

A Better Wisconsin Together: This Labor Day, thank a union

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MADISON, Wis. — Labor Day is traditionally considered the unofficial end of summer, a last chance for barbecues and trips to the pool. It's also a three day weekend for many workers, one of many benefits that unions have secured for American workers. Across our history, that list also includes the 40 hour work week, paid time off, retirement benefits, and so much more.

Public and private sector unions remain critical in the fight to ensure that all Wisconsinites make a family-supporting wage, have access to quality healthcare, and experience safe working conditions. That's also why it's time for public sector employees, like nurses and teachers, to regain their freedom to bargain collectively for better wages and working conditions. Governor Evers' budget proposal would have done just that by providing frontline workers with a say in their workplace.

A Better Wisconsin Together Executive Director Chris Walloch commented, "Wisconsin is strong when our unions are strong. This Labor Day, we recognize the achievements of the American worker and stand in solidarity with unions working to secure fair compensation and benefits for workers."