The Basics of SEA PAC

What is SEA PAC?

SEA PAC stands for State Employees' Association Political Action Committee.

- It is a voluntary fund through which SEA/SEIU Local 1984 members can lobby and work to elect candidates who support working families.
- Through SEA PAC, we can build power and expand our voice.
- SEA PAC is how we impact issues that affect our members and hold elected officials accountable.

What is COPE?

You may have heard the term COPE used in place of SEA PAC. COPE is our national union's fund, and it stands for Committee on Political Education.

Who can contribute & how are contributions used?

SEA/SEIU Local 1984 members as well as union staff.

SEA PAC funds are often used for the following:

- Donations to political candidates, both Democrats, and Republicans, who support working families
- Advertisements on TV and radio
- Organizing initiatives on the ground - that's all of you

It's important to note that dues money is not and cannot be given to candidates running for office; only SEA PAC funds are used for the above.

Why is SEA PAC important?

- Involvement in politics is how we change the structure of power and improve lives
- Money is important to winning political battles - we need to pool our resources to be powerful