



Raising the Minimum Wage

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The Problem

Why the Minimum Wage actually *needs* to be raised





The Problem

- Living Wage is \$16.90/hr (MIT)
- Minimum Wage is \$12.00/hr
- Most teachers don't make enough to support a family w/out a lab spouse



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The Pros

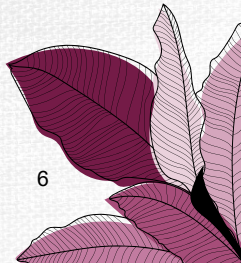
Why the Minimum Wage *should* be raised





The Pros

- Lifts people out of poverty (Robert Wood Johnson Foundation)
- Boosts Economy (Center for American Progress)
- Increases Worker Productivity (Brink News)
- Benefit Virtually Everybody (UC Berkeley)



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The Cons

Why the Minimum Wage *shouldn't* be raised





The Cons

- Price increases
 - Increases do not notably increase prices (Economic Policy Institute)
- Business closings
 - Does not harm businesses (UC Berkeley)
- Inflation
 - See point #1



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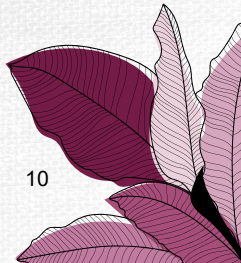
Proposed Solution





Our Solution

- Minimum Wage
 - Increase to \$15/hr **only for the county**
 - Increase tipped worker minimum wage to \$4/hr
 - Open to suggestions in this regard
- Possible Sub-minimum Wage for teens



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Statistics

The information we've gathered

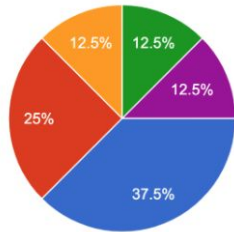




Statistics

Are you in favor of a minimum wage raise?

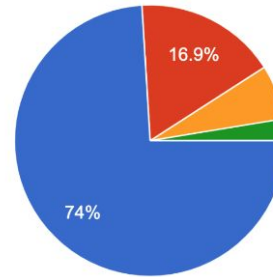
8 responses



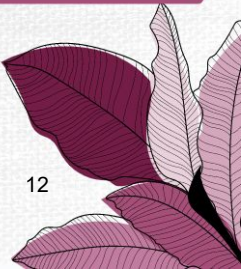
- Yes, I am in favor of raising the minimum wage (to \$15)
- No, I think the minimum wage should stay where it's at (\$12)
- See below
- \$17
- I do not support a minimum wage.

What is your opinion on a minimum wage raise

77 responses



- I am in favor of a wage raise
- I am not in favor of a wage raise
- I do not care either way
- I have questions to ask before I decide. (please email mrluen@gmail.com, and then update your response)



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Conclusion

To tie everything together





Conclusion

- Minimum Wage is an important issue that needs to be addressed in our community

