

**This  
guy.**



**But he  
refuses  
to raise  
the  
minimum  
wage.**

**Gordon Campbell and  
41 other Liberal MLAs  
won't stand up for  
hard-working people.**

**Will  
You?**

May 12 is Election Day in British Columbia.  
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**Guess  
who gave  
himself a  
\$65,000  
raise?**



A message from the B.C. Federation of Labour.

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Last year, Gordon Campbell voted to increase his own wages by 54%.

And then he decided to give his top political adviser a \$105,000 raise.

It will take a minimum wage worker 21 years to earn the same. All the while, everyday British Columbians face rising food, fuel, and housing costs.

## BC Minimum Wage: **THE HARD FACTS**

Over **100,000 working British Columbians** earn the minimum wage, while another 150,000 make less than \$10. The minimum wage in BC **hasn't risen since 2001**; in fact, Gordon Campbell and the BC Liberals cut the minimum wage to \$6 for new workers.

**Over 30 municipal councils**, the Union of BC Municipalities, faith groups, and students' and seniors' groups have endorsed the call to increase the minimum wage to \$10.

British Columbia is the **only province that hasn't raised the minimum wage in the last year** – we now have the **second-lowest minimum wage in Canada**.

In spite of the myth, **less than 10% of all minimum wage earners are teenagers**. In fact, almost **two-thirds of minimum wage workers are adult women**.

### What People Are Saying:

The pay hikes stand in stark contrast to the Liberals' refusal to raise the minimum wage. Again, this reinforces the increasingly unshakeable images of the Campbell Liberal government as **unfeeling** and **unsympathetic** to those less well-off.

—Keith Baldrey, Global BC

Is it fair comment to point out that last year Liberal MLAs approved themselves at 29-plus per cent pay increase, but shot down legislation to give the province's poorest people a \$2 an hour raise? Yup. Anybody with the political astuteness of a toad could see that was going to come back to bite them in a big way - as it should. If Premier Gordon Campbell couldn't get by on over \$120,000 a year, how are impoverished families supposed to get by on nearly a tenth of that?

—Prince George Free Press



Gordon Campbell hasn't helped working people.



On May 12, you can.

