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Send an email to our community organizer,

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FWNBC LAUNCH EVENT:

Date: May 12, 2018

Time: 2:00-4:00 PM

Doors Open: 1:00 PM

Location: UFCW, 1518 Headquarters

350 Columbia St

New Westminster

Near Columbia Skytrain Station



**FILIPINO WORKERS
NETWORK OF BC**

**Join the
FILIPINO
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Background

History:

The Filipino Workers Network of British Columbia (FWNBC) is an organization of Filipino-Canadian workers – both unionized and non-unionized.

The FWNBC was formed out of the desire to provide workers in the Filipino-Canadian community with a forum to pursue social and economic justice for themselves and their community.

"Work is one of the most fundamental aspects in a person's life, providing the individual with a means of financial support and, as importantly, a contributory role in society. A person's employment is an essential component of his or her sense of identity, self-worth and emotional well-being. Accordingly the conditions in which a person works are highly significant in shaping the whole compendium of psychological, emotional and physical elements of a person's dignity and self-respect."

Chief Justice Dickson, Supreme Court of Canada

The FWNBC is inspired by the work of the Filipino Workers Network Ontario. The FWN Ontario was formed under the auspices of the Toronto and York District Labour Council in 2015.

Join us:

If you are a unionized or non-unionized Filipino-Canadian worker in BC, please join us! Our contact information is at the back of this brochure.

Founding Principles

FWNBC recognizes that:

- A. the Filipino-Canadian community is the fastest growing migrant/immigrant community in Canada;
- B. the Filipino-Canadian community is primarily a working class community;
- C. unions are the best opportunity for workers to achieve fair and just working conditions; and
- D. unions and immigrant communities need to learn more about each other in order to maximize their mutually beneficial relationship.

FWNBC'S purposes are to:

1. further educate organized and unorganized workers in the Filipino-Canadian community about the value of unions;
2. provide unions with a better understanding of the Filipino-Canadian community, including the issues commonly faced by workers in the community and how those issues connect to the broader goals of the labour movement;
3. provide Filipino-Canadian trade unionists with a forum to network and discuss their issues, successes and challenges and the coordination of group efforts; and
4. support Filipino-Canadian trade unionists in becoming more active members of their unions, including taking on leadership roles in their unions.