



Workers Owed Wages (WOW) System

The Wage and Hour Division enforces some of our nation's most comprehensive labor laws. When we find violations, we often recover unpaid wages on behalf of employees. The agency makes every effort to locate and notify all employees due back wages. Due to the transient nature of many in the workforce, locating workers at times proves challenging. If we cannot immediately find an employee, we will hold their back wages for three years while we continue our efforts to locate them. After three years, if we remain unable to find the employee, we are required to send the money to the U.S. Treasury.

Do you think you may be owed back wages collected by WHD as the result of an investigation?

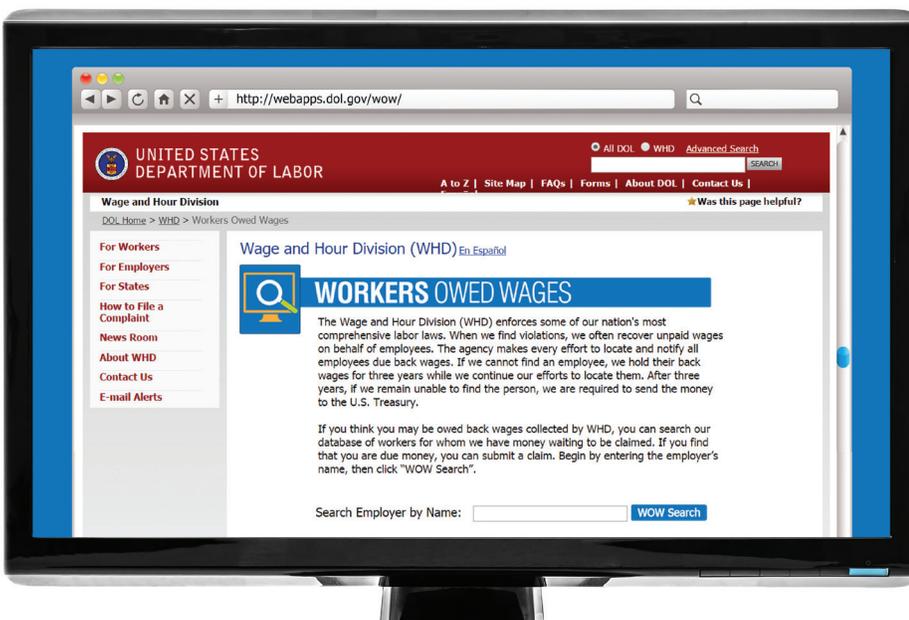
If so, you can search our database of workers for whom we have back wages waiting to be claimed. This web-based application, available in English and Spanish, allows workers or their

advocates to answer a series of simple questions to find out if WHD is holding back wages collected on their behalf. If they are owed wages, WOW then puts them in touch with the WHD office that can verify their information and send them a check.

The WOW system will help WHD further its mission critical work of ensuring that the money we collect is rightfully and quickly paid to the workers who earned it.

Key Elements Include:

- Simple questions
- Easy to use WOW look-up
- Advanced search capabilities, even from your smartphone
- All information provided in Spanish



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