

The Laborers Funds Administrative Office would like to wish you a Happy New Year!

Looking forward to 2023:

- The 2022-2027 Collective Bargaining Agreement has new language regarding the submission of contribution reports.
 - Effective July 1, 2023 Employer remittances of hourly contributions for all fringe benefits required under Section 28 shall be transmitted via an electronic employer portal to the Northern California Laborers Trust Funds.
- For information on submitting electronic payments (ACH or EFT) please reach out to our office at (707) 863-3480.
- Need a status letter, assistance with portal or any other employer services please visit our Help Desk, <u>Click here.</u>
- We are back in full swing with in-person audits.
- Please visit our website at LFAO.org for some excellent employer resources.

Discrepancy & Liquidated Damages Statements: 10th - 12th of each month Employer Reporting Forms: 23rd - 25th of each month

Delinquency Notices: 22nd - 25th of each month

Employer Services Phone Menu

When calling our department phone number, **707-863-3480**, you can choose from the following menu options:

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Delinquency Notice

Employer contributions are due the 15th each month. If the monthly contributions or reports are not received or postmarked by the 25th, contributions are considered delinquent. Each month, as the 25th nears, the Fund will issue a Delinquency Notice that lists the report period missed.

If you receive a Delinquency Notice, but are certain that the report was mailed on time, the report and notice likely crossed in the mail. If this is the case, call the Employer Services department to confirm receipt of your report. If you did not employee any laborers for the period listed on the Delinquency Notice, simply sign it where indicated and return to the Fund Office via mail or email to AR@lfao.org or log into the Employer Portal and select the appropriate box.

If your report is not yet mailed, please do so immediately. Remember, contributions received late are subject to liquidated damages and interest. To avoid a Delinquency make certain that the contribution form and report are submitted on time and completed accurately.

Completing Your Contribution Form

Do's:

- Use Contribution Report Form mailed to you
- Submit contribution report if you have NO hires for the month
- Write laborers' SSNs and DOBs clearly
- Inactivate the mailing of reporting forms if no longeremploying laborers
- Verify contribution columns added accurately
- Mail contribution reports/payment to BANK
- Report prior month adjustments on separate sheet and send it to the Trust Fund Office.

Dont's:

- Copy a previous report to use; it has a unique number that is only valid once. If you need to report additional hours for a previous period or need a supplemental report, contact the Trust Fund Office.
- Create your own report for submission rather use the one sent to you by the Trust Fund as it has a unique identifying number.
- Send payment by certified mail

Reporting requirements under Section 28A of the Laborers Master Agreement

If any of your employees are no longer performing covered work within the recognized jurisdiction of the Northern California Laborers Master Agreement and your collective bargaining agreement and your company desires to continue coverage on their behalf please contact the Laborers Local Business Manager in your area to identify names and classifications of any such participating individuals and execute a supplemental participation agreement with that information. Contributions on behalf of supervisory personnel above the rank of foreman are allowed under the provisions of the Laborers Master Agreement as identified in Section 28A.

In coordination with your Local Union Business Manager, written notification of your classification changes in personnel will need to be provided to the Laborers Administrative Trust Funds Office in order that appropriate reporting forms may be provided to your company. If you have any questions please contact the Northern California District Council of Laborers or your Local Business Manager. Review the diagram on the next page for more information.



EMPLOYER SERVICES



Services the Help Desk Offers

- Help with Rate Changes
- Request Status Letters
- Employer Portal Assistance
- Help with Contribution Reports
- Reciprocity Questions
- Subcontracting Requirements
- Reporting Status

Need Assistance, please contact: Leilani Allen 707-366-7270 Sara Ruiz ext. 707-366-7274 Jessica Obando 707-366-7276

Login Instructions: Click Here

Employer Portal



2022-2027 Laborers Master Agreement for Northern California

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https://norcalaborers.org/employers/employer-portal

<u>It's as easy as 1 - 2 - 3</u>

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Log on anywhere at any time!
Less chance of error.
Hold historical records.
No more PAPER!
End cumbersome calculations.
The math is done for you.
Safeguards account information.

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To get started call (707) 863-3480 for an invitation code & brief Instructions.

Jessica O. ext. 276

Leilani A. ext. 8270

Jessica P. ext. 8275

Sara R. ext. 8274

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For step-by-step Guide,

click here

Proceed to employer portal,

click here

Convenient - Eco-friendly - Secure

Sign up for EFT or ACH payments. No more writing checks. No more postage for mailing or mail delays You schedule remittance and payment for processing. View and download your reporting history.

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Overview of Laborers Funds Administrative Office (LFAO) Audit Process.

- An audit request letter is mailed to the signatory employer.
- LFAO Auditor reaches out to the employer to schedule an audit date.
- The audit is performed at the employer's location, or the employer can upload the required documents to the employer audit portal.
- · Once the audit is completed the LFAO Auditor will submit the completed audit to the Trust Funds analyst.
- If no discrepancies are recorded the audit file will be closed and a letter will be mailed to the employer.
- If there are discrepancies the LFAO analyst will verify the employers' rates and mail the audit results to the employer for their review and response.
- · The employer is encouraged to review the audit worksheets and respond with any additional documentation.
- · Once the audit has been reviewed an invoice will be mailed to the employer.
- · When payment is received the audit will be closed.



Employer Audit Documents

Primary Items needed for an audit

- Compensation/Payroll
- W/2 –W/3's, 1099 & 1096
- Reporting Forms-Other Trades
- DE-9 C's
- Workers Compensation Reports
- Subcontractor Invoices

Supplemental Documents

- Employee payroll timecards
- Payroll Journals
- Forms 941
- Check Register/Cash Vouchers
- 1120-1040's or Partnership Returns
- General Ledger

Questions?

If you have received an Audit letter from LFAO, please Contact the Auditor. Below is the contact information for our staff.

LFAO Field Auditors

• Joe Shephard: email jshepherd@lfao.org, cell phone 707 384-0891

• Anabel Llanos: email anllanos@lfao.org, cell phone 707 386-1223

• Andrew Fernandez: email <u>afernandez@lfao.org</u>, cell phone 707 366-4551

If you need further assistance, please feel free to contact the audit Manager.

Ana Sorensen, cell phone 707 419-0384, Audit Manager.



Money Follows the Member

Traveling to Northern California or elsewhere







MAKE CONTACT:

Reach out to the local union hall where you are traveling too, Immediately! Inform them you are a traveler.

FORMS:

Fill out all appropriate forms

- 1.Enrollment Form
- 2. MFM Form
- 3. Vacation Dues Form

RE-FILL OUT FORM:

MFM Forms are valid for 12 months. Form will need to be filled out annually and submitted to Local or Trust.

Start

Locals and Employer:

Make sure there is a Reciprocity Agreement in place.

If no agreement is in place:

STOP...funds will not transfer for non-signatory employers.

If an agreement is in place:

You can move forward.

MFM:

Money follows the man. This form lets the cooperating trust know whom you work for and where your home trust may be.

<u>Must be done annually.</u>

Gather your paperwork

Fill out appropriate forms (3x).

Connect with Hosting Local as soon as possible:

Let them know you are a traveler.

Enrollment Form:

Give to the cooperating trust fund your personal information. No funds will transfer without.

Vacation Dues Form:

Make sure your supplemental dues are going to hosting local.

Hand all paperwork back:

Return all paperwork toHosting local or Trust fund office. Mark your calendar MFM are done every 12 months.

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