

Thank you for calling Local 1262's Information Hotline. This is the latest update from President Harvey Whille as of Friday, February 6, 2026 and contains two messages. This hotline and other important information for our members can also be found on our website at www.ufcw1262.org.

On Thursday, February 5, Local 1262 members employed in the Maintenance Department of the East Orange ShopRite voted overwhelmingly to accept their new contract. The new contract which expires on March 27, 2027 calls for continued maintenance of health and welfare benefits and sustained retirement savings account contributions as well as across-the-board increases for both full-time and part-time workers.

Our second message is to remind our members that The Forza Insurance Group – our supplemental insurance benefit provider – will be back in the stores this month educating our members about their Supplemental Insurance Benefit program with special rates for Local 1262 members.

Supplemental Insurance Benefits are different from health insurance and are extra plans that you can purchase as a safety net in case of injury or illness -- on or off the job. You get direct payment after a qualifying event, and you can use the money for whatever you want. It can be used for mortgage payments, groceries, hiring extra help while you recover, etc.

Supplemental Insurance Benefits from The Forza Insurance Group are guaranteed acceptance, which means that there's no medical exam -- you cannot be turned down.

Forza Benefits Advisors typically set-up in the Break Room. Look for posters in your stores and post cards in your mail announcing when they will be on-site in your store.

You can also visit our website – www.ufcw1262.org – and click on the Programs for Members tab for a direct link and information on this program.

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

Concerns At Your Workplace?

Contact your Union Representative at 1-800-562-6913 (from New Jersey)
or 1-800-526-7814 (from other states).