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Living Wage Annual Evaluation and Review

As required by the City Ordinance, Chapter 23, Section 1:815 subsection (3), an examination of the federal poverty guidelines published by the US Department of Health and Human Services for 2010 was conducted.

This year the Federal government extended the US Health and Human Services 2009 Poverty Guidelines until at least March 31, 2010. The City of Ann Arbor uses these guidelines to determine Living Wage rates.

On April 1, Health and Human Services was contacted to inquire about the new guidelines. We were instructed to contact the State of Michigan who informed us that the 2009 guidelines will be extended at least through March 31, 2011. Therefore, there is no increase in the Living Wage hourly rates for the period April 29, 2010 through April 29, 2011. Any vendor who currently has Living Wage approval has had their approval extended in the database.

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