



District of Columbia Department of Employment Services
THE DISTRICT'S LIVING WAGE RATE REMAINS UNCHANGED

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(Washington, D.C.) The District's living wage rate, authorized by the Living Wage Act of 2006, will remain at \$11.75 per hour. The Act allows for an annual wage adjustment for residents who work for local employers receiving economic development assistance and funding from the District government.

All recipients of government contracts or assistance of \$100,000 or more are required to pay their employees no less than the living wage authorized by the District. All subcontractors of contracts for \$15,000 or more must also pay their employees the living wage.

A living wage is also paid to employees of the District government, which became effective March 1, 2006.

For a complete outline of requirements and exemptions to the Living Wage Act, visit the D.C. Department of Employment Services web site at www.does.dc.gov. For general information regarding wage and hour requirements in the District of Columbia call (202) 671-1880.