

UAW Region 8 Western States Locals Helping Communities

UAW in partnership with other Unions and several AFL Central Labor Councils in the Western States where UAW has active Locals, continues to help communities with essential food distribution as the need during the California COVID-19 surge has increased unemployment and unprecedented amounts of families in need of food assistance. During the **2020 cycle** and in partnership with Labor Community Services of the AFL in Los Angeles County and Riverside/San Bernardino Counties food banks, UAW helped distribute food to over **120,000 households covering over 330,000 families**. **UAW Locals in California continue helping and sign up to volunteer showing our communities that Unions support not just our membership, but all the communities we live in.**

Food drives were held sometimes 3 times a week and scheduled via Labor volunteers that were provided personal protective equipment as well as initial training on COVID-19 safety, spread prevention and distancing guidelines. Food drives were promoted by Unions, cities and counties with advanced planning for transit and public safety measures with help of local police departments and city officials.



UAW Region Locals 230, 509, 887, 2865,4123, and 5810 sponsored a food drive near Regional offices in Pico Rivera

2021-UAW Region 8 Starting off helping our communities!

The first food drive held for the 2021 cycle was held on Wednesday January 13,2021 with UAW taking part to start the year by helping over **3,000** households that day.

Setting up stations, loading boxes, directing traffic flow and letting people know that UNIONS make our communities stronger!



Region 8 members joined with UFCW, TEAMSTERS and other AFL Labor Community affiliates to help on the first food drive of 2021- serving over 3,000 families