Update to June 19, 5:00 pm Rally!

We are moving the location of tomorrow’s 5:00 pm rally, as a result of Providence closing the Providence Office Park (POP) building to the public for the week and barricading the property. We’re not sure what they expect from us, but we will be taking our peaceful assembly to Frazer Park at NE 52nd and Hassalo Street. For those willing to march to the rally, we’ll be leaving from PPMC for the march to Frazer Park around 5:30 pm. At Frazer Park, we’ll have the following speakers beginning around 6:15 pm:

- Tamie Cline, Oregon Nurses Association President
- State Representative Travis Nelson
- Jamie Canales, RN, Providence Home Health and Hospice
- Nanette Carter-Jafri, Coalition of Black Trade Unionists
- PPMC Bargaining Unit Chair, Richard Botterill, RN
- Senator Kathleen Taylor
- State Representative Rob Nosse

Following the speakers, we’ll be marching back to PPMC to conclude the event and resume picketing. Folks are welcome to remain at PPMC and picket for the duration of the rally.

Parking will be SPARSE! For the duration of the strike, and especially for Monday’s events, please use public transportation, bike, or carpool where possible. It will lower congestion and leave parking for those with less mobility.

This will be our union’s first strike in over 20 years, and many of us may not have participated in a strike before. We’ll be learning and building the culture of our union throughout the week. Friends, family, neighbors, children, and well-behaved pets are of course welcome on the picket line. And feel free to put your own spin on things, just please be mindful of our picket instructions to ensure a safe and lively picket line.

PICKET INSTRUCTIONS HERE
We will have picket signs, but there are a few things you can bring to help ensure that you and your friends and family are comfortable on the line.

- Comfortable shoes and clothing (scrubs are welcome if you prefer)
- Weather-appropriate layers (we may have a little rain)
- Sun protection (we hope anyway)
- Bluetooth Speakers (and perfect that playlist!)

We will have snacks and water. We anticipate some additional community food and supply donations – Community food & Snack donations can be brought to Strike HQ or the Strike Kitchen on NE Glisan St.

We’ll have a full week, and this is the current schedule of events, in addition to 24-hour picketing at PPMC.

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**Monday June 19, 2023 – Providence Portland Medical Center**
5:30 am – Welcome party for nurses leaving night shift – NE 49th & Glisan (come a little early)
5:30 pm – Nurse & Community march to Frazer Park – march begins
6:15 pm – Community Rally at Frazer Park

**Tuesday June 20, 2023**
2:00 pm Rally at Providence Seaside Hospital

**Wednesday June 21, 2023**
4:00 – 8:00 pm Providence St. Vincent’s Solidarity Picket

**Thursday June 22, 2023 – Providence Portland Medical Center**
12:00 – 1:00 pm Picket with American Federation of Teachers President Randi Weingarten

**Friday June 23, 2023**
5:00 pm Press Conference (location TBD) regarding the end of the strike/Providence lockout

This strike isn’t just about us. When 1,800 RNs and clinicians across Providence strike this week, we’ll be doing this for ourselves, each other, our patients, and the long-term sustainability of our careers. We’ll also be standing up for healthcare workers across the Providence system, both union and non-union. We’ll be standing up for healthcare workers across Oregon and the nation. We’ll be standing up for our patients and our communities. We’ll be standing up for a more just healthcare system for everyone.

We will be making history this week, and we’ll be showing Providence that we know what we are worth and everyone else does too.

See you on the picket line.