

Lisa Wolfe

From: Esan 707 <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, April 06, 2021 5:51 PM
To: Lisa Wolfe
Subject: Hazard Pay for Grocery and Drug workers in Benicia

Hello, I'm a Food Clerk and Front End Manager at the Safeway in Benicia. A year has come and gone, a year in which we had to face some difficult circumstances with the Covid-19 pandemic. I was affected in the sense that I came home to my family every other day not knowing whether I had been exposed at work that day. I've had to deal with rude customers who wouldn't respect our policy even when trying to explain the risk they were posing. People would just laugh in our faces. This pay would certainly be appreciated because of the risks we faced and how the guidelines affected the store.

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From: skylar ruedas [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, April 06, 2021 6:56 PM
To: Lisa Wolfe

Hello, I am writing as an employee of Benicia safeway. I've worked there throughout this entire pandemic. The first part of it was extremely stressful, everyone was following the rules as far as social distancing and wearing their masks. As well as many other people, I've had to take extra precautions as I live with my mother AND grandfather who are both high risk and cannot afford to cause this virus. It's always worried me coming to work everyday knowing there was a high possibility I could bring it home to my family. It's been more challenging now with people who claim the virus is a hoax and that there is no need for a mask therefore they won't wear one, and that we are still expected to help customers that can't follow cdc laws and be respectful. With everyone close to my in my family, that's all I have so I refuse to help those that can't wear a mask for the 5 minutes they are in the store. It's been rough working this pandemic because it's made people more aggressive and violent, more disrespectful. And we are here providing and putting ourselves at risk for all of our customers. Hazard pay is important to me and my fellow workers because we have worked our butts off this entire pandemic and have worked doubles, 7-8 days in a row with only one day off, and continued to put in our all for nothing in return. Please pass Hazard pay for essential grocery and retail drug workers!

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From: Sara Martinez [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, April 06, 2021 7:13 PM
To: Lisa Wolfe
Subject: Please pass hazard pay 2021

Hello to all council members,

Hello, my name is Sara I am a single mom and I work at our local Safeway. That being said I have been working since day one of the pandemic. I wipe the carts, sanitize the store, make sure everyone is wearing their masks correctly and make sure that our store is as safe for everyone to shop. This is not at a small cost. I go to work everyday and I risk not only my health but my family's as well. I go to work knowing I could be coming in contact with covid 19, even with the vaccine coming out there is not enough people receiving the vaccine. It has been a very trying time during this pandemic. Our grocery workers are getting more people then ever and dealing with much more problems then ever before. In my opinion We deserve to receive hazard pay for the amount of people we encounter and the sole fact of us risking ourselves to serve our community. So I am asking to please pass hazard pay for essential grocery store and drug store workers.

Thank you for your time.
Sara

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From: Nicole Armstrong [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, April 06, 2021 7:25 PM
To: Lisa Wolfe
Subject: Hazard Pay for Benicia Essential Workers

I am writing to the City of Benicia Council Members about hazard pay for essential workers in the city of Benicia. I am an essential grocery clerk who works at one of your grocery stores in Benicia and has continued to work everyday throughout the entire Covid pandemic, putting our lives and our families lives at risk and carrying on in the toughest of times, physically and emotionally in order to provide essentials to the public. Essential workers don't have the luxury to stay home like most other professions. The Pandemic has revealed just how important essential workers are to our society in order for survival. Companies that were deemed essential, such as grocers, have made millions of dollars during the pandemic and it's time they support their employees in showing them that they appreciate all of our extra efforts. Please pass Hazard Pay for essential grocery and retail drug workers. Thank you for your time.

Nicole Armstrong.

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