

April 17, 2023

TO: All Transportation Locals, Executive Assistants, Assistant to the National Officers and Senior Directors, Kathleen O’Keefe, Angelo DiCaro, National Representatives that service transportation units

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION CONFERENCE

June 9 to 11, 2023

Family Education Centre, Port Elgin, ON

The National Transportation Conference will take place at the Family Education Centre, June 9 to 11, 2023. The meeting will convene at 7:00 p.m. ET on Friday, June 9 and conclude no later than 12:00 p.m. ET on Sunday, June 11.

In addition, there will be Marine and Road Industry Council meetings held at 4:00 p.m. on Friday. Aviation and Rail Industry Council meetings will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday. Please complete the registration form in the link below for each member attending the council <https://form.jotform.com/231024605893050>

This will be our first National Transportation Conference meeting with the newly elected and appointed Unifor Leadership, Senior staff team and Sector Directors, and we look forward to meeting together in person as we continue to shape the future of Unifor together.

This conference will be an exciting opportunity for members across our air, marine, rail and road transportation sectors to come together, discuss the many challenges transportation workers are facing and how we can advocate for change. From privatization, health and safety, automation, new technology and future of work, surveillance and climate change, workers in the transportation sector must develop bargaining and policy solutions that strengthen the industry, reduce exploitation and improve wages and working conditions. Together, Unifor’s transportation councils and locals will work together to chart a path forward for our sector.

The conference will include guest speakers, panel discussions, breakout group sessions and an opportunity to network, educate, share and strategize with other Unifor transportation workers across the country. We hope to see you there!

COVID-19 Protocols

Our union strives to maintain safety guidelines and standards in an attempt to protect the health and safety of our members and our staff, including the most vulnerable among us.

Unifor and our Family Education Centre is a vaccine-friendly environment and full vaccination is strongly encouraged for all participants attending the NEB meeting. Unifor's Family Education Centre is a mask-friendly environment and wearing masks is strongly encouraged.

Prior to arriving on site

You must [self-screen for COVID-19](#) before attending the conference and daily once you've arrived. If you have symptoms at any time, we ask that you be tested and refrain from attending the meeting in-person until you have a negative result. The Centre will have rapid tests available. Please notify [Kristina Williams](#) if you have any questions or concerns.

Reservation Form

Please complete the attached Family Education Reservation form and return it directly to the Family Education Centre via email to confcentre@unifor.org.

Registration

Please complete the registration form in the link below for each member attending the conference <https://form.jotform.com/230545241506246>

Registration Fee

The registration fee for the Transportation conference is \$60.00 per delegate. No delegate will be registered unless the registration fee has been paid by their Local Union or arrangements have been made directly by emailing Kristina.williams@unifor.org

Paying by Cheque

Please make cheques payable to Unifor and mail them directly Kristina Williams, c/o The Unifor Transportation Conference at 115 Gordon Baker Road, Toronto, ON M2H 0A8.

Should any questions or concerns arise, please contact Kristina Williams via email at Kristina.williams@unifor.org

Check-In/Check-Out

Check-in starts at 3:00 p.m. ET on Friday, June 9
Check-out by 11:00 a.m. ET on Sunday, June 11

Accommodation Packages (Room and Board)

Double occupancy \$185.00/person per night (including meals)
Single occupancy \$260.00/person per night (including meals)
Single room with partner \$310.00/couple per night (including meals)

Children (aged 17+) \$50.00/person per night (including meals)
Children (aged 12-16) \$25.00/person per night (including meals)
Children (aged 11 and under) No charge

Meals

All meals are included in the overnight rate for all guests and will be served cafeteria style, starting with supper on the day of check-in and end with lunch on the day of check-out. **If any participants require special meal requirements or have any dietary concerns (food allergies), please advise us in advance of your arrival by completing the forms enclosed.**

Payments

All Payments for accommodations and meals can be paid by credit card on the reservation form or by cheque mailed to:

**Unifor Family Education Centre
Attention: Reservations
115 Shipley Avenue, Port Elgin, ON, NOH 2C5**

Cancellation Policy:

Failure to notify the Centre (by email or phone call) of cancellations 48 hours prior to the event will result in the first day's room rentals and/or first night's room and board being charged.

Child Care

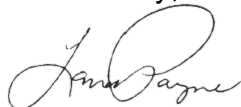
Free Child Care is available for children ages 0 – 12 of eligible delegates during conference hours only. An eligible delegate is a single parent/guardian, a parent/guardian not accompanied by a spouse/companion or where both parents/guardians are delegates. **Delegates requiring child care must pre-register No later than May 5, 2023.**

Include the attached child care 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

Arrangement Assistance

If you require any other arrangements, please contact Kristina Williams, as soon as possible at kristina.williams@unifor.org or 519-893-4873 extension 2242.

In solidarity,



**Lana Payne
National President**

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**Len Poirier
National Secretary-Treasurer**