



## **Español Abajo**

### **DID YOU WORK AS AN AU PAIR IN THE U.S. BETWEEN JANUARY 1, 2009 AND OCTOBER 28, 2018?**

You may be eligible to receive money owed to you from the \$65.5 million settlement of a national class action lawsuit. A workers' rights organization in Colorado, Towards Justice, filed this lawsuit against au pair sponsor agencies for setting illegally low wages for au pairs and WON a historic settlement! Make sure you get your share of the money!

**The deadline for au pairs to make claims is May 2, 2019. Make a direct claim now at the official website: [www.aupairclassaction.com](http://www.aupairclassaction.com)**

### **Frequently Ask Questions About the Settlement**

**1. How do I make my claim?**

You can submit your claim entirely online: <http://aupairclassaction.com>

**2. When is the deadline?** You must submit your claim before Thursday, May 2nd.

**3. Do I need to pay to make a claim?** No! On June 5th, there will be a hearing at which a judge will decide whether or not to approve the settlement. We do not know how long it will take the judge to make this decision. The settlement will likely be approved, but if for some reason it is *not* approved, you will not owe any money (you simply will not receive money).

**4. If I am planning to apply for a new visa after my time as an au pair ends or sometime in the future, will this process have any negative impact on my immigration process?** No. The process of making a claim is not connected to applying for a visa to the U.S.

**5. Can I make a claim if I am undocumented?** Yes, you can.

**6. Can I make a claim and receive my money if I no longer live in the U.S.?** Yes, you can.

**7. Will my host family have to pay anything?** No, only the agencies will be paying for the settlement.



- 8. Do I have to pay taxes on the money I receive?** The party responsible for distributing payments, the Claims Administrator, will work with you to determine what, if any, taxes must be withheld or paid on the payment you receive from the settlement.
- 9. I want to advocate for au pairs! How can I help?** Please share the flyers with all of the au pairs you know- in person, on Facebook, etc. If you are interested in getting the latest updates and materials to share with other au pairs, please request access to our Matahari Au Pair Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/aupaircommittee/>
- 10. Who is the Matahari Women Workers' Center and what is our role in this process?**  
Matahari is a non-profit organization based in Boston, Massachusetts. Matahari organizes au pairs, other women workers, and immigrants for rights and dignity! For more than five years, Matahari has organized to ensure that au pairs and other domestic workers are protected by state labor laws. Matahari is not a law firm and does *not* receive any money from the settlement. Matahari is committed to reaching as many au pairs as possible with information about the settlement so that they can receive the money that they are owed. If you would like to engage in our ongoing advocacy, please contact Julia, Matahari Lead Organizer: [julia@mataharijustice.org](mailto:julia@mataharijustice.org)

