

### NextGen News: Focused on the Future

### Young Workers Active at CLC Convention

Young workers from the IBEW and across the labour movement participated in the recent Canadian Labour Congress Convention in Toronto, Ontario. From an Open

Young Workers Strategy Session, to the Young Workers Caucus to the election of the new Vice President to represent young workers (Dan Browne, Unifor); young workers had a strong presence on the Convention floor. Check out the IBEW Canada website to learn more about the Convention proceedings by clicking here.



#### **Local 2034 Hosts Annual NextGen Conference**

IBEW Local 2034 that represents nearly 3000 workers in the province of Manitoba, recently held their annual NextGen Conference in the city of Winnipeg, with young workers gathering from all corners of the province to learn more about the IBEW.



Hosted by the NextGen Committee, delegates to the conference heard from labour leaders from all levels of the labour movement, reports from the committee including an election for the open spots on the Committee, and participated in training from International Representative Jim Watson. **Check out the full article here.** 

### **NextGen Charters: The Details**

NextGen Charters were introduced by International President Lonnie Stephenson in 2016, to recognize the work NextGen Committees are doing at the Local Union level. If your Local Union is just starting a NextGen Committee or you currently have one in place, there is a process in place to receive a NextGen Charter from the International Office. Work with your Business Manager to contact the First District to officially request a Charter for your Committee. We currently have nine active charters but are looking to grow this number to recognize the great work many of you are already doing. **Contact Kate Walsh** for more information.

### DID YOU KNOW? IBEW Made Website Connects you with IBEW made products

As IBEW members, we are proud of the work we do and we want to let people know about the quality products we manufacture. So we brought IBEW members together with one mission: to provide consumers a place to find all our products.

**IBEWmade.com** launched in 2014, lists dozens of items manufactured by our members—from lighting to appliances, including brand names such as GE, Sharp, and Eaton. Today, the market is flooded with the highest number of non-domestic low -quality products in history. Buying union-made products helps our communities keep jobs and tax revenue local, which benefits our families, neighbours, friends, and coworkers. Union jobs also mean that the skilled workers who create these products are treated fairly and paid fairly by their employers.

Good jobs depend on the good decisions people make every day. Make the right choice and support IBEW workers by buying union-made products and services.

## NextGen Caucus at All Canada Progress Meeting

A full day NextGen Caucus will be held in conjunction with the All Canada Progress Meeting in Montreal, QC on Sunday, August 20th. Each year, Local Unions from across the country send NextGeners to network, learn and share their ideas on how to grow the NextGen Initiative across Canada. For more information, contact your Local Union office. Hope to see you there!

# RENEW/NextGen Conference Registration Open and Planning Underway



# NextGen Local Union Committees

Contact Kate Walsh (<u>kate\_walsh@ibew.org)</u> to submit an article on your Local Union NextGen Committee for the next newsletter. We want to hear from you!

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