

JEWEL CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS UPDATE

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Contract negotiations between Local 881 and Jewel/Supervalu on your behalf are ongoing. While much progress has been made, we are still working through wage and health care issues.

As you may know, negotiations with Dominick's/Safeway are ongoing as well. Pension funding has been a significant factor in the course of negotiations. The nation's economic downturn and major losses in the stock market in 2009 created a funding dilemma due to the Pension Protection Act of 2006 that requires pension plans to be funded at specific levels. Progress is being made in these areas; however, the status of Dominick's contract talks has been a complicating factor with Jewel. The company is holding off slightly as they wait to see the outcome of Dominick's negotiations over wages and benefits.

Talks are progressing, and we continue to meet with your company toward a contract proposal. We will keep you informed of any updates as we continue through this process. Please be sure that Local 881 has your correct address information to ensure that you do not miss out on important information or ratification materials.

If you have any questions, please contact your Union Representative at 847-294-5064.

Thank you for your solidarity and support.

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