During my twenty-eight years of employment with BC Housing, I have witnessed several changes. Some have been positive while others have been a definite challenge for our union members.

In 2004 I became a shop steward and quickly learned the value of being fair, courageous, and knowledgeable. In my capacity as shop steward, I have engaged with the employer to ensure our union members received retroactive pay, provided guidance regarding job reclassification, resolved job share issues and ensured our members rights were protected during disciplinary meetings and when handling grievances. I am a former member of the BC Housing joint Labour Management Committee and the Occupational Health & Safety Committee.

At the local union level, I previously served as Second Vice-Chairperson of Local 1703 and was a former delegate to the New Westminster & District Labour Council. My training and experience include conflict resolution through the Justice Institute, advanced steward training as well as BCGEU leadership and campaign courses.

As a member of the bargaining committee, I will work diligently and in good faith to bring your concerns and hope for the future to the bargaining table.

In Solidarity, Lisa Julien