

**Women...**

**Right NOW!**  
**Right Time!**

Coalition of Labor Union Women  
18th Biennial Convention  
November 18-21, 2015  
Sacramento, CA

# Coalition of Labor Union Women

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June 5, 2015

Greetings,

It is with great pleasure we issue the Official Call for the 18th Biennial Convention of the Coalition of Labor Union Women, November 18-21, 2015 at the Sacramento Convention Center in Sacramento, California. The theme for the convention is **"Women...Right NOW! Right Time!"**

This convention, is a member convention. To participate in the convention with voice and vote all you need to be is a Regular National CLUW member in good standing on October 5, 2015.

The women's movement and the labor movement are still facing some of the biggest challenges in our history, with battles on every front. This is our opportunity to engage those in the labor movement and our friends who are not part of the labor movement and say Women... Right NOW! Right Time!

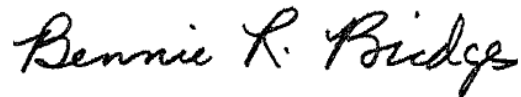
This convention is about working together to set new goals and frame our objectives from the founding principles that guide the work of our organization. Progress is made possible by networking, sharing information and developing ideas to form new programs and policies.

On Wednesday, November 18th, we will offer a wide variety of workshops. Details will be posted on our web site in a few weeks.

Please note that observers are welcome to attend the convention and fully participate in all activities. However, they will be required to pay the appropriate registration fee and will be seated in a special section in the convention hall as they will not be able to have voice or vote.

We hope you will enjoy this exciting convention which includes workshops on a variety of topics, dynamic speakers and sessions to inspire and empower delegates and guests.

In Solidarity,



Bennie R. Bridges  
Corresponding Secretary

*Mailing, labor and materials donated by AFGE*

# CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

## Coalition of Labor Union Women 18th Biennial Convention November 18-21, 2015

**Sacramento Convention Center, Sacramento, CA**

**Early Registration \$200 - Under 35 \$100 - Retirees \$100 - Students \$75**

**Registrations received after October 5th will incur an additional \$75 fee**

Registration Payment	Quantity	Cost
\$200 Early Registration		
*\$100 Early CLUW Member <u>under 35</u>		
\$100 Early Retiree		
\$75 Early Student		
\$50 <u>Additional</u> (Guest) Reception Ticket(s)		
TOTAL		
\$75 Late Fee (after October 5th)		
Total Amount Enclosed		

Convention registration can be made online at [cluw.org](http://cluw.org) or send this form and your check made payable to "CLUW" to the following address of our special convention registration provider:

**CLUW Registration**  
Attn: Judy Beard, National Treasurer  
1201 New Jersey Ave, NW  
Washington, DC 20001

You will be receiving updated information and confirmation by email or mail. Be sure to open emails regarding this CLUW convention from [cluw@mmsmeetings.com](mailto:cluw@mmsmeetings.com).

\*You Must be a CLUW member to qualify for this discount

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Cell \_\_\_\_\_

(W) \_\_\_\_\_ (H) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Choose one: I am representing \_\_\_\_\_ Union or  
\_\_\_\_\_ Chapter or am an  
Observer \_\_\_\_\_.

Pls. check:  
Are you a union full time \_\_\_\_\_ or part time \_\_\_\_\_ of-  
ficer at the local \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_ or national level \_\_\_\_\_.

Are you interested in starting a CLUW chapter because one  
does not exist in your area: pls. check \_\_\_\_\_

Is this your 1st time attending a CLUW convention? Yes \_\_\_\_\_  
No \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt size \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any special needs for meeting attendance:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact:  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
onsite contact: yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_ offsite contact: yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_

**See Convention Hotel Information Page for  
Reservation Details**

### Registration Fees are transferable, but not refundable

Delegates credentials and receipts will be mailed or sent electronically on or before October 23, 2015. If you do not receive your receipt or credentials you may be asked to verify payment.

**Registrations received after October 5<sup>th</sup> will incur an additional \$75 fee.**

All CLUW Members in good standing as of October 5, 2015 may attend the convention as voting delegates.

### REGISTRATION DEADLINE Oct. 23, 2015

The Registration Fee covers Attendance to the Convention, **one ticket to the Reception**, Convention Kit, Educational Materials and Participation in Workshops.

