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PAUL CAPURSO

Carpenters,
I want to sincerely thank each and every one of you for the trust you've placed in me during our recent Special Election. To those who took the time to cast a vote—thank you. That kind of participation is what keeps our union strong and moving in the right direction.

The last six months have brought a lot of changes. With former EST Joseph Geiger stepping into his new role as Eastern District Vice President, and the Special Election that followed, it's been a busy time for all of us. But through it all, one thing has stayed the same: our vision.

We're still focused on building a stronger union, standing up for one another, and making sure our voices are heard. That's not changing. For years now, your union leadership has had a clear vision for this District Council. We've worked to make it a real force—not just in New York construction, but in New York politics too. We've been fighting to win back market share across our jurisdiction and put more of our members to work.

That mission hasn't changed—and it won't—no matter who holds what office.

Our goal has always been the same: to build this Council into a powerhouse in New York City construction. And make no mistake—we are the political powerhouse in labor. Politicians are coming to us now; we aren't chasing them down to take our phone calls anymore! In many cases, before a politician has even announced their candidacy, they are coming to us to gain our endorsement, and they want to know where we stand on the issues and the projects that matter. That tells you something—we're being heard. We've got a seat at the table, and that's because of the strength and unity of this membership. Look at the recent NYC democratic primary. An overwhelming majority of candidates in the primary from races across the five boroughs met with our union to try and get our coveted endorsement. In fact, 99% of those we endorsed won their races.

All our members went above and beyond to help our labor friends get across the finish line this year in the June primaries. From evening union activity events after work or early morning weekend GOTV's, everyone did their part.

Speaking of our political wins, I have another exciting topic I'm excited to finally share with you all. The District Council has been working in tandem with our allies in the state legislature for the successful passing of 224A. I'm confident we will have that bill passed in the near future!

This bill would require that any project using state funding be built under a full PLA—that's huge. Plain and simple, that means more union jobs for our members. The amount of work this could bring in is off the charts. We're talking about thousands and thousands of job hours—real work, good pay, and strong union standards. This is the kind of legislation that moves the needle for working people like us!

This bill being passed would be a direct result of our Carpenters RISE program and I encourage everyone to get RISE trained. Remember, political power equals more work hours!

Even with everything going on, we haven't let up. Every day, we keep pushing this union in the right direction.

This past year's been busy. We had a hectic primary season that landed right on top of our own council election, but you all still showed up. You made time to get involved in your Local elections—whether it was voting for Delegates to the UBC Convention or electing your Local Delegates. That kind of involvement keeps this union strong from the ground up. You can read more about those elections on page six, but I want to thank those who chose to run for the Convention Delegate slots, and I especially want to thank those of you who decided to run as Local Delegates. It's a lot of work being a delegate for your Local, but it is rewarding.

Everyone should be proud of themselves, but we can't let down our guard. We still face challenges that can impact our way of life. The economy is always a concern. High interest rates and economic instability can prevent developers from starting projects. I'm optimistic that the proposed projects in the pipeline will still start, but it's something we should all keep in mind.



Construction is a cycle. A lot of members, specifically members that came in after 2008, haven't experienced a downturn like this. But what comes down always goes up. Just keep your skills and certifications current so that you are prepared for whatever work comes your way.

I'd like to encourage everyone to read the Inspector General's letter on Page 28. The section contains important updates regarding the upcoming final Stipulation and Order, and the Consent Decree.

I'll let our Inspector General get into the details, but there are a few important things I want to talk to you about directly.

The biggest change in the updated Consent Decree is this: we're getting back self-governance. That means we now have the power to make our own decisions—right here, in-house.

In this industry, things move fast. Jobs shift, issues pop up, and we don't always have the luxury of waiting on outside approvals. Now, we'll be able to act quickly and do what's best for our members without waiting on the government to tell us what to do every step of the way.

Over 15 years ago, we entered this stipulation and order. We were told we had to put procedures, protocols, and policies in place—and we did. We've come a long way. We've got an Inspector General and a Chief Compliance Officer who know their jobs and work hard for this membership. They're not going anywhere.

This is a major step forward for all of us—and it's something we've earned. One question I hear all the time from my union brothers and sisters is, "So what does this mean for the Consent Decree?"

Here's the straight answer: the Final Stipulation and Order is exactly what it sounds like—final. That part's done.

Now, the Consent Decree itself isn't going away. It stays in place as a permanent injunction. It's there to protect the three main principles we want upheld:

1) A ban on organized crime, 2) one man-one/vote, and 3) an unbiased Out of Work List (OWL). Those three tenets, and the Consent Decree as a whole, cannot go away. They will forever be a part of this council. But we're no longer under the government's daily involvement. We've put in the work, we've earned the trust, and now we're taking back more control of our day-to-day business.

That's a big deal for our Council—and it didn't happen overnight.

Any member who has questions on the consent decree should not hesitate to reach out to me. The entire leadership slate strives to be accessible to all our members. You can always speak to us, whether it be in person at an event or by reaching out via our phone numbers or emails that are included in this magazine. Remember, brothers and sisters, this is YOUR union, and we work for you!

We have two NYC Carpenters Union staples coming up that I hope to see everyone attend. The NYC Labor Day Parade will be on Saturday, September 6th, and the annual Softball Tournament and Family Picnic will be on Saturday, September 13th! Never forget that when we are united, we are unstoppable!

Always at your service,

Paul Capurso

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A LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT

DAVID CARABALLOSO



To my Carpenter family,

It's an honor to be speaking to you all from my new role as the President of this great union. I want to thank each and every one of you for your support. You put your trust in me—and in the entire Solidarity Slate—in this past Special Election, and we don't take that lightly. We're grateful, we're humbled, and we're ready to keep doing the hard work it takes to lead this union the right way. I believe we're well on our way to strengthening this union for years to come, and that is because of the work you all put in day in and day out. So, thank you.

I want to take a moment to congratulate our former EST, Joseph Geiger, on his historic appointment as the Eastern District Vice President for the United Brotherhood of Carpenters. Joe's been a strong leader for us, and we're proud to see one of our own take on such a vital role. He helped put this council on the path to success, and I'm grateful for his work and mentorship.

When thinking about the election, one moment sticks with me. Just a few months ago, I ran into a fellow union brother on the subway. He stopped and wished me the best in the election before we parted ways. It meant a lot to see a brother so involved and paying attention to what's going on in our union. I want to thank him for staying engaged and want to ask all of you to do the same. Being involved is what keeps our union strong. That means taking advantage of District Council resources designed to keep you informed—the monthly electronic newsletter, the bi-annual Carpenters magazine, the website, texts and emails, and everything else the union sends out. All the information we provide is meant to help our brothers and sisters.

As important as it is to stay plugged into District Council communications, it's just as important to keep the conversation going with each other and that can be done by attending your local union meetings each month. Not only can you network with your fellow brothers and sisters, which can prove invaluable when looking for work, but you also get the chance to hear factual information directly from the union.

With that said, let's get right into one of the most important reasons we are all members: union jobs.

I'm proud to share some big projects on the horizon that have me excited for what's ahead. The Western Yards project, 70 Hudson Yards, 2 World Trade Center, and a brand new \$10B port authority bus terminal. These are all going to be steady, solid jobs for our members through 2025 and beyond.



These aren't just any projects—they'll bring crucial job hours that our members need, and every one of the nine locals under our District Council will see the benefits in some way. Looking ahead, the union is taking the necessary steps to ensure that we have projects in the pipeline for 2026. Negotiations are underway at Chelsea Houses and other projects of which we are confident we will get the work when they are awarded. We're also paying close attention to the casino licenses and fully expect one if not two of the proposed projects in Queens will take off at the tail end of 2025 or the beginning of 2026. The entire proposed project will be done under a Project Labor Agreement meaning our members will be the ones getting the work.

One tool the District Council has been using to create union jobs for our members is the "Cirrus Fund." The fund is a joint investment with the Building Trades and the NYCDCC, with our union being the largest individual contributor. It lets us put our pension funds to work by investing in projects all across the five boroughs. Not only do we get thousands of job hours from these projects, but our pension fund gets a return on investment. It's a win-win on both fronts.

I'm excited about the projects we have coming our way, and I want to remind everyone to do their parts to represent the union positively. We are competing dollar for dollar. We will never be cheaper, but we can always be more efficient, faster, and safer. Take advantage of the courses offered at the Carpenters Training Center. Traditionally, the more successful carpenters who are rarely out of work will be those that have the most skills to stay gainfully employed.

