

# Local 344

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To The Members of Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 344

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

## June's Membership Meeting

Our Collective Bargaining Agreement provides for a \$2.00 per hour increase effective July 1, 2024. We will be voting on the distribution of this increase at the Regular Monthly Membership Meeting, June 4, 2024 at 7:00 pm at the Hilton Garden Inn OKC Airport, 801 S. Meridian, OKC 73108 – Great Plains Ball Room. Doors open at 6:00pm – Dinner will be served.

## Journeyman Certification Courses

The next Mechanical CEU class will be on Saturday, June 22 from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The next Plumbing CEU class will be on Saturday, July 20 from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. An OSHA 30-hour course will be held at the Training Center starting on Monday, July 8 at 5 p.m. Please scan the QR code or call the Training Center at (405)632-5629 to sign up for one of these classes. If you have additional questions, you may email [rachel@jatc344.com](mailto:rachel@jatc344.com) or [kristi@jatc344.com](mailto:kristi@jatc344.com).



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*"Unionism has helped to give to everyone who toils the position of dignity which is his due"*

## Health and Welfare

**Vision Benefits:** All participants are limited to 1 pair of frames and one pair of conventional lenses OR contact lenses (but not both) up to the stated allowable charge once every 12 months.

**Filing Vision Claims:** Providers can file vision claims to UHC: If the provider won't file with UHC/shared services, they can file directly to the claims office: Claims office c/o PP344 H&W fund at 8441 Gulf Freeway, Suite 304, Houston, TX 77017. If the provider won't file the claim directly to the claims office or with UHC/shared services, you will need to pay out of pocket to the provider and either mail your claim to the claims office or you can e-mail your itemized vision claim to the Benefit office at [andrea@local344.com](mailto:andrea@local344.com) and it will be forwarded to the Claims office for processing so you can be reimbursed.

The plan will pay up to the following:

Vision exam: up to 100.00	Frames: up to 200.00
Single vision Lenses: up to 185.00	Bifocals and Trifocals: up to 200.00
OR	
Contact lenses: Up to 180.00 once every 12 months.	

## FREE MEDICAL CLINIC ACCESS

Plumbers & Pipefitters Health and Welfare is elated to announce that our "Active" members as well as the Pre-65 Retirees will have preferred access to all Your Health and Wellness (YHW) and Just Kids Pediatrics (JKP) locations at NO COST. These locations are eager to serve as a Primary Care Physician to you and your kids. For comprehensive, personalized medical care, call Your Health and Wellness at 405-920-6100. Visit <https://www.yourhealthok.com/local344> to find a location near you.

REMEMBER: Any visits to the YHW and JKP locations will cost our ACTIVE members and Pre-65 members and their dependents \$0 out of pocket. The Moore, Mustang, Midwest City and Bethany location see adults from 8am-5pm, Monday-Friday.

You can always access previous newsletters at [pp344.com](http://pp344.com)

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