



Somerville Labor Coalition is Official

The Somerville Labor Coalition (SLC) is established to support, protect, promote and advance the interests of unionized employees within the City of Somerville and surrounding communities, and to engage in such activities that in its discretion it deems appropriate to meet these purposes.

The Somerville Labor Coalition (SLC) will endorse political candidates that best represent the values and views of organized labor within the City of Somerville. The interests of SLC in furtherance of that mission will include, but not be limited to, the health, safety and quality of life for unionized workers, and the commitment to being a friend of organized labor.

The coalition is created for the purpose of creating a united cause for the unionized workers within the City of Somerville and to inform members and others of concerns and issues of all union employees within the city. This unity will allow SLC to come together as a united group making recommendations for political endorsements that will best meet the important interests of the unionized workers it represents. The political recommendations made will not represent the views of any one individual or union, but the views of all member unions will be given serious consideration before an endorsement is provided to any candidate.

Who are we and why did we organize this coalition?

We consist of several unions within the City of Somerville that were brought together as a (PEC) Public Employee Committee to discuss and bargain over drastic health care changes for all city employees in 2010. Many of us found it very useful to share our

thoughts and ideas as well as supporting each other in their time of need. The following participating unions account for nearly 600 members in the city.

We are proud to announce that these unions are represented by the founding members of the Somerville Labor Coalition.

- ◆ **Somerville Firefighters Association**
- ◆ **Somerville Police Employees Association**
- ◆ **Somerville Police Superior Officers Association**
- ◆ **Somerville Municipal Employees Association**
- ◆ **Somerville Dispatchers Local 888 SEIU**
- ◆ **NCFO Local 3 School Custodians**



In the near future the founding members hope to add more unionized groups to its list of participants. If you are a Union interested in affiliating with the SLC please feel free to contact us at our website, <http://www.somervillelaborcoalition.com>. It is our goal to seek out other unions that have the same purpose and philosophy as the Somerville Labor Coalition (SLC). We are all working towards the same goal of working in a fair and equitable work environment.

Working Together To Provide Fair Labor for All

Co-Chair Thomas Ross
Co-Chair Ed Halloran
Secretary Steven Ross
Treasurer Peter Blaikie
SLC Co-founding Member Mike McGrath
SLC Co-Founding Member Jim Roderick
SLC Co-Founding Member Terri Mederios
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