

**Christy Hoffman,  
Deputy General Secretary**



Christy Hoffman has worked for over 35 years in pursuit of economic justice through building strong labour unions.

As UNI's Deputy General Secretary, she has a leadership role in the development and implementation of UNI's "Breaking Through" program which focuses on union growth across the world. She has negotiated a number of global agreements with employers which secure the rights of workers to organise and played a key role in the recent negotiation of the Accord for Fire and Building Safety in Bangladesh.

Before joining UNI, Christy served in various capacities at the Service Employees International Union, including Director of the Global Organising Department and Associate General Counsel. She has also worked in the United States for the Teamsters, Mineworkers and Machinists unions.

Christy has wide union experience, ranging from workplace to national and international leadership positions. Beginning her career as a rank and file activist and local leader, she later became an organiser and then labour attorney for some of the leading private sector unions in the US. She has extensive experience as a negotiator and campaign strategist, playing a key role in some of the well-known US labour disputes such as the national strike against UPS in 1997.

With UNI, she served as the Organising Director of the UNI Property Services Global Union from 2004 to 2009. Under her leadership, the sector achieved a number of global agreements with leading multinationals and ran innovative campaigns to advance the organising goals of the sector.

Christy has a law degree from New York University and a BA (Hons) Economics from Smith College.

She is married with two children.