

**SPECIAL EDITION....SHUTDOWN SILVER LININGS....STILL MUCH TO DO**

This edition of our Newsletter is dedicated to the resiliency of the FAA Technical Center and our communities. Unlike all other Newsletters, this will extend to multiple pages to show in pictures how we came together.

Many deserve thanks for giving a "Silver Lining" to this devastating Shutdown. From the Highest levels of government & Union leadership, small businesses, & most importantly, employees (fed/contractor) we pulled together for support. And we learned how supportive our South Jersey communities are. Some examples are listed below. Many are not.

As AFGE Local 200 President, I extend my deepest gratitude to our Local 200 Officers and Employees. As well as our Sister/Brother FAA Unions and Managers. Personally, I could not have made it thru this without Y'All. Blessings, Bob

♥ **THANK YOU** ♥

US CONGRESS

Our Senator and Congressmen appearing at our Teamster's Rally gave the WJHTC and its workers the highest of visibility. They gave us as American federal workers, contractors and Unions their unwavering support.

Senator Robert Menendez

- POC Aileen DiRosario

Congressman Jeff Van Drew

- POC John Kirk

Congressman Donald Norcross

- POC Mary Cruz

UNIONS**NFFE 1340**

- Andrea Parker

NATCA Ops Support

- Denise Nappi

NATCA WJHTC Contracts

- Ben Tarr (& Stephanie)

NJ AFL-CIO

- Charles Wowkanech, President

AFGE National

- Alana Lewis

AFGE District 2

- NVP Castellano, NR Gonzalez

Teamsters 331

- Marcus King, President

NJEA

- Al Beaver, Stephanie Barr

COMMUNITY**FAA Managers Association**

- Mark DePlasco, Legislative Dir.
- Joan Somogy, Walter Dickerson

South Jersey Government Shutdown "Let's Support Each Other" Group (Facebook Group)

- Jill Miller, Spectrum Software
- This was the "GO TO" place for National/Community Assistance!

Kenny @ Christi's Bar & Grill

- Kenny

WaWa @ Airport Circle

- GM Joe

EHT Police Athletic League

- Hector Tavares

Anonymous Food Bank Donors**MEDIA****Philly Inquirer / Philly.com**

- Amy Rosenberg

NBC10/Telemundo 62

- Ted Greenberg, Cydney Long, Yaima Crespo

The Press of Atlantic City

- Michelle Brunetti-Post
- Colton Shaw

6ABC

- John Rawlins

NJTV

- Brenda Flanagan

FOOD BANK DONATIONS

AFGE 200, NJEA and random donors contributed:

- ~\$680 & 5 Food Bags to Methodist Church Mays Landing Food Pantry
- ~\$905 and 5 Food Bags to Jersey Cape Military Spouses Club

SHUTDOWN RELIEF APPRECIATION DINNER

Thursday, January 31st
At the EHT Community Center

Donate online: <http://www.ehtpal.org/index.php/shutdown-relief>

If you're a Federal Government family looking to attend or a supporter looking for an opportunity for you or your group to help: Call the EHT PAL office today! (609) 645-8413 or visit the website: www.ehtpal.org

Federal Pay Raise

01-27-19 – Legislation Put Forward

<https://www.fedsmith.com/2019/01/27/retroactive-pay-raise-legislation-introduced/>

AFGE can provide pay clarity as needed.

AFGE Local 200 on the Web:

Web – General Info, Organization, Links
<http://afgelocal200.org/>

Facebook – Posts, Pictures, Interaction
<https://www.facebook.com/AfgeLocal200/>

Twitter – tweets of general interest.
<https://twitter.com/AFGELocal200>

If provided, we reach out to dues paying members thru **private email** for updates.

**AFGE Local 200 Union officers are:**

President – Robert Challenger

Chief Shop Steward – Martin DePoint

Treasurer/Steward – William Pomaes

Steward - Richard Levey, Esq.

Steward – Dave Madara

Fair Practices Coordinator - Martin DePoint
Steward/Women's Issues Coordinator – Kim Astillero

Vacancies exist for Union Reps – Contact Us!

