



# Strike Appeal

The Support of your Membership is needed! Workers at the City of Kawartha Lakes, 400 members of CUPE Local 855, have been on strike since February 4, 2008 for a fair collective agreement.

These workers are fighting against an aggressive series of attacks on the vitally important public services they provide to a large number of communities that make up Kawartha Lakes. The employer is pushing for:

- The expansion of contracting out to profit-seeking companies
- Removal of benefits for workers over the age of 65
- Remove flexible working hours in place for over 16 years that means targeting women in the workplace who need this support
- Denying overtime to winter maintenance workers
- Keeping the wage gap in place that holds these workers back from comparable work in other municipalities

These members need to see the support of CUPE from EVERY SECTOR. If the employer in the City of Kawartha Lakes is successful with even one of these damaging proposals, not only these members will suffer but all CUPE members across the province will see these same issues on their bargaining tables.

Help the courageous members of Local 855 to withstand these concessions and win the day. Help them to draw a line in the sand with these employers. And help CUPE to send a message that these types of concessions simply are not going to be adopted by our locals in Ontario.

**Get Updates and Send Support on the Web**-- Visit the Local's Strike Web site at <http://855.cupe.ca>. Main picket line is located at in Downtown Lindsay. For the location of other picket lines, send them an e-mail!

## Financial support

Cheques can be made payable to CUPE Local 855 Strike Fund and mailed c/o  
CUPE Local 855 Strike Fund  
P.O. Box 255 Lindsay ON, K9V 4S1

Your support is greatly appreciated.

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