

# Your Right to Speak Out



# Tools for Sharing Your Story



**Public services are under attack. Telling our stories is how we fight back.** We need to tell our elected officials who cuts and furloughs would impact and why NOW is the time to fix Washington's upside down tax code -- the 2nd most unfair in the USA.



**Don't violate media policies.** Our employers have strict media policies to prevent employees from acting as spokespeople for their agency/college but they *do not* prevent our members from speaking to press or fellow members about issues at work. That's what a union does.



**You have the right to speak on behalf of your union** about why your job is important, your workload, etc. If speaking to reporter, have them identify you like this: [your name], a WFSE member who works as a [your position] at [your employer] -- or similar so it's clear you're speaking in your capacity as a union member.

## Record a short video (30 sec to a minute) with:

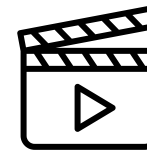


- Your name, where you work, why your work is valuable and who depends on it
- How furloughs and drastic budget cuts would impact your ability to do your job, and how the public would be impacted
- Why your legislators should ask the wealthy to start paying their fair share

## Fill out the information below

I hereby authorize AFSCME Council 28/WFSE to use my name, photo/video, or quotes in communications including direct mail, leaflets, website content, print or electronic media advertising, press releases or other medium. I understand that my quote may be edited for clarity.



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