On a final note, I want to remind everyone the District Council is ready to serve you all. Whenever you run into an issue, have a question, or need any kind of help or guidance, do not hesitate to contact us. 395 Hudson is our home, and we are here to serve you.

In solidarity,

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A LETTER FROM OUR VICE PRESIDENT

ADAM HARKIN



Brothers and Sisters,

Though I know many of you, let me start this off by introducing myself, as I am the newest member of the leadership team at the District Council. I'm a fourth-generation Local 1556 member of the NYC Carpenters Union, and proud of it. Over the past 30 years, I've worn a lot of hats—worked as an apprentice, journeyman, foreman, council rep, regional manager—and now, I have the honor of serving as Vice President of our union.

If you'd told me years ago that I'd be standing here in this role, I probably wouldn't have believed you. But I know one thing for sure—I wouldn't be here without the trust and support of all of you during this Special Election.

I don't take that lightly. And I promise to give this everything I've got to live up to the trust you've placed in me.

Speaking of the Special Election, I want to remind everyone that the District Council will have our regularly scheduled leadership election in a couple of months before the year's end. As many of you know, we are the only council in the entire United Brotherhood of Carpenters (UBC) that still operates our elections under "one man, one vote." No matter who you choose to vote for, whether it be your local executive board, delegate body, or executive leadership, you should always exercise your right to vote. This is a right that our union brothers and sisters fought for when this council was first founded. Remember, your voice is your vote! Electing your union leaders is a critical step in staying engaged.

Since being elected, I've hit the ground running, diving into preparations for the upcoming contract negotiations. That's meant taking a hard look at a number of different Project Labor Agreements to make sure we're putting our members in the best possible position.

One major issue that landed on my plate recently was the shutdown of the offshore wind work at Empire One. The project was expected to provide thousands of job hours to our members, and it was unexpectedly shut down a few months ago. I refused to give up without a fight, so the union went to work utilizing our political prowess to try and get the project back up and running for our members. It wasn't easy, but we got through to several of our New York congressmembers, and they saw what we saw—that shutting this project down would do more harm than good for our members. As a result of our tenacity, the project is now up and running, and our efforts show just how far we have come as a political powerhouse in New York City.

We can all take a victory lap and celebrate, but we also need to keep in mind the challenges we face. We continue to face nonunion encroachment, so we need to make sure we put our best foot forward each day. We are the union, we are professionals, and we should act like that always. And remember, call the union as soon as an issue arises so we can help. After all, that's what we're here for!

Before I wrap up, I want to share a quick thought. I recently attended the UBC's Organizing, Political, and Communication Conference out in Las Vegas. The big message was clear—when these three departments work together, we create real opportunities and turn more projects into union jobs for our members.

What really stood out to me was how many of the tools and tactics being shared by organizers from across the country are already being used by our Area Standards team right here in New York City. It made me proud to see that we're not just keeping up—we're leading the way.

Their outreach to developers and contractors is second to none. They're doing a hell of a job, and it's already turning into real work hours for our members.

If you want to see more of what they've been up to, check out page 21.

Brothers and sisters, I can't say enough how honored I am to be in this position. I hope to make you all proud, and I know that I, as well as the entire District Council, will always have your back. I can't wait to see you all in a few months at our Labor Day Parade and our Softball Tournament!

Fraternally,

Adam Harkin

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Responses to EEOC Survey Needed

In compliance with U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) requirements, the New York City & Vicinity District Council of Carpenters is asking you to fill out a survey asking about your race/ethnicity and gender.

The EEOC states that survey replies returned anonymously are not acceptable, so please fill out the entire survey. But know that the District Council will only report overall statistical numbers and will not identify any individuals by name. Your information will be kept confidential and will not be used for any purposes other than for compiling overall statistics. Please help us comply with the EEOC by filling out the survey found here: www.nycdistrictcouncil.com/eec-survey/

If you have any questions about the survey, please contact EEOSurvey@nycdistrictcouncil.org or Kristin Walker at (212) 366-3366.





SPECIAL ELECTION UPDATE:

A New Chapter of Union Leadership

EST Paul Capurso nominated members to run for Local 157 Delegates to the Convention

SOLIDARITY WINS ALWAYS.



The New York City District Council of Carpenters has been hard at work, and recent months have brought significant changes and renewed energy to our leadership.

At the District Council level, a Special Election was held to replace the Executive Secretary-Treasurer (EST) seat made vacant by our former EST, Joseph Geiger, following his appointment to Eastern District Vice President of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters (UBC), where he now represents members in UBC unions from Maine to Virginia. Joe's appointment was a proud moment for all of us—his leadership and dedication have left a lasting legacy here in NYC.

With the EST seat left vacant for the first time since 2013, the Council moved swiftly and in accordance with the UBC constitution. Council President Paul Capurso was named EST Pro Tem. Recognizing the need for steady, experienced hands to guide us forward, Paul stepped up and accepted a formal nomination to run for EST at the March delegate meeting. As required by the constitution, he stepped down as President, demonstrating the same commitment to democratic process that has always strengthened our union.

This set off a series of moves within our leadership: Vice President David Caraballoso stepped up to serve as Council President, bringing decades of service and unwavering dedication to the role. To fill the Vice President position, Regional Manager Adam Harkin was nominated for his work ethic, forward-thinking vision, and deep-rooted commitment to our brotherhood.

The Special Election was conducted via mail-in ballot, and the results were clear. The Solidarity Slate earned the trust and support of the membership, and on May 18th, the election was officially certified by our Election Monitor, Glen McGorty.

We're proud of this transparent, member-driven process, and we look forward to what this new leadership team will accomplish. With unity, purpose, and solidarity, our Council is ready to tackle the challenges ahead and seize every opportunity to build a better future for our union family.

LOCAL Elections

Our local unions have also been busy holding their own elections. Over the past few months, all nine locals elected Special Delegates to represent them at the upcoming UBC General Convention this August in Las Vegas, Nevada. These Delegates will carry the voices of their locals and the entire council to the national stage.

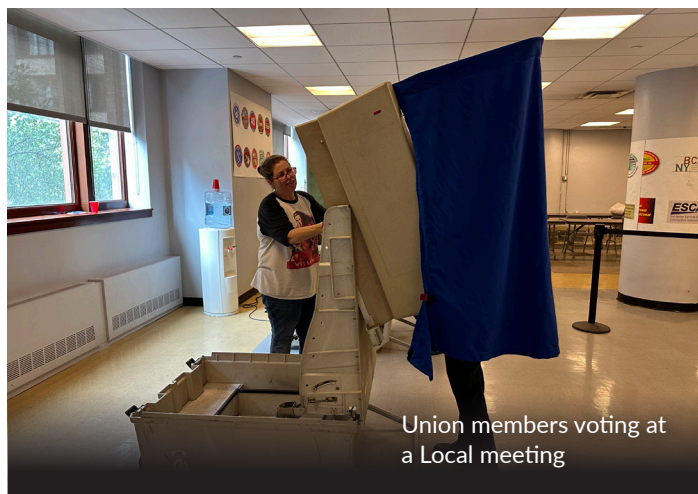
Any member in Good Standing was eligible to run as a delegate, and while some locals had uncontested races, several still held competitive elections. No matter the outcome, participation like this shows the strength and engagement of our membership.



Union members formally accept nominations to run for Delegates to the Convention

In addition to the Convention Delegate elections, each local is also conducting their traditional Delegate elections this year, with most already well underway. Serving as a Delegate is a serious responsibility and a true act of service to fellow members. It's not always easy, but for those who step up, it's deeply meaningful work.

Thank you to every member who ran, voted, or supported the process. Your involvement keeps our union strong and moving forward.



Union members voting at a Local meeting

STRONGER TOGETHER. UNION PROUD.



DISTRICT COUNCIL EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Stefanie Rayside, Assistant to the President and Vice-President

> What led you to the District Council?

I grew up in New Jersey and attended high school in Florida. After graduating, I returned to New Jersey and enrolled in business school in New York City. By chance, I applied through a temp agency and landed an interview for a receptionist position at the District Council. Twenty-six years later, I've worked my way up from the front desk to serving as the Executive Assistant to both the President and Vice President of the District Council. Along the way, I've taken on a variety of roles, including Assistant to the Director of Jurisdiction and Agreements.

> What is it like working at the District Council?

We work tirelessly to ensure the District Council runs smoothly—whether it's addressing member concerns, planning annual events, or tackling anything in between, the Council is always ready to take on whatever comes our way.

