

# STAFFING CUTS AFFECT SAFETY AND SERVICE

Flight Attendants are protesting United's newly announced staffing cuts to match lower standards at American and Delta. The airline says pre-plating meals for business class passengers alleviates the need for one of aviation's first responders.

## **Pre-plated meals are not a substitute for Flight Attendants in the aisles.**

Flight Attendant staffing is about safety and service. We will not accept the lowest level for you in either case. With the right staffing, we can prepare for the worst and plan for the best on every flight. We know you feel the difference. We can board planes faster and address concerns sooner. Fewer Flight Attendants means carts more frequently block the aisle, food and beverages arrive later and sit on your tray tables longer. When emergencies happen, we need enough crew to safely respond.

Airlines are making record profits. In the last two years alone, Delta, American, Southwest and United have allocated \$12 billion in profits to stock buybacks. None of those profits are being reinvested in the airline or the people on planes. Staffing cuts equate to fewer jobs and less crew to focus on safety and service for passengers.



Staffing should be increased in these times of profits, not decreased. Cuts were made during airline bankruptcies to reduce costs. There's no excuse for cutting jobs today, but there's every reason for United to up its game to make it impossible for other airlines to compete.

The flying experience will continue to erode as long as airlines only answer to Wall Street. We are an airline, not a hedge fund. The people on planes matter! Help us call on United to invest in the people on United Airlines' flights.

**TWEET: #EnoughCuts @UNITED. Invest in safety and service for your passengers with proper Flight Attendant staffing!**

