



# UNITY

## 2019 UUP Steve Street Award

We are pleased to announce the 2019 United University Professions Steve Street Award.

The application deadline is May 1, 2019.

Among other things, eligible candidates will:

be currently registered undergraduate students at a state-operated campus of SUNY;

- a dedication to and intellectual engagement with social justice; and
- have completed at least 15 credit hours at any branch of SUNY.

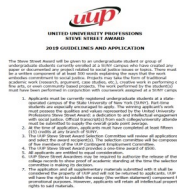
Attached are the guidelines and application form.

*“The most important word in the language of the working class is SOLIDARITY.”*

**HARRY BRIDGES**

*July 28, 1901—March 30, 1990*

*Australian-born American Union Leader  
International Longshore & Warehouse  
Union (ILWU)*



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2018 state tax returns

## Winter DA 2019

February 3-4

Albany Renaissance Hotel  
And  
Capital Center

## Ex Board Mtg.

February 7

OG 002 Conference Room

## UUPers Can Deduct Dues

UUP members can deduct their union dues from their state income taxes in their 2018 state tax returns.

By doing so, union members can save about \$70 on average per year, according to a [May 2017 governor's office media release](#).

Legislation passed in 2017—as part of the state's 2018 Enacted Budget—created a union dues deduction for New York union members who itemize deductions on their state tax returns. Union members can file itemized deductions in their state tax returns even if they don't itemize in their federal taxes.

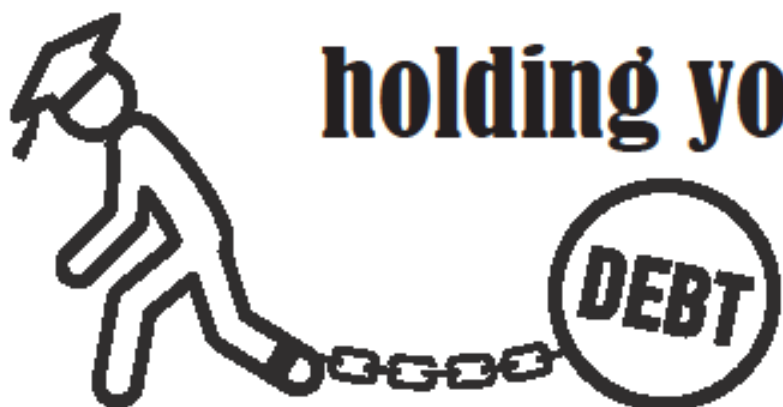
UUP, along with the New York State AFL-CIO and other unions statewide, successfully fought for this change, which is expected to save more than 500,000 union members across the state about \$35 million each year.

“Our members, and all union members in New York, should take advantage of this benefit,” said UUP President Fred Kowal. “It’s another example of the importance of unions in New York state. We appreciate the governor’s strong support of labor and his commitment to defending union jobs, which strengthens hard-working middle-class families.”



# Student Debt Clinic

**Is student debt  
holding you back?**



You may qualify for *free* federal programs that can help reduce your monthly payments and eventually lead to *student loan forgiveness!*

**Learn more at the UUP & AFT Student Debt Clinic:**

**Thursday, January 24, 2019**

**5 - 6:30 PM**

UUP Headquarters  
800 Troy Schenectady Rd  
Latham, NY



**\*Open to all UUP, NYSUT and AFT members\***  
Sign up at <http://aft.to/StudentDebtClinicRSVP>

## Distribution of Discretionary Funds – 2018

<b>Last</b>	<b>First</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Aiello	Brittany	\$915.20
Anthony	Heather	\$915.00
Applegate	Allison	\$567.00
Armah-Agyeman	Grace	\$567.00
Baligh	Mohamed	\$915.00
Barbic	Stacie	\$915.00
Barney	Matthew	\$915.00
Barvoets	Peter	\$567.00
Basile	Vincent	\$915.00
Begany	Grace	\$915.00
Behrens	Jonathan	\$915.00
Bennett	Derwin	\$915.00
Benninger	Karina	\$915.00
Biron	Louise	\$915.00
Blair	Ryan	\$915.00
Breault	Shannan	\$915.00
Brent	Katherine	\$916.00
Brinkman	David	\$567.00
Brinkman	Jill	\$916.00
Burdick	Justin	\$567.00
Burton	Rebecca	\$916.00
Campbell	David	\$917.00
Carey	Samantha	\$567.00
Carroll	Caitlyn	\$917.00
Cash	R Christian	\$917.00
Corbett	Amy	\$917.00
Cornwell	Mark	\$917.00
Crosby	George	\$917.00
Crosby	Mark	\$917.00
Curran	Marie	\$916.00

