

Attention New York State Employees



**Feel like your hard-earned dollars are shrinking?
Then you're not alone ...**

Did You Know?

Median prices of a home in 2005

Downstate	\$468,371
Lower Hudson Valley	\$320,219
Rest of the state	\$118,899

Average Fair market rents (2007) for a two bedroom apartment

Long Island	\$1,356
NYC Metro (including Rockland and Putnam Counties)	\$1,189
Westchester County	\$1,395
Poughkeepsie/Newburgh/ Middletown	\$1,060
Rest of state	\$640

– 2007 Fiscal Policy Institute Report

In 2000, 60 percent of the homes sold on Long Island could be classified as affordable for families earning up to \$100,000 a year.

Last year, just 2 percent of the houses sold were in that range for families earning \$100,000!

The average CSEA member working for NYS earns \$36,650 a year. The average PEF member earns \$58,900.

New York state employees who are members of six unions in the executive branch receive downstate location pay that is 150 percent greater than members of six other unions in the same

branch of government.

The federal government provides its employees 10.59 percent of salary to compensate for the high cost-of-living downstate.

Shouldn't all public employees be treated equally?

Join other state employees interested in working to fix these inequities.

Be part of a union led discussion to address the inequity caused by working in high cost areas of the state.

February 26	Noon	Hauppauge State Office Building, Cafeteria	800-832-5284
February 26	4-6:00 p.m.	SUNY Stony Brook, Western Campus, Wang Center	800-832-5284
February 27	5:30 p.m.	Brooklyn PEF Office	866-897-9775
February 28	5:30 p.m.	Manhattan PEF Office	800-522-8700



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