

ASEA/AFSCME Local 52 Mat-Su Chapter

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Mat-Su Chapter Meetings & Events

Calling all ASEA Mat-Su Chapter Union Brothers and Sisters!

We invite you to join us at the next Mat-Su Chapter meeting on Wednesday, April 21, 2021 via Zoom. The meeting will begin at 5:30 pm. Please look for an email from the ASEA headquarters in early April, which will provide the Zoom details. If you have agenda items to add, please submit them by close of business Monday, April 19th to Jody Morris, Mat-Su Chapter President, at jodym.asea@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you.

The Mat-Su Chapter has three board seats open for Vice President, Treasurer and Board Member. If you are interested in one of these seats, please send a letter of interest to Jody Morris at jodym.asea@gmail.com by close of business on Monday, April 12th. In addition, the Chapter has multiple Steward positions open. If you are interested in being a Steward, please complete the Steward Nomination Form and email it to Jody Morris at jodym.asea@gmail.com by close of business on Wednesday, April 15th. To be eligible for office or a Steward, a member must be in good standing for one (1) year immediately preceding the election, and may not be a retired member. A vote will be held at the April 21st Chapter meeting.

Mat-Su Chapter Member Support

The Mat-Su Chapter is made up of over 400 members who work in the Mat-Su Valley. Every union member in good standing is able to participate and vote at Chapter meetings, and *your vote is important!* It's also a great place to get to know your fellow employees and to support each other. It is you, the member, that determines who is on our Chapter Board, the State Executive Board, the Judicial Panel and the ASEA Health Trust Board.

Protecting pay, working conditions, worker rights and member benefits for you, is the number one priority of ASEA Local 52. Our power depends on union members like you standing up for our rights as valuable public employees. Getting active in our Chapter is one of the most critical rights you have as a member. If you would like to know more or have questions, contact Jody Morris, Mat-Su Chapter President, at jodym.asea@gmail.com.

ASEA/AFSCME Local 52 Election

It's election time for the State Executive Board. You should have received a large white envelope in the mail. Your ballot must be received by 8:30 am on March 18, 2021. Included on the ballot are three proposed constitutional amendments and one seat for a Clerical/Technical Representative. If you have any questions, contact our Mat-Su Chapter candidate, Robin Britt, at 378-8136.

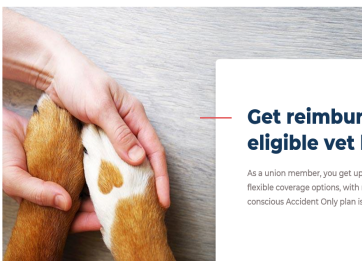
ASEA/AFSCME Local 52 Things to Know...

Do you know the difference between the Chapter Board, the State Executive Board and the ASEA Judicial Panel? To obtain the answer, join us at the next Chapter meeting on April 21, 2021.

ASEA/AFSCME Local 52 Member Benefit Highlight



Protect your four-legged friend with a Union Plus Pet Insurance plan, powered by Pets Best.



Get reimbursed on your pet's eligible vet bills

As a union member, you get up to 10% off monthly premiums! Pets Best offers flexible coverage options, with no annual or lifetime limits. In fact, our cost-conscious Accident Only plan is only \$6 a month for cats and \$9/month for dogs.¹

What is pet insurance?

Pet insurance reimburses you on your veterinary bills when your dog or cat gets sick or injured. Pet insurance helps you afford the best course of treatment, protects against major financial setbacks, and helps provide peace of mind as a pet parent.

Pet Insurance benefits include:

- **Save money.** As a union member, you'll get up to a 10% discount.¹
- **No networks.** You can choose any licensed veterinarian, emergency vet, or specialist in the U.S.
- **Fast claim processing and reimbursement.** Claims are processed quickly and reimbursements can be direct-deposited into your bank account.
- **24/7 Pet Helpline.** All Pets Best policy holders receive free 24-hour access to veterinary experts via email, chat and phone. You can ask about emergency care (e.g. "My dog swallowed his favorite toy.") or behavioral-related advice (e.g. "Will positive reinforcement training work for my dog?").

3 types of pet insurance plans

Accident Only Plan

The Accident Only plan covers virtually all accidental injuries, such as broken legs, snake bites, accidental swallowing, and more.

Looking to cover illness too? Check out our BestBenefit Accident and illness plan.

BestBenefit Accident and Illness Plan

The BestBenefit plan covers accidents, such as broken bones and animal bites, and illnesses like allergies and cancer. Premium is based on the pet's age, breed and location.

Want routine care, too? Add a Wellness routine care plan.

Routine Wellness Plan

The Routine Wellness plan coverage helps pay for routine vet visits for items like vaccines and teeth cleaning. Great if you have a new kitten or a new puppy in the house.

Want accident coverage, too? This plan can be added to a BestBenefit Accident and illness plan.

To find out more, contact a Pets Best insurance expert at **877-358-3944**.

Hours:
Monday-Friday:
6 a.m. to 7 p.m. MST
Saturday:
6 a.m. to 2 p.m. MST

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For additional information, visit the ASEA/AFSCME Local 52 Mat-Su Chapter Website: <https://www.afscmelocal52.org/union-leadership/chapters/mat-su-chapter>

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