



APPLICATION FOR CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF BUFFALO

The City's Living Wage Ordinance applies to contracts for services in which the City pays – or receives – more than \$50,000 per year, and the contractor employs more than ten people. If you are bidding, responding to an RFP, or otherwise planning to make a contract with the City, you must complete this form, which will be forwarded to the Living Wage Commission. Your subcontractors need not file a separate Application, but they must pay a living wage. If you win the contract, you and your subcontractors will file quarterly reports with the Commission.

You must certify that you will pay at least the living wage, which is based on 150% of the federal poverty line for a family of three and adjusted each year. From July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, the rate is \$19.22 per hour. From July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027, the rate will be \$19.70 per hour.

There are two exceptions to the Ordinance. Professional contracts such as legal, architectural, or engineering services are not covered by the Ordinance. Also, persons employed in construction work covered by prevailing wage laws are exempt. Employers of tipped workers may take a tip credit, so long as tips plus wages equal or exceed the living wage rate.

The City department responsible for the contract should forward the completed Application for Contract of the employer awarded the contract to the Living Wage Commission at lwcbuffalo@gmail.com.

1. Company Information

Company Name	
Contact Person	
Email	
Address	
City, State, Zip	
Phone No.	
Total No. of Employees	

2. Please describe the specific project or service for which the contract is sought:

3. Contract Information

Dollar Value of Your Bid/Contract:	
Identifying City Contract or Project Number:	
Start and End Dates of Contract:	

4. If you answer “Yes” to any of these, you need not complete parts 5, 6, and 7

A) Are all persons who will work under the contract construction workers covered by federal or state prevailing wage laws?	☐ Yes ☐ No
B) Is this a contract for professional services such as legal, architectural, or engineering?	☐ Yes ☐ No
C) Do you employ less than ten people?	☐ Yes ☐ No
D) Is the total value of the contract less than \$50,000 per year?	☐ Yes ☐ No

5. List the employees who will work on this contract. Attach additional sheets as needed.

Job Title	Duties to be Performed	Hourly Wage

6. Subcontractors

Will there be subcontractors?	☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, please provide name address, and phone for each subcontractor. Attach additional sheets as needed.	

7. Signature by an official with the legal authority to make binding commitments.

I certify that if awarded a City contract I will fully comply with the Living Wage Ordinance.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Print: _____

Title: _____

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