



Minimum Wage Increase for 2023

The Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations announced the new state minimum wage of \$12.00 per hour, effective January 1, 2023. More information, including posters in English and Spanish, may be found here.

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Missouri State Income Tax Rate

The top individual income tax rate dropped from 5.2% to 4.95% for 2023. The new rate is a result of special

session in 2022. Governor Parson signed the bill into law October 2022. Press release with additional information here:

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Missouri Attorney General Sworn In Tuesday

Missouri's new Attorney General Andrew Bailey was sworn into office Tuesday morning. He addressed attendees at the Missouri Chamber's Capitol Insight event that afternoon where he discussed his goals for the office.



102nd Missouri General Assembly is in Session

The General Assembly convened Wednesday with newly elected and re-elected legislators being sworn in at the State Capitol. Senator Caleb Rowden (Dist. 19, Columbia) is President Pro Tem. Representative Dean Plocher (Dist. 89, St. Louis) is the new Speaker of the House.



MANSION ENTERTAINMENT GROUP ROSE PARADE

On Monday, millions of viewers around the world watched the traditional and much-loved Tournament of Roses Parade, a spectacle full of marching bands and stunning floral floats. This year, a float sponsored by the Mansion Entertainment Group featured entertainment icon and two-time GRAMMY® winner Tanya Tucker to close out the 134th Rose Parade as the grand finale.

The Mansion Entertainment Group encompasses a well-defined brand of global entertainment production entities including the internationally award-winning Mansion Animation, Mansion Sound, Mansion Film & Television and Mansion Studios. As the presenting sponsor of the grand finale, the historic family

entertainment venue, The Mansion Theatre For The Performing Arts, was showcased on an unforgettable floral float celebrating its 30th iconic anniversary in 2023.



WINTER IN BRANSON

Winter in Branson is a great time to visit the region. Between beautiful snowfall, cozy cabins, and spectacular outdoor activities, this city is always fun in the winter months. Let the bright lights of Branson warm your Vacation up with new shows at the beginning of the year, including Branson's winter tradition, the Hot Winter Fun Big Show. With all of the winter fun that's available in Branson, you'll be wishing you could stay forever!

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CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS RECAP

The holidays have passed and The Branson/Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce and CVB was proud to partner with Branson Public Schools, local businesses, and tourism industry partners in hopes of making the holidays a little brighter and a little warmer for nearly 1,000 students in our community. We are proud to announce that we raised \$2,300 for Christmas for Kids. Thank you to everyone who participated in this donation, we look forward to next year.

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