Vice President – Dave King

Secretary/Steward – Daphne Atwood

Steward – Derek Gilbert

Steward - Joe Iovanisci

Steward – Pete Quartararo

2019 Teamsters 331 Rally – Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

IN UNITY



MEDIA ADVISORY

Furloughed Federal Workers from FAA to Hold Rally Calling for an End to the Government Shutdown

When: Monday, 01-21-2019 at 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. with arrivals at 11:00 a.m.

Where: TEAMSTERS LOCAL 331 located at 1 Philadelphia Ave, Egg Harbor City, NJ 08215

What: Public Awareness Event and Workshops on:

- Awareness Events and Planning
- Calling or Texting Congress
- Post Cards on personal impacts to Congress
- Financial and Community Assistance/Programs
- Small Business Impacts
- Media Interview Coordination

Who:

- Expected members of Congress: Senator Robert Menendez, Congressman Donald Norcross
- Furloughed federal employees, contractor support, and union representatives from the FAA Technical Center

For additional information contact: Robert Challenger, President of American Federation of Government Employee Local 200 Cell: 856-981-1004, email: the_chief@hotmail.com



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LAUREN CARROLL/Multimedia Reporter



Airport Circle Rally

The Circle WaWa Gang



IN UNITY WE STAND RALLY

Please join AFGE, NFFE, NATCA and PASS in our rally to end the United States Partial Government shutdown this **Friday, January 25, 2019** between **11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.** The locations are **Christi's and Wawa** at the Delilah Circle, Egg Harbor Township NJ. Dignitaries and media are invited to hear your stories.

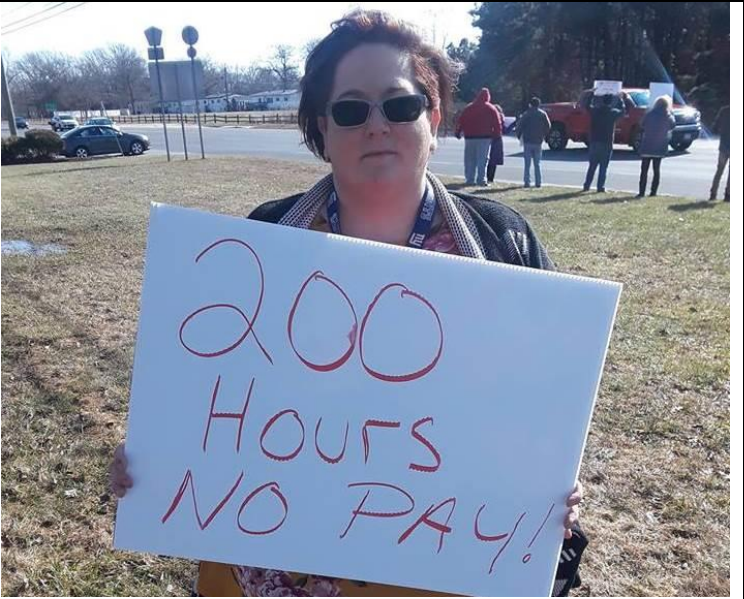
We encourage those in attendance with the financial means to patronize Christie's due to the sharp drop in their business as a result of the Shutdown.

Signs and flyers will be provided for public awareness. For more information, please contact Bob Challenger at 856-981-1004 or the_chief@hotmail.com.

#EndTheShutdown



NOTE: Those with the resources to donate food items or willing to solicit donations from individuals or groups are encouraged to bring them to the rally. We will distribute to two Food Banks Friday afternoon.



The Christie's Gang





Rally to reopen the federal government 2 of 16



Derek and Lisa Gilbert, of Egg Harbor Township, have been out of work since the shutdown began last month. Derek, 42, is a federal employee, while Lisa, 28, is a federal contractor.

VINCENT JACKSON / staff writer

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Food Pantry Donations



United Methodist Church Food Pantry Donation
Pastor Linda and Bob



AFGE 200, NFFE 1340, NATCA Presenting Donations to
Jersey Cape Military Spouses Club

Philly Rally / Individual Pictures Depicting Shutdown Impacts

Several Unions, led by AFGE, voice their displeasure with the ongoing government shutdown during a rally on Jan. 8 outside Independence Mall, Philadelphia.

