



MOVE FORWARD CAMPAIGN PUSHES CORRECTIONS WORK INTO THE SPOTLIGHT

MCO is proud to announce a new effort aimed at promoting corrections and forensic officers and the values and standards that set them apart in the criminal justice system.

The **“Move Forward”** campaign ties together all of our recent efforts to promote professionalism in corrections and draws attention to the diverse and unique work expected of the modern-day corrections officer.

Through the campaign, we’ll introduce a new value, accompanied by an inspirational poster, every month until Labor Day 2018. These posters will be displayed on the union bulletin board at your facility, the MCO website, Facebook, and new Instagram page.

Look for this first poster (far right) going up in your facility soon.

In addition, a special 50th anniversary logo and coin will be unveiled to celebrate MCO’s 50 years of advocacy on behalf of corrections officers and

forensic security assistants.

The campaign is also a way to affirm our position that as corrections officers, we can have a meaningful influence on policy and help shape the direction of our statewide and national criminal justice systems. By speaking with “One Voice,” MCO has created and is leading a nation-wide campaign to inject the voices of officers into the corrections reform debate. This allows you the ability to impact the safety, health, and security of staff and inmates alike.

This is how we start to change the narrative and tell a new story about corrections officers. For years, MCO members have pushed for increased engagement and communication. These are your messages. Thank you, members, for your continued support.

Make sure you stay up to date by reading [the KYI](#) and [MCO Report](#). Get MCO news first – [sign up for our email alerts](#) and join our [members-only](#)



[Facebook group](#). Have feedback on the Move Forward campaign? Send your thoughts to mail@mco-seiu.org.

REPS. LIFT UP COs AT 9/11 MEMORIAL EVENT

Two corrections officers stood alongside police officers, sheriffs’ deputies, and other law enforcement honored at the Michigan House of Representatives 9/11 Memorial Ceremony Thursday.

Officer Lorraine Emery of Bellamy Creek Correctional Facility was the guest of Rep. Tom Barrett. Officer Ray Sholtz of St. Louis Correctional Facility was invited by Rep. Ben Frederick.

Representatives hold the 9/11 memorial event every year to honor public servants who lost their lives Sept. 11, 2001 and to recognize first responders who put their lives on the line every day in service to our state and our

country.

[Read the full story at mco-seiu.org.](#)



(From left) Rep. Ben Frederick, CO Ray Sholtz, CO Lorraine Emery, and Rep. Tom Barrett.

New Tigers ticket contest!

Enter to win tickets to the Detroit Tigers game on Sept. 24th. Three lucky members will each receive five tickets to the game, plus each person will receive a hot dog, soda, and chips. All you have to do is email your answer to the MCO challenge question below to Tara Nichol at tara@mco-seiu.org. You must email from your home (not .gov) email address. Contest open to MCO members only. Winners will be selected on Wednesday, Sept. 13 at noon. Good Luck!

Challenge: Name one of MCO’s 2017-2018 initiatives to engage members. (Hint: You can find the answer in the [Spring/Summer 2017 MCO Report](#).)