> Anyone you would want to thank you for helping you succeed?

I could go on for hours about the people who helped me along the way. Starting here 26 years ago, I've worked alongside some amazing leaders. John Sheehy, Joseph Geiger, Paul Capurso, and a handful of others all deserve my thanks for helping me succeed. They always gave me more responsibility and allowed me to prove how capable I was not only to my coworkers, but also to myself. It's the kind of thing you never forget.

> What's the best part about your job?

Being able to help the members when they have an issue that needs leadership's attention is definitely up there on my list. It's a rewarding feeling for sure. But my favorite thing is being the go-to for a lot of the questions my coworkers have in day-to-day operations. Having been here for over two decades, I have a lot of unique institutional knowledge. I get to be a resource and apply the experiences from the years to help the NYC Carpenters Union run smoothly for all members.

> If you could tell the membership one thing, what would it be?

I would tell the members that they shouldn't hesitate to contact the union when they need help. Everyone here, from your union leaders to the staff and the council representatives are always available to help the membership. Too often we're told about issues after they happen. It's important that everyone contact the union immediately when a situation comes up so we can use all our resources to help you however we can. Nothing makes the people in the District Council feel more fulfilled than being able to help out the membership!

NEW YORK CITY AND VICINITY
DISTRICT COUNCIL OF CARPENTERS

2025 Annual Charity

Softball

TOURNAMENT
AND FAMILY PICNIC

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2025 AT 9AM ★ CUNNINGHAM PARK, QUEENS



Retiree Club Meeting

Don't miss the chance to connect with your fellow members. Learn about upcoming events and how you can stay involved as a retired union member. This meeting is open to all members 55 and over!

2nd Wednesday of the month

Start at 10AM

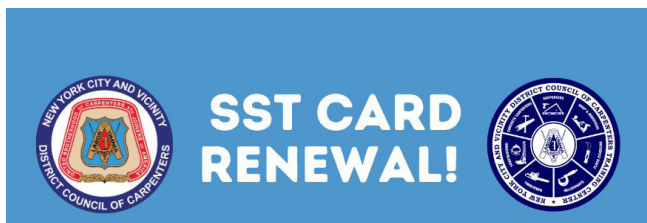
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(link to be provided after registration)

SCAN HERE!

*You must preregister for the event!
Register using the QR Code*

VOLUNTEERING with Helmets to Hardhats

We want to recognize NYCDCC Council Representatives Michael White, Local 45, and Shaun Murphy, Local 157, for their amazing dedication. When asked to raise funds for veterans through the Allied Forces Foundation and Helmets to Hardhats, they jumped in without hesitation. As veterans, Michael and Shaun have a personal connection to this cause. Their participation in a tough 54-mile hike across Scotland, completed in 24 hours, shows their strong bond with fellow service members. Our union is proud to have such devoted veterans in our brotherhood. Thanks to both for your service, leadership, and for representing our union with pride.

SST CARD RENEWAL!



DON'T WAIT! RENEW WITHIN 12 MONTHS BEFORE THE EXPIRATION!

Site Safety Training Card
NEW YORK CITY

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Height: 5' 8" Eyes: Blue

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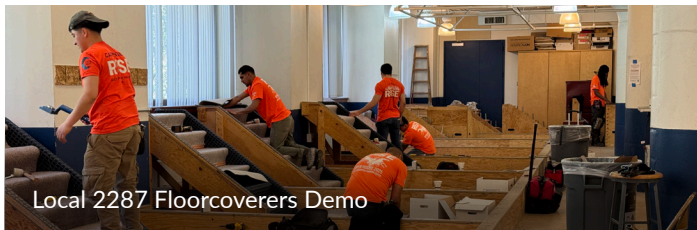
No. How come I didn't hear?

Thanks, I will.

Text 'NYCDCC' to 38009 to enroll and get important union information!



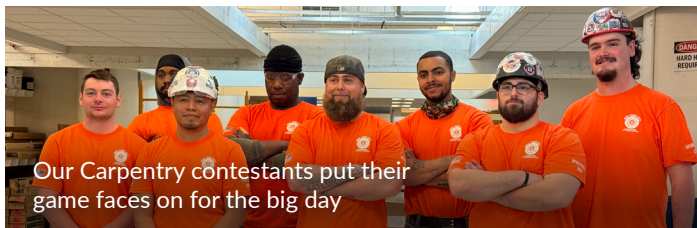
Our apprentices at the Carpenters Training Center represent the future of our union, and we're always proud to witness their skills and dedication in action. That's why we were thrilled to attend the NYC Carpenters Training Center's RISE For The Prize Open House on April 23rd—a dynamic celebration of craftsmanship, commitment, and community.



Local 2287 Floorcoverers Demo

The event brought in top tool vendors, who generously donated equipment and offered hands-on product demonstrations. Throughout the day, apprentices showcased their talents in general carpentry and a competitive millwright challenge, while specialty trades held live exhibitions across the training center.

This year, an original approach added deeper meaning to the event. Instead of awarding Golden Hammers to single-day winners in each trade, the Training Center recognized the full scope of an apprentice's four-year journey. The Golden Hammers were reimagined to honor sustained effort, growth, and excellence over time—a concept developed by instructor Peter Monforte and widely praised by his colleagues. The exhibition-style competition gave an up-close look at our apprentices in action.



Our Carpentry contestants put their game faces on for the big day

Under tight deadlines our apprentices built some impressive projects that wowed the judges and made their locals proud. In the final carpentry round, Rashad Merchant-Bey from Local 157 and Nick Gelman from Local 45 were neck and neck. Both projects were nearly perfect, but Rashad won the title of general carpentry champion. In the millwright category, John Montgomery stood out and took home 1st place!

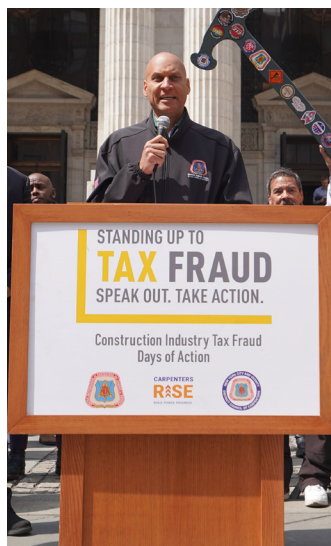
We were also honored to welcome several distinguished guests, including State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli, State Senator Brad Hoylman-Sigal, Queens District Attorney Melinda Katz, and City Council Members Gale Brewer, Julie Menin, and Erik Bottcher.



NYS Comptroller Tom DiNapoli visits Open House

Their presence reflects the growing recognition of the Carpenters Union's role in shaping the future of New York's workforce and infrastructure. NYCDCC President David Caraballosa was on hand to witness the apprentices' exceptional work firsthand. He shared his admiration, saying: "It's crucial that we take the time to mentor and educate the next generation of union carpenters. After seeing the projects at our Open House, I can confidently say that the next generation is well equipped to handle the construction projects coming our way. To all the apprentices who took the time to compete or demonstrate your skills, well done!"

We applaud every apprentice who participated in RISE For The Prize. Your hard work, passion, and professionalism are building more than structures—you're building the future of our union.



TAX FRAUD DAY OF ACTION RALLY



On April 10th, more than 2,000 union carpenters gathered on the steps of the New York Public Library for our annual Tax Fraud Day of Action rally. The goal of the rally was clear: to shine a light on how tax fraud and wage theft continue to harm workers in the construction industry.

Unscrupulous contractors utilize tax fraud to deprive hardworking New Yorkers of their rightful wages and benefits. Through this rally, we raised public awareness about these serious abuses—and reminded everyone that when contractors cheat, it's not just workers who suffer, but entire communities.

Education and advocacy are key. Working together with our labor allies in city government helps us create strong laws against shady contractors and hold them accountable. One such law is the Fair Share Act, which would require all construction projects receiving public subsidies in New York City to pay the Prevailing Wage. This legislation is critical to closing loopholes that dishonest contractors exploit. We were proud to stand shoulder to shoulder with several of our elected allies, including Council Member Kevin C. Riley, Manhattan Borough President Mark Levine, Queens Borough President Donovan Richards, Brooklyn District Attorney Eric Gonzalez, and New York City Councilman Justin Brannan. We are grateful for their support and look forward to passing this bill with them.

More importantly, we thank every member who showed up and stood strong with us. Your voice and presence made the day powerful. Together, we're building a fairer, more just industry for all workers.



