

# Western States 401(k) & Health & Welfare Trust

## Contribution Website

### Quick Start Guide

This guide is intended to show you the quick and easy way to enter contributions using your new Contributions Website. This guide will walk you through the following:

- How to Process a New Contribution Form.
- How to Modify a Saved Contribution Form.
- How to Upload a file to the Electronic Contributions site using a CSV File.
- How to Copy/Modify a previous Contribution Form.
- How to View and Delete Contribution Forms.
- How to pay multiple saved invoices.

## Web Address:

<http://www.westernstatesemployers.org>

### Western States 401(k) & Health & Welfare Trust Funds of the OPEIU Electronic Contributions

Login

Tuesday, March 20, 2018

\* User Name:

\* Password:

[Create an Account](#) [Forgot Password?](#)

- To log into this site, you will need a user ID and Password. To receive this, you will need to register by clicking on the “Create an Account” option in the top right corner of the website. To complete this step you will need a 16 digit identification number. This will be provided in a separate letter to be mailed to the address we have on file.
- A second option is to call, and someone will assist you.

# Lets Get Started

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**Electronic Contribution**

**Process Contribution**

**View All Contributions**

Select the contractor from the list below to begin entering contribution information

**Frequently Asked Questions**

**Select Contractor:**

**Work Start Date:**

**Work End Date:**

**Process Contribution:**

**Contribution Type:**

**CBA:**

- To begin entering employee contribution information, click on the **Electronic Contribution Tab** and select **Process Contribution** as shown above.
  - This option will allow you to create and process contributions

# Processing Contributions

Select Contractor:

Work Start Date:

Process Contribution:

Contribution Type:

CBA:

- Enter New Contribution – This allows Manual Data Entry of your Contribution Form
- Modify/Submit Saved Contribution – allows you to retrieve a previously entered and saved Contribution Form.
- Upload Contribution File – allows you to upload a data file exported from your payroll system (CSV format) directly into the system, it will automatically load Employee, hours and gross information.
- Copy/Modify Previous Report Form – This option will allow you to retrieve a previous months submitted Contribution Form and copy the information for the current months Contribution Form

# Entering a New Form

<b>Select Contractor:</b>	<input type="button" value="Contractor List"/>				
<b>Work Start Date:</b>	<input type="text" value="2/1/2018"/>	<input type="button" value=""/>	<b>Work End Date:</b>	<input type="text" value="2/28/2018"/>	<input type="button" value=""/>
<b>Process Contribution:</b>	<input type="button" value="Enter New Contribution"/>				
<b>Contribution Type:</b>	<input type="button" value="Regular Contribution"/>				
<b>CBA:</b>	<input type="button" value="Local 11 401k"/>				
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Report no Hours</b>					
<input type="button" value="Submit"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/>					

1. **Select the Contractor:** If you only submit Contributions for one Contractor that will show as your default and you won't have any other options. If you have a Login that allows you to submit Contributions for Multiple Contractors, click on the down-arrow and a list of Contractors you submit for will show, select desired Contractor.
2. **Select a Work Start Date and Work End Date.** If you are a monthly contractor, please use the first day and the last day of the month. If you are a weekly contractor, please use the Payroll Start and Ending dates.
3. **Select Enter New Contribution.**
4. The Contribution Type should always be Regular Contribution.
5. **Select the appropriate CBA:** based on the work you are reporting for, this will apply the appropriate fringe rates

# Enter a New Form - Contribution Entry

## Contribution Entry Form

Contribution Batch	
Contractor Name:	
Batch Number:	CW18-00000001
CBA:	OP11K - Local 11 401k
Contractor ID:	WS4370
Work End Date:	02/28/2018

[!\[\]\(eafc244b53721dd1ec133f0772f70fc7\_img.jpg\) Rate Inquiry](#) [!\[\]\(cb741e910ae1fce3b15fcd4605753ff5\_img.jpg\) Add Employee](#) [!\[\]\(7db78e01f48713b9a2242a4e52c8494a\_img.jpg\) Delete Employee](#) [!\[\]\(fac5b4ae95a83ca5438f440b384c5905\_img.jpg\) Save and Complete Later](#) [!\[\]\(a93ebadef8f96389d8858fdf1c78064a\_img.jpg\) Calculate Contribution](#) [!\[\]\(a4d3fc27f3f07d1159fc17277eb9b9fc\_img.jpg\) Cancel](#)

