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Unifor members attend virtual December 6 vigil, scab definition expanded in Quebec, shelter strikers continue their fight, Gavin McGarrigle on the need to get forestry right, Clean Harbors members ratify, media members lobby MPs, Local 27 members build Indigenous housing, and members in Nova Scotia take a helicopter to work.

 **WHAT'S HOT**



Watch highlights of Unifor's online vigil on December 6, the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Elimination of Violence Against Women, where

 **TAKE ACTION**



With a Quebec court expanding the definition of a scab in that province,

members and leadership came together to mourn the victims of the Montreal Massacre and discuss ways to combat gender-based violence.

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sign the Unifor petition demanding that scabs be banned across Canada.

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IN THE NEWS



Unifor's December 6 online vigil remembered the 14 women slain 32 years ago, and members vowed to take meaningful action as Jerry Dias and Lana Payne outlined concrete steps to #EndViolenceAgainstWomen.

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For the first time in Quebec, a court expands the scope of anti-scab provisions to remote work.

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After decades of exploitation and inaction, we need to get forestry right in B.C. writes Unifor Western Regional Director Gavin McGarrigle in this OpEd published in several B.C. newspapers this week.

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After more than a month on the picket line, striking shelter workers bring their struggle to the wider Napanee and Kingston community with a new radio ad.

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Unifor members from the media sector have been meeting online with Members of Parliament, Senators, and Heritage Minister Pablo Rodriguez, pushing the need for big tech firms to pay their fair share to support local journalism.

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Unifor Local 27 in London, Ontario has partnered with the Oneida Nation of the Thames on the Imagine Build project to build affordable housing.

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December 3 was International Day of Persons Living with Disabilities and Unifor recognizes the important contributions of people of diverse abilities and remains committed to building a more inclusive, accessible world. [Read our statement.](#)

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The unemployment rate saw its largest decline since first quarter of 2021, falling to 6.0%, the lowest level since February 2020. Nearly 154,000 jobs were added in November. Read more in Unifor's latest Labour Market Insights Report.

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Gift idea for the trade unionist in your life: Former FFAW president Earle McCurdy has a new book about how NL fisheries workers created one of the most influential unions in Canadian history.

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BARGAINING UPDATES

Unifor Local 914 members ratify a new four-year collective agreement, ending a two-week strike at the Clean Harbors waste treatment facility in Sarnia.

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Warehouse worker Joseph Evans shares why he and his coworkers decided to join Unifor and how unionization improved conditions at his workplace and benefited workers.

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On December 13, Unifor members will kick off a federal lobby week to fix EI. Here's what workers are asking MPs to do in order to build a better EI program.

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