

LOCAL WAGE ACT



*A living wage for
where you live.*

Wisconsin's minimum wage is
\$7.25 an hour
and has not gone up since 2009.

*In Wisconsin an average family of
four in Pierce and St. Croix counties
has an annual cost-of-living budget of*
\$83,048.

1 out of 4 working people in Wisconsin were paid
an annual wage
below the poverty line.

*The same family of four in Appleton
would have an annual cost-of-living
budget of*
\$70,614.

*63% of these in Wisconsin
are over the age of 25.*

*40% of African Americans in Wisconsin
were paid an annual wage below the
poverty line.*

Local minimum wages are set by at least
**40 local governments
nationwide.**

Local units of government have the ability to
establish a local minimum wage in
25 states.

*Both San Francisco and Seattle saw
growth in the restaurant industry
after setting a local minimum wage.
In Seattle, since phasing in a local
minimum wage, unemployment hit an
eight-year low of 3.6%.*

*In the last 10 years, more than **30**
state and local laws have been enacted
guaranteeing leave to employees
working in those communities,
which include Chicago; Los Angeles;
Minneapolis; St. Paul; San Diego; and
Morristown, New Jersey.*

Nearly
40 million Americans
*—40 percent of the private-sector
workforce—lack the right to even a
single day of paid sick leave.*