\*Contact the Benefit Office to add new Work Classifications

Row No	SSN	Work Class	First Name	MI	Last Name	Monthly (Flat Rate)	Employee 401K	Employer 401K	Employer Match	Delete?
3		DEFAULT WORK CLASSIFICATION				0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>

- This screen allows you to enter and verify the information for each employee. Employee information will automatically populate once you have entered the Social Security Number and Tab across the fields. New Employee's information will need to be manually entered in each field.
- Your agreement will determine the fields you need to enter. Blank amounts are not allowed.
- You can select Save and Complete Later if you need to do something else and come back later to finish your contribution entry, this save what you have currently input and lets you pick up where you left off.
- Once all employee's hours and wages are entered, click on Calculate Contribution, and the following screen shows.

# Enter a New Form – Calculate Contributions

## Process Contribution

Contribution Batch			
Contractor Name:	[Redacted]		
Batch Number:	CW18-00000001		
CBA:	OP11K - Local 11 401k		
Contractor ID:	WS4370		
Work End Date:	02/28/2018		

### Contractor Contribution Details:

Work Class	Contractor	Monthly (Flat Rate)	Employee 401K	Employer 401K	Employer Match	Amount	
Default Work Classification	[Redacted]	1.00	100.00	25.00	25.00	\$150.00	<a href="#">View Details</a>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>25.00</b>	<b>25.00</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>	

### Employee Contribution Details:

SSN	Work Class	First Name	MI	Last Name	Monthly (Flat Rate)	Employee 401K	Employer 401K	Employer Match	Amount	
123456789	Default Work Classification	Data	A	Test	1.00	100.00	25.00	25.00	\$150.00	<a href="#">View Details</a>
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>1.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>25.00</b>	<b>25.00</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>	

[Back](#) [Finalize Contribution](#) [Cancel](#)

- Screen allows you to see how fringes are calculated, you are also allowed to make modifications from this screen
  - Contractor Contribution Details [View Details](#) button shows screen with breakdown of calculated fringes
    - See next page for option to not pay certain fringes on all employees
  - Employee Contribution Details [View Details](#) button shows fringes calculated for that Employee.
- [Back](#) button, click this to go back to prior screen and adjust contributions information. At no time should you use the browser to return to the previous page (back arrow in upper left corner of browser window), that will cause all previously entered information to be lost.
- When you agree with all the information choose [Finalize Contribution](#) button, once you select this you cannot go back and make any changes, so make sure everything is correct before Finalizing.

# Enter a New Form - Finalize Contributions

Contribution Batch														
Contractor Name:	[Redacted]			Contractor ID:	WS4370									
Batch Number:	CW18-00000001			Work End Date:	02/28/2018									
CBA:	OP11K - Local 11 401k													
<b>INVOICE # CW18-00000001</b>														
Your Calculated Contributions for work ending 02/28/2018:	\$150.00													
Remittance Amount Due:	\$150.00													
Invoice #:	CW18-00000001 <i>* PLEASE WRITE THIS INVOICE NUMBER ON THE CHECK THAT YOU MAIL AND PLEASE BE SURE TO INCLUDE A COPY OF THIS INVOICE WITH YOUR CHECK</i>													
Invoice Date:	03/20/2018													
<a href="#">Pay Now</a> <a href="#">Print Invoice</a> <a href="#">Done</a>														
<b>Amount Due:</b>														
Work Class	Fund	Fund Code	Monthly (Flat Rate)	Employee 401K	Employer 401K	Employer Match	Calc Hrs	Basis		Rate	Amount			
Default Work Classification	WS EMPLOYEE 401K	EE401	1.00	100.00	25.00	25.00	100.00	Employee 401K	1.0000	\$100.00				
Default Work Classification	WS EMPLOYER 401K	ER401	1.00	100.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	Employer 401K	1.0000	\$25.00				
Default Work Classification	WS 401K EMPLOYER MATCH	ERM4K	1.00	100.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	Employer Match	1.0000	\$25.00				
<b>TOTAL</b>										<b>\$150.00</b>				
<b>Employee Details:</b>														
Name	Work Class	FR	EE	ER	ERMATCH	EE401	ER401	ERM4K						
Test, Data A	Default Work Classification	1.00	100.00	25.00	25.00	\$100.00	\$25.00	\$25.00						
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>25.00</b>	<b>25.00</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>						

