

1). In the past five years have you had to work a second job while working at the University? If yes, why?

Yes I have worked one to two part time jobs while working at the University of Minnesota in order to just pay bills-rent, phone, car payment, student loans. (My utilities including internet service are included with my rent- a very inexpensive rent for our area.)

2). While working here have you needed to borrow money or use a credit card to make ends meet?

No, instead of these two options I have gone without some needs and wants.

3). If you made a livable wage, what would you be able to do that you can't do now? (In 2003 the Jobs Now Coalition estimated that the hourly wage needed to meet monthly basic needs for a family consisting of one adult with 2 children was \$19.46)

I would be able to put money into savings for retirement, emergencies and eventually a different car. It is tough living on the edge of qualifying for the low-income program in which you work--(Nutrition Education Programs)

4). At your present salary, what do you go without?

***I go without putting adequate money into savings.
I go without buying clothes as often as needed.
I go without the safety and security that financial stability can bring.
I go without vacations except to visit friends or family in Minnesota.
I go without much more than other co-workers that work for the University of Minnesota.***