

POLITICAL ROUND-UP

Firefighter Rappel Program

Firefighters who were laid off when the government [cut](#) the Wildland Firefighter Rappel Program, also known as the RAP program, are [being courted by British Columbia](#).

The Alberta government is seeking input from stakeholders on three government areas, including [tourism](#), [fisheries](#) and [agriculture research](#).

JOB LOSSES

***As of January 10, 2020, we have been notified of the following job losses.
Since January 3 2020, we have been notified of four new job losses for members*.***

University of Lethbridge

***This week:** four vacant AUPE positions eliminated: maintenance worker III, systems support specialist II, technical specialist I, fine arts technician IIII.

Alberta Innovates

This past week, 48 members at Alberta Innovates received layoff notices. AUPE agreed at the employer's request to extend the notice period so that the members wouldn't be getting layoff notices just prior to Christmas; their final day worked will be Jan. 23.

University of Calgary

In early November, the Board announced they were cutting 250 positions (150 FTEs, of which 100 are expected to be AUPE members).

Last week: One temporary term position in Finance/Research Accounting.

Government of Alberta

Employer informed AUPE that 2,500 bargaining unit positions will be eliminated between April, 2020 and April, 2023.

Alberta Health Services

Employer informed AUPE that they intend to cut 2,000 to 3,000 GSS FTEs between April, 2020 and April, 2023 and up to 400 Nursing Care FTEs beginning April 1, 2020.

WAGE ROLLBACKS

Bargaining tables where the employer is or will consider tabling wage rollbacks of -2%:

Government of Alberta
University of Lethbridge
Athabasca University
Alberta Health Services/Nursing Care
Alberta Health Services/General Support Staff

Alberta University of the Arts
Lethbridge College
Carewest Nursing Care
Carewest General Support Staff
Alberta Pension Services Corporation (APS)
Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT)
Medicine Hat College
Covenant Health – St. Therese Villa
Canterbury Foundation

EVENT ROUND-UP

Rallies and events you don't want to miss! (January 10 – 18)

Fightback Rallies

Monday, January 13

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Canmore General Hospital

In front of the hospital on Hwy. 1A

*Contact: Angela Smyth, Chair Local 045, 403-609-5020, angelscare@shaw.ca
All AUPE members and our supporters are invited to join this info-picket on their non-work time.*

Social Events

Saturday, Jan. 18 Bowling Night

Calgary Area Council

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

To register: <http://cac.aupe.ca/bnrsvp>

CHECK OUT

Fill out AUPE's working short [survey](#)

[AHS imposes new limits on overtime](#)

[B.C. courts Alberta firefighters whose jobs were cut](#)

[A warning about health cuts](#)