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## **MCAW Releases Statement on Walmart's Pay Advance App**

*The truth is Walmart workers need a raise, not an app.*

**WASHINGTON, DC** – In response to the New York Times [article](#) on Walmart releasing a new app for workers to access a portion of wages in advance of their paycheck, Making Change at Walmart (MCAW) director Randy Parraz issued the following statement:

**“You have to take a step back and look at why this app is even necessary. The truth is that Walmart pays its workers so poorly, that too many struggle to pay their bills or tragically worse, have to depend on government assistance. Walmart’s announcement is not helping employees financially. They’re not increasing wages. They’re not giving more hours.**

**What reporters and legislators need to start asking, is what happens when these workers take out advances and then see smaller and smaller bi-weekly paychecks? For example, how are workers supposed to pay their bills if they’ve already spent that part of their paycheck? For such workers, Walmart’s “advance” could very well trap them in a financial death spiral that they cannot get out of.**

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