

## REPORT ON THE 2013 SUMMER INSTITUTE FOR UNION WOMEN



**The Summer Institute for Union Women Was A Huge Success!** On June 25<sup>th</sup> through June 29<sup>th</sup> the Washington State Labor Education and Research Center hosted the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Summer Institute for Union Women. This was the first time the SIUW had been in Seattle. This year's school brought more than 160 union women from 6 states and 3 countries to the University of Washington for an intensive residential training school. During this week we had:

- **Over 40 trainers and facilitators from unions, community-based organizations, and universities who donated their time and expertise.**
- **Over 20 classes on topic such as Public Speaking, Civil Disobedience, Immigration Reform, Collective Bargaining and much more!**
- **A march and rally with airport workers at Sea-Tac Airport**
- **A plenary on what it means for labor leaders to take up women's issues**
- **Most importantly, lots of knowledge was shared through the experiences of this amazing group of women.**

We closed out the week with a graduation banquet, a performance by the Taiko drumming group Inochi Taiko and a knock-your-socks-off Keynote address by Washington State Labor Council Secretary-Treasurer Lynne Dodson.

For more photos, program details or information on the 2013 SIUW contact Cheryl Coney at 206.934.5382 or [cheryl.coney@seattlecolleges.edu](mailto:cheryl.coney@seattlecolleges.edu).



Union Sisters from Society of Professional Engineering Employees in Aerospace, IFPTE Local 2001 Rallying at Sea-Tac Airport

## **MANY THANKS TO!**

Our sponsors who provided essential financial support, and to the dozens of unions and allied organizations that sent participants and provided instructors.

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## **SAVE THE DATE**

**The SIUW is heading to British Columbia! Next year's school will be at the University of Victoria on July 8<sup>th</sup> - July 13<sup>th</sup>. It is being hosted by the B.C. Federation of Labor.**

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