-CAP Council instead of a local union, please enter the Council's name on the local union line.

There will be a limit of 300 students. Applications will be processed in the order that they are received in our office when accompanied by a check. THERE ARE NO PROVISIONS TO ACCOMMODATE CHILDREN OR SPOUSES. Registration deadline is April 23rd.

Anyone wishing to enroll after this date must call our office (517) 371-4360 *18. We will notify you as soon as possible of your acceptance to the school. A cancellation fee of $75 will be accessed after April 18.

Name __________________________________________ Please check: Male ____ Female ____

Home Address: ____________________________________________________________
(All confirmation materials will be forwarded to the home address.)

City ______________________ Zip ______ Home Phone ____________________________

County Residence ____________________________ Intl. Union & Local # _____________

Union Telephone ____________________________ Email ____________________________

Basic (first timer) ____ Advanced (returning student) ______

Would you like to be on the Newspaper staff? ______

Room Preference: Single ______ Double ______ Smoking ____ Non-Smoking ______
(Based on availability)

PLEASE NOTE: Black Lake personnel will be handling housing. Students will be assigned rooms on a first come/first served basis when they register at the Center. Your roommate preference will be honored at that time only.

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