

# National Farmworker Jobs Program

The U.S. Department of Labor’s National Farmworker Jobs Program (NFJP) provides career services, training, and housing services to migrant and seasonal farmworkers. NFJP helps participants acquire skills needed to obtain, retain, and advance in agricultural jobs or start new careers. Additionally, to attain economic stability for farmworkers, NFJP provides housing services to meet a critical need for safe and sanitary permanent and temporary housing. NFJP is authorized under Section 167 of the [Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act](#) (WIOA). NFJP specifically serves migrant and seasonal farmworkers, who are low-income and primarily employed in agricultural or fish farming labor, and their dependents.

## Types of Services

- *Career Services* include skills assessment, provision of labor market information, job search assistance, career planning developed through a customer-centered design, career counseling (individual and group counseling), internships and work experiences, and financial literacy.
- *Training Services* include occupational skills and job training, including on-the-job training and skills upgrading opportunities, that prepare participants to work in in-demand industries, meet the hiring needs of local employers, and provide participants with an industry-recognized credential.
- *Youth Services* include tutoring, solutions to increase graduation rates, occupational skills training, services to help further education, leadership development opportunities, mentoring, comprehensive guidance and counseling, financial literacy training, and entrepreneurial skills training.
- *Related Assistance Services* include short-term direct assistance designed to assist eligible MSFWs in retaining or stabilizing their agricultural employment.
- *Housing Services* include permanent housing and temporary housing services to support better economic outcomes for farmworkers and meet a critical need for the availability of safe and sanitary farmworker housing. Permanent housing services may include project management, resource development to secure acquisition, construction, renovation, and property management. Temporary housing may consist of emergency housing payments, including vouchers and cash payments for rent/lease and utilities.



## Funding

For Program Year 2022, the Department awarded NFJP Career Services and Training grants totaling \$88,160,000 across the United States and Puerto Rico, except for Alaska and the District of Columbia. The Department also awarded NFJP Housing grants totaling \$6,447,000.

## Program Performance

The Program Year 2021 results are available in the **Quarterly Workforce System Results Reports (QWSR)**. The QWSR provides a snapshot of programs and their progress in achieving goals of helping people find jobs and connecting workers to employers. The quarterly workforce system results reports are available at: <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/performance/results/qwsr>.

Additional information about NFJP is available at: <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/farmworkers> and <https://farmworker.workforcegps.org/>.

