

April 6, 2006

The Honourable Carole Taylor  
Minister of Finance  
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Dear Minister Taylor;

As an employee of Spectrum Society for Community Living in Vancouver, I am writing to urge your government to ensure that wages and benefits for non-union employees in our sector remain on a par with those of unionized workers.

Over the past five years, community living agencies have undergone substantial restructuring to meet budget reduction targets set by the provincial government. Employees' workloads and job descriptions have changed as a result of this restructuring. Like our union counterparts, we in non-union agencies have contributed to the economic prosperity of this province, in good faith that our efforts will be recognized in the same way other public sector workers are now being acknowledged for their contributions.

We perform the same work as employees in unionized agencies. We deserve the same wages and benefits.

My co-workers and I await your prompt resolution of this matter.

Sincerely,