

## **Why the Windsor CUPE Strike Will Inspire You**

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Read on and enrich your spirit for progressive social change, understand the need to build solidarity on the ground, and learn about the threat of cyber-scabbing!

*The strike is an instance rare in the current climate of workers' struggling for a political principle rather than immediate wage demands. As such, it has much to teach but also reveals complex challenges that both the labour movement and the Canadian left will have to meet in the near future.*

*The main issue at stake for both locals is the City's demand that post-retirement medical benefits be eliminated for all future hires.*

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*The future of the union movement as the first line of working class defence against ruling class attempts to make working people pay for the recurrent crises of capitalism depends upon its discovering new ways to mobilize its membership against this new mutation of an old divide and conquer strategy. It also depends on building solidarity, the next critical issue of general significance raised by the strike.*

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