

# We Are the Future of Labor

Throughout the labor movement, young workers are becoming more active and making a difference.

Young workers are facing a world that is suffering record unemployment, soaring education costs and widespread attacks on workplace and voting rights.

AFGE and the Labor movement need all the talent, leadership skills, mobilization know-how and partnerships possible to shape a future based on social and economic justice.



Never has there been a more critical moment than now for the labor movement to produce membership growth and for *young workers* to become involved in the future of labor.



## Young Organizing Unionists for the Next Generation

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## AFGE's Under 40 & Seasoned Mentors



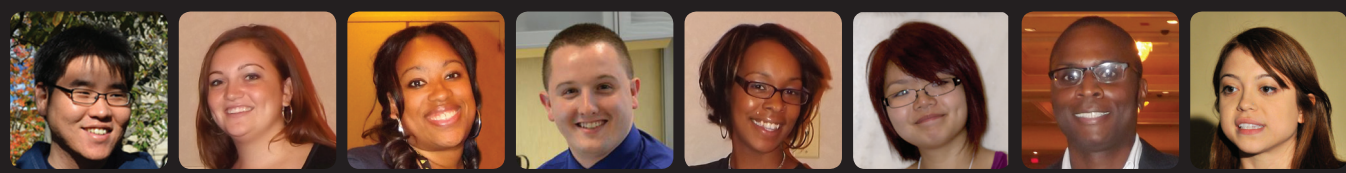
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## Connecting with AFGE's Under 40

Young Organizing Unionists for the Next Generation (Y.O.U.N.G.) seeks to mobilize young union members to become leaders and activists for social change within AFGE and the community.

**YOUNG AFGE** will provide networking opportunities and resources for young union members to engage in mobilizing other young workers in the labor movement, union training, innovative social gatherings, AFGE conferences, and events.

In doing so, Y.O.U.N.G. AFGE participants work to build lasting labor solidarity, advance issues of social and economic justice, and find more inclusive ways to engage the current and future generations in the Labor Movement.



## Goals of **YOUNG** AFGE

- Create and maintain tools to **educate, organize and mobilize** young AFGE members and to encourage non-members to join AFGE.
- Encourage mentors over the age of 40 to join the Y.O.U.N.G. AFGE program to **mentor and prepare young members** for leadership roles.
- Encourage Local and District leadership to appoint a Y.O.U.N.G. Representative to participate in Y.O.U.N.G. AFGE Committees.
- Educate members on the importance of getting young workers involved in AFGE.
- Include a Y.O.U.N.G. AFGE meeting/training or social event at major AFGE conferences.
- Hold an annual Y.O.U.N.G. AFGE Training Summit.

## Connecting with AFGE's Mentors



In order for unions to succeed in today's competitive environment, we must create a climate that encourages young members to continue to learn and grow to keep the union strong for generations to come. What better way to learn and grow than by implementing a mentoring program.

**YOUNG** AFGE wants AFGE members over the age of 40 to work with, educate and train young enthusiastic AFGE members.

## **YOUNG** AFGE material is available online at [www.afge.org](http://www.afge.org)

Did You Know?  
Why Join a Union?  
(flyer)



Did You Know?  
36 Reasons to  
Thank a Union (flyer)



WTH - Labor  
Lingo Glossary



Mentoring  
Manual (\$2)



Y.O.U.N.G. AFGE  
flashdrive bracelet  
loaded with Y.O.U.N.G.  
materials (\$10)



Black Y.O.U.N.G. AFGE  
t-shirt (\$20)



Y.O.U.N.G. in Paris  
t-shirt (\$20)



Y.O.U.N.G. vintage  
t-shirt (\$15)