WANT TO SEE IF WE TOOK PHOTOS
OF YOU FROM THE BIG DAY?

CHECK OUT [OUR FLICKR ALBUM!](#)

SECURING WORK, STRENGTHENING TIES: SPRING 2025 CARPENTER CONTRACTOR BREAKFAST

The NYC Carpenters Union remains dedicated to securing work opportunities for our members, and strong partnerships with our signatory contractors are key to that mission. That's why we were proud to partner with CCA Metro to host our third bi-annual Carpenter Contractor Breakfast on April 9th, 2025, at Club 101 in Manhattan!

The event brought together over 150 representatives from our signatory contractors, industry associations, and union leadership. It served as an important forum to network, exchange ideas, and share critical updates shaping the future of our industry—all with the goal of increasing work hours and opportunities for our members.

Speakers included CCA Metro Executive Director Paul Fernandes, NYC Carpenters Union Vice President Adam Harkin, Area Standards Director Michael Piccirillo, Deputy Political Director Madeline Appelbaum, and Carpenters Training Director James Hayes. We were also honored to hear from General Contractors Association (GCA) Executive Director Robert Wessels, who provided valuable insights into upcoming heavy construction projects and how collaboration between the union and contractors can benefit both workforces. The feedback from attendees was overwhelmingly positive, and we're proud of the growing relationships and partnerships to strengthen our collective future and secure work opportunities for our members. We thank all who joined us, and we look forward to next year's event!



Marching in Their Father's Footsteps: Honoring a Union Legacy

Each year, our union proudly takes part in the NYC St. Patrick's Day Parade—a beloved tradition that brings together members from every corner of our union, marching side by side with our Pipe and Drum band through the heart of Manhattan.

This year's parade held special significance. Leading the way and carrying the union's banner were the children of our late brother, Christopher Tantillo —former Delegate and Local 157 Warden—who passed away last December. Chris loved taking part in union events and was a staple of the St. Patrick's Day Parade, attending each year to celebrate with his union brothers and sisters. Wanting to keep their father's memory alive, Chris's three children —Christopher, James, and Lily—proudly carried our union's banner in their father's name. In a further gesture of remembrance, Local 157 adorned this year's parade shirts with Chris's initials, ensuring his legacy marched with us every step of the way.

We are incredibly proud of the Tantillo children for their strength and presence. They carried more than just a banner—they carried forward a tradition, a legacy, and the enduring bond of union brotherhood.





LOCAL 45

LEYBI VELEZ

Leybi Veliz is a Golden Hammer winner, a proud Local 45 union carpenter, and an aspiring foreperson. Find out why this former marble worker made the leap to becoming a member of the New York City Carpenters Union!

> What made you decide to become a member of the NYCDCC?

My dream was to be in the NYC Carpenters Union when I grew up. I loved working with my hands, and I knew a desk job wasn't for me. After high school, I found myself doing marble and granite at a mom-and-pop shop. I was stuck. I had a friend in the NYCDCC, and he called and said the Carpenters Training Center (CTC) had applications for their apprenticeship program. I ended the phone call and went right to the CTC. I slept outside for two days just to get an application, and wasn't a guaranteed spot, but I took the leap of faith. I was given the opportunity and thank God I did.

> You mentioned you dreamed of being in the union. What was it that appealed to you?

There are a lot of things, but a huge appeal is the benefits. Being a member of the NYC Carpenters Union comes with major health and retirement benefits. I have a pension and an annuity. My family has top-of-the-line health insurance. Back in the day, it wasn't like that for Hispanic people like me. We thought that nonunion construction was our only option, and that always meant you never received benefits or a retirement, or even the training and education like the Carpenters Training Center provides. Thankfully, the union is a place where everyone can thrive if they put in the work.

> It's great to hear the union has provided you with a better life. Now, speaking of the CTC, you completed your apprenticeship program in 2024. What was that like?

Incredible, valuable, you name it. When I started, I didn't know anything about carpentry. I could barely read a tape measure. The CTC taught me everything I needed to be successful on the job site. The apprenticeship also helped to prepare me mentally, and it was a great steppingstone into the union.



> What's next for you now that you're a journeyman?

I've been lucky to have worked steadily on a lot of big projects like 50 Hudson Yards, the TSX hotel, JFK Terminal 7, and now I'm working at the new J.P. Morgan Chase building at 270 Park. I want to become a foreperson in the future. Leading the job and running work, I can really see myself in that role.

But right now, I just want to focus on mastering my trade before that happens. I always want to become a better union carpenter than I was the day before.

> I think the apprenticeship has done more than "prepare you" for the union. You're a Golden Hammer winner! What was that like?

It sounds crazy, but my first time I saw the names of the previous Golden Hammer winners on a plaque in the school, I said to myself, "That's going to be me one day." It was just something to strive towards. The day was nerve wracking. I wanted to just pack up and go home. But I kept going. Just like on the job site, you may have a difficult day, but you keep working and you keep telling yourself that you have a family depending on you. In the end, it paid off. When they called my name for first place in General Carpentry, it was euphoric.



"Thankfully, the union is a place where everyone can thrive if they put in the work."

LOCAL 157

JAMES CARDASCIA JR.

The NYC District Council of Carpenters is proud to have incredible members within our union. From our new apprentices to seasoned journeymen and retired members, there are exceptional stories from our union brothers and sisters. One member who deserves special recognition for his years of service is James Cardascia Jr., who has been a member for 70 years! He joined Local 157 (then Local 385) back in December 1954. His lengthy career in the union has been marked by decades of work on projects for the Catholic Church, where he had the opportunity to connect with several high-ranking church officials, including bishops, cardinals, and even a future saint.

Coming from a union household, James learned the value of hard work at an early age by watching his father, James Cardascia Sr., build a successful career as a member of the NYC Carpenters Union. Inspired by his father's achievements, James aspired to follow a similar path. Like many members of our union, he attended trade school to better prepare himself for a career as a union carpenter. However, he was frustrated by the school's curriculum, which required him to take classes in various construction trades.

"I just wanted to be a carpenter. I knew I wanted to be a carpenter since I was a kid. And I knew I wanted to be in the NYC Carpenters Union. Now, it is my senior year, and I realized I was just wasting my time, so I dropped out. I left without finishing to join the union. Best decision I made!"

Immediately after leaving school, James inquired about starting as an apprentice in the NYC Carpenters Union. He was given a list full of union jobs and shops and worked his way down the list till he found a company willing to give him a shot. The job was at a shop in the Bronx that specialized in millwork and cabinet work. The foreman was working on dovetails, and he showed James how to craft them using the specialized tools and machinery. The company kept him on, and he was officially initiated as a member in 1954.

Unfortunately for James, his time at the first company didn't last forever. While he learned a lot there, the shop eventually moved out of New York City. He attempted to make ends meet with side work, but he struggled to make anything close to the high union wages he made on union sites, and he knew he could only go so long without his benefits. Thankfully, his luck soon turned around for him.

"I needed to find work, but it was slow. I saw a 'Help Wanted' sign for a contractor who specialized in churches, doing a lot of repair work for the Catholic Church system. He hired me as the company's carpenter. The pay was good because the Church always pays. About six months went by, though, and my benefits weren't being paid because the contractor didn't sign up with the District Council. I went to thank him for keeping me employed, but I told him I was going to look for work elsewhere.



James and President David Caraballoso

He practically jumps up to stop me! He doesn't want to lose me, but I said the only way I'll stay is if he signs up with the union. He went down to the union that very day and signed up. I ended up staying with him for a bit longer than I planned—about 45 years!"

James worked almost exclusively on carpentry work for the Catholic Church, involved in projects ranging from renovating existing churches to building new chapels for Veterans Affairs hospitals and even crafting furniture for church meetings and events.

"I remember once the Pope was coming to New York and was going to preside over the services at Yankee Stadium. My crew was instrumental in building the altar, the Pope's chair, and other pieces of the project. As a thank you for my services, the church gifted me two tickets to hear the Pope speak in the very front row. I went right home and gave it to my wife so she could experience that."

In addition to his work building the churches and chapels of the Catholic Church, James also had the privilege of working on the living quarters of several influential people in the church. Sometimes, the projects were as simple as installing a door or building furniture. Other times, the work was more substantial, such as building out entire dorms and wings.

It was this work that led James to meet the future Saint, Mother Teresa of Calcutta. At the time, Mother Teresa and her younger postulants and novices were living in a house in the Bronx. The Sisters would go up to the roof of the house to eat and get fresh air. James recalls that Mother Teresa was concerned they would slip and get hurt. She asked James if he could build a staircase and safety rails to ensure their safety.



