AFT local 1931 stands in solidarity with SEIU local 221 as you take the first steps toward organizing your contract campaign in advance of your June 2022 contract expiration.

As fellow public sector workers we understand the value of maintaining a skilled public sector workforce to do the vital work of democracy in a time when austerity has frequently threatened it.

We, like you understand the need for fair compensation for workers in the county with the state’s second-highest cost of living. The County of San Diego is one of the city’s top employers, and if they are forced to pay better, it sets a better standard for all local workers.

We, like you understand the need for affordable health care and investment in public health, which the COVID-19 pandemic has exposed as woefully inadequate in its current state.

We in AFT 1931 share your commitment to worker education programs that strengthen our members’ ability to intervene in the world on behalf of their interests. We also share your commitment to working with community partners and building fights for social justice on multiple fronts. Taking on the racism, sexism, homophobia, transphobia, xenophobia, and ableism in our society and institutions must be a priority of our work. These poisons only serve to divide us and make us weaker. When we overcome these divisions our power as workers is unmatched.

We in AFT stand with county workers and will support SEIU local 221 however we can in your fight for better conditions and compensation for your members. A victory for county workers is a victory for all workers in San Diego!