- Pressing Finalize Contribution will take you to this screen, which gives options to proceed
  - Pay Now – takes you to the next step so you can remit payment via ACH or Check.
  - Print Invoice – use this option to print a copy of the invoice for your records.
  - Done - use this option to enter another contribution form before making your payment

# Enter a New Form - Pay Invoice(s)

## Pending Payment

Select Contractor:	<input type="text"/>	Invoice Number:	<input type="text"/>
* Invoice Begin Date:	<input type="text" value="2/20/2018"/>	* Invoice End Date:	<input type="text" value="3/20/2018"/>
<input type="button" value="Search"/> <input type="button" value="Clear"/>			

H&W:  
LD's = 10%  
Interest = 12% per annum

401k:  
LD's = 10% or \$25, whichever is greater.  
Interest = 12% per annum

## Pending Invoice:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>Invoice #</u>	<u>Wrk Date</u>	<u>Section Code</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Cont No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Submitted By</u>	<u>Trans. Date</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">CW18-00000001</a>	02/28/2018	OP11K	Local 11 401k	WS4370	\$150.00	DemoContractor	03/20/2018
<input type="button" value="Select Invoice"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/>								

- After selecting Pay Now you go to the Pending Payments page. Press the “Search” button to display any pending invoices. Please pay for Pension and Healthcare invoices separately. The search button will show all Contribution Forms entered on the website that have not been paid for. Here, you will select the Open Invoice(s) which you would like to remit a payment for (ACH or Check).
- Once you check the box(s) to the left of the invoice(s) desired, click the Select Invoice button.

# Enter a New Form - Pay Invoice(s)

## Pending Payment

**Payment Summary**

**(1) Invoice Selected**

Total amount due: **\$150.00**

[Make Payment](#) [Edit Selection](#)

Select Contractor:

\* Invoice Begin Date:  \* Invoice End Date:

[Search](#) [Clear](#)

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Pending Invoice:

	<a href="#">Select Invoice</a>	<a href="#">Cancel</a>						
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>Invoice #</u>	<u>Wrk Date</u>	<u>Section Code</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Cont No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Submitted By</u>	<u>Trans. Date</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">CW18-00000001</a>	02/28/2018	OP11K	Local 11 401k	WS4370	\$150.00	DemoContractor	03/20/2018

[Select Invoice](#) [Cancel](#)

- This will show selected invoice(s) highlighted orange on screen and in upper left portion of screen under Pending Payment a “Payment Summary” section shows the total amount due for the selected Invoice(s).
- If the amount is okay, please select Make Payment.
  - Use the Edit Selection option if you selected the wrong Invoice(s) and you can change your selections.

# Enter a New Form - Pay Invoice(s)

## Make Payment

Invoice#	Wrk Date	Section	Cont No.	Amount
CW18-00000001	02/28/2018	Local 11 401k	WS4370	\$150.00
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>\$150.00</b>

**Total Invoice Amount :** \$150.00

**Invoice Adjustment Amount:** \$0.00

**Total Amount Due:** \$150.00

**Adjustment Reason:**

**Pay By:**  **Check**

- **Make Payment** takes you to screen showing Invoice(s) selected and total amount due.
- Now select your Payment Type
  - If you select to 'Pay By' ACH (Online) you will click submit and be taken to the next step.
  - First time ACH payments will be prompted to enter needed info

# Enter a New Form - Pay Invoice(s)

## Payment Confirmation

Payment Number:	PN18-00000001	Payment Type:	CHECK
Transaction Date:	3/20/2018 11:23:00 AM		
Total Invoice Amount:	\$150.00	Amount Due:	\$150.00
Mail Check To:	Western States 401(k) Retirement Fund of the OPEIU or Western States Health & Welfare Trust Funds of the OPEIU Box # 515199 Los Angeles, CA 90051-5199		
Invoice #:	CW18-00000001		

- After selecting **Submit**, you will be taken to a Payment Confirmation page. This can be printed for your records, plus it is saved under the Contribution Payments tab of the website.
- If you select to 'Pay By' Check, after you choose submit you will be taken to a Payment Confirmation page. You will need to print and mail this Payment Confirmation with your check

# Modify A Saved Contribution Form

## Electronic Contribution

Select the contractor from the list to submit your contributions

<b>Select Contractor:</b>	<input type="button" value=""/>
<b>Process Contribution:</b>	<input type="button" value="Modify / Submit Saved Contribution"/>
<b>*Batch Number:</b>	<input type="button" value="Batch Number   CBA   Work StartDate   Work EndDate"/> <input type="button" value=""/>
<input type="button" value="Cancel"/>	

- **Modify/Submit Saved Contribution** – allows you to open up a saved Contribution Form and continue where you left off. Contribution Forms are only saved for 30 days. Once you submit a Contribution Form, it is saved permanently, but prior to that, you have 30 days to complete the form.