James Cardascia Sr. and Jr.



One of the many Catholic Churches James worked on

"Of course, I agreed to help. I built the staircase for them, and they were so appreciative. And that favor was repaid so many times over. Mother Teresa started asking for me on her projects. My crew ended up getting a lot more work at her request. She could never remember my name. She would simply call me 'Carpenter.' I would get a phone call to the office saying that Mother Teresa had requested my services."

It wasn't long after his work under Mother Teresa started that James was blessed to have a major project fall into his lap. It was the early to mid-1980s and Mother Teresa wanted to open a hospice in

the West Village for men suffering from AIDS. James' crew started work on the interior portion of the project, and while he had worked on hundreds of projects for the Catholic Church, this one always stood out to him.

"The project was quite intricate, and I had to navigate between the blueprints and Mother Teresa's wishes. At the time, she was petitioning the New York State Governor to release three men with AIDS that were imprisoned at Sing Sing so they could spend their final days in the hospice. I read in the paper that she is working to get the three men released for Christmas. I went to her and tried to explain that the job wouldn't be finished in time—maybe by January, but definitely not by Christmas. She looked at me and said, 'I desire to have Christmas with my sisters in the home. I pray for it, Carpenter. And my prayers come true.' Well, what choice did I have but to work overtime to make her prayer come true!" James completed the project well ahead of schedule, and Mother Teresa and her newly released patients did celebrate Christmas in their new home. As the years went on James continued working on all different types of carpentry projects for the Catholic Church until his ultimate retirement in 1998. In 2004, he became an honorary member, signifying his 50 years in Good Standing. As an honorary member, James was supposed to receive a gold watch from the NYC Carpenters Union for his service, but unfortunately, he never received it.



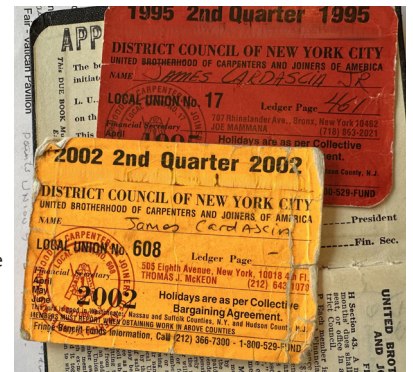
James shares lifelong collection of union mementos

"I had problems with my mail. I wanted the watch, but it never arrived, so I thought, 'Oh, well.' However, I had promised it to my grandson, who kept asking me about it. I tried contacting the Local 157 office, but I ended up being transferred to the District Council by accident. I spoke to a few different people and they each tried to help. Finally, one guy in the office answered the phone, and he promised me that the watch would be shipped to me immediately. A few days later, the watch arrived in the mail!"



James was ecstatic when he saw the watch and quickly called the District Council back to thank them for their help. He was shocked when he learned the identity of the employee who helped him was none other than the union's President, David Caraballosa.

"Here's a guy who handles so much to keep the union running, and he took the time out of his day to help me with a watch and even called me back to make sure I received it? Wow! I couldn't believe it. I'm so thankful to David for his help getting this watch. When I gave it to my grandson, his face lit up. That watch might as well be a Congressional Medal of Honor. That's how important it is to my family."



Recognizing James' milestone as a 70-year-old member in our brotherhood, the District Council wanted to honor his lifelong commitment to our union. We thought of no better way than by having David Caraballosa meet with him at his home to hear his stories firsthand while also presenting James with his official 70-year pin!

James will soon celebrate his 90th birthday and has made it clear that joining the NYC Carpenters Union was one of the best decisions he ever made.

"Combined with my father's years in the union we have a legacy spanning over several decades! I enjoyed every bit of my career. I'm so appreciative of what the union has provided for me. And quite frankly, what they are still doing for me. The watch and the pin are just an example of how the NYC Carpenters Union goes above and beyond for its members."

LOCAL 157

LEE HIRSCH

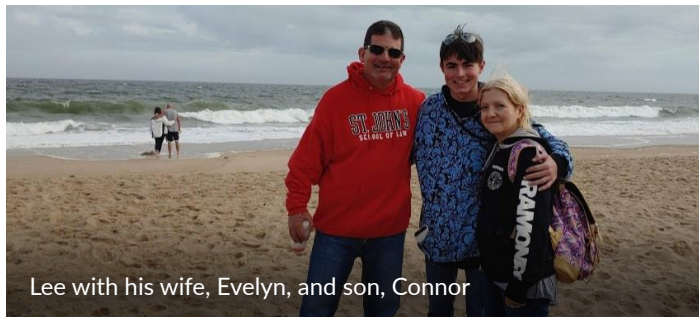
With four decades of experience in the NYC Carpenters Union, Local 157 member Lee Hirsch has worn nearly every hat this trade can offer—journeyman, shop steward, foreperson, superintendent. If the position exists on a job site, chances are Lee has done it. Like so many members in our brotherhood, his journey into union carpentry began with a simple but life-changing realization: only a strong union career could provide him the stability and future he wanted for himself and his family.



Lee with his union brothers

Lee's path wasn't always aimed toward construction. As graduate of SUNY Oneonta, Lee originally planned to work in the film industry. While he found work at a new film studio in Long Island, he realized that raises and benefits weren't guaranteed. "About two years into my first job I was running the place but only making \$350 a week with no benefits. I asked my boss for a raise to \$550 a week, and he laughed at me."

As luck would have it, there was a crew of union set builders who happened to be working at the studio. Seeing Lee dejected over not getting the raise, one of them pulled Lee aside and said, "Hand in your walkie talkie and ID badge and come work with us in the construction business."



Lee with his wife, Evelyn, and son, Connor



"It was incredible. I went from earning \$350 a week to making \$2,000 a week. That's how I started in the construction field. I loved working on Long Island, and eventually I was given the opportunity to go work in the big city! I got a call from a buddy of mine who had a job at the Plaza Hotel. But the only way I could work on the project was if I joined the NYC District Council of Carpenters. It was daunting, but I knew I was ready to make the jump. I went that very day and joined Local 157 (then 608) and never looked back. My initiation fee was two or three hundred bucks, and I swear that money had the best return on investment than any other stock on Wall Street."



Lee at Windham Mountain

Lee joined the union during a construction boom and has contributed to some of the city's most iconic projects, including Terminal One at JFK Airport and the redevelopment of LaGuardia. For a time, he even co-owned a union company, Quinlan and Hirsch. "It was a great experience, very profitable, but I hated chasing money and eventually made the jump back to working as a member."

Lee can surely say he's found a lot of success within our union, but Lee's talents go beyond union carpentry. On weekends, he dedicates his time to teaching skiing to wounded veterans and autistic children through the Adaptive Ski Program at Windham Mountain in Upstate NY. "I had always been a lifelong skier, and I wanted to pass that passion onto my son. When he was a child, I took him to the slopes to teach him to ski, and I discovered this group called the Adaptive Ski Program. I learned that they relied on volunteer instructors to help teach injured veterans and children with autism. I instantly felt a calling and began donating my weekends to the organization."



Lee with his union brothers



Lee with his union brothers



Lee at LaGuardia Airport

It's a demanding commitment to teach a high-intensity sport to students with complex needs, but Lee approaches it with the same heart and dedication he brings to the job site, where he has a reputation for being a jack of all trades.

"One of the secrets to my longevity in the union comes from the fact that I do woodwork, drywall, stretch wall, and so on. I do all aspects of the trade, from walls to ceilings to shows. I'm constantly encouraging our younger brothers and sisters to take as many classes as they can at the Carpenters Training Center. The member with all the skills will never struggle finding work."

While union carpentry and skiing couldn't be further apart, Lee has utilized his skills from both areas of his life. While he encourages his fellow union members to learn the trade skills to be successful, he has the same mindset when it comes to teaching wounded veterans or autistic children the skills needed to enjoy skiing.

"I'm blessed to say that my career has imparted skills onto me that make me so impactful with the students I work with in Adaptive Ski Sports. I might have a student with autism, and they can't communicate, but I'll never brush them off. You stay with them, get on their level, show them the steps to ski or snowboard, and watch them take off. It's extremely rewarding."

Whether it's a seven-year-old who's nonverbal or a veteran who served in Afghanistan, Lee never knows who he'll be working with until they meet. But he sees his role the same way he does on a construction site: to lead, to teach, and to give everyone a fair chance to succeed. Now approaching retirement, Lee plans to work for another two years before devoting even more time to adaptive skiing. Thanks to the benefits secured through the union, he knows his retirement will be one of dignity and comfort.

