



Fairview Ridges Nurses Are Stronger Together



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Fairview Nurses Organize and WIN!

During the recent Metro nurse contract negotiations, 20 nurses from the Fairview Southdale Cath Lab came together and harnessed the power and energy of 2,500 of their Fairview co-workers. They were able to pressure the hospital into recognizing them as part of the bargaining unit and allowing them to be included in the contract. But the victory didn't stop there: they were also able to get into the pension. This is organizing and this is the power of a union!

If Ridges nurses want the same dignity, respect, contract, and pension as their equals at Riverside and Southdale, then the time to start organizing is NOW!

Sign the petition circulating NOW that demands that Fairview give Ridges nurses the same dignity and respect as well as the same benefits and pension as the Riverside and Southdale nurses by recognizing them as a collective bargaining unit.

RIDGES NURSES DESERVE THE SAME DIGNITY AND RESPECT AS RNS 12 miles away

Here's what other Fairview nurses say about belonging to MNA:



"Our fantastic, fully employer-funded pension is sadly becoming rare among retirees. Being a union nurse means that we have a unique, gold standard pension plan that will let me retire with dignity and financial security."

Sandy Thimmesch, Southdale Med Surg RN



"As a single mother of an active young daughter, I don't have to worry about whether or not I can afford to get her the care she needs to stay healthy because of our MNA insurance. No matter what happens, our contract guarantees that Fairview must pay for 75% of our family's premium."

Jordan Foerster, Riverside NICU RN



"With a son in college full time and another daughter in high school, I need to know that I can depend on a steady paycheck. Knowing that I can only be low needed 16 hours each year and that I have 2 personal holidays that will help me fill the gap means that my family can count on me."

Ericka Helling, Southdale ICU RN