

2012 Winter Advocacy Retreat
Hyatt Regency Miami, Florida



Building Our Unionism

As NSO members continue to face attacks on their wages, hours, retirement, pension benefits and health insurance, the NSO Winter Advocacy Retreat is ready to provide advocates with the skills and strategies to lead, promote, secure and defend the hard-earned rights of members and their affiliates.

That makes the 2012 Winter Advocacy Retreat about **building our unionism!** Please join us for this great experience where you'll have the opportunity to network, learn, participate and have fun doing it.

Winter Advocacy Retreat-At-A-Glance
(Schedule is subject to change without advanced notice.)

Thursday February 2, 2012		Friday February 3, 2012		Saturday February 4, 2012	
7:30-9:30 a.m.	Early Registration	7:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast	7:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast
9:00-3:30 p.m.	Organizing for Power I	7:30-9:30 a.m.	Exhibits	8:30-11:00 a.m.	400 Session Series
	Organizing for Power II (Series 100)	8:15-8:45 a.m.	Registration	11:00-11:15 a.m.	Break
1-5:00 p.m.	Early Registration	8:45-9:00 a.m.	General Session	11:15-1:45 p.m.	500 Session Series
	Exhibits	9:00-11:30 a.m.	Break	1:45 p.m.	Adjournment
1:30-3:00 p.m.	Presidents Meeting	11:30-1:00 p.m.	200 Session Series		
	First Time Attendee Orientation	11:45-12:45 p.m.	Lunch <i>(on your own)</i>		
3:15-4:15 p.m.		1-3:30 p.m.	Emerging Issues Forum		
4:30-5:00 p.m.	Trainers Meeting	4:30-6:00 p.m.	300 Session Series		
			Solidarity Reception		

Winter Advocacy Retreat Registration

All participants and guests **must** register online at www.nso-registration.org. Meeting room arrangements and materials are based upon attendee registration counts. The deadline for registration is **November 18, 2011. No registrations will be accepted after this date.** Please note that any previously created passwords to the NSO on-line registration system have been erased and participants **must create a new password.**

For session descriptions, [click here](#).

[Click here](#) to view the Winter Advocacy Retreat Program Grid.

Contact Mary Henson at EsthersBaby@msn.com or at mhenson@mea.org. with any questions regarding registration for the 2012 Winter Advocacy Retreat.

Since some sessions have limited seating, please register early so that you can attend the sessions of your choice.

Hotel Reservations

The Winter Advocacy Retreat will be held at the

Hyatt Regency Miami
400 SE Second Avenue
Miami, FL 33131-2197
Phone: 305-358-1234



You will need to make your own room reservations no later than December 2, 2011. You will need a credit card reserve your room.

Room rates for the 2012 Winter Advocacy Retreat are:

Single/Double Occupancy: \$175.00 + tax

The rates will be available from January 26 to February 9, 2012. If you experience any problems with your room reservation(s), please contact the Hyatt Regency Miami at 305-358-1234.

Emerging Issues Forum:

Join the discussion about critical issues facing NSO members on **Friday, February 3, 2012**, from **11:45 to 12:45 p.m.** **Registration is required.**

Solidarity Reception

For solidarity and networking, NSO and ORG will host a reception on **Friday, February 3, 2011**. There will be a cash bar and heavy hors d'oeuvres. Prizes will be raffled, but you must be present to win! Further details will be available at the NSO registration desk. After the reception, you will be free to enjoy Miami on your own.



Miami Activities

To find out about what's going on in Miami and the surrounding area.

Ground Transportation

You can fly into one of two airports—Miami (MIA) or Fort Lauderdale (FLL). To get from the airport to the hotel, you can use:

1. **Shared Ride - GO Airport Shuttle** offers shared van rides (per person) for:
 - \$21 to the Port of Miami

- \$23 to MIA
- \$21 to South Beach

A van will hold a maximum of ten passengers. They accept cash and are equipped with a credit card acceptance machine.

2. Taxi Cab - Taxi cabs are also available from FLL. Fees are based on meter readings and estimated at:

- \$67 to the Port of Miami
- \$67 to MIA
- \$72 to South Beach

Cabs accept up to five people for the fare stated on the taxi's meter.

Some taxi cabs accept credit cards. If you prefer to pay for a taxi cab with a credit card, make sure you tell this to the dispatcher at the transportation podium. They will request a cab that is equipped with a credit card acceptance machine.

For more information, contact **Yellow Cab** at 954-777-7777.