"I've loved every second of being in the union," he says. "It gave me an education, safety training, and the chance to advocate for my brothers and sisters. It allowed me to provide for my wife and my son—my entire world. There are no words for how lucky I feel to have found this union."



A LEGACY OF BROTHERHOOD: Local 20 65-Year Member, MICHAEL J. COCOZZA

At the New York City District Council of Carpenters, we believe that union brotherhood does not end at retirement. While many apprentices and journeypersons stay active off the job site, only a small number of retirees continue to participate in union life once they hang up their tools. But every now and then, someone breaks that mold—someone like Michael J. Cocozza of Local 20.



A proud 65-year member, Michael has made it his mission to remain engaged and involved well into retirement. His story is a testament to what it means to live a union life—on the job, in the classroom, and beyond. Michael joined Local 20 on September 13th, 1959, a couple months after graduating from high school. At 19 years old, he was inducted into the union at the Local 20 hall, brought there by his grandfather, Michael Cocozza I. In those days, the path into the NYC Carpenters Union looked very different, but one thing remained the same: respect had to be earned.

Michael was officially sworn in at the monthly meeting and was at his first job a week later. Most of the guys knew Michael because of his family in the union, but he made it clear early on that his work ethic and skills were what kept him on the job.

“My very first meeting, a business agent came over to shake my hand and offer me a piece of advice. He said, ‘If you do not make the company money, they can not afford to pay you,’ and I understood right away. If I didn’t give it my all and work hard, I would never make it in this union.”

And he did. Over his 40-year career, Michael built a reputation for excellence. As a third-year apprentice, he was personally chosen by his business agent to fill a journey person spot on a demanding Manhattan crew—a rare honor. But the job didn’t start easy.

“I was very excited to become a journey person, but I did not realize what would be expected of me. After my second day with the crew, the foreman came over to me and explained that I was giving it my all but was falling behind the other members when it came to completing the boards. He said he would give me until the end of the week. I went home and told my father. He showed me some faster, more efficient techniques. I applied them the next day, and the foreman was impressed. I told him, ‘I’m using my mind, not just my hands.’” We had a rule that you could leave early after you did a certain number of boards. I would hit the number but keep working. I told the foreman I was making up for my first two days.”

That mindset carried Michael far. He rose to become a foreperson and shop steward and was deeply involved in union meetings, attending nearly all twelve in a year. More than just attending, he spoke up. He proposed motions, mentored younger members, and ensured that everyone knew they had a voice.

“One thing I always felt strongly on is that you should have to be in Good Standing as a member if you were going to be sent out as a shop steward. I spoke to some of my fellow brothers, and they agreed. Well, when it was time to put the motion forward and take a vote, I didn’t stand up. Instead, I had a younger member propose it, and I seconded it. After the meeting, the executive board of Local 20 asked why I did not propose it myself. I said that I know I have a voice. It’s the younger members who need to learn it. What better way will they learn than by participating themselves?”

Michael's influence extended beyond the job site. In 1978, after two decades in the field, he received a call that would open a new chapter: a part-time instructor position at the Carpenters Training Center.

"I made lots of friends and was always getting calls for job opportunities, so I was never out of work. Then in the late 1970s, I got a call from a fellow union brother. He told me there was a part-time instructor opportunity at the Carpenters Training Center and asked if I was interested. I jumped at the offer. I loved teaching apprentices on the jobsite. Sometimes, unfortunately, members are afraid to teach apprentices on the job because they worry they will take their job. But for me, I could not wait to teach them. I was taught by journey people, and I believed in paying it forward."

As an instructor, Michael taught framing and concrete courses and took a personal interest in each apprentice's success. "I was always introducing apprentices to the older members. You need to make connections in this business. And I would sit down with the apprentices if they were having a problem and talk them through it.

One time that always sticks out was when I was teaching, and I overheard an apprentice tell me he thought his foreman was going to lay him off. I pulled the young apprentice aside and asked him what was going on at the job. He explained that the foreman didn't think he had the skills to keep up with the crew. He told me the foreman's name, and it was my same foreman from my first job as a journeyman! I explained to the apprentice that he had to give it all, there was no room to coast and work less just because he was an apprentice. A few days later I saw the apprentice, and he told me that he took what I said to heart. He went back to the project and applied himself. He kept up with the crew, and the foreman stayed with him to show him how to do other pieces of the project. I was so proud.

"A few days later I saw the apprentice, and he told me that he took what I said to heart. He went back to the project and applied himself. He kept up with the crew, and the foreman stayed with him to show him how to do other pieces of the project. I was so proud. That's what it's all about. It really is a brotherhood amongst us members."

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Michael officially retired in 2000, but his dedication to the union has never waned. Even now, he continues to attend Local 20 meetings regularly, staying informed, involved, and inspiring.

"I make it a point to always stay informed. When someone is running for the Local e-board or for a District Council position I make sure I know who they are, what they have done, what they plan to do, and so on. People always ask why I still stay involved after 20 years of retirement. It's because my medical bills are paid. My annuity is still very well-funded. My pension is still supporting me. And I want that for you, I want it for our apprentices, and I want it for our future members!"

Michael J. Cocozza exemplifies the true spirit of our union. His story is a reminder to all of us that being a union carpenter is not just a job—it is a lifelong commitment to excellence and to each other.



Michael attending Local 20 Union Meeting alongside fellow union brothers Chris Wallace and Chris Wallace Jr.



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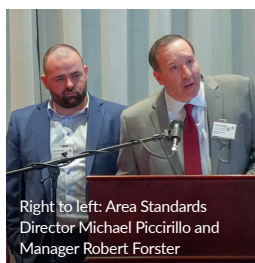
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TWO. MILLION. SQUARE FEET.

Yes, you read that right! Thanks to the dedicated work of our Area Standards department, over two million square feet of work has been turned in 2025 alone.



Right to left: Area Standards Director Michael Piccirillo and Manager Robert Forster

Under the leadership of Michael Piccirillo, the department has undergone a complete transformation over the past year—changing not just how they operate, but how they deliver results.

The team is laser-focused on turning projects for our members, using a wide range of strategies to secure work.

Gone are the days of chasing jobs after

they've been awarded nonunion. Now, Area Standards is working proactively—identifying and targeting opportunities before they're shovel-ready, ensuring our members are positioned at the front of the line.

The new, proactive tactics have led to massive turns for our members already in 2025 and were only six months in! To recognize his accomplishments across the board, Michael has been promoted to be the new Director of Area Standards. This move will give him greater authority over the department, and he'll be able to position our union to remain strong for another 100 years!

With Michael stepping into the director's role, a clear vacancy emerged in the department's manager position. Fortunately, the District Council leadership had just the union brother in mind for the job. Robert Forster of Local 20 was selected by leadership and approved by the Delegate body to take on the role.

"Robert embodies the idea of a union brother every day. He works tirelessly to help his fellow members and has a proven record of turning jobs. His continuous work updating the department to utilize innovative strategies in turning projects for our members has been outstanding," said Michael Piccirillo.

As Area Standards Manager, Rob will take on a bigger role in the day-to-day operations of the department. He's already been hard at work training all the Council Representatives on the new tools and technology they can use to turn jobs and get results.

"In the past, you may have one or two reps trained in searching databases for leases, in using email generator campaigns, etc. Now, everyone is trained in a variety of technological programs and systems that can be tools in our organizing efforts," says Robert Forster when discussing the importance of using modern technology.

Thanks to the steady hands of Michael and Robert, the organizing department has turned a whole lot of solid, good-paying work over the last six months. Some of our key turns include:

- 280 Park Avenue – A major success with 80,000 square feet of work for all our NYCDCC trades
- 140 Broadway – 110,000 square foot project
- 30 Hudson Yards – 150,000 square foot project, which will be done full union by all trades under the District Council
- 114 West 47th Street (IFM Investors) – 55,000 square feet of work that will be built union under all our NYCDCC trades.
- 55 Hudson Street (Point 72 Office Space) – A 25,000 square foot commercial space that will be built union. This win was assisted by our Political Action Department who helped utilize our elected officials to persuade the General Contractor to go union.



