



Katherine Douglas

Public Comment - Group 2

From: G Alon <g91alonso@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2024 5:02 PM
To: Joan Hartmann
Cc: sbcob
Subject: Support a Farmworker Living Wage!

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In solitary,
Geraldine Alonso

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From: Adriana Mandujano <adrianamandujano16@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2024 5:09 PM
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To: Joan Hartmann
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Thank you for taking this into consideration. I think it's a very important quote to support our farm workers who work really hard and don't make enough.
Shoshana.

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From: Kate L <kwlevinstein@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2024 7:47 PM
To: Joan Hartmann
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Kate Levinstein

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From: Ann Dorsey <aedorsey@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2024 8:19 PM
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Ann Dorsey

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Sincerely,

Pearl Shing

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From: Liz Banuelos <elizabethb26@icloud.com>
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From: Joan Ariel <joan.ariel@gmail.com>
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Sent: Thursday, November 28, 2024 8:31 AM
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From: Erica Diaz-Cervantes <diazcerica33@gmail.com>
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From: Marisol Olivera <diazm9687@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 28, 2024 9:59 AM
To: Joan Hartmann
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From: Juvenal Olivera <ojuvenal07@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 28, 2024 10:05 AM
To: Joan Hartmann
Cc: sbcob
Subject: ¡Apoye un salario digno para los trabajadores agrícolas!

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Estimado supervisor Hartmann,

A medida que nos acercamos a la temporada de Acción de Gracias, un momento de reflexión y gratitud, envío este correo electrónico para expresar mi profunda preocupación por la urgente necesidad de un salario digno para los trabajadores agrícolas de nuestra comunidad. Como bien sabe, los trabajadores agrícolas realizan algunos de los trabajos más peligrosos y esenciales en nuestra comunidad, sin embargo, las corporaciones agrícolas no les pagan a sus trabajadores lo suficiente para cubrir las necesidades básicas como la renta, los alimentos y el cuidado de los niños, a pesar de sus invaluable contribuciones.

Varias personas están buscando ayuda financiera en estos meses para completar el pago de la renta. Esto seguirá en los siguientes meses en lo que esperan la nueva temporada que marca el comienzo del trabajo en marzo o abril de 2025. Sin ingreso, nuestras familias entran en meses de ansiedad, depresión, y estrés por falta de trabajo y dinero para cumplir con las necesidades básicas.

La agricultura del condado de Santa Bárbara es una industria de casi \$2 mil millones que continúa generando ingresos récord exportando productos en todo el mundo. Es desalentador darse cuenta de que, si bien estas corporaciones agrícolas obtienen inmensas ganancias, las mismas los trabajadores agrícolas que contribuyen a una industria tan exitosa solo reciben entre 20 y 30 centavos cosechar uvas a mano para cada botella de vino caro que beban los turistas en nuestra pintoresca y mundialmente famosa región vinícola.

Este mes usted celebró una audiencia en la que fuimos testigos cientos de trabajadores agrícolas mostrar su apoyo a un \$26 salario mínimo y escuchó horas de testimonios que destacaban las inmensas luchas que enfrentaron sus familias. *Sus voces no deben ser ignoradas. Sería tan desmesurado dejar que sus gritos de justicia queden sin respuesta, especialmente en un momento en el que debemos dar gracias por todo lo que tenemos.*

Tienes la oportunidad de tomar una acción audaz y decisiva que cambiará vidas y elevará a quienes han sido ignorados durante mucho tiempo. Cualquier cosa que no sea apoyar un salario digno para los trabajadores agrícolas sería una traición a su dignidad y a sus contribuciones a nuestra comunidad.

Escuche las voces de los trabajadores agrícolas y apoye soluciones reales propuestas por los propios trabajadores agrícolas, no pequeños gestos propuestos por la industria que solo modifican los márgenes de la pobreza y la desigualdad. **Le instamos a abordar directamente la causa fundamental del sufrimiento de nuestra comunidad: ¡aumentar los salarios de los trabajadores agrícolas ahora!**

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Sent: Thursday, November 28, 2024 10:10 AM
To: Joan Hartmann
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Sincerely,
MacKenzie MacFarland

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From: Farah Stack <farahjstack@gmail.com>
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Thank you,
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From: Thea Howard <thea03@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 28, 2024 2:25 PM
To: Joan Hartmann
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Cordially,

Andrea Echeverri Betancur (*she, her, ella*)
Communications Representative, Sr.
Diablo Canyon Power Plant

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Dayana Huerta (She/Her)
Education Intern Coordinator, Senior Educator
Ventura Land Trust
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Katherine Douglas

From: Laura Pina <pina93105@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 29, 2024 9:21 AM
To: Joan Hartmann
Cc: sbcob
Subject: Support a Farmworker Living Wage!

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Sincerely,

Laura Piña

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Laura Hernandez <Lauuuura_@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 29, 2024 9:45 AM
To: Joan Hartmann
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Katherine Douglas

From: La Constancia! <constancia47@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 30, 2024 5:59 AM
To: Joan Hartmann
Cc: sbcob
Subject: Living wage for our farmworkers!

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Dear Supervisor Hartmann,

I think we are all aware of the cost of living here in California and how difficult it is for our hard working farmworkers to support their families. with the wages that they earn.

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Thank you,

Constance Leshin

Katherine Douglas

From: David A. Cleveland <cleveland@ucsb.edu>
Sent: Saturday, November 30, 2024 9:06 AM
To: Joan Hartmann
Cc: sbcob
Subject: Support a Farmworker Living Wage!

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To: Supervisor Hartmann

From: David A Cleveland, Ph.D., M.S., M.A., Research Professor Department of Geography, and Environmental Studies Program University of California, Santa Barbara
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Please do it!!

Katherine Douglas

From: janis@gardnercustomsafaris.com
Sent: Sunday, December 1, 2024 8:13 AM
To: Joan Hartmann
Cc: sbcob
Subject: Support a Farmworker Living Wage!

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Janis Gardner
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Katherine Douglas

From: Jesus Rayas <jrayas@slofoodbank.org>
Sent: Monday, December 2, 2024 8:15 AM
To: Joan Hartmann
Cc: sbcob
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Jesus Rayas
CalFresh Outreach Coordinator

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Katherine Douglas

From: Connie Ochoa <connie.torreso98@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 28, 2024 12:22 PM
To: Joan Hartmann
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