INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 98 TRAINING FUND

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William D. Fay Chairman - Trustee

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Dear Brother or Sister.



Christopher Gagliarducci Secretary - Trustee



Please find the 2023-2024 IUOE Local 98 winter training schedule on the reverse side of this letter. Please be sure to pre-register for any class you wish to attend. As Operating Engineers, training and professionalism are what set us apart from the competition. In response to membership input, Local 98 has added new classes to the training schedule this year. Member participation in training is crucial for growing our Local and maintaining jurisdiction. Local 98 is always looking for membership suggestions for classes you would like to see offered in the future. The IUOE invests heavily in training, and we encourage our members to take advantage of the classes offered at the Local 98 Training Center in Southwick and the IUOE ITEC in Crosby, Texas. All training is at *no cost* to any member in good standing. More skills and certifications result in more available work for our membership.

2024 apprentice applications will be accepted Monday, April 29, 2024, through Friday, May 3, 2024, 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM. If you know anyone who may be interested, please have them call 413-998-3230 to be put on the waiting list for applications.

PLEASE LOOK AT YOUR LICENSES, MEDICAL CARDS, AND CERTIFICATIONS TO ENSURE THEY ARE NOT EXPIRED!

If you are working in Connecticut, OSHA cards are only valid for 5 years.

NCCCO and OECP crane certifications are valid for 5 years.

OSHA forklift cards are valid for 3 years.

Massachusetts Hoisting Licenses are valid for 2 years, and the required continuing education is offered by Local 98 for no cost. Massachusetts Hoisting Licenses are digital now.

Local 98 offers a variety of at home virtual courses available on our new learning management system. Check it out at: https://local98.iuoentf.training/

<u>Pittsfield Refresher- Please park in the lot behind the building, and not in the salon parking lot in the front.</u> Failure to co-operate with this may result in loss of use of the facility

On behalf of the training staff of IUOE Local 98, I want to wish you a happy and healthy holiday season and a great New Year!

Fraternally yours,
Wicholas R Liviolano

Nick Girolamo

Training Director- IUOE Local 98