

Regular Union Meeting on September 19, 2026, at 9 A.M.

Graphic Communications International Union Local 285
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The President's Report

GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE WAGE AGREEMENT UPDATE

Agreement Status

Columbia Typographical Union 101-12 and the Government Publishing Office have agreed to a new wage agreement covering 2026 through 2029.

Copies of the Agreement

Finalized copies of the agreement will be distributed by email to members who have provided a personal email address to the wage committee.

Member Action

- Members who want to receive the agreement electronically should ensure the Local or their chairperson has their current personal email address.
- Additional updates will be shared as distribution details are finalized.

Joe Beirne Foundation Scholarship

The Communication Workers of America Joe Beirne Scholarship program was established in 1999 and awards sixteen (16) partial college scholarships for the upcoming school year. Winners are selected in a lottery drawing, and this year's winners were awarded a partial college scholarship of \$4,000 each. Eligible for the awards are CWA members, their spouses, children, and grandchildren, including those of retired or deceased members.

Members interested in learning more about the Joe Beirne Scholarship program should visit the CWA website at:

<https://cwa-union.org/pages/beirne>

UPHF Scholarship Program 2026

Apply Before November 7, 2026

Members interested in learning more about the 2026 UPHF Scholarship Program should visit the UPHF website at:

<https://uphfoundation.org/scholarship/about>

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE

- **When:** Tuesday, November 3, 2026
- **What to do:** Go to the polls and vote.
- **Why it matters:** Our progress toward economic and social justice depends on electing candidates who stand with us.

**ATTENDING YOUR LOCAL UNION
MEETINGS IS THE KEY TO A
STRONG UNION AND A MORE
SECURE FUTURE.**

Fraternally,

Michael Maher, *President*



Secretary-Treasurer's Report

Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Accounting fees.....	\$ 8,000.00
Attorney fees.....	\$ 5,000.00
Bank charges.....	\$ 60.00
Chairpersons commission.....	\$ 4,000.00
CWA Membership dues.....	\$ 40,000.00
Chairman's Chapel commission.....	\$ 500.00
CWA District Meeting.....	\$ 1,500.00
Disbursements approved by the Local.....	\$ 1,000.00
Dues to organizations.....	\$ 400.00
Local elections.....	\$ 1,000.00
Local mortuary benefits, flowers, donations.....	\$ 500.00
Negotiated Pension Plan (NPP).....	\$ 2,000.00
Office equipment and supplies.....	\$ 1,000.00
Office Rent	\$ 5,000.00
Post Office.....	\$ 1,500.00
Printing.....	\$ 1,500.00
QuickBooks yearly service fee.....	\$ 1,020.00
Salaries.....	\$ 31,500.00
Surepayroll yearly service fee.....	\$ 750.00
Taxes.....	\$ 4,000.00
Union Meetings (conference room fee)	\$ 375.00
Verizon—Phone & Internet service.....	\$ 1,500.00
Zoom Account yearly service fee.....	\$ 180.00
Total Disbursements.....	\$ 112,285.00

Contributions to the General Fund since last Bulletin

Ronald Bailey	\$13.00	Richard Jedlicka	8.00	Robert Swartz.....	8.00
Quentin Cleveland	38.00	Michael Lore.....	76.00	Mary Thompson	
Gilbert Engel	13.00	Thomas Richardson		<i>In memory of:</i>	
Fausto Falcone	38.00	<i>In memory of:</i>		<i>Carmen Robinson</i>	26.00
Richard Fortin	13.00	<i>Joseph T. Brown.....</i>	78.00	Ronald Turley	38.00
Susan Goldberg	26.00	William Severe	38.00		

MOVING?

Reminder: Please notify the Local Union of any address change.



2026 Proposed Amendments to the Bylaws of CTU 101-12

As acted upon on September 19, 2026, Union Meeting. Submitted by the Bylaws Committee:

Mike Divver, Chairperson; Dolores Slack; and John Mogavero.

Add text matter in ***Bold Italics***.

Submitted by Lawrence Sibiski

Proposal No. 1-2026

ARTICLE XVI

Compensation

[Add New Section 12]

SEC. 12. The Chairman of the Chairmen's Chapel shall be compensated \$125.00 quarterly. Compensation will be paid to the Chairman of the Chairmen's Chapel at the close of each quarter as defined in Article XVI—Compensation SEC. 11

Recommended by the Bylaws Committee.

September 19, 2026

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS FOR COLUMBIA TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION No. 101-12

Nominations will be accepted for the following offices:

President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, Sergeant-at-Arms
4 Executive Board members and 3 Bylaws Committee members

New Members

Government Publishing Office

Luis Daniel Acevedo-Vélez
Kaveh Basmenji
Dara Fox
Grier Hall
Carol Hawkins
Gabrielle Pacana

Creative Print Group

John Paulo Dionisio	Damaris Taveras De Rodriquez
Thomas Greig	Miguel Saavadva
Troy Julian	Mayra Saravia
Charles Lewis	Jerry Schmincke Sr.
Michael Meritis	Michele Stromberg
Jeffery Mills	

Bargaining Units & Union Stewards

Chadick & Kimball Graphic Designs	Government Publishing Office <i>Chairman of Chairman's Chapel</i>
Chesapeake Typesetting	Lawrence Sibiski
Chuck's Printing and Blueline Services	<i>Secretary of Chairman's Chapel</i> Reggie Scott
Creative Print Services	Capitol Hill: Wanda Green
CWA Print Shop	EPD Keyboard I: Kevin McGill
Doyle Printing	EPD Keyboard II & III:
Evans Design	Jackie Duval-Jackson
Free State Printing	EPD Proof I: Shawn Moore
GO! Creative	EPD Proof II: Nate Sample
Kenefick Communications	EPD Proof III: Mary Stanfield
Lord Industries	
Precision Printing & Embroidery, LLC	

OFFICIAL BULLETIN

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John Mogavero, *Secretary-Treasurer*

Office Hours: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Regular Union Meetings: 3rd Saturday, 9:00 a.m.

January, May, September, November

Attention Retirees . . .

As part of the Local's ongoing initiative to manage expenses efficiently, membership cards for retired members will be distributed together with the *Bulletin*. If you do not receive your 2026 membership card, please notify the Local promptly.

Depending on what type of membership you selected for retirement, your 2026 Union dues are:

\$12.00 – Local Membership

or

\$24.00 – Full CWA Membership

Please detach the adjacent form and mail along with your check payable to:

Columbia Typographical Union 101-12

or

CTU 101-12

4626 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., Suite 200

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All voluntary contributions will be listed in the Local *Bulletin* each month.

If you desire ***not*** to be listed, please let us know.

☐ **\$12.00 Local/Sector Membership...** \$ _____

☐ **\$24.00 Full CWA Membership** \$ _____

Additional Contributions

☐ General Fund \$ _____

☐ Additional Donation \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____