#### Demographics

Sex/Gender:

\_\_\_\_ Female

\_\_\_\_ Male

\_\_\_\_ Transgender

\_\_\_\_ Prefer not to respond

Race/Ethnicity:

\_\_\_\_ African American/Black

\_\_\_\_ Asian/Pacific Islander

\_\_\_\_ Hispanic/Latino

\_\_\_\_ Multiracial

\_\_\_\_ Native American/American Indian

\_\_\_\_ Not Listed (please specify)

\_\_\_\_ White

\_\_\_\_ Prefer not to respond

Political Affiliation:

\_\_\_\_ Democrat

\_\_\_\_ Republican

\_\_\_\_ Independent

\_\_\_\_ Other

\_\_\_\_ Prefer not to respond

# Coalition of Labor Union Women

## 18th Biennial Convention

### General Rules

1. To be seated at the convention, a delegate must be a **\*Regular** CLUW member in good standing.

### Eligibility

1. **Any CLUW Member in good standing by October 5, 2015, may attend the convention as a voting delegate of a union or chapter.** There will be no "electing" of Delegates. (This is a constitutional change adopted at our 2011 Convention). Dues must be current at opening of Convention.

### Convention Constitutional Amendments

1. The Constitution may be amended only at the Convention.
2. Proposed amendments may be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the convention.
3. Amendments to the Constitution shall take effect immediately upon the adoption by the convention, unless otherwise specified by the amendment.

**If you have questions regarding these rules, please contact the National CLUW Office.**

**Constitutional definition of \*Regular member** - "Regular membership in CLUW shall be open to any person who is a member in good standing or a retiree of a union or other bona fide collective bargaining organization". Members who pay CLUW National dues under these categories are "Regular Members":

1. Regular
2. Retiree
3. Contributing
4. Supporting
5. Sustaining
6. Lifetime

**Associate Members** are not eligible to be voting delegates, however they may attend the convention as observers and participate in all workshops and activities. Observers will have designated seating in the convention hall.

**Constitutional definition of Associate Member** - "Persons in support of CLUW who are not members of a bona fide collective bargaining organization may join as associate members."

**Unemployed Member** - "Union members on long-term layoff who are no longer considered members of their unions may remain in CLUW as associate members. **Student Members** are also considered to be Associate Members.



### Instruction Checklist and Convention Cut-Off Dates

Done	Activity to Be Completed	Deadline
	Submit any convention resolutions or constitutional amendments. Procedures and submission form included in this packet.	Postmarked Sept. 20, 2015
	CLUW membership is up-to-date. You must be a member in good standing by this date. Memberships expiring in Oct. or Nov. must be paid prior to opening of convention.	Oct 5, 2015
	Cut-off date for early bird registration discount. Convention registration forms are due back to the CLUW Treasurer.	Oct 5, 2015
	Hotel reservations must be made.	No later than Oct. 12, 2015
	Return all convention registration forms (regular non-discounted) to the CLUW National Treasurer.	No later than Oct. 23, 2015

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## **18th Biennial Convention** **Tentative Agenda**

### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2015**

10:00 am	Credentials Committee
8:30 am-5:00 pm	National Officers Council
6:00 pm	Committee Co-Chairs

### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2015**

9:00 am	Credentials Committee
9:00 am	Constitution Committee
9:00 am	Media Committee
9:00 am	Resolutions Committee
1:00 pm	International Guests Committee
1:00 pm	Escort Committee
3:00 pm-8:00 pm	Convention Registration
3:00 pm-8:00 pm	Convention Exhibit Hall Open
5:00 pm	National Officers Council
6:00 pm	Sergeant-at-Arms Committee

### **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2015**

7:00 am	Convention Exhibit Hall Open
7:00 am-10:00 am	Convention Registration
8:30 am-4:30 pm	Workshops
12:00 pm-2:00 pm	Convention Registration
4:00 pm-7:00 pm	Convention Registration
5:00 pm-7:00 pm	First Time Participants' Orientation
6:00 pm	Opening Ceremony Rehearsal
7:00 pm	Rules Committee

### **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2015**

7:00 am	Convention Exhibit Hall Open
7:00 am-9:00 am	Convention Registration
7:30 am	Opening Ceremony Rehearsal
8:30 am	Opening Session and Call to Order
12:00 pm-2:00 pm	Convention Registration
12:30 pm-2:00 pm	Union Caucuses
6:00 pm	Union Caucuses

### **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2015**

8:00 am	Convention Exhibit Hall Open
8:00 am-9:00 am	Convention Registration
7:00 am-8:30 am	Union Caucuses
9:00 am	General Session
12:00 pm-2:00 pm	Convention Registration

### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2015**

8:00 am-1:00 pm	Exhibit Hall Open
8:00 am-9:00 am	Convention Registration
9:00 am	General Session
<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Gala Reception</b>

Note: This is the tentative agenda. It may change, but the convention start and end dates and times will not change.

