

AFL-CIO: Stands in solidarity with OPEIU Local 39 members on strike at CUNA Mutual in Madison

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May 19, 2023 – Over 450 workers represented by the Office and Professional Employees International Union (OPEIU) Local 39 are on an unfair labor practice strike at CUNA Mutual Group, based in Madison, Wisconsin. Workers have been attempting to negotiate a fair contract since February of 2022 and have been working without a contract for over 400 days.

Stephanie Bloomingdale, President of the Wisconsin AFL-CIO, released the following statement of solidarity as members of OPEIU Local 39 take strike action:

“OPEIU Local 39 members at CUNA Mutual in Madison are on strike for good union jobs to remain in Wisconsin, for quality and affordable healthcare for all, for fair wages, and for the ability to retire with dignity after a lifetime of work. As union men and women, we do not take the decision to strike lightly. The history of our union movement has clearly demonstrated that only by standing shoulder to shoulder have working people gained the family-supporting wages, pay equity and other benefits which we are rightly due. The Wisconsin labor movement proudly stands in solidarity with our sisters and brothers of OPEIU Local 39 on strike at CUNA Mutual as they take brave action to secure a fair contract. We urge CUNA Mutual to come to the table and negotiate in good faith.”

Picket lines will be held from 7am to 6pm at CMFG’s offices on Mineral Point Road while the strike is in effect. Additional information will be posted on the OPEIU Local 39 website: <https://opeiu39.org/CMGUnited.aspx>