# Modify A Saved Contribution Form

## Electronic Contribution

Select the contractor from the list to submit your contributions

Select Contractor:	<input type="text"/>
Process Contribution:	<input type="text"/>
*Batch Number:	<input type="text"/>
<input type="button" value="Submit"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/>	

1. Select a saved batch form from the 'Batch Number' drop down list. If you want to select a saved batch and change the collective bargaining agreement use the second Batch number option. \*See red box above.
2. Press the Submit button.
3. The rest of the process is exactly like entering a New Contribution Form (refer to instructions above)

# Upload a Contribution File

Select Contractor:	<input type="button" value="Contractor List"/>		
Work Start Date:	<input type="text" value="10/1/2017"/>	Work End Date:	<input type="text" value="10/31/2017"/>
Process Contribution:	<input type="button" value="Upload Contribution File"/>		
Contribution Type:	<input type="button" value="Regular Contribution"/>		
CBA:	<input type="button" value="UA Plumbers Local 55"/>		
*File Name:	<input type="text"/>		<input type="button" value="Browse..."/>
<input type="button" value="Submit"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/>			

- **Upload Contribution File** – option allows Employee Hours & Wages data to be uploaded directly into the system from a data file in CSV or TXT format. These files can normally be extracted from the Company's payroll system, this is very helpful when there are a large number of employees for whom fringe contributions are being reported.
- Select the Work Start and Work End dates. If you are a monthly contractor, please use the first day and the last day of the month. If you are a weekly contractor, please use the Payroll Start and Ending dates.
- Select the proper CBA, this will pull in the appropriate fringe rates
- Use the Browse Button to find the CSV or TXT file that you want to use

## Upload a Contribution File

Whether you export from your payroll system or you use Excel to create spreadsheets with employee information, you need to save your file as a .CSV or .TXT file. Simply select “File,” “Save AS,” and choose .CSV or .TXT from the ‘Save as Type’ drop down list.

Below is the format that files need to be in to work with the upload process, the columns must be this exact order or you will get an error and not be able to upload the information. The Heading line (row 1; SSN, Workclass, First, etc.) cannot be in the file you try to upload, it would cause errors when uploading, the 1<sup>st</sup> row should contain 1<sup>st</sup> Employees info.

SSN	Work Class	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Monthly (Flat Rate)	Employee 401k	Employer 401k	Employer Match
123456789	Default	Test	Data	A		1	100	50

- If data is incorrect you will get an error and the file will not be uploaded, you need to correct the file and make sure it is in the format mentioned on the prior page, and then try Uploading the file again.
- Once the .CSV or .TXT file has been successfully uploaded, you can proceed. The rest of the process is exactly like entering a New Contribution Form (refer to instructions above).

# Copy/Modify Previous Report Form

## Electronic Contribution

Select the contractor from the list to submit your contributions

Select Contractor:	<input type="button" value="Contractor List"/>		
Work Start Date:	<input type="text" value="10/1/2017"/>	Work End Date:	<input type="text" value="10/31/2017"/>
Process Contribution:	<input type="button" value="Copy / Modify Previous Report Form"/>		
*Invoice Number:	<input type="button" value="Invoice Number   CBA   Work StartDate   Work EndDate"/>		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Check here to zero out hours and amounts from copied data</b>			
<input type="button" value="Submit"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/>			

- **Copy/Modify Previous Report Form** – option allows electronic Contribution Data previously input into the system to be pulled forward and re-used for the current month. It brings in the same Employees SSN and Name info based on the selected CBA, which makes it very beneficial when Contractor reports on the same employees every pay period.
- Select the New Work Start and Work End Date. If you are a monthly contractor, please use the first day and the last day of the month. If you are a weekly contractor, please use the Payroll Start and Ending dates.
- Select Copy/Modify Previous Report Form from the drop down box titled Process Contribution.
- From the Invoice Number drop down list, select the Invoice you would like to copy.
- Check the appropriate box to zero out any information from the copied data, this will zero hours & wages
- Press the Submit button.
- The rest of the process is exactly like entering a New Contribution Form (refer to instructions above).

