

INVITATION



2019 NATIONAL LONG-SLEEVE SHIRT DRIVE

National Farmworker Awareness Week

The Association of Farmworker Opportunity Programs (AFOP) cordially invites you to celebrate National Farmworker Awareness Week (NFAW) on March 24-31, 2019. NFAW is a week of national action to bring awareness about the issues that farmworkers face and bring honor to the important contributions farmworkers make to our daily lives. **During this week AFOP's Health & Safety Programs will sponsor its annual National Long-Sleeve Shirt Drive.**

WHY LONG-SLEEVE SHIRTS?

Our nation's 2.5 million farmworkers face long hours of arduous work putting their health and safety at risk due to exposure to dangerous pesticides and heat stress. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency indicates that over 20,000 cases of doctor-diagnosed pesticide poisoning are reported yearly. A gently used long-sleeve shirt can help prevent exposure to pesticides by covering the skin which is the most common route of pesticide poisoning due to its exposure. Learn more about this event by visiting the following website: www.afop.org/nfaw

HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?

It's simple. You can help by collecting long-sleeve shirts that are light colored and gently used. Follow these steps:

- Contact Vashti Kelly at kelly@afop.org or (202) 384-1772 to fill in a short form to join the effort.
- Select a drop-off location where there is high traffic of people and place a receptacle
- Promote the event. If needed, AFOP Health & Safety Programs will provide you with flyers to promote event.
- Keep track of donations and report daily to kelly@afop.org.

"If you eat, you are involved in agriculture" – Wendell Berry

Join us in making a difference!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Melanie Forti'.

Melanie Forti,
AFOP's Health & Safety Programs Director



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BACKGROUND



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WHAT IS THE NATIONAL LONG-SLEEVE SHIRT DRIVE?

The National Long Sleeve Shirt Drive is an activity that is part of a larger awareness campaign, Farmworker Awareness Week, that takes place the last week in March culminating with Cesar Chavez's birthday.

During National Farmworker Awareness Week (NFAW) on March 24-31, 2019. AFOP's Health & Safety Programs and its network of trainers focus on the importance of pesticide safety education, with an emphasis on worker protection, with the use of long sleeve shirts.

PURPOSE:

During this week-long celebration our goal is to educate the public and the communities where farm workers live and work about the occupational hazards farm workers encounter and rouse them into donating long sleeve shirts.

The long sleeve shirts are collected nationwide during this week of action. And, as trainers provide pesticide safety education throughout the year long sleeve shirts are donated to farm workers, thus reinforcing how appropriate work clothing can help protect one's person from pesticide exposure and a heat-related illness.

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Association of Farmworker Opportunity Programs
HEALTH & SAFETY PROGRAMS-NATIONAL FARMWORKER TRAINING PROGRAM
 National Farmworker Awareness Week
ANNUAL NATIONAL LONG-SLEEVE SHIRT DRIVE



- Overall Activity: **National Long Sleeve Shirt Drive**
- Dates: **March 24 – March 31, 2019**

ACTIVITY REQUIREMENTS:

1. Select a drop-off location where there is high traffic of people and place a receptacle
2. Promote the event. If needed, AFOP Health & Safety Programs will provide you with flyers to promote event.
3. Keep track of donations
4. Report daily to AFOP (kelly@afop.org) the number of long-sleeve shirts collected
5. Submit photos to AFOP (ex: people donating shirts, box full of donations, etc.)
6. If you have more than 3 drop-off locations please attach additional sheets with location names and addresses.

PLEASE FILL IN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Name of Organization/Company/University/Other:		
Address:		Phone Number:
Contact's Name:		
Contact's Email:		Contact's Phone Number:
Drop-off Location Name & Address 1:		
Drop-off Location Name & Address 2:		
Drop-off Location Name & Address 3:		
Facebook:	Twitter:	Other:
Do you need AFOP to create a flyer for you? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		What dates will the drop-off locations be available?

Please submit form to Vashti Kelly by March 1, 2019 C.O.B. kelly@afop.org

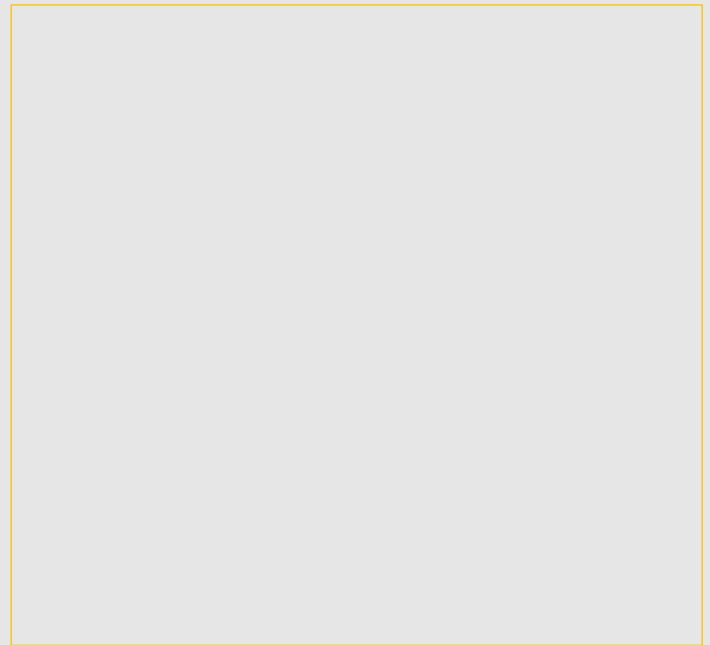
NATIONAL LONG-SLEEVE SHIRT DRIVE

March 24-31, 2019

During the **National Farmworker Awareness Week**

will collect **long-sleeve shirts** to help protect farmworkers from pesticide exposure and heat-related illnesses.

DROP-OFF LOCATIONS:



For more information contact:

Tel.:

Email:

DONATE YOUR LONG-SLEEVE SHIRT



- SLIGHTLY USED
- LIGHT COLORED
- COTTON
(natural fabrics)