

David Hecker

David Hecker is president of the Michigan Federation of Teachers & School Related Personnel (MFT&SRP-AFL-CIO), a statewide union of 93 locals and 35,000 members representing K–12 and intermediate school districts, community colleges, universities, and state and municipal governments. Prior to being elected president, Hecker served as secretary-treasurer of the state federation.

He also serves as executive vice president of the Metropolitan Detroit AFL-CIO, and chair of the Labor Council's Strategic Solidarity Committee.

Hecker works on education issues on a daily basis. He serves on the American Federation of Teachers Pre K–12 Program and Policy Council, is an active member of Michigan's Education Alliance, and works with affiliated locals on the school district level.

Hecker serves on the boards of the Michigan Association for Children with Emotional Disorders and the Jewish Community Council; the Board of Visitors for the Wayne State University College of Urban, Labor, and Metropolitan Affairs; and the National Board of the Jewish Labor Committee. He is an officer of the Michigan Democratic Party and past president of the Metro Detroit chapter of the Industrial Relations Research Institute. He received the 2002 "Champion of Hope" award from the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan.

Hecker has a PhD in industrial relations from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and has served as an adjunct professor of labor studies at Wayne State University.