



**NAVY PIER OFFICIAL STATEMENT
IN RESPONSE TO LOCAL 727 SECURITY STRIKE**

The safety and security of Navy Pier staff, partners and guests is always a top priority. Several months ago, Navy Pier issued a request for proposal (RFP) for security services and received responses from agencies across the nation. Upon thorough evaluation and consideration of each qualified agency, Navy Pier selected [Allied Universal Security](#) – an SEIU Local 1 signatory – as its security contractor.

Since 2011, the predecessor contractor, SMG, had assigned security personnel to Navy Pier. Navy Pier Inc. never directly employed these personnel or had a collective bargaining agreement for security services with Local 727.

As we continue to advance our *Centennial Vision*, we are pleased to welcome Allied Universal Security, a union contractor and established agency known for its excellence in training, advancement in technology and hiring of military veterans. With operations in 45 states and more than 150,000 employees, Allied Universal Security complements Navy Pier's mission, values and organizational priorities. They have led the industry in security practices for nearly 60 years, serving many museums, cultural attractions and organizations similar to Navy Pier—including several in Chicago. All officers who had been working at Navy Pier were extended an opportunity to apply for employment with the Allied Universal Security team.

Please note that there will be no interruption in Navy Pier's security services during the transition process. The Pier's current security provider, Allied Universal Security, and Chicago police officers will have continued presence on site per our standard security operations. Together, we look forward to enhancing Navy Pier's already strong security plan and continuing to provide a safe environment and high level of protection for our staff, partners and guests.

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