## **Convention Hotel Information**

### **Sheraton Grand Sacramento Hotel**

1230 J Street, 13th & J Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

Local Phone: 916-447-1700

**Reservations must be made by October 12, 2015**

**ROOM RATES AND RESERVATIONS - *Anyone interested in finding a roommate to share room costs should contact the National CLUW office. We will assist in making those connections.***

**Hotel room rates start at \$129 per day single/double plus current taxes = \$148.70; triple \$154 and quad \$179 plus current room taxes. There are options for rooms at higher prices based on availability. Rate is available 3 days before and after the convention, based on availability for all guest rooms. Reservation deadline is October 12, 2015. Hotel check-in time is 3 PM and check-out time is 12 noon.**

Make hotel reservation online through the link at [www.cluw.org](http://www.cluw.org) or by calling the 24 hour Sheraton's Central Reservation Office at 1-800-325-3535 and provide the **Group code: CLUW 2015 Convention. No group code is needed for online reservations. Special needs related to hotel accommodations should be discussed directly with the hotel when you make your reservation.**

**The hotel is located directly across the street from the Sacramento Convention Center where the 18th Biennial Convention will be held.**

#### **Early Departure Fee**

In the event a guest who has reserved a room checks out prior to the guest's reserved check-out date, the Sheraton Grand Sacramento will add an early check-out fee of \$75.00 to that guest's individual account. Guests wishing to avoid an early check-out fee should advise the hotel at or before check-in of any change in planned length of stay.

#### **Parking**

The Hotel will provide a \$5.00 discount for Self Parking at the prevailing rate (current rate: \$20 = \$15 charge). Valet Parking is available for \$28 (current charge).

#### **Amenities:**

Complimentary internet service in guest rooms only.

Free local and 800 calls from guest rooms.

Complimentary 24 hour Fitness Center.

The hotel is pet friendly.

There are a large number of restaurants in varying price ranges within walking distance of the hotel.

#### **Transportation:**

**By Plane:** Sacramento International Airport is located 12 miles from the hotel.

**Taxi** from the airport to hotel: approximately \$40 including tip one way.

**Super Shuttle** from airport to hotel: 1 person \$15 one way/\$30 round trip; private van holds up to 7 adults—one way cost: \$54 for vehicle for group arriving on same flight. Book 24 hours in advance by calling: 1-800-258-3826 or online at [SuperShuttle.com](http://SuperShuttle.com). Super Shuttle also offers lift-equipped van service to passengers with disabilities with at least 24 hours notice.

**By Train:** Amtrak links Sacramento to the Bay Area, the Central Valley and beyond. The historic train station is located Downtown, steps from Old Sacramento and Downtown Sacramento.

#### **By Automobile**

Sacramento is one of California's most accessible cities by car. While drivers should be mindful of usual rush hour times, Sacramento traffic is far less of an obstacle than many other large California cities.

**We encourage you to visit the hotel web site and see all that the hotel has to offer:**

**[www.sheratonsacramento.com](http://www.sheratonsacramento.com). For more information about the Sacramento area you can visit the official source for the Sacramento Visitor Center at [www.visitsacramento.com](http://www.visitsacramento.com).**

## Resolution Submission Form

**This form must be postmarked and sent to the  
National Office no later than September 20, 2015**

### Submitting Resolutions:

1. All resolutions must be related to one or more of the four goals of CLUW as stated in the CLUW constitution: participation of women in their unions, affirmative action in the work place, organizing unorganized women and political action and legislation.
2. All resolutions must be submitted to the CLUW National President by mail or email 60 days before the start of the convention. **The September 20, 2015 deadline** will be strictly enforced. Resolutions may be emailed as attachments in MS Word document form to cleak@cluw.org (Subject: CLUW Convention Resolutions); or mailed (send disk and hard copy) to: CLUW Convention Resolutions, ATTN: President Connie Leak, 815 16th Street, NW, Second Floor South, Washington, DC 20006.
3. Resolutions may be submitted by an individual member(s), standing committees, chapters or the national officers council. Submissions by a standing committee must be signed by at least one co-chair of the committee. Submissions by a chapter must be signed by the chapter president.
4. Resolutions must include a contact person who will be at the convention, with the arrival date, in case the resolutions committee needs additional information or has questions.
5. Resolutions should include action items for CLUW implementation at the national, state or chapter levels, and as individual members.
6. Documentation of statistics, relevant legislation or other statements of fact referenced in the resolution should be included — copy of legislation, magazine articles, union publications, etc.
7. Resolutions should be submitted with background information made as statements of fact instead of “whereas” clauses, but with as many “resolved” clauses as needed.

(Detach form and submit with proposed resolution)

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Resolution: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by: Name and Union or Chapter and President's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Documentation Attached? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Convention Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Arrival: \_\_\_\_\_

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_



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## **Constitutional Amendment Submission Form**

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### **Submitting Constitutional Amendments:**

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4. Constitutional Amendments must include a contact person who will be at the convention, with the arrival date, in case the constitution committee needs additional information or has questions.
5. **Constitutional Amendments should be submitted with original language stricken and new language added so delegates can see both old and new language.**

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Section of Constitution being Amended: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by: Name and Union or Chapter and President's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Convention Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Arrival: \_\_\_\_\_

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

## In Memoriam

Please complete the information below on any CLUW Sister or Brother whom you know to have passed since our last convention.

