## **Guidelines for CWA District 9 Disaster Wildfire Relief 2017**

- 1. Committee members are: Virginia Raines (Fund Treasurer), William Demers (9400), Mike Barfield (9404), Keith Gibbs (9412), Decovan Rhem (9415) Mike Davis (9431), Kaitlin White (29011), Derek Moore (39521) or their duly appointed designee.
- 2. The Fund's Treasurer is: Virginia "Ginny" Raines
- 3. Each committee member will review applications from their local and :
  - a. Verify that the applicant is a member in good standing;
  - b. Make sure the application contains appropriate documentation (photo of home etc.)
  - c. Make sure the application contains situation or explanation of need
  - d. Be prepared to recommend an amount of assistance to the entire committee
- 4. No applicant shall receive more than \$1,000.00
- Member can only apply once for assistance and only submit one application per family. If two CWA members are married or domestic partners they are only eligible for one assistance payment.
- 6. The committee will assess the financial need based on the following:
  - a. Displacement from the home;
  - b. Significant damage to the home;
  - c. Significant loss of personal property such as clothes, food etc.;
  - d. Loss of wages;
  - e. Medical needs;
  - f. Needs of children;
  - g. Financial distress directly resulting from Wildfires
- 7. If the committee feels that they need more information to process an application the representative on the committee will attempt to get additional information.
- 8. Fund checks will either be written directly to pay for a bill or in the name of the member. All checks will be accompanied with a form letter that clearly states that an application has been reviewed and the amount the Fund committee approved. The form letter should make it clear that this is a program of the union.
- 9. All checks will be sent to the locals for distribution to members.