



# NOMINATIONS FOR THE CUPE'S NATIONAL LITERACY AWARD

**Do you know a CUPE member or group of members who champion workplace literacy and clear language? Get your nomination in by July 25, 2023.**

CUPE's National Literacy and Essential Skills Committee is looking for a **literacy activist**. This is a member or group of members who have promoted workplace literacy or clear language. The award "winner will receive a trophy and CUPE will make a donation to the social justice organization on their behalf.

A literacy activist might:

- encourage other CUPE members to learn
- model lifelong learning by following their own learning goals
- raise awareness on literacy or clear language within the union and workplace
- help build the union through literacy or clear language



**Learning at Work**  
*it's our right*

There are many ways to be a literacy activist. The member(s) may have participated in a literacy program or helped start one in their local. Or they may have promoted worker education in some other way.

## **What do we mean by literacy?**

Literacy is all the skills needed to understand and use written texts or basic calculation to be able to cope with every day life situations. Literacy is also a suite of activities aimed at learning to read, write and calculate. Literacy empowers us to:

- assert our rights and build our union
- act as full citizens and change society
- question, evaluate, and envision
- develop our knowledge and potential at work, at home, and in our community

## What is clear language?

- language that readers can understand
- design that makes documents easy to read and easy to use

For more information on the CUPE Literacy Program, go to [cupe.ca/literacy](http://cupe.ca/literacy)

Literacy activist will be CUPE members in good standing. CUPE staff and members of CUPE's National Literacy and Essential Skills Committee are not eligible.





# LITERACY AWARD NOMINATION FORM

To nominate someone, please fill out this form and send it to:

**National Literacy Award**

National Services Department, CUPE

1375 St. Laurent Blvd.

Ottawa, Ontario K1G 0Z7

Email: [literacy@cupe.ca](mailto:literacy@cupe.ca)

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## MEMBER OR GROUP OF MEMBERS YOU ARE NOMINATING:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Union Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Years as a CUPE member: \_\_\_\_\_



**YOUR NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Union Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_



**THIS NOMINATION IS SUPPORTED BY:**

Local President's Signature:

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**Signature**

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**Name (please print)**

Local or Division Executive Member's Signature:

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**Signature**

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**Name (please print)**



Please tell us why you are nominating this member (or group of members) of the local for CUPE's National Literacy Award. Consider the examples from the first page, and add your own.

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What has the member(s) done to champion workplace literacy or clear language?

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How has the member(s) influenced other members and the union in terms of literacy or clear language?

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How long has the member(s) been involved in union literacy or clear language?

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