

Impact Report

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE FOUNDATION FOR FARMWORKERS

Dear Friends and Family of The Foundation for Farmworkers:

In 2024, for the 50th consecutive year, East Coast Migrant Head Start Project (ECMHSP), provided exceptional Head Start services to farmworker families. During these 50 years, much has changed in the communities we are privileged to serve. One thing has remained constant: the resiliency of our farmworker families in the face of adversity.

In the coming year, our farmworker communities will need to be stronger than ever before. The Foundation for Farmworkers, sister nonprofit of ECMHSP, will stand arm-in-arm with our farmworker communities, providing support during the most challenging times. We will continue raising funds to support ECMHSP three key initiatives:

- Emergency financial assistance to ECMHSP families in need.
- Legal assistance to farmworker DREAMers and ECMHSP DREAMers.
- Need-based education grants to ECMHSP parents.

The Foundation for Farmworkers enjoyed tremendous success in 2024. In this Impact Report, we celebrate those successes with you.

If you are able to join our cause and support our efforts, you can reach me at **menditto@ecmhsp.org** and at **(703) 851-8114**, and you can donate here:

https://www.mightycause.com/donate/Foundation-For-Farmworkers

Thank You,

John E. Menditto

Volunteer Board President



OUR MISSION

The Foundation For Farmworkers generates funds to help farmworker families be free from fear of family separation, to recover from disaster, and to pursue their educational goals.



EDUCATIONAL GRANTS



Access to Higher Education/Breaking the Cycle of Poverty:

The Foundation for Farmworkers recognizes that many farmworking families struggle with financial barriers that limit their access to education. Our grants help cover tuition, fees, books, and other educational expenses, making it possible for members of the farmworking community to pursue higher education. Grant recipients attend the Whiteville, North Carolina Head Start Center and the Valdosta, Georgia Head Start Center.



EDUCATIONAL GRANTS



Community Development:

Farmworking families often face uncertain and seasonal employment. With access to education, family members can diversify their skill sets and explore alternative career paths, reducing their dependence on seasonal agricultural work and increasing their economic resilience. Grant recipients attend the Semmes, Alabama Head Start Center and the Myakka, Florida Head Start Center.



PRO-BONO IMMIGRATION SERVICES FOR DREAMers

The Foundation for Farmworkers is committed to protecting East Coast Migrant Head Start Project DREAMers from the fear of family separation. The DREAMers protected in 2024 means that each has the opportunity to work and pursue their American Dream.





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OUR 2024 IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

234

EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

51

NEED BASED EDUCATIONAL GRANTS

30

DACA RECIPIENTS PROTECTED

FAMILY EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

In 2024, The Foundation for Farmworkers provided emergency financial assistance to two hundred and thirty-four East Coast Migrant Head Start Project families.

Medical Emergencies:

At our Myakka, Florida center, one family recently faced an overwhelming crisis when their young daughter required unexpected surgery. The emotional and financial toll was immediate and severe, but the Foundation step in and help cover vital expenses during their time of need.

Natural Disasters:

In September 2024, Hurricane Helene caused widespread destruction across the southeast United States. Our farmworker communities in Jennings, Florida; Valdosta, Georgia; Saluda, South Carolina; and Hendersonville, North Carolina had damaged housing, loss of food, and loss of work. The Foundation provided more than 100 families with emergency financial assistance in the aftermath of the storm.

Job loss:

During 2024, our Foundation was proud to support a single mother from our Valdosta, Georgia center who faced extreme hardship after losing her job. With no immediate source of income, she was unable to meet her living expenses. Through our emergency assistance fund, we helped cover critical needs—from housing support to everyday essentials—providing stability during an incredibly difficult time.



OUR MISSION AT WORK





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Educational Campuses Semmes

Florida

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