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| Stella Archer  | 711 | As a self-respecting Community Worker, I'm committed to advocating for those of us who are not supported with a significant promotion path and career development opportunities; MH Advocates, Community Workers, Substance Abuse Counselors, and Medical Case Workers. We are the day to day back bone of client care, yet we are undervalued, under paid, and underrepresented. My collective bargaining and union experience can be of use. I've worked with the AFL-CIO/CWA, as well as being an organizer and advocate with the Los Angeles Tenants Union and have achieved rent freezes and increased low income housing for seniors and disabled tenants. If DMH won't advocate for us, let's advocate for ourselves! |
| John Balta     | 711 | My name is John Balta. I am currently the chairperson for bargaining unit 711, social service workers and shop steward. I have the experience and knowledge on how to bargain with the county. This is a critical year. We need to fight to get the best contract possible for our raises and health care benefits, and bring back the jobs to the county that have been contracted out.   |
| Martin Barboza | 711 | I, Martin Barboza [GAIN, Caseload committee member since 2007) I've been serving the Labor Movement for over 20 years. I truly believe in what it represents. Real union fighters of the past got us to this point in time. We have to fight for our families' working conditions and most important of all our Dignity and the future of our families. I'm asking you to select me because with my experience and believe I will fight for what we deserve as GSW and county workers.   |
| Juan Barriga   | 711 | I have previously participated in contract negotiations with the county. I offered two things - experience and honesty in contract negotiations with the county.   |
| Janel Carrera  | 711 | I believe that my past experience as a Human Resources Manager who negotiated the employees' benefit packages could be useful to the bargaining team. In addition, I am a team player who works well with others and is able to relay an opinion in a professional and respectful manner.  |

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| Phoury Chhun    | 711 | <p>First of all; I like to be member bargaining unit 711. The reason behind that I have experience all times when union contract is expiring. I willing to go back to table to negotiate with La County with union support to negotiate a new contract with a Good Faith that bring a new benefit to members and their families. Especially year 2018 that everybody faces a lot of thing that my main concern about health care that the cost go up that La County pay in certain level and the rest a member need to take care by themselves. Therefore; it is very critical to our members. I will work shoulder by shoulder with union member to face with this crital ; and also with working condition at worksite that management try to create something to overlook MOU what they agreed. I will pledge to protect members along with MOU what they agreed.</p>                               |
| Marisol Cruz    | 711 | <p>As an Elected Official serving on the Lennox School Board, I've been on the other side of the bargaining table and know what it takes to secure Strong Contracts for Union Members. Benefits should translate to Quality of Life for OUR Families. Community Workers have not been recognized throughout LA County. Now is the time to place US at the forefront by showing up at the bargaining table demanding what is ours! This means identifying issues and taking action as one. I've been a community organizer since 2005 fighting for unions and ready to go into battle for us.</p>   |
| Curtis Davis    | 711 | <p><i>No Statement Received</i></p>  |
| Carey Grier     | 711 | <p>Main reason I Carey Grier should be selected to serve on the Local 721 bargaining committee there's been no one from Mental Health at the table. I'm a Steward, Community Worker, Advocate and community member. Social Workers have always been bargaining for not only Social Workers, Community Workers, MH Advocates, Appeals Hearing Specialist, Gain Services Worker, GSW I, Senior Community Worker, Social Worker Trainee. Social Workers don't know what my fellow brothers and sisters Community Worker, MH Advocates, Senior Community Workers doing in and outside the field. As a Community Worker we are doing job duties outside of our item. Our pay doesn't reflect what we are doing. There's no career ladder and big Support. I, Community Workers, MH Advocates, Senior Community Workers is that Los Angeles County to investing in education to attain higher education.</p> |
| Tamara Hardeman | 711 | <p><i>No Statement Received</i></p>  |

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| Veronica Johnson  | 711 | <p>My name is Veronica Johnson. I have been a steward for several years. I represented us on the Regional Counsel. I current am a member of the Regional Appeals Committee and the Committee on Political education. I was elected for the last contract negotiations. Given another chance, I will negotiate for a fair and equitable contract. We are over worked and under paid. We have more cases than our surrounding counties yet, make less money. We have too many cases and not enough workers. These are some of my top priorities.</p>  |
| Silva Kechichian  | 711 | <p>My name is Silva Kechichian and currently working for Los Angeles County as a Social Worker, and have been doing so for over 14 years. As an active member of SEIU Local 721, I served as an elected negotiator for the Bargaining 711 unit in 2012 &amp; 2015 and a shop steward at DPSS-IHSS, at Chatsworth office over decades. I am committed to serving the needs of my fellow coworkers and members and continue to represent each one of you, in SOLIDARITY. I have a proven record of success, where my strong ethics and integrity, combined with my strong leadership skills have lead us to where we are today. I am currently running to serve as NEGOTIATOR for the Bargaining 711 unit and I am committed to make changes. It will be an honor and privilege to represent you as a NEGOTIATOR. Thank you</p> |
| Norma Martinez    | 711 | <p>I, Norma L. Martinez, have been in DPSS for over 25 years, 12 of which has been as an Appeals Hearings Specialist, and 10 years experience as a Shop Steward. Speaking with my peers it appears that our livelihood, work environment, and fringe benefits are under serious attack this political year. These attacks call for an individual who is able to stand her ground and is not easily intimidated. I ask for your support and vote for me to serve as a representative in the bargaining team to fight for raises, better working conditions, and better health care benefits.</p>   |
| Vincent McCormack | 711 | <p>I ask for your vote and trust to give me the opportunity to represent you because I have experience participating in negotiations and reopeners. I represented adult protective services since 2001 introducing/co-writing new sections and amendments to the MOU articles. In those negotiations I supported our bargaining unit members fighting for our rights and society. I have 17 years experience as a shop steward participating with caseload and joint labor management committees. Again, I ask for your support and trust to represent and fight for you</p>  |
| Jose Melendez     | 711 | <p><i>No Statement Received</i></p>   |

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| Lenin Merchan  | 711 | <i>No Statement Received</i>   |
| Lawrence Reyes | 711 | <p>Why I want to be on 711 Bargaining Unit: 1) Form worksite Joint Labor Management Council 2) SLT County Wide team, engaged in lobbying to save jobs in Sacramento. 3) DMH JLM BU unit Article 42, Health Care Transformation Comm. 4) 721 BOS Rep. to the Health Agency Integration Advisory Board. 5) Co-Chair of the Latino Caucus and served on the CAT Team. Amongst other Union activism activities and I'm a Steward and became one to help our members know their Rights. Presently serve as a Board member for KPFK Progressive Radio KPFK 90.7 FM ... In Unity and Solidarity, Lawrence Reyes, DMH Senior Community Worker 2, Lreyes2@antioch.edu</p> |