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TO: Prairie Region Local Union Presidents, Prairie Region Local Recording Secretaries, Prairie Regional Women's Committee, Prairie Region Women's Advocates

PRAIRIE REGIONAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Rising Together- Voices of Strength and Solidarity

October 5th – 7th, 2025

Sheraton Suites Calgary Eau Claire

Sisters,

We are pleased to announce that our Prairie Regional Women's Conference will take place at the Sheraton Suites Calgary Eau Claire (255 Barclay Parade SW, Calgary, AB) commencing Sunday, October 5th at 7:00pm and concluding on Tuesday, October 7th at 12:00pm.

Locals are encouraged to send delegates from equity-deserving groups including trans women and two-spirit members, queer women, Black, Indigenous and women of colour, women living with disAbilities, and young workers. This conference welcomes all our sisters, not just our cis-ters!

The Prairie Regional Women's Conference is a regional conference that allows participants to come together, build skills, exchange knowledge and strategize for the future while focusing on the region. **This conference is for Prairie locals only**. Alternating regional and national women's conferences meets the Regional Council Women's Committees' recommendation which was endorsed by the National Executive Board. **The next national women's conference will be held in 2026.**

Conference delegates will have the opportunity to hear about some of the tremendous work being done within our union and your communities in the struggle for gender equality. Through participation in skills-building workshops and conversations hosted by local activists and leaders,

Delegates will gain knowledge and build relationships they can bring back to their local union and to advocate for equity.

As always, this conference fills up quickly. Please submit your registrations early to avoid disappointment. **The registration deadline is September 12th, 2025.**

The conference begins at 7:00 p.m. Sunday, October 5th, 2025, and ends at 12:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 7th, 2025. Registration takes place on Sunday from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Registration

You can register your local participants via our online form.

Reservations

Unifor has negotiated a special rate and reserved a block of rooms at the Sheraton Suites Calgary Eau Claire (255 Barclay Parade SW, Calgary, AB). When making your reservation, please keep in mind that Unifor must secure this space in advance and may be financially responsible if the block commitments are not met.

<u>Book your group rate for Unifor Prairie Women's Conference 2025</u> at the Sheraton Suites Calgary Eau Claire here.

If you would prefer to contact the hotel reservations department, please call 1-(403) 266-7200 and quote the group block – Unifor Prairie Women's Conference. The room block closes on September 4th, 2025

Payments

A payment of \$80.00 is required for the conference kit materials. Cheques can be made payable to Unifor and sent to the following:

Unifor National Office Attention: Korin Drew, Women's Department 115 Gordon Baker Road Toronto, ON M2H 0A8

Please send your cheques in advance of the conference, clearly indicating the local union and the number of delegates attending to ensure that the required material is available to all participants.

Childcare

Free childcare is available for children 0 - 12 years of age, of eligible delegates during

the conference hours only, if numbers permit. Delegates will be eligible for childcare providing they are a single parent, or a parent not accompanied by a spouse or companion. Where both parents are registered delegates, they will also qualify for childcare. Childcare registration forms are enclosed. Please make your childcare reservations as early as possible.

Delegates requiring childcare must pre-register no later than September 12th, 2025.

Include the attached childcare form with the conference registration form that is returned to the Unifor Family Education Centre. Child Care may be cancelled if there are an insufficient number of children registered by the deadline. If you have any questions regarding child care, please call 1-519-389-3233 or email fecchildcare@unifor.org.

Meals

The following meals are included in the conference:

Sunday, October 5th: Welcome Reception

Monday, October 6th: coffee, lunch

Tuesday, October 7th: coffee,

If any participants require special meal requirements or have any dietary concerns (food allergies), please advise us in advance of your arrival.

Accessibility

Unifor seeks to make all union meetings and events accessible and barrier free. If you require accommodations for human rights related needs, we invite you to provide us with your relevant information so we can take all reasonable steps to address any barriers to your participation in your Union. Please email requests to korin.drew@unifor.org.

In solidarity,

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Director, Women's Department

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cc: National Officers, Executive Assistants, Assistants to the National Officers and Senior Directors, National Executive Board, National Representatives, National Coordinators, Laurie Wright

Attached: Child Care Registration Form