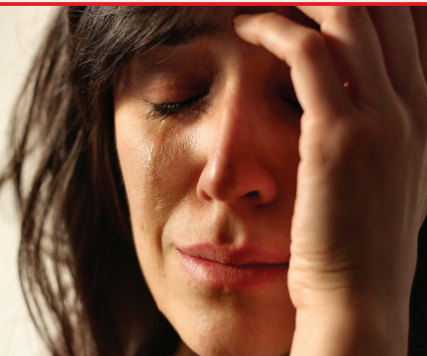


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“WHO WILL STICK UP FOR US WORKERS?”



UNION MEMBERS FIGHT FOR JOB SECURITY

PUBLIC SECTOR workers threatened by the Tasmanian Government's plan to cut thousands of jobs can take heart from the union campaign to protect them.

Members of the Health & Community Services Union and the Community & Public Sector Union have successfully worked on campaigns together for a number of years.

CPSU General Secretary Tom Lynch said the campaign is about workers and about the Tasmanian community.

“The threat of job cuts has an immediate effect on the wider community as it instills fear into every public sector worker who then reduces personal spending,” he said.

“This further exacerbates the downturn being experienced by the retail sector and drives the Tasmanian economy towards recession.”

The 2300 full time equivalent job losses announced equates to around 3500 Tasmanian breadwinners when part-time employment is taken into consideration.

With corresponding private sector job losses likely to occur at a factor of 2.3 times we will see around 12,000 job disappear over the next few years.

The best way public sector workers can protect their jobs and protect their families and the community from hardship is to join HACSU or the CPSU.

HACSU Assistant State Secretary Tim Jacobson said union members have a long history of fighting successfully for their own rights and the rights of their colleagues.

“But unions are only as strong as their membership, and the phrase ‘strength in numbers’ is a truism that all non union public sector workers should contemplate,” he said.

“Join your union colleagues today and be proactive about protecting your job, the jobs of your workmates and the negative flow-on effect job losses will have on services to all Tasmanians.”

Sitting back and just waiting to see what happens is foolhardy.

Contact your local union Delegate or the CPSU or HACSU offices about membership.

Thousands of Tasmanian Public Sector jobs under threat

UNION members are fighting to protect their jobs and fighting to ensure the community continues to have access to quality services.

The best protection a Tasmanian public sector worker can have is to join their union colleagues in HACSU or the CPSU.

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