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Last	First	Amount
Daily	Adam	\$916.00
Davies	April	\$567.00
Davies	Evelyn	\$916.00
Dayton	Dax	\$567.00
Dejong	Daniel	\$916.00
Deneault	Carolyn	\$567.00
Drinkard	Maureen	\$567.00
Dunn	Ethel	\$916.00
Dunn	Paul	\$567.00
Eakin	Dawn	\$916.00
Edsall	Carrie	\$916.00
Ellram	Alex	\$916.00
Ellram	Holly	\$916.00
Evans	Jason	\$916.00
Falco	Ralph	\$575.00
Faulkner	Erica	\$916.00
Fisher	James	\$567.00
Fitzgerald	Peter	\$916.00
Foland	Dawn	\$916.00
Gascho Landis	Andrew	\$916.00
Gell	Barry	\$916.00
Geoffroy	Lynn	\$916.00
Gerhardt	Marie	\$567.00
Gillette-Ferguson	Illona	\$916.00
Golden	Jennifer	\$916.00
Grant	Caleb	\$916.00
Grant	Sinikka	\$916.00
Greenwood	Carmen	\$916.00
Guerrant	Mary	\$916.00
Gunzinger	Ryan	\$567.00

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Last	First	Amount
Hage	Erik	\$916.00
Hammon-Card	Tammy	\$567.00
Hammond	Douglas	\$916.00
Hanchett	Eric	\$567.00
Handy	Jaimie	\$916.00
Hantho	Amanda	\$916.00
Hardin	James	\$567.00
Herrick	Janice	\$916.00
Hilger	Madeline	\$916.00
Hill	Scott	\$567.00
Hisert	Chad	\$567.00
Hofmann	Candance	\$916.00
Huth	Howard	\$567.00
Irving	Mary	\$916.00
Itzkowitz	Tyler	\$567.00
Jagendorfsobierajski	Susan	\$916.00
Johannesen	Christine	\$916.00
Johnson	Kathy	\$567.00
Johnson	Kristina	\$567.00
Kays	Rosabeth	\$916.00
Kehoe	Zechariah	\$567.00
Kerzner	Stephen	\$567.00
Knapp	Renee	\$916.00
Kollar	Katherine	\$916.00
Lalonde	Matthew	\$916.00
Lapi	Michael	\$916.00
Lauber	Margrethe	\$567.00
Leavitt	Stephanie	\$916.00
Ledermann	Sarah	\$916.00
Lehman	Brent	\$916.00

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Last	First	Amount
Leto	Tanner	\$916.00
Liang	Kyle	\$916.00
Lindh	Lynne	\$567.00
London	Susan	\$916.00
Loring	David	\$916.00
Losito	Michael	\$916.00
Luria	Patricia	\$567.00
Machado	Joseph	\$916.00
Mackenzie	Stephen	\$916.00
Macleod	Douglas	\$916.00
Maidens	John	\$916.00
Manning	Gerald	\$567.00
Mansfield	Margaret	\$916.00
Marten	Timothy	\$916.00
Martinez	Aldrin	\$567.00
Masse	Roger	\$916.00
Mccraith	Kyle	\$916.00
Mcgiver	Augustus	\$916.00
Mctaggart	Timothy	\$916.00
Mekeel	Naomi	\$916.00
Mercado	David	\$567.00
Merzeau	Jose'	\$567.00
Miller	Gregory	\$916.00
Moore	Kevin	\$567.00
Morris	Carol	\$567.00
Motyl	Josephine	\$916.00
Motyl	William	\$916.00
Murphy	Michael	\$916.00
Narzynski	Joseph	\$567.00
Novko	Paul	\$567.00

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Last	First	Amount
O'Dell	Christine	\$567.00
Ontl	Joyce	\$916.00
Paden	Emma	\$916.00
Pearl	Katrina	\$916.00
Perkins	Abbey	\$916.00
Pernat	Deborah	\$916.00
Perog	Cheryl	\$567.00
Pesta	Donna	\$916.00
Piatov	Patricia	\$567.00
Poltynski	Thomas	\$916.00
Porter	Susan	\$567.00
Pratt	Christina	\$916.00
Quinn	Allan	\$916.00
Quinn	Amy	\$916.00
Radliff	Jedediah	\$567.00
Radliff	Mary	\$916.00
Raimondi	Elizabeth	\$567.00
Reiff	Marcie	\$567.00
Repic	George	\$916.00
Reu	Danielle	\$916.00
Richards	Wendi	\$916.00
Rimmer	Joshua	\$916.00
Rivituso	Giacomo	\$916.00
Roberts	Catherine	\$567.00
Roes	Raymond	\$916.00
Rogan	Anne	\$916.00
Rohde	William	\$916.00
Rote	Matthew	\$916.00
Santoro	Michael	\$567.00
Schorf	Jennifer	\$916.00



