Karen Silkwood Award



This award is given to local unions for union building and solidarity through health, safety and environment. It is named for our union sister who died under mysterious circumstances while she was on her way to deliver papers exposing serious safety problems at a nuclear fuels plant.

2015 USW Local Union 4427, District 1

Presented for their efforts in making a safer workplace and building unity and solidarity within the local union. Following a wrongful safety-related disciple that diverted attention from the actual hazards, the local aggressively pursued vindication for the victim through multiple legal avenues, maintained membership involvement throughout the process, and worked to ensure that the safety issues were addressed. Their successful fight for justice and for safer working conditions is a model for all USW locals.

USW Local Union 16506, District 6

The local has been extremely active in the USW's young worker awareness training program. Over the last five years, the local has provided safety and health education to over 13,000 high school students and other young workers entering the workforce. The program gives participants a basic understanding of workplace safety and health, and the role of the labor movement in achieving better working conditions.

2013 USW Local Union 1010

USW Local Unions in the Saskatchewan Potash Council USW Local Union 675 and the Clean Carwash Campaign

USW Local Union 1023 USW Local Union 7619

USW Local Union 7773 USW Local Union 12003

2012 USW Local Union 8031

USW Local Union 831L USW Local Union 7-669 USW Local Union 12-591

USW Local Unions 608 and 712

USW Local Union 5518

2010 USW Local Union 998L

2007 USW Local Union 9588

USW Local Union 689

USW Local Union 1277 USW Local Union 988 USW Local Union 591