## Unions Aren't Free and Dues Aren't Cheap

NYSNA might say their dues only cost a small percentage of your income every month, but over time, that can really add up.

According to NYSNA's most recent financial report, full-time represented employees pay 1.6% of their average base salary. As an RN working in Queens, you could be paying up to \$1,827 a year in dues. Over the life of a three-year contract, you could be on the hook for over \$5,400!

Instead of paying \$1,827 a year for a group that can't guarantee you any significant changes, you might rather spend your money on:

24 trips to the grocery store, spending \$75

**15** months of phone bill payments

**261** rides on the LIRR<sup>5</sup>

41 tanks of gas for your car, at \$3.16/gallon<sup>6</sup>

## Where does YOUR money go after the union collects?

Last year, NYSNA collected nearly \$65 MILLION DOLLARS in dues. Less than 30% of that was spent on representing its members - RNs like you.

Instead of spending money on its members, NYSNA spent:



**\$22 million** on paying salaries to official union employees



**\$12 million** on general union overhead expenses



\$2.4 million on political activities and lobbying



Nearly half a million on "contributions, gifts and grants"

Wouldn't you rather choose how you want to spend your money? Before you foot the union's bill with your hard-earned money, check their receipts.

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