

My name is Oktober
Williams, and I am that
person who refills your drink
three times. Brings you extra
napkins, extra dressings, and
a round of waters for everyone
even though they are never
touched. I am also working
for a company that pays me
\$2.33 an hour. This same
company (Applebee's) tells me
I'm there to do a job whether
I'm tipped or not. Truthfully
speaking, I am not always
tipped. Sometimes I lose
money. A lot of people may
not know that we share
tips with Hosts, Bartenders, and
busses so that our employer
doesn't have to pay them.
Every table I serve I have
to give away 20% of my
sales for that table. If I
don't get tipped, my last
tip pay for the 20%
of that sale. There has
been occasions where I
went to work, made
absolutely nothing and

Rent - \$450
Food - \$100
Telephone - \$50
Gas/electric \$150
Transportation/Gas \$100
Soap, tissue, washing powder ect. \$10
hygiene, household, coin
washers, Dryers ect

As you see I went over my
Budget by \$50.00 and this
is a really tight budget only
consisting of the necessities
things that I never change in
my rent \$410.00 Gas/Elect 150
which comes to \$560.00. Well
over 50% of my income
Minimum wage just 8.15
is a slap in the face for
everyone who has ever
punched a time clock.

had to pay out anywhere
between 4 to 7 dollars.
We don't receive pay checks the
200.00 a month appears
you go right to uncle
same time check ~~is~~ is
not worth the paper it was
printed on. We also have
to claim at least 10% of
our sales even if we don't make
that. So in Sept. were paying
taxes that we don't have. Our
average I make about 900.00
a month and that's with work
doubled. I don't qualify for
any type of health insurance
through the state. I don't qualify
for grants to go to school. I
lost money. I'm not able
to make a ~~decision~~ decent
life for my self. The work
is killing me I'm okay
with 5.15 an hour. Let all
the math.