

**Thank you for calling Local 1262's Information Hotline. This is the latest update from President Harvey Whille as of Friday, November 11, 2022, and contains two messages. This hotline – as well as other important updates and information for our members – also can be found on our web site at [www.ufcw1262.org](http://www.ufcw1262.org).**

Last week two more groups of Local 1262 members voted to extend their contracts another four years thereby locking in health care benefits, retirement funding and wage increases.

Members employed by Tops Friendly Markets in New Paltz voted to extend their contract until February 12, 2028 and members employed at the ShopRite Bakery Commissary in Eatontown voted to extend their contract until October 23, 2027.

Local 1262 has been working with its members during the past few years to extend their contracts and these two votes follow extensions voted on by members from ShopRite, Stop & Shop and other companies.

“We recognized the direction that health care costs were taking in our nation,” said President Harvey Whille, noting that in general those costs are increasing at double digits nationwide. “We wanted to make sure that our members were protected from this and would not have to pay premiums for their coverage. We put the proposals out to our members who saw that it was in their best interests to lock-in their health care coverage as well as their retirement funding.”

Our second message is to remind our members to Shop Union Supermarkets and Buy Union Made Products this Thanksgiving and throughout the holiday season. When you Shop Union Supermarkets and Buy Union Made Products you help create and preserve jobs that provide contractually negotiated benefits including wage increases and health and welfare benefits.

Union Supermarkets in our area include ShopRite, Stop & Shop, Foodtown, Fresh Grocer, Food Bazaar, Acme, Tops Market, Morton Williams, PriceRite and Uncle Giuseppe's. You can visit [www.labor411.org](http://www.labor411.org) for an extensive list of food and other products made by companies who support and appreciate Union workers like you.

As always, I thank all of our members for your ongoing dedication and service. I consider it an honor and privilege to serve as your president.

That concludes this hotline. Thank you for calling Local 1262.

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Contact your Union Representative at 1-800-562-6913 (from New Jersey)  
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