By far one of the best turns of the year comes from our win at 1 Java Street in Brooklyn. Initially, flooring work was being carried out by 3L, a non-union contractor, but was later turned over to Pyramid Floor Covering Inc, a union signatory affiliated with Workroom 81. Similarly, site work and landscaping originally contracted to Let it Grow, a non-union firm, were reassigned to Construction Resources Corp. The project, backed by Lend Lease Real Estate Investments and Aware Super—an Australian superannuation fund—is valued at \$500 million and includes LVP flooring, self-leveling, hallway carpet, and extensive site work. Scheduled to run from February 2025 to July 2026, the project saw a major labor shift thanks in part to the CFMEU (an Australian trade union), which targeted Aware Super with protests over its use of non-union labor. This advocacy, combined with NYCDCC leadership over a year, successfully transitioned all 500,000 square feet of flooring work for our floorcoverers in Local 2287 on the residential towers and public space site work to union labor, securing approximately 12,000 total work hours.

It goes to show you that when the NYCDCC has a project in our crosshairs, we will stop at nothing till that project is turned for our members.

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The New York City Carpenters Union Isn't Just Building New York's Best, **WE ARE NEW YORK'S BEST!**

IN 2025, OUR MEMBERS HELPED GENERATE MILLIONS OF JOB HOURS!

These hours span all across New York City and come from all aspects of our trades. From interior systems work at the Jacob Javits Convention Center to general carpentry infrastructure work happening at the Bay Parkway Bridge, and to specialty work like our Local 1556 Timbermen work happening with IPC Dafazio at the Two Bridges Resiliency project in Manhattan, our members are using their skills and training to build this city the only way they know how: the UNION way!

Check out some of our members' work from the past few months and see if you can spot any familiar faces.



NY Build Setup Javits



Bay Parkway Bridge



IPC Dafazio



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NY Build Setup Javits



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At CCA Metro, we proudly highlight the expertise and craftsmanship of these professionals. Recent projects showcasing their contributions include 7 Times Square, JP Morgan at 270 Park Avenue, Morgan Stanley at 1585 Broadway, and 40 West 137th Street.

Together, we're building a stronger, better New York.



7 TIMES SQUARE

Construction is progressing rapidly at 7 Times Square in Midtown Manhattan, showcasing the efficiency and expertise of union contractors and carpenters with the New York City District Council of Carpenters. This 47-story office tower, a key presence in Times Square, is undergoing extensive interior commercial work, including high-end woodworking, custom furniture installations, and premium floor coverings. Once completed, these enhancements will further solidify the superior craftsmanship that union carpenters and contractors bring to projects across New York City.

Contractors involved include: [ARI Products Inc.](#), [AL-Lee Installations, Inc.](#), [Combined Resources Interiors, Inc.](#), [Commodore Construction Corporation](#), [Consolidated Flooring](#), [Construction Specialties Installations LLC](#), [Danmar Interiors Inc.](#), [Eclipse Contracting Corp.](#), [Eurotech Construction Corp.](#), [GVB Installations Inc.](#), [Glenwood Management Services](#), [Liberty Furniture Services Inc.](#), [National Acoustics, LLC](#), [Nationwide Furniture Installers Inc.](#), [R&J Installations](#), [Reilly Contract Installations](#), [Superior Acoustics Inc.](#), [Techno Acoustics Holdings, LLC](#), [Twenty-Four 7 Contracting](#), [Wood Pro 2 Installers Inc.](#)



JP MORGAN 270 PARK AVENUE

Construction is progressing at 270 Park Avenue, the future global headquarters of JPMorgan Chase. Built by union contractors and carpenters with the New York City District Council of Carpenters, this 60-story skyscraper highlights exceptional craftsmanship.

Carpenters from multiple trades, including Concrete Superstructures, Interior Systems, Architectural Woodwork, Floor Covering, and Hoisting & Scaffolding, have played key roles in its construction. Now topped out, the project showcases the skill and dedication union carpenters and contractors bring to every project in New York City.

Project contractors include: [Anchormen Construction, LLC](#), [ARI Products, Inc.](#), [Certified Interiors, Inc.](#), [Certified Installation Service](#), [CNZ Contracting, Inc.](#), [Commodore Construction Corporation](#), [Commodore Maintenance Corp.](#), [Component Assembly Systems](#), [Construction Specialties Installations](#), [Consolidated Flooring, LLC](#), [Cooper Plastering Corporation](#), [Cord Contracting Co. Inc.](#), [Donaldson Interiors Inc.](#), [Elite Flooring LLC](#), [Eurotech Construction Corp.](#), [Hailey Insulation Corp.](#), [Insulation Contractors, Inc.](#), [Jacobson & Company, Inc.](#), [John Civetta & Sons, Inc.](#), [Mistral Architectural Metal + Glass, Inc.](#), [Modernfold/Styles Inc.](#), [Nets That Work Company](#), [Nicholson Corp.](#), [Office Partitions Inc.](#), [Roger & Sons Concrete, Inc.](#), [Safway Atlantic](#), [Starr Industries LLC](#), [Wood Pro 2 Installers Incorporated](#), [X-Cell Insulation Corp.](#)





MORGAN STANLEY 1585 BROADWAY

Inside 1585 Broadway, home to Morgan Stanley, extensive renovations are shaping the future of this landmark office space. From intricate interior upgrades to precision floor coverings, union carpenters and contractors with the New York City District Council of Carpenters bring the expertise and training needed to execute this project at the highest level.

Contractors involved on the job include: ABSOLUTE WOODWORKING INSTALLATIONS, Al-Lee Installations, Inc., All City Install, Inc., American Convention Exhibitor, BOND PAINTING COMPANY, INC., Certified Installation Service, Consolidated Flooring, Construction Specialties Installations, LLC, Dimaio Millwork Corporation, Eco Specialties, LLC, Empire Office, Inc., Eurotech Construction, Glenwood Management Services, Hi Tech Data Floors, Inc., Jacobson & Company, Inc., John Knopf Flooring, Inc., LVC Interiors, Metropolitan Drywall Co., Inc., ModernfoldStyles, Inc., National Acoustics, LLC, Newmat Northeast Corp., On Location, Inc., Pinnacle Installations, LLC, R&J Installations, Raised Computer Floors, Inc., S D K Associates, LLC, Tri-State Computer Flooring, Wood Pro 2 Installers, Inc.



40 WEST 137TH STREET

At 40 West 137th Street, a major addition to Harlem and NYC's public health infrastructure is taking shape. The NYC Public Health Laboratory, connected to Harlem Hospital, will support vital research and public health initiatives. This project is brought to life thanks to the expertise of union contractors and carpenters from the New York City District Council of Carpenters.

Since our last update, skilled teams have joined the effort, contributing to key areas like interior commercial work and custom woodworking. Their dedication and attention to detail will ensure this lab becomes a cornerstone of innovation and public health for years.

Contractors involved include: American Pile And Foundation, LLC, American Wood Installers, Commodore Maintenance Corporation, Construction Specialties Installations, Curtis Partition Corp., JD Traditional Industries, Modernfold/Styles, Inc., MPS Plastic Wall Products, Nets That Work Company, Pristine Services Incorporated, S D K Associates, LLC, Sloan & Company, Urban Foundation/Engineering, LLC, Workplace Installation Group, LLC







Infrastructure projects are ramping up across our jurisdiction, creating valuable job opportunities for members across our nine local unions. One standout example is the Portal North Bridge project in Secaucus, New Jersey, which has kept our Dockbuilders of Local 1556 steadily employed for the past three years.

This high-impact project is part of the broader effort under the Gateway Development Commission (GDC) and is being managed by general contractor Skanska-Traylor PNB JV, NJ Transit and Amtrak. The original Portal Bridge built in 1910 located on the Northeast Corridor over the Hackensack River, needed an upgrade, as the current swing bridge has long caused rail delays and issues for commuters upon closing. The new Portal North Bridge will significantly improve commuter rail service, increasing both efficiency and speed for thousands of daily riders.



Local 1556 Dockbuilder Peter Messina

Early phases of the project included installing massive pilings and constructing concrete foundations to support the new span. One of the most impressive feats was transporting the new bridge from Albany and carefully setting it in place—a complex, hours-long process that required precise weather and tidal conditions to execute safely.

Once the bridge was in place, the crew remained hard at work on other aspects of the project, including concrete form work, pile driving, and installing lagging. According to Vinny Koballa, Skanska shop steward and long-time team member on the site:

“We’ve done it all—large diameter drilling, tiebacks, pile driving of every size. We built trestles in multiple locations just to make safe access possible. After three years, we’ve accomplished so much, and we’re still going. This project has been a real blessing for our local.”



