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NMSHSA Completes Six Months of Empowering Farmworkers Through the Farm and Food Workers Relief Grant Program

Washington DC – The National Migrant and Seasonal Head Start Association (NMSHSA) proudly shares their six-month milestone in their commitment to the Farm and Food Workers Relief (FFWR) grant program. Following their initial relief payment distribution, the NMSHSA has successfully traveled to over 35 states distributing funds to 41,034 deserving farmworkers.

Having gained valuable insights from registration events, NMSHSA has taken proactive measures to improve the registration process. This includes a required photo submission of proof of employment from all applicants in response to instances of fraud from individuals who have sought duplicate payments.

“NMSHSA remains committed to ensuring that all eligible farmworkers are getting an equal and fair opportunity to receive their relief payments,” says Executive Director, Cleofas Rodriguez, Jr.

The tireless dedication of NMSHSA to the FFWR grant program has earned them an additional \$4 million from the United States Department of Agriculture.

“These funds will be instrumental in expanding outreach efforts to the difficult-to-reach farmworkers located in rural areas,” says Tadeo Saenz-Thompson, NMSHSA Project Manager of the FFWR grant program. “We are proud that the work we have put in has resulted in an opportunity to connect with even more families.”

For more information, farmworkers anticipating relief payments are encouraged to visit their nearest MSHS center or contact the official [NMSHSA FFWR email](mailto:FFWRINFO@nmshsa.org). To stay updated with NMSHSA and the Farm and Food Workers Relief Grant Program, please visit our website, www.nmshsa.org, or connect with us on social media.

In union with farmworker families, the National Migrant and Seasonal Head Start Association advocates for comprehensive, high-quality Head Start services with diverse stakeholders, paving the path for stronger communities and the lifelong success of children and families.

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