

AFT + Member Benefits

For Prospective Members

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In the AFT, we understand the power of joining together—in work, in our communities and in the marketplace.

As members, we have our own marketplace—AFT + Member Benefits—a rich array of discounts, services and benefits that go beyond the workplace. Many of these programs are available to family members, too.

Are you worried about your student loans? Do you need to equip your home office? Looking for a competitive mortgage rate? Want a choice of no-fee credit cards? A great wireless plan? Do you yearn to travel? We have hotel discounts, rental car savings, guided tours and even flight discounts.

Whether for everyday necessities or splurges, remember to check the AFT + benefits offerings.

DISCLOSURES

The AFT has numerous endorsed programs listed in this brochure for which it receives expense reimbursements. All payments to the AFT are used solely to defray the costs of administering the AFT + Member Benefits programs and, where appropriate, enhance them.

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The programs listed in this brochure are current as of April 2021.

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Summer: Simplifying Student Debt

Summer is a trusted online platform that can help you simplify and navigate your student loan situation. Members have free access to this company, which specializes in enrolling borrowers in income-driven repayment plans and keeping them on track for Public Service Loan Forgiveness and other federal, state and private loan assistance programs. Summer’s online tool is supplemented by a trusted team of student loan advisers who ensure members are supported step by step through the repayment process.

Free College

Members and family members can earn an online associate degree from a public, accredited nonprofit community college with no out-of-pocket costs for tuition, fees or e-texts.

Bachelor’s Completion

AFT members and their families can complete a bachelor’s degree online, for free. Classes are offered through a public, accredited university.

Student Debt Clinics

Use this resource to learn about the landscape of free and underused federal programs that help many student loan borrowers lower their monthly payments.

Share My Lesson

Educators can exchange lesson plans, ideas and best practices; join free professional development webinars; and access thousands of standards-aligned lesson plans and activities for early childhood through grade 12.

AFT and Union Plus Scholarships

AFT members and their families can apply to two different scholarship programs to help them reach their education goals.

Hotels

Special member savings at both the Hilton and Wyndham hotel chains.

Car Rental

Save up to 25 percent with car rental discounts for AFT members.

Southwest Airlines

AFT members are eligible for discounted travel on Southwest Airlines.

Vacation Tours

Save on travel destinations around the world when you experience guided travel with Collette Vacations using your member discount.

Personal Loans

Credit-qualified members can consolidate their high-interest credit cards and debts with a personal loan that has no hidden fees and one monthly payment.

Credit and Budget Counseling

Certified nonprofit credit counselors are available 24 hours a day to help AFT members with confidential financial guidance and credit counseling services.

Credit Cards

The AFT + credit card program has three card options that AFT members can apply for. All have no annual fee and include special safety net features in the event of a layoff, strike or natural disaster.

Prepaid Debit Card

The Union Plus prepaid debit card can help AFT members realize their financial goals and offers exclusive benefits.

Legal Services*

Members choose from two levels of legal savings: a prepaid legal plan with full coverage on a wide range of services or free access to a discount legal plan that includes a half-hour consultation.

Money Transfer

Get a 10 percent discount on the transfer fees when sending money online.

DinnerTime

Members can save money and make healthy, customized meal planning easy. Members get a free month trial and 40 percent discount.

Health Savings Plans

Special rates on vision insurance are available, as well as dental, prescription and hearing discount plans.

Trauma Counseling

AFT members have access to specialized trauma counseling—free of charge—in the one-year aftermath of a covered

traumatic incident. Covered traumas can occur in a member’s personal or professional life.

AT&T Wireless Discount

Save 15 percent on the monthly service charge on qualified AT&T wireless plans and save up to \$10 per line on Unlimited Elite plans.

Dansko Footwear

Dansko, a brand known for quality, comfort and style, offers AFT members a 25 percent discount through a special members-only link.

Dell Computers

AFT members receive 10 percent off computers and monitors through a special members-only link.

Flowers and Gift Baskets

Members can save 25 percent on flowers, gifts and plants—100 percent satisfaction guaranteed.

Everyday Discounts

Union members receive discounts on movie, theme park and theater tickets, as well as online restaurant savings, across the country.

Office Depot/Office Max

Members get special savings on classroom and home office supplies.

Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance

All active, working AFT members have a \$5,000 Accidental Death and Dismemberment policy.

No-Cost Term Life for New Members*

New AFT members can obtain \$5,000 of term life insurance coverage for one year with no premium payment.

Term Life*

Members have access to group rates on voluntary term life insurance to provide financial protection for your loved ones in the event of a premature death.

Auto & Home Insurance*

As a member, you will have access to special group discounts on auto and home insurance.

Senior Term Life*

Help pay final expenses and ensure peace of mind.

Disability Income*

As an AFT member, you can purchase group voluntary insurance protection to provide income if you are unable to work due to an accident or extended illness.

Pet Health Insurance*

Get up to a 10 percent discount off premiums from a plan that lets your pet receive care from any licensed veterinarian, emergency vet or specialist.

Mortgages

Find competitive rates on a wide range of mortgage options, plus special benefits, including hardship assistance for union members.

Save My Home Hotline

Members facing foreclosure or mortgage issues can make a free call to a hotline staffed by HUD-trained counselors.

LifeStation*

Members receive discounts on emergency monitoring services, whether for yourself or to care for a loved one.

Professional Moving Discounts

Members get discounts on interstate moving, packing and in-transit storage.

Budget Truck Rentals

Get 20 percent off do-it-yourself moves when you reserve in advance.

Hertz Truck Rentals

Get up to 25 percent off do-it-yourself moves.

Auto Buying

Receive pre-negotiated, upfront best-market pricing on new and used cars and trucks without having to negotiate with the dealer. Union Plus provides a \$100 rebate for the purchase of a new union-assembled vehicle.

** New York State United Teachers members have similar programs through NYSUT Member Benefits Trust.*