

# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## Department of Employment Services

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Dear Employer:

Pursuant to the District of Columbia Living Wage Act of 2006, Title I of D.C. Law 16-118, D.C. Official Code § 2-220.01-.11), effective January 1, 2016, the living wage rate in the District of Columbia is **\$13.85**.

The Living Wage Rate determines the pay rate employers receiving economic development assistance or funding from the District must offer workers. The rate is reviewed annually and can be adjusted in proportion to the annual average increase in the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers in the Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor. Based on the review, workers will receive an increase equal to \$.05 of the current living wage rate.

The Department of Employment Services/Office of Wage and Hour looks forward to continuing to provide quality service to all employers. Should you have any questions, please contact Mohammad R. Sheikh, Deputy Director for the Labor Standards Bureau, at 202-671-1555 or by e-mail at [mohammad.sheikh@dc.gov](mailto:mohammad.sheikh@dc.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Deborah A. Carroll".

Deborah A. Carroll  
Director