*While they are gone, they shall not be forgotten.*



Deceased's Last Name

Deceased's First Name

Address

City, State, Zip

International Union

Position in Union (note if it was local, district, international, etc.)

Additional Comments:

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Number and/or email address \_\_\_\_\_

Return this form to the CLUW National Office by mail or fax:

In Memoriam

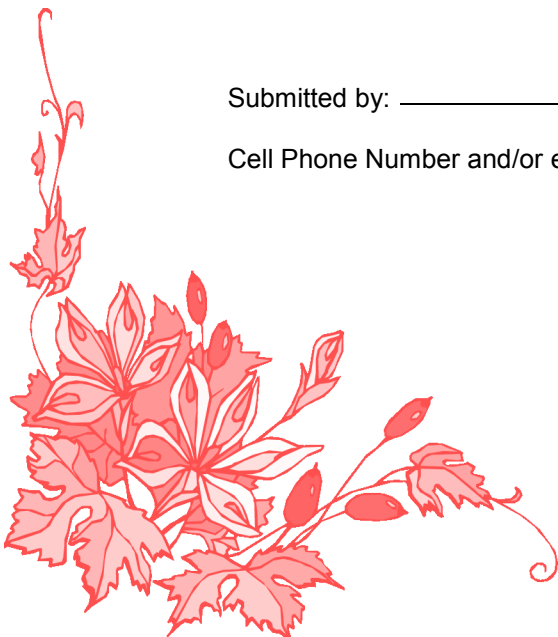
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Washington, DC 20006

Fax: 202/508-6968

***DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION:***  
***October 27, 2015***







# NATIONAL CLUW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

You can also join CLUW online at [www.cluw.org](http://www.cluw.org)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

(City) \_\_\_\_\_ (State) \_\_\_\_\_ (Zip Code) \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_

(H): \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CLUW members who provide their email address are automatically signed up as CLUW e-Activists to receive periodic emails on issues important to union women and working families. If you no longer want to receive them, please use the "unsubscribe" link included in every e-Activist Alert.

INTERNATIONAL UNION: \_\_\_\_\_ LOCAL UNION: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter dues (If Included) \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter dues are in addition to the amounts listed below for National dues. All chapter dues included in your membership check will be forwarded to your local chapter.

## I WOULD LIKE TO RENEW MY CLUW MEMBERSHIP AS A: (CHECK ONE) National Dues Amount

<input type="checkbox"/>	\$35	NEW MEMBER
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$50	REGULAR MEMBER
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$50	ASSOCIATE MEMBER
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$75	CONTRIBUTING MEMBER
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$100	SUPPORTING MEMBER

<input type="checkbox"/>	\$150	SUSTAINING MEMBER
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$15	RETIREE MEMBER
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$15	STUDENT MEMBER
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$15	UNEMPLOYED MEMBER
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$1000	LIFETIME MEMBER (One time fee)

MAKE YOUR CHECK OUT TO "CLUW" AND MAIL TO:

Judy Beard  
CLUW National Treasurer  
815 16th St NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl S  
Washington DC 20006

202-508-6969 · (fax 202-508-6968) · [areid@cluw.org](mailto:areid@cluw.org)  
[www.cluw.org](http://www.cluw.org)

*DUES, CONTRIBUTIONS OR GIFTS TO CLUW ARE NOT DEDUCTIBLE AS  
CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES*

## **CONVENTION SPONSORSHIP and/or Exhibit Opportunities**

Information about Sponsorship and/or exhibit opportunities for the 18th Biennial Convention of the Coalition of Labor Union Women will be posted on our web site.

OR

You can contact the national office.

## **Clara Day Award**

The Clara Day Award has been established by CLUW to be presented to a State President within CLUW.

More information and an application for the Clara Day award will be posted on our web site and e-mailed to all chapter presidents.

OR

You can contact the national office.

## **CONVENTION INFORMATION** **Contact:**

**For Registration Information:**

**Toll Free Number: 855-730-6064**

**Local Telephone: 202-624-1744**

**Email: [CLUW@mmsmeetings.com](mailto:CLUW@mmsmeetings.com)**

**Or**

**Other Convention Information:**

**Local Telephone: 202-508-6958**

**Email: [areid@cluw.org](mailto:areid@cluw.org)**

**Check out the CLUW web site [www.cluw.org](http://www.cluw.org) for workshop listing, speakers and other convention developments as well as online registration and hotel reservations.**