



**Job Title:** Communications Specialist

**Department:** Communications/Organizing Department

**Teamsters Local 117** represents 16,500 working people at more than 200 public and private sector employers throughout the Pacific Northwest. Our mission is to organize, educate, and lead collective and political action to protect and expand the rights, wages, and benefits of working families. We are committed to social justice and to building a strong, diverse, and vibrant labor movement that empowers workers to create positive change in their communities. For more information, visit our website at [www.teamsters117.org](http://www.teamsters117.org).

## Position Overview

Teamsters 117 is seeking a **Communications Specialist** to work in a two-person team to implement a communications strategy for the organization. The position involves web, social media, video, and print communications designed to engage and inform our membership. Candidate should have a background in journalism, communications, graphic design, or related field and a strong commitment to workers' rights and an interest in labor unions. This is a full-time, exempt position. Competitive salary and benefits apply.

## Possible Job Functions

- Develop stories involving strategic campaigns and contract campaigns;
- Develop stories involving members in specific jurisdictions (i.e. taxis, King County, grocery, etc.)
- Manage content on Teamsters 117 website and ancillary websites;
- Expand social media networks for members of Local 117;
- Photograph and/or video interview Local 117 members at events and in the workplace;
- Produce videos for contract and organizing campaigns;
- Design and create content for flyers, postings, newsletters, postcards, leaflets, stickers, etc.;
- Draft letters to the editor, talking points, press releases, op-eds, etc.;
- Cover labor-related activities during the legislative session in Olympia;
- Website updates, data management, and web-based research.

## Skills & Experience

- Commitment to social justice and strong interest in the labor movement;
- Communications experience with political advocacy campaigns, nonprofits, labor movement, or political or community organizing is preferred;
- Strong graphic design skills; experience using InDesign, Illustrator, and Photoshop;
- Experience using systems to manage web content;
- Excellent computer skills and experience using social media sites;
- Excellent interpersonal, written and verbal communication skills;
- Experience in video production, video editing, and photography a plus;
- Bilingual in Spanish, Somali, Amharic, Punjabi, or Vietnamese, a plus.

## Contact

Send cover letter and resume to Local 117 Director of Communications Paul Zilly at [paul.zilly@teamsters117.org](mailto:paul.zilly@teamsters117.org) by March 17.