



OFFICIAL CALL TO THE

# UAW VETERANS CONFERENCE

**AUGUST 10-15, 2025**

**THE WALTER AND MAY REUTHER UAW FAMILY EDUCATION CENTER  
ONAWAY, MICHIGAN**





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The 2025 UAW National Veterans Conference will be held at the Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center, 2000 Maxon Road, Onaway, Michigan, Sunday, August 10, 2025, through Friday, August 15, 2025.

### Registration

Registration will be completed online. Please use an updated browser when registering. Delegates will use the following log-in information:

**Web Address:** <https://conference.uaw.org/veterans.php>  
**User Name:** UAWVET2025  
**Password:** VET2025

The website will open for registration on Friday, May 16, 2025. All registrations must be completed **no later than Friday, July 18, 2025.**

If you have any questions regarding the registration process, please contact Administrative Assistant, Matthew Uptmor at 313-926-5654 or email [muptmor@uaw.net](mailto:muptmor@uaw.net) or contact his secretary, Michelle Best at 313-926-4423 or email at [mbest@uaw.net](mailto:mbest@uaw.net).

The UAW National Veterans Conference registration fee is \$725 per delegate; this is based on double occupancy. Checks should be made payable to the **International Union, UAW**, or ACH payments can be made through LUIS. It is suggested that the local generate a single check to cover the registration fees for its delegates. Please send payment to the UAW Veterans Department c/o Michelle Best no later than **Monday, August 4, 2025.**

If a delegate requests single housing, the delegate must pay out-of-pocket expenses in the amount of \$319.90. This check should be made out to UBE, INC. and sent to the UAW Health and Safety Department in c/o Michelle Best. Single housing is not guaranteed and is subject to availability.

The local unions are responsible for lost time and registration fees for all delegates. There are no provisions for lost time reimbursements connected with the National Veterans Conference.

Transportation is provided for delegates whose worksites are over 500 miles from the UAW Family Education Center. For those over 500 miles one-way, options are flying or driving. All airline tickets will be purchased through the travel agents used by Black Lake. Participants who fly will be required to pay for their tickets in advance.

## **Transportation**

### **Delegates Flying**

Delegates must use the following link to make their flight arrangements **<https://cvent.me/Lx2zDz>**. Upon completion of the program, airline tickets will be processed for reimbursement, less \$75 per delegate. **All airline reservations must be completed by Friday, July 25, 2025.**

To assure maximum savings on flight arrangements, delegates will be required to arrive in Detroit on Saturday, August 9, 2025, and **no flights should be scheduled before 5:00 p.m. EST on the return trip Friday, August 15, 2025.**

Overnight lodging will be provided based on double occupancy at:

**Courtyard by Marriott  
Detroit Metro Airport Romulus  
30653 Flynn Dr.  
Romulus, MI 48174**

Delegates will depart the hotel on Sunday morning, August 10, 2025, at 9 a.m. via a charter bus for the trip to Black Lake.

For those opting to travel by air, flights will be arranged by the local union through Travel Solutions International (TSI USA). Due to stricter airline regulations, delegates who opt to fly must provide their legal name as it appears on a driver's license or other government-issued identification recognized by the Transportation Security Administration (TSA). Failure to do so could result in up to a \$150 charge to correct an airline ticket. The **UAW will** not reimburse that charge. be purchased through the travel agents used by Black Lake. Participants who fly will be required to pay for their tickets in advance.

### **Airline Procedure**

If paying for airfare with a local union check, you must mail the payment within 24 hours after TSI contacts you. Please make check payable to UBE and send the payment to UBE/Air, UAW Family Education Center, 2000 Maxon Road, Onaway, MI 49765, You must include a copy of the invoice with the check. For questions, call the UAW Family Education Center at 989-733-6311.

### **Delegates Driving**

Arrivals and departures should be scheduled accordingly. All delegates are expected to arrive at the Family Education Center by 4 p.m. on Sunday, August 10, 2025 (except those arriving by flight; see Air and Lodging) and remain until the conference concludes at 9 a.m. on Friday, August 15, 2025.

Local unions are responsible for all transportation costs for delegates who live less than 500 miles from the Family Education Center

For those who live more than 500 miles (one-way) from the Center, delegates may travel by passenger vehicle, or air transportation: Passenger Vehicle: After 1,000 miles (round-trip), all drivers will be reimbursed the IRS rate for each mile. Mileage is not reimbursed for the first 1000 miles of a round trip (500 miles one-way).

On trips to and returning from the Center, delegates who drive are also entitled each way to one night's lodging for 500 miles or more; two nights' lodging for 1000 miles or more. Motel rates should not exceed \$65 per night for single occupancy; or \$80 per night for double occupancy. Delegates must save motel receipts and submit them to the Center for processing. Upon program completion, delegates will receive mileage and/or motel refunds. Reimbursement is not provided for meals, highway tolls, or other expenses incurred during the trip.

Delegates who elect to drive to the Family Education Center should be aware of the "multiples of three" rule. When a local sends more than one delegate to a session, delegates should travel in multiples of up to three per vehicle. Only one driver per local, per multiples of three, is reimbursed for mileage by the International Union.

The Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center is located at 2000 Maxon Road, Onaway, MI 49765.

Please be advised of the following Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center policy:

Vehicles allowed to park in the Family Education Center must be union-made and have a vehicle VIN number beginning with 1, 2, 4, or 5 (i.e., made in the USA or Canada). VIN numbers are located in the dashboard or doorjamb of vehicles. Upon arriving at the FEC, security guards check each vehicle's VIN number. If the vehicle's VIN number is anything other than 1, 2, 4, or 5, parking accommodations are available in a lot located adjacent to the FEC's front gate. An FEC bus **will** transport those delegates to the hotel registration desk.

## **Deadlines**

The deadline for registration is Friday, July 18, 2025, at 4 p.m. (1600 hours). As we expect a full National Veterans Conference, no late registration will be accepted. ACH payments will be deducted after registration closes, but no later than Friday, August 22, 2025.

## **Eligibility**

A delegate's eligibility is limited to active or retired members of your local union, including members on layoff or strike.

## **Lost Time**

Payment of lost time is the sole responsibility of the local union.

## **Cancellations and Refunds**

Cancellations must be received no later than Thursday, July 24, 2025.

Registration fees are non-refundable. Local unions should select alternates to replace delegates no later

than Thursday, July 24, 2025, who cancel and notify their regional office. This Conference is an investment in the future of your local union and Veterans Standing Committee.

This official call includes information that should be shared with the local unions in your region.

### **Conference Registration**

Conference registration for the 2025 delegates of the National Veterans Conference will begin on Sunday, August 10, 2025, in the Lecture Hall from 1 p.m. until 4:45 p.m. (1300 - 1645 hours).

As a reminder, please note that the policy at the UAW Family Education Center is that **NO WEAPONS** can be brought onto the premises.

We would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation with this matter.

### **Displays**

If delegates from the locals wish to bring a display, please submit this information to the UAW Veteran's Department, Administrative Assistant, Matt Uptmor as soon as possible, so that we can review for prior approval.

Once again, we thank you for your continued support.

In solidarity,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David Green".

David Green, Director  
Region 2B, UAW

DG:kf/opei494afi-cio  
cc: Rick Smith, Assistant Director  
UAW Region 2B Staff