

## Alternatives Federal Credit Union Living Wage Study 2011

Category	Month (2008)	Month (2010)	Percent Change	Year (2010)	Comments	Source
Rent	\$763.00	\$811.00	6.29%	\$9,732.00	Fair Market rent for single bedroom apartment including utilities	HUD
Food	\$203.25	\$203.60	0.17%	\$2,443.20	Average of low-cost food plan for males and females ages 19-50	USDA
Transportation	\$167.52	\$179.03	6.87%	\$2,148.36	Weighted average of amount spent on cars and public transportation	ACS, BLS, EIA, TCAT
Communication	\$61.49	\$59.99	-2.44%	\$719.88	Local calling and long distance plan, and internet	BLS, Verizon
Health Care	\$143.53	\$173.08	20.59%	\$2,076.96	Employee's share of premium and out of pocket medical expenses	BLS, Alternatives
Recreation	\$100.00	\$101.62	1.62%	\$1,219.44	Adjusted for inflation	
Savings	\$59.81	\$60.78	1.62%	\$729.36	Adjusted for inflation	
Miscellaneous	\$111.13	\$110.46	-0.60%	\$1,325.52	Apparel products, housekeeping supplies and personal care products and service	BLS
Net (Subtotal)	\$1,609.73	\$1,699.56	5.58%	\$20,394.72		
Payroll tax	\$147.29	\$114.28	-22.41%	\$1,371.34		
Federal tax	\$117.95	\$149.23	26.52%	\$1,790.73		
State tax	\$50.35	\$59.56	18.30%	\$714.71		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,925.31</b>	<b>\$2,022.63</b>	<b>5.05%</b>	<b>\$24,271.50</b>		
hourly @ 40hr/wk	<b>\$11.11</b>	<b>\$11.67</b>				