



United We Win

**Massachusetts Alliance for Retired Americans Convention
Thursday, 9:30 AM, September 12, 2024
Boston Teachers Union
Carson Place, 180 Mount Vernon Street, Dorchester, MA 02124**

The Massachusetts Alliance for Retired Americans invites members and affiliates to attend its Biennial Convention in Boston at 9:30 A.M. on **Thursday, September 12, at the Boston Teachers Union, Carson Place, 180 Mount Vernon Street, Dorchester, MA 02124.**

The Massachusetts Alliance is 10 years old this year. We are an organization that is active and ready for the legislative and political challenges that lie ahead. It is the responsibility of all of us as leaders to commit ourselves to more than just building an organization, but rather to establishing a strong retiree movement in the Commonwealth. By coming together in Boston, we have the opportunity to share our ideas on issues affecting our lives as we chart the course that the Massachusetts Alliance will pursue in the years ahead. The Massachusetts Alliance believes its members are great advocates for progressive social policies, and we are committed to building a strong, local grassroots chapter that will be a valuable source of leaders and activists.

Affiliates of the Massachusetts Alliance for Retired Americans are entitled to send delegates to the Convention to vote in elections for Officers and to consider resolutions to guide the work of the Alliance moving forward. No proxies shall be allowed. No delegates shall represent more than one organization. No delegate shall be entitled to a seat at the Convention who is not a member in good standing of the Union or organization for which she/he is a delegate and his or her union or organization must be affiliated with dues paid to the Massachusetts Alliance for Retired Americans. Individual members of the Alliance whose Union or organization are not affiliated with the Massachusetts Alliance are welcome to attend the convention and will caucus with one another there. The registration fee for each delegate and each individual member is \$15.00.

The Convention will elect the President, Executive Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and Corresponding Secretary. **Nominations** are due by **August 15, 2024**. Nominations should be submitted to Denise Berkley, by email: artnubian@gmail.com or by mail c/o Boston Teachers Union, 180 Mt. Vernon Street, Dorchester MA 02125. Proposed resolutions must be received by **August 15, 2024** submitted to John Ratliff at jmr@riseup.net or by mail to Massachusetts Alliance for Retired Americans, 169 Merrimack St., 4th Floor, Lowell, MA 01852.

REGISTRATION

A registration form entitles the member to attend the Massachusetts Alliance for Retired Americans Biennial Convention. Delegates may vote for officers for the Massachusetts Alliance for Retired Americans as long as they are a member in good standing of their organization and the Massachusetts Alliance for Retired Americans with affiliation fees paid. Individual members can be Massachusetts retirees of unions or organizations, which are affiliated to the national Alliance for Retired Americans but have not yet affiliated with the Massachusetts Alliance or Mass. seniors over 50 years in age who have paid to join the Alliance as individuals.

Each affiliated organization shall be entitled to cast the total number of its votes, so long as at least one delegate from the organization is present. No delegate shall cast a vote for a different organization. Solidarity and community organizations such as the State AFL-CIO, central labor councils, community organizations that affiliate with Mass. Alliance not based on a membership count, shall have 5 votes.

Each membership organization shall be entitled to a number of votes that is determined by the level of affiliation fee paid to the Massachusetts Alliance as follows:

10 –25 Member	10 votes
26- 50 Members	25 votes
51-75 Members	50 votes
76-100 Members	75 votes
101- 250 Members	100 votes
251-350 Members	250 votes
351 and above	350 votes

OFFICIAL REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Delegate/Alternate or Individual member: _____

Address:

City / State / Zip:

Phone:

Email:

Tee Shirt size

Union or Community Organization (if applicable):

Union or Community Member \$15 (Name) _____

Guest \$10 (no Voting privileges) (Name) _____

Please Mail this Registration Form to Massachusetts Alliance for Retired Americans, c/o United Teachers of Lowell, 169 Merrimack Street, 4th Fl., Lowell, MA 01852 so it arrives by September 6 or bring it with you to the Convention after calling ahead with the information.

Contact Marilyn F. Marion at (617) 697-4863 with questions

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*Only Delegates and individual MARA members have voting rights.
Please duplicate for multiple registrations.*