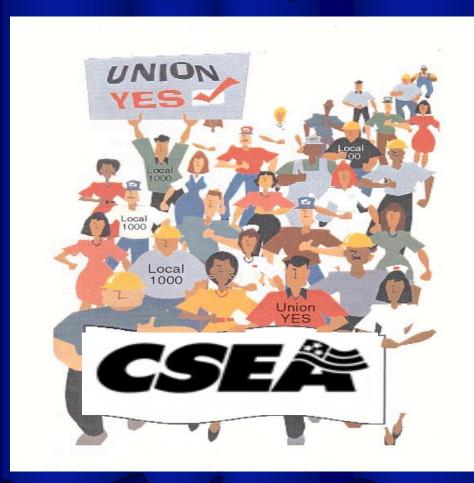
BUILDING AN ACTIVIST NETWORK



OBJECTIVES

Define an activist and activist network

Review the purpose of an activist network

 Discuss how to develop an activist network

What is an Activist?

Someone who takes part in activities that are intended to achieve political or social change, especially someone who is a member of an organization

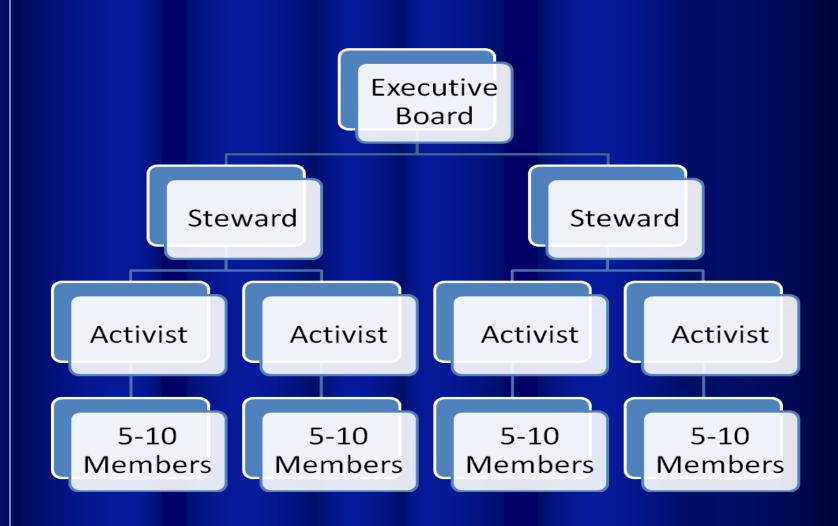




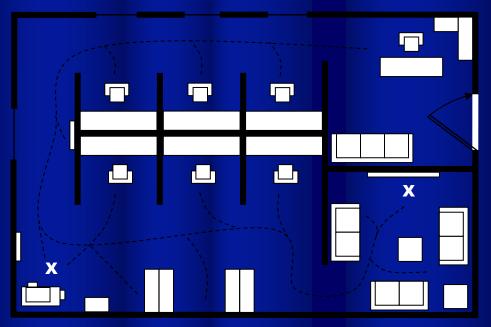
The Source of Power For a union is its <u>Membership</u>



Steward/Activist Network



STEP 1: MAPPING A WORKPLACE



Mapping your workplace will help to communicate with co-workers, develop unity and solidarity, and increase the union's power and visibility.

Step 2: Local/Unit Membership Profile



Step 3: Create A Recruitment Plan

WITHOUT A PLAN, RECRUITING NEW LEADERS WILL EVENTUALLY DRIFT TO THE BOTTOM OF THE LIST

ASK THESE QUESTIONS:

HOW CAN WE INVOLVE MORE PEOPLE?

■ HOW DOES THIS BUILD OUR UNION?



Step 3: Create A Recruitment Plan

How many activist are needed?

■ How will they be recruited?

What will be their role/assignment?



Step 4: Implement Your Recruitment Plan

- Identify existing & potential leaders
- Assess prospective leaders' level of commitment, skills and potential
- Identify roles/tasks
- Plan conversations with identified potential leaders

STEP 5: Set-up the Network







Recruiting Activists

- Ask members
- Define timeframe
- Give members a range of jobs to choose
- Ask members to do things they do well
- Tell how job fits in
- Encourage questions Keep volunteers accountable
- Explain how their involvement will help build the Union

Retaining Activists

Inclusion

Control/Influence

Appreciation

Have fun!

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- 5. Set-up the Network

Summary

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Each one reach one

Each one teach one



Together We are Strong!