# How to View Past Contribution Forms

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## [View All Contributions](#)

Select Contractor:  Begin Date:  End Date:

- Select the Contractor Name from the drop down list. (Some contractors can have multiple contractor numbers to choose from based upon how your user ID is setup.)
- Press the Search button, and it will show a screen with all Past Contributions Forms for this Contractor

# How to View Past Contribution Forms

Select Contractor:

Begin Date:  End Date:

**Special Note:** A nightly process is set up to process ACH payments on the same day of entry. If you wish to delete a form that is associated to an ACH payment you must do this the same day of entry before the nightly process takes place. If you have multiple forms associated with one payment please be advised that deletion of one form will automatically place a stop on your ACH payment.

Invoice #	Wrk Date	Section Code	Section	No.Empl	Cont No.	Contractor	Amount	Status	Payment	Deposit Dt	Submitter	Trans. Dt	Del
CW18-00000001	02/28/2018	OP11K	Local 11 401k	1	WS4370		\$150.00	Pending	CHK		DemoContractor	03/20/2018	<input type="checkbox"/>

- If you wish to Delete Invoices, you can only Deleted Invoices in “Pending” status, you need to click the box in the “Del” column to selected desired Invoices to be deleted, then press Delete Contribution button at the bottom of the page.
- To delete invoices that are in an “In Process” status, you need to contact the Fund Office.
- If status says “Paid,” your form and payment was received and entered into the Contribution System, these cannot be deleted.

# How to Make Payments on Multiple Saved Forms

## Pending Payment

Select Contractor:	<input type="text" value="V"/>	Invoice Number:	<input type="text"/>
* Invoice Begin Date:	<input type="text" value="2/20/2018"/> <input type="button" value="▼"/>	* Invoice End Date:	<input type="text" value="3/20/2018"/> <input type="button" value="▼"/>
<input type="button" value="Search"/> <input type="button" value="Clear"/>			

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### Pending Invoice:

	<u>Invoice #</u>	<u>Wrk Date</u>	<u>Section Code</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Cont No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Submitted By</u>	<u>Trans. Date</u>	<input type="button" value="Select Invoice"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">CW18-00000002</a>	02/28/2018	OP11K	Local 11 401k	WS4370	\$175.00	DemoContractor	03/20/2018	<input type="button" value="Select Invoice"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/>

- If you enter and save multiple invoices and have not processed a payment for them, you can process one payment for multiple invoices, whether by ACH or Check
- From the Contribution Payment dropdown menu choose Make a Payment

# How to Make Payments on Multiple Saved Forms

The screenshot shows a web-based application interface for managing contributions. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links: Home, Electronic Contribution, Contribution Payment (which is highlighted with a yellow box), Employer Information, and News. Below the navigation bar, a section titled "Pending Payment" is displayed. In the "Contribution Payment" section, there are two buttons: "Make a Payment" (highlighted with a red box) and "View All Payment".

Below these buttons, there is a search form with the following fields:

- Select Contractor: WS4370 | FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL #1014
- Invoice Number: (empty text input field)
- \* Invoice Begin Date: 2/20/2018
- \* Invoice End Date: 3/20/2018

Below the search form, there are two sections with red text:

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Pending Invoice:

Below this, a modal dialog box is shown, titled "Select Invoice". It contains a table with the following data:

	Invoice #	Wrk Date	Section Code	Section	Cont No.	Amount	Submitted By	Trans. Date
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">CW18-0000002</a>	02/28/2018	OP11K	Local 11 401k	WS4370	\$175.00	DemoContractor	03/20/2018

At the bottom of the modal, there are "Select Invoice" and "Cancel" buttons. A red arrow points to the "Invoice #" column header in the table.

- You will go to a Pending Payment screen which shows contribution forms that have not been finalized for payment.
- In the Select Contractor area you can enter “Invoice Begin” / “Invoice End Date” date range to narrow or widen your search for all unpaid contributions forms.
- Click on the Box all the way to the left of the Invoice # for the forms that you would like to pay. This will combine all forms into one payment amount and you can continue to make your payment through the normal payment process.

## Questions/Concerns

**For Training and Enrollment, please call us at (800) 547-4457, and ask to speak with someone from our Contributions Team.**