Vincent Koballa and Council Rep Brian McLaughlin

Over 100 members have worked on the Portal North Bridge so far, with safety and skills training always top of mind. Because of the vital importance of the project to commuter transit, every task must meet the highest standards of efficiency and precision. Fortunately, our members are delivering—often ahead of schedule.

“A project of this scale is a game-changer—it’s like hitting the jackpot,” said Council Representative Brian McLaughlin. “The opportunity for steady work, overtime, and weekend hours is huge—but only if the project stays on schedule. Thankfully, our members are up to the task. They come prepared, stay focused, and give 110 percent. Each time I visit the site, I’m impressed by the pace and quality of the work—it’s truly remarkable.”

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As the District Council approaches finalization of the Stipulation and Order, the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) has played an active role—not only in shaping its structure, but also in demonstrating to the Government that this Union operates with a robust, multi-layered system committed to fairness, justice, and timely oversight. Our mission remains clear: to protect the integrity of the Council while securing the greatest possible opportunities for our members.

The Consent Decree, entered into by the New York City District Council of Carpenters and the United States Government in 1994, provides three major core elements:

1. Freedom from the corrupting influence of Organized Crime.
2. A fair and equitable system of work distribution.
3. The principle of one member, one vote.

Today, we see the third element in action, as members participate in elections at both the Council and Local levels.

Under the most recent Stipulation and Order, entered on December 4, 2024, former Independent Monitor Glen McGorty has transitioned into the role of Election Monitor. In this capacity, he is responsible for overseeing candidate eligibility, reviewing ballots, issuing campaign guidelines, handling complaints and challenges, and certifying the results of the Council election. Local elections, such as those for delegate positions, continue to be governed by the UBC Constitution. Any concerns regarding these processes should be pursued through established grievance procedures available to all UBC members. Meanwhile, allegations involving Organized Crime, corruption, or non-union activity remain firmly within the investigative authority of the OIG.

The Office of the Inspector General continues to act decisively to prevent the resurgence of Organized Crime within the District Council. While criminal elements have aggressively targeted the non-union sector, we remain vigilant. Organized Crime is not a victimless enterprise—it deprives hardworking members of fair wages and job opportunities. One recent case brought before the Independent Hearing Officer involved Salvatore Tagliaferro, a former Business Agent and Local Union President, whose direct ties to organized crime led to a permanent ban from all roles within the District Council and its affiliates. He is now officially designated as a “barred person.”

Ensuring a fair and equitable method of work distribution is everyone's responsibility. The District Council remains politically active through initiatives like Carpenters RISE and continues to bolster its Organizing Department to maximize work hours for the membership. The OIG complements this effort by increasing both internal and external compliance checks, ensuring not only that staff are meeting performance expectations, but also affirming to the court that we can effectively police our own policies and practices.

The transition from the Independent Monitor to the exclusive oversight of the Office of the Inspector General has been seamless. Most members now report concerns directly to the OIG. In instances where complaints were mistakenly directed to the former Monitor, they have been properly forwarded and investigated by our office without delay.

The future of the NYC Carpenters is bright. The City that Never Sleeps has many construction projects in the pipeline, promising work opportunities for our members. As we move steadily toward full self-governance, we remain committed to integrity, transparency, and member empowerment, with your continued engagement and vigilance leading the way.

Richard Green, Inspector General, NYCDCC

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In the recent District Council Special Election, 16,910 ballots were mailed to eligible members, but only 3,079 (less than 20%) were returned. This means over 80% of members did not vote. Low turnout should concern all members, and reversing this trend is critical.

The District Council's strength and ability to advocate for workers depend on active member participation, especially in elections. Voting is not only a way to choose leaders but also a fundamental democratic right that holds leadership accountable and promotes transparency. High participation fosters a culture of ethical behavior and ensures decisions reflect members' best interests.

The District Council has made significant progress in promoting integrity by establishing clear ethical guidelines, effective policies, and a strong Inspector General's Office. These efforts demonstrate a commitment to ethical practices and accountability.

However, member engagement—especially through voting—remains essential. Voting keeps leaders responsive and ensures the union truly represents its members. Participation in elections is both a right and a responsibility, helping the union stay transparent, accountable, and effective.

A key election this Fall will determine District Council leadership for the next four years. I urge all members to learn about the candidates, discuss the issues, and encourage others to vote. The New York City District Council is unique in allowing members to directly elect their leaders—an opportunity everyone should seize for the benefit of themselves and the union.

Josh Leicht, Chief Compliance Officer, NYCDCC



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LEGISLATIVE WINS



Lobby Day

After a monumental 2024 for labor and housing in Albany, we entered the 2025 legislative session determined to achieve even more. We are proud to report major wins that will set our course for 2026 and beyond.

One of our most significant achievements was the passage of **A8429B/S7950A**, a major victory for the UBC in New York State. This new law aims to combat workers' compensation insurance premium fraud, a tactic unscrupulous contractors use to illegally cut costs and undercut union contractors during the bidding process. A8429B/S7950A provides essential grant funding to District Attorneys across the state, giving them the resources they need to better investigate and prosecute those who violate workers' compensation laws. The legislation acts as a powerful deterrent against fraud, ensuring a fairer bidding process for our contractors and ultimately leading to more work hours for our members.

We also successfully advocated for the passage of two key parkland alienation bills, allowing major union-built projects to advance in the approval process: **Metropolitan Park** in Queens and **Bally's Bronx** at Ferry Point Park. This victory is a direct result of our persistent lobbying efforts, including a highly effective Lobby Day in Albany featuring our very own rank-and-file members. These projects represent billions of dollars in private investment and are expected to create tens of thousands of union construction jobs, ensuring steady work for our members for years to come. The passage of these bills is a testament to our influence in state government, and we remain committed to seeing the projects through to their final approval.



Carpenters GOTV Pierina Sanchez



Union carpenters GOTV for Crystal Hudson



ELECTIONS

This election season, the District Council solidified its position as a preeminent political force in the city. We didn't just participate—we led the conversation on prevailing wage, affordable housing, and job creation, joining the small, influential group of unions that have long driven New York City labor politics. Of course, the candidate we and the vast majority of labor unions endorsed, Andrew Cuomo, did not win the mayor's race. We are nonetheless proud to have stood with him based on his record of creating tens of thousands of union construction jobs as Governor. The takeaway for our union and our members, however, isn't any single win or loss. It's the political power we established—a power that will continue to benefit us for years to come, regardless of who is in Gracie Mansion.

That power is already evident in this season's downballot races, where nearly every one of our endorsed candidates won across all five boroughs. Amid a cycle where pro-labor incumbents were challenged on multiple fronts, the District Council rose to the occasion to defend those who have stood with us. In Brooklyn, **Councilmembers Alexa Avilés and Shahana Hanif** handily defeated challengers in what many considered to be toss-up races, and **Councilmember Darlene Mealy** fended off seven opponents to win by a landslide. In the Bronx, our endorsement propelled **Councilmember Pierina Sanchez** and **Borough President Vanessa Gibson** to commanding victories over challengers in their respective races.

The District Council doesn't care about Republican vs. Democrat—we care about who will fight the hardest for our union, and this election was no exception.

In southern Brooklyn's Council District 48, we endorsed incumbent **Inna Vernikov** in the Republican primary over challenger Ari Kagan and defeated him at the ballot box for the second time in two years.

Our success this cycle wasn't limited to incumbents; we also played a pivotal role in elevating fresh faces in open races. Thanks to our RISE participating members who interviewed dozens of contenders for our endorsement, we successfully identified and backed winning, pro-labor candidates. Most notably, our late endorsement helped propel **Borough President Mark Levine** to victory in the Comptroller's race. As a pro-labor citywide official, he'll be instrumental in combatting wage theft, preserving our pension funds, and protecting prevailing wage.

We also saw major wins at the Council level: in the South Bronx, the Carpenters turned out to help **Justin Sanchez** with a decisive 62% in the final round of ranked-choice voting. In Manhattan, we put boots on the ground to steer **Harvey Epstein** to victory in Council District 2, and our endorsement played a critical role in pushing **Virginia Maloney** past the finish line in the race for Council District 4.

These candidates' victories would not have been possible without us: we mobilized over **4,150 members** across **41 days of action** this cycle to hit the streets, knock on doors, and get out the vote. We look forward to fighting for these candidates with the same vigor in the November general election, and are confident we will have a strong, pro-union City Council and the backing of elected officials across New York City come 2026.



Members GOTV for Julie Menin



CarpentersRISE for Shaun Abreu

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