ATU has been closely monitoring the coronavirus (COVID-19) and the threats it poses for our members and the riding public.

The ATU International has launched a Command and Response Center to provide a rapid response mechanism to address the ongoing and ever-changing crisis associated with the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

The International has been working with our Locals to ensure that transit agencies and private contractors are protecting our members’ health, safety and security on the job.

**OUR DEMANDS TO TRANSIT AGENCIES AND PRIVATE CONTRACTORS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:**

- Increased health and safety measures for transit workers and the riding public, including gloves, masks, sanitizers, and all PPE needed.
- Pandemic leave for anyone showing symptoms of COVID-19, exposed to them, or with family or childcare obligations resulting from shutdowns.
- Compensating workers classified as essential during a public health crisis with at least 1.5 times their normal wage.
- Rear door entry and fare elimination to support social distancing.
- Retaining employees and maintaining wages and benefits during service curtailment.
- Strategic continuation of service to avoid overcrowding.
- Limiting bus passenger loads to no more than 10 and paratransit to no more than 1.
- Limiting service access to essential workers and those seeking care.
- Requiring passengers to wear masks to board a transit vehicle.
- Fully-paid, on-site testing of transit workers for COVID-19 symptoms.

**LEGISLATION UPDATES:**

The International has been working with elected officials and agencies to call for federal legislation that will protect our members, health, safety and security of our jobs. Check with your Local about state legislation.

**ATU COVID-19 COMMAND & RESPONSE HOTLINES**

FOR U.S. MEMBERS: coronavirusalert@atu.org

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For questions about your employer’s policies, please contact your Local Business Agent.

For more information on ATU’s response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19), prevention tips for members, legislation and more, please frequently visit www.atu.org for updates.