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Last	First	Amount
Schubert	Dirk	\$916.00
Scott	Jake	\$916.00
Seamon	Kane	\$916.00
Serdy	Mary	\$567.00
Shelley	Cynthia	\$567.00
Simpson	Katherine	\$916.00
Skinner	Laura	\$916.00
Smith	Brian	\$916.00
Sprouse	Barbara	\$916.00
Stevens	Lorraine	\$567.00
Struckle	Melissa	\$916.00
Struening	Eric	\$916.00
Sucsy	Kestral Ann	\$567.00
Takacs	Julie	\$567.00
Tarvis	Kimberly	\$916.00
Testa	Nicholas	\$916.00
Thalheimer	Joan	\$916.00
Thompson	David	\$916.00
Tomaszkiewicz	Mitchell	\$567.00
Trees	Christina	\$567.00
Tusang	William	\$916.00
Vandeusen	Lawrence	\$916.00
Vaughn	Kayla	\$916.00
Verderber	Kurt	\$567.00
Volkert	Theodore	\$567.00
Wacksman	Michael	\$567.00
Walrath	Jennifer	\$567.00
Warner	Caroline	\$567.00
Warner	Christopher	\$567.00
Weatherwax	Elizabeth	\$567.00

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Weikert	Ben	\$916.00
Weiss	Elise	\$916.00
Wentworth	Gail	\$916.00
Whelihan	Raymond	\$916.00
Whitbeck	Henry	\$567.00
Wild	Adam	\$916.00
Wilhelm	Benjamin	\$916.00
Wilson	Amy	\$916.00
Winter	Sophie	\$916.00
Winter	Tara	\$567.00
Wright	Anita	\$916.00
Wright	Bruce	\$567.00
Yacobucci	Kelly	\$916.00
Yanisko	David	\$567.00
Young	Daniel	\$916.00
Young	Gregory	\$567.00
Young	Richard	\$916.00
Zeng	Peiyu	\$567.00
Zettl	Crystal	\$567.00



## Benefits designed exclusively for NYSUT members

NYSUT members and their loved ones have access to dozens of endorsed shopping, travel & personal programs available through NYSUT Member Benefits, including discounts on hotels & vacations; car & truck rentals; international group tours; sports & concert tickets; theme parks & attractions; and more.

Whether you are participating in one of our shopping/entertainment/travel offerings; auto, homeowners or life insurance plans; or financial or legal services, NYSUT members have the "Power of the Union" behind them ready to serve as their advocate.

### **The following is just a sample of the endorsed programs available to NYSUT members:**

**Bose** -- NYSUT members receive special educator pricing on high-end, high-quality electronics such as music systems, headphones and bluetooth speakers. You must contact Bose toll-free at 877-709-2073 and mention "educator pricing" to receive this exclusive pricing.

**Orlando Employee Discounts** -- NYSUT members save up to 30% on unforgettable Orlando, FL excursions to Disney World, Universal Studios and many other attractions.

**Grand Circle Travel** -- NYSUT members can enjoy a number of unique travel deals on international river cruises and other travel opportunities with Grand Circle's small ship cruise tours, river cruises and land tours.

### **Member Appreciation Month is back!**

One of our most popular annual events is set to return this February. The 2019 Member Appreciation Month celebration will be filled with a series of prize drawings for items donated by NYSUT Member Benefits and our endorsed program providers -- including gift cards, iPads, Echo Dots and more!

As a MAP Alert member, you are eligible to win prizes every single day throughout the month of February.

All MAP Alert members are already entered to win; if you have colleagues who would like to be eligible to win, they simply need to sign up for our MAP Alert service on the Member Benefits website. Prize winners will be listed daily on the Member Benefits website.



To learn more about Member Benefits-endorsed programs & services, visit [memberbenefits.nysut.org](http://memberbenefits.nysut.org) or call 800-626-8101.



For information about contractual endorsement arrangements with providers of endorsed programs, please contact NYSUT Member Benefits.

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