

Making a Living in Calgary ***Living wages for the bottom line***

Vibrant Communities Calgary (VCC) has a very simple belief – people who work full-time should not live in poverty.

According to VCC's Living Wage Action Team, individuals need to be paid at least \$10 per hour in order to meet basic needs, maintain a safe, decent standard of living, and save for the future. Yet in 2005, 13% of employed Calgarians earned less than \$10 per hour.

The Living Wage Action Team works collaboratively with employers from several key sectors to create, implement and sustain living wage initiatives and policies. The Team is dedicated to showing employers that paying adequate wages and providing benefits is not only socially responsible, it's good for the bottom line.

You can help participate in the dialogue on living wage in Alberta through one of VCC's partners, Public Interest Alberta. Visit www.pialberta.org and fill in the survey on *Making a Living: Defining a Living Wage for Alberta*.



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