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Negotiations for Unifor's 18,000 Detroit Three members have officially begun. Read Lana Payne's op-ed on why autoworkers deserve a plan that puts their needs first as they face the hard realities of an industry in transition. Watch the new video on the proud history of Unifor autoworkers and how they continue to determine their own future. Striking Metro members hold the line. Unifor shows its Pride from East to West. Unifor leadership visits members at the CN Tower. Plus: Active Dynamics members end strike action and London Health Sciences Centre health care workers get a groundbreaking new contract.

### WHAT'S HOT



### TAKE ACTION



Watch the latest Auto Talks video on the proud history of Canadian autoworkers and how Unifor will chart its own course in these negotiations.

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Download the latest materials to share online when you promote Unifor's Reproductive Justice campaign.

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## IN THE NEWS



Today, Unifor officially opened historic contract talks with Ford, General Motors and Stellantis.

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As Unifor officially opens contract talks with Detroit Three automakers, Lana Payne says autoworkers are looking for an agreement that puts their needs first. Read her op-ed.

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Metro workers remain at the picket line while grocery barons are short-changing them to pad their bottom line. It's time to put people over profits. Check out the solidarity in our Facebook album.

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Unifor members in Metro Vancouver marched under the theme, "Make Canada a safe haven for trans refugees from all countries." See the Facebook album.

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Members in Sydney, N.S., marched in the Cape Breton Pride Parade, showing that our union's commitment to equality and inclusion truly runs coast to coast. See pictures here.

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Unifor denounces the recent termination of Mark Chudak, President of the Society of Professional Engineers and Associates (SPEA) by SNC-Lavalin in what the union perceives as a hostile anti-union move.



After building six ships for the Royal Canadian Navy, Unifor MWF Local 1 members cut the first steel on AOPS 7, marking the beginning of construction of the first ship for the Coast Guard. See photos here!

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Health care, improved wages, support for Policy 713, mental health and more were discussed at the Atlantic Regional Council in Moncton, NB. Watch the recap video to see more of what happened at the region's annual democratic event.

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## BARGAINING UPDATES

More than 250 members at Unifor Local 591-G have ended their five-day-long strike after ratifying a new collective agreement with Active Dynamics in Scarborough, Ont.

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After months of intense negotiations and overcoming significant challenges, the members of Local 27 have emerged victorious with a ground-breaking new contract at London Health Sciences Centre (LHSC) in London, Ont.

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## IN CASE YOU MISSED IT



The Unifor leadership team and staff had the privilege of visiting our incredible members who are hard at work in the iconic CN Tower. Our dedicated members contribute immensely to the unforgettable experiences that countless Canadians and visitors from around the world enjoy when they visit the CN Tower.

## RESOURCES



There was a marginal dip in employment during the month of July as Canada's labour market appeared to stall in the face of higher interest rates. The unemployment rate inched up to 5.5% – the third consecutive monthly increase since April – and the number of unemployed increased by 20,000 individuals. Read July's Labour Market Insights.

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