The Sierra Club has a long history of solidarity with the labor movement. We work with labor because we can’t win alone; we need millions of working families to help us end climate disruption and build a clean energy future that works. And for the clean energy economy to work for the planet and its people, working people and communities must have a strong voice in making work safe, healthy and fair.

The Sierra Club Labor Program is:

- Building strong collaboration and a common agenda between environmental organizations and a broad range of unions and workers’ organizations, strengthening the movement to address climate disruption and its impact.
- Growing the labor movement and enhancing worker rights and safety in the development of clean energy economy.
- Engaging Sierra Club volunteers, leaders and staff in working with labor to manage the transition from fossil fuels to clean energy.
- Broadening the constituency for climate and environmental justice by deepening the Club’s engagement of working families, especially working people of color, immigrants and women.
HOW DO WE ACHIEVE THESE GOALS?

• We build national, state and local campaigns to create good, family-supporting clean energy and energy efficiency jobs, especially in front line communities, and negotiate and organize for fair treatment of workers when fossil fuel plants are retired;

• We educate Sierra Club members and supporters and the public about the value of and connections between workers’ rights and environmental protection; and

• We mobilize a broad-based coalition of labor and environmental groups in support of a clean energy future that works for all.

WHO DO WE WORK WITH?

The Sierra Club is the cofounder with the United Steelworkers of the Blue Green Alliance (BGA), which has grown to include 14 unions and environmental organizations representing some 15 million people. We pursue our goals through the BGA, with individual labor partners, with emerging workers’ organizations and worker centers, with front line communities, and with labor solidarity and research organizations.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE WORK OF THE SIERRA CLUB’S LABOR PROGRAM, SEE

