



Karen Silkwood Award

This award is given to local unions for union building and solidarity through health, safety and environment. It is named for our union sister who died under mysterious circumstances while she was on her way to deliver papers exposing serious safety problems at a nuclear fuels plant.

- 2012 Local Union 8031, District 12
For representing workers and management at the now-closed and decommissioned Rocky Flats nuclear weapons plant to win fair compensation for those who suffer from occupation illness brought on by their exposure to radioactive and toxic materials.

- 2012 Local Union 831L, District 8
For saying 'No!' to the employer's proposed blame-the-worker program that could have spread to the entire Goodyear Chain and returning the safety program to one which involves members in finding and fixing hazards.

- 2012 Local Union 7-669, District 7
For working with the NRC, OSHA and EPA to address serious toxic chemical hazards at the facility while also working on and winning a fair contract during a 13-month lockout by Honeywell in 2010 and 2011.

- 2012 Local Union 12-591, District 12
For working to memorialize the victims, comfort and assist their families, bring the company to justice, and improve safety throughout the oil industry after an explosion at their Tesoro refinery that killed seven.

- 2012 Local Unions 608 and 712, District 12
For bringing together many unions, the local labor council and community groups to hold and publicize the first Workers Memorial Day ceremony in their region after losing two members in separate accidents in 2010.

- 2012 Local Union 5518, District 4
For fighting a blame-the-worker program during which injured workers were fired and winning reinstatement for members, safer conditions at the plant, and a precedent-setting decision from the NLRB ordering the company to halt the program's implementation and requiring them to bargain.

- 2010 Local Union 998L

- 2007 Local Union 9588, District 1

- 2007 Local Union 689, District 1

- 2007 Local Union 1277, District 4

2007 Local Union 988, District 1

2007 Local Union 591