



LIUNA!

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General President

The Honorable Elizabeth Warren
United States Senate
317 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Warren:

On behalf of the 500,000 men and women of the Laborers' International Union of North America (LIUNA), I write to endorse S. 1365, your legislation to help people suffering from the devastating opioid crisis.

S. 1365 would provide critical resources to this public health crisis by providing \$100 billion in funding over ten years to provide grants to state and local governments, including the hardest hit counties and cities. The research and training for health professionals regarding substance use disorders is much needed to fight the opioid crisis, as is the funding for treatment, recovery, and harm reduction services. Access to expand availability to overdose reversal drugs will ensure that this life-saving medicine can go to first responders, public health officials, and others who need it.

LIUNA supports the new language in S. 1365 to provide \$40 million per year in grants to labor unions to provide prevention, early intervention and recovery services to union members. Workers in the construction industry, like those represented by LIUNA, are some of the most affected by the opioid crisis. Union health and safety programs are on the front lines to help our members get the treatment and education they need to keep them, their families and their jobsites safe.

For these reasons, LIUNA supports S. 1365, and our Union is proud to endorse your bill.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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