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International Vice President (Human Affairs)

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TO: All U.S. Local Union Presidents and Recording Secretaries

RE: AFL-CIO, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Civil and Human Rights Conference: *Toward the Dream: Reimagining the Fight for Justice, Freedom and Progress*. January 9 - 12, 2025
Austin, Texas.

The AFL-CIO's Civil, Human and Women's Rights Department will host the 2025 Martin Luther King, Jr. Civil and Human Rights Conference, January 9 – 12, 2025 at the Hilton Austin, 500 East Fourth Street, Austin, Texas. The conference takes place on the heels of what will be a historic election. We will be coming together at a crucial moment for the labor and civil rights movements for our nation.

The conference workshops and plenary sessions will prepare and empower participants to carry on the fight for justice and equality. It will focus on the importance of strengthening our rights and the critical role that workers play in shaping our democracy.

Enclosed is the AFL-CIO conference call-letter containing additional details. Registration for the conference, hotel reservations, and travel information are available on the AFL-CIO Martin Luther King Jr. Conference website at <https://themlkconference.org/>

Registration

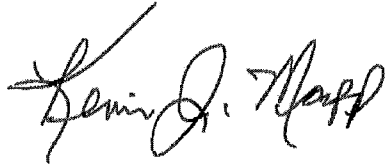
Register prior to October 31, 2024 in order to receive the early bird fee of \$250. Starting November 1, the registration fee is \$275. After January 9, 2025, registration is \$300. Additional Gala Tickets are \$150 each.

Hotel

You are encouraged to use the conference website when making your hotel reservations. The room rate is \$234 a night plus taxes at the Hilton Austin Hotel. Those who plan to attend should make hotel reservations as soon as possible as rooms for this conference sell out quickly.

In accordance with our established policy, the International Union will not be responsible for the cost of delegate(s) participation. Your Local Union must bear any expenses for attendance.

In solidarity,

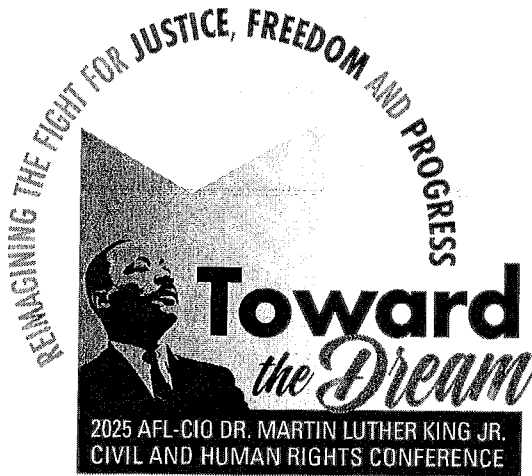
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Kevin J. Mapp
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Enclosure

cc: USW International Officers
U.S. District Directors



CALL LETTER: 2025 AFL-CIO DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS CONFERENCE

On behalf of AFL-CIO President Elizabeth H. Shuler and Secretary-Treasurer Fredrick D. Redmond:

We look forward to welcoming you early next year in Austin, Texas, for the 2025 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Civil and Human Rights Conference. The conference will take place Jan. 9–12, 2025, and on the heels of what will be a historic election, we will be coming together at a crucial moment for the labor and civil rights movements and for our nation. Please bookmark TheMLKConference.org for future updates.

Registration, Hotel and Travel

Preconference registration is now open and **will close on Tuesday, Dec. 24, 2024**. Attendees can register [here](#). Fees and schedules are as follows:

- Early bird admission: \$250 (**ends Oct. 31, 2024**)
- General admission: \$275 (**begins Nov. 1, 2024, and ends Dec. 24, 2024**)
- Young workers admission (ages 35 and younger): \$200
- On-site/late registration: \$300 (**begins Jan. 9, 2025**)
- Registration fee for the gala: \$150 (only for tickets purchased separately from general admission)

The conference will take place at the Hilton Austin, 500 East Fourth Street, Austin, Texas. The negotiated room rate for the conference is \$234 per night. You may book your room [here](#). **If you wish to secure a sub-block of rooms for the conference, please submit your request to the**

AFL-CIO Meetings and Travel Department at MT@afcio.org with subject line “BLOCK AUSTIN” NO LATER THAN OCT. 31, 2024.

Our programming will begin on the afternoon of Thursday, Jan. 9. Hotel accommodations on Jan. 8 are limited, so please book your travel accordingly. In addition to the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport (AUS), we also encourage you to consider other arrival points, including:

- **San Antonio International Airport:** This airport is located approximately one hour and 30 minutes from the Hilton Austin hotel.
- **Amtrak Austin:** This station is located just west of downtown Austin.

Delta Air Lines is pleased to offer special discounts to the AFL-CIO for this conference. Please **click here** to book your flights. You may also call Conferences and Events® at 800-328-1111 from Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.–6:30 p.m. ET, and refer to meeting event code **NY3J6**. Please note there is no service fee for reservations booked and ticketed via our reservation 800 number.