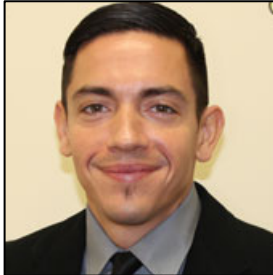


## UFCW Local 888 Health Fund

160 East Union Avenue, East Rutherford, NJ 07073 (800) 223-1503 [ufcw888.org](http://ufcw888.org)

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"I will get the covid-19 vaccine to protect my 93 year-old grandmother and my mother in law who has cancer and rest of my family that are most at risk. Don't hesitate-vaccinate!"

*Local 888 Recorder  
Ajay Borzoni*



"All of our members should get the COVID vaccine—for ourselves, our families, and our communities."

*Local 888 Organizing  
Director Marshall Paris*

Dear Local 888 members,

Just about a year ago, COVID-19 turned our world upside down. Kids are attending school online. Parents are working from home. We are wearing masks every time we leave the house. Restaurants are closing. Friends and family are getting sick, some are even dying, and so much more.

After all of that, we finally have some hope. With three vaccines approved and getting distributed, and more hopefully on the way, we're starting to see the light at the end of the tunnel.

Unfortunately, we've heard from many people that are not sure if they want to get vaccinated. They do not trust the vaccine. They do not trust the pharmaceutical companies and they do not trust the government.

As union members, we have a right to be skeptical about a lot of things. With many of our members being people of color, immigrants and women, we have even more of a right to be skeptical because we've been through so much.

**But, we can honestly tell you that these vaccines are safe. And we strongly urge all of our members and your families to get vaccinated as soon as you are eligible and able to do so. These vaccines will save lives and help us get back to normal again.**

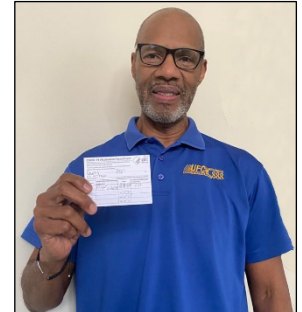
**Local 888's leadership and staff will all be getting vaccinated as soon as we can.** Keep an eye out on our website ([ufcw888.org](http://ufcw888.org)) and our Facebook page (UFCW Local 888). We'll post updates as we get vaccinated.

**Please, please, please get vaccinated. The only way we can beat this virus is if we all get vaccinated and continue to be careful and smart.**

If you have any questions about the COVID-19 vaccine or your benefits, please call the Health Fund Office at (800) 223-1503, Monday-Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, or go to [ufcw888.org](http://ufcw888.org).

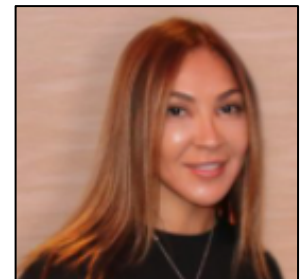
In solidarity,

The Officers and Staff of Local 888 and the Local 888 Benefit Funds



"27 Local 888 members died from COVID-19 so far. We do not want to lose any more. Please get vaccinated. Our lives depend on it."

*Local 888 President  
Max Bruny*



"Blacks and Latinos who are infected with COVID-19 are about four times more likely to be hospitalized than others. I'm getting vaccinated to protect my community."

*Local 888 Secretary-  
Treasurer Rosalba Pérez*