

We value our employees.

Here's what we have proposed in union negotiations to date:

OUR PROPOSAL

THE CONTEXT

5.4% avg increase in base wages this year 3% next year	Outpaces inflation of 3.7% (Bureau of Labor Statistics) History of raises at Howard Brown**: • 5% on Aug 2022; • 2% on Feb 2022; • higher of 3% or +\$1/hr on Aug 2021
\$1,200 contract ratification bonus	Performance bonus of 3% on Jan-June earnings paid to 367 union employees in Aug 2023
\$19.23/hour new minimum wage	\$19.23 is the living wage rate for Cook County (Data source: <u>livingwage.mit.edu</u>)
Expanded benefits for part-time staff Regular part-time employees offered group health insurance	Howard Brown covers 96% of single Blue Cross Blue Shield HMO coverage for full-time employees earning \$58,500 or less annually New supplemental virtual behavioral health benefit at no cost to employees
2 weeks paid leave for gender-affirming surgical recovery	One new paid holiday (10 total) + 3-5 weeks vacation; 12 sick days annually + 6 personal days = 43 to 53 days of available paid time off per year

^{**} Raises after employees formed their Union in Aug 2022 require a negotiated contract