



**How Government can
support the Living Wage**



What can Government do to ensure all workers in BC can earn a Living Wage?

The Government needs to close the gap between the living wage and the minimum wage. It can do this through introducing policies to lower costs and lift wages.

Lower costs by:

- ➦ **Stop large rent increases.** Through building more affordable housing and introducing an emergency measure to control rent increases between tenancies.
- ➦ **Lower food prices.** Develop and implement policies to address the growing issue of food unaffordability and insecurity in BC.
- ➦ **Create better rural transit.** Expand the BC transit network in rural areas so that working families don't have to take on the cost of two cars to get around.

Lift wages by:

- ➦ **Become a Living Wage Employer.** Lead by example through becoming a certified Living Wage Employer for all direct and contracted Government of BC workers, including those working for non-profit organizations that receive funding from Government.
- ➦ **Increase the minimum wage to at least \$20 an hour,** with further increases planned out to get to the Living Wage.
- ➦ **Enact intersectional pay equity laws** to address entrenched wage discrimination

Take action:
Sign the petition!



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