Last night, a historic number of members participated in the strike vote and voted 94 per cent in favour of job action.

As your coworkers and members of the bargaining committee, we want to thank you for your strong support, trust, and commitment to fighting for a fair contract.

The strike vote results send a clear message to the Regional District that workers stand behind their bargaining committee and that the employer's bargaining package is unacceptable. A strong strike mandate puts us in the position we need as we move forward with bargaining.

What happens next?

Right now, there are no new bargaining dates set, and your bargaining committee is working to implement our strategies to effectively use your support to achieve a fair contract.

At the same time, essential service discussions with the employer, facilitated by the BC Labour Relations Board, are nearing completion. This is something that must be done before any strike action takes place.

How can you support the bargaining committee now?

You can help keep this momentum going by talking to your coworkers, wearing your buttons and using your mugs, staying tuned for updates, and reaching out to a bargaining committee member if you have questions or ideas. Every voice and every conversation matters.

Your support matters and will continue to make a significant impact in this round of bargaining. Watch for another update in the coming weeks with more details on next steps, and don't hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns you have.

In solidarity,

the CUPE 1699 Bargaining Team



With gratitude and respect, we acknowledge that CUPE1699 is on the traditional Indigenous territories of the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation, McLeod Lake Indian Band, Simpow First Nation and West Moberly First Nations.