



**Center for
Worker Freedom**

Why Opt Out?

RTW Does **NOT** Mean...

- Unions are banned from organizing or bargaining
- Anyone is forced to opt out
- Employers are exempt from labor laws and regulations

BOTTOM LINE: If you like your union, you can keep your union.

Opting Out May Make Sense If...

- You are not satisfied with the services you get from your union
- You feel you could get a better deal bargaining with your employer directly
- You don't like being forced to financially contribute to a private organization
- **POLITICS**

Services: Higher Wages?

“Germany's [non-union] Daimler AG workers at its plant in Alabama make the most per hour among U.S. auto workers, at an average of \$65...”

-Bernie Woodall, [Business Insider](#)



[Chart](#) Courtesy of Center for Automotive Research

Services: Job Security?

“Workers know that almost every job lost at U.S. car factories in the last 30 years has occurred at a unionized company, while almost every job gained has come at a non-union company.”

-[Reuters' Special Report](#), 2011

The Cost of Union “Services”

According to the September 2011 UAW Contract Summary, General Motors Entry Level Wage is \$19.28 an hour.

UAW Dues: “...the minimum monthly dues is an amount equivalent to 2.5 hours of straight time.”

\$578.40 per year

This money may or may not help workers, but it definitely helps Democrats.

Bank of the Democratic Party

“[Political] spending...totaled **\$1.1 billion** from 2005 through 2011, according to the nonpartisan Center for Responsive Politics.

The unions' reports to the Labor Department capture an additional **\$3.3 billion** that unions spent over the same period on political activity.”

-[The Wall Street Journal](#), July 10, 2012

TOTAL SPENDING: \$4.4 Billion...

...ALMOST ALL ON
LIBERAL CAUSES AND
CANDIDATES

“We spent a fortune to elect Barack Obama — **\$60.7 million** to be exact — and we’re proud of it.”

-Andy Stern, former President of the SEIU

“[Labor] scored a huge victory in November when we **re-elected President Barack Obama**”

-Bob King, former UAW President

Big Labor is Blue
but Kentucky is
Red.

KY Presidential Voting

2008

57.5% – McCain

41.1% – Obama

2012

60.5% – Romney

37.8% – Obama

Source: New York Times

Warren County 2012 Voting

60.1% – Romney

38.3% – Obama

Source: [New York Times](#)

243 union contributions
totaling **\$325,645** for the
Kentucky Democratic Party
in 2012.

Source: [Follow the Money](#)

US Representative John Yarmuth (D), Kentucky's 3rd District

Top contributors included:

- Teamsters - **\$10,000**
- United Auto Workers - **\$10,000**
- Ironworkers Union - **\$9,500**



Source: [opensecrets.org](https://www.opensecrets.org)

UAW Supports Yarmuth...

Yarmuth supports **gun restrictions**:

“That is why I am a co-sponsor HR 138...which bans the sale or transfer of magazine, belts, drums...with a capacity of more than 10 rounds of ammunition...We have gun control in this country...**We need stronger laws.**”

[Yarmuth's Congressional Website](#)

UAW Supports Yarmuth...

Yarmuth supports **socialized medicine**:

“I have co-sponsored HR 676, the **United States National Healthcare Act**...this legislation establishes universal health insurance that is publicly financed.”

“I got into the labor movement not because I wanted to negotiate wages. I got into the labor movement because I saw it as a vehicle to do massive **social change**...”

-[Richard Trumka](#), president of the AFL–CIO, an umbrella organization of 57 major unions including **United Auto Workers** and **United Mine Workers of America**

Trumka Wants to...

“fundamentally restructure
our economy and **re-establish**
popular control over the
private corporations...”

**WITH
YOUR
MONEY!**

Entry-level GM worker dues:

\$578.40 per year

Warren County Gas Price

\$2.359 per gallon

Automotive.com, May 13, 2015

245.18 gallons of gas

A standard GM gas tank has an 18.5 gallon capacity, so if you fill your tank once a month that more than a year's worth of gas.

Four day Caribbean
cruise plus air fare
is \$725.27.

*Carnival Cruise line, food and room included. Stops including Miami, Key West and Cozumel, Mexico.

Right-to-Choose

- Choose how your money is spent
- Choose which candidates you support
- Choose with whom and how you associate

“Unions are a
school of
communism”

-Vladimir Lenin