

# Call for Presenters

The Association of Farmworker Opportunity Programs (AFOP) is hosting its 2024 National Conference titled "From Seed to Success: Growing Opportunities for Farmworkers." This year's theme emphasizes our community's pivotal role in cultivating opportunities for farmworkers, empowering them to advance in their careers and obtain sustainable livelihoods.

At AFOP National 2024, we are re-committing to our mission of serving farmworkers at the start of a new, four-year grant cycle for the National Farmworker Jobs Program (NFJP). Attendees will glean critical information about how they can adapt to changes both in the grant and on the ground, since the world – and yes even the grant world – is constantly evolving.

This national conference is an exciting opportunity for professional development, and we are seeking proposals for training sessions from YOU. Whether you are a seasoned presenter, or this would be your first time, we encourage you to submit your proposal to participate in this amazing conference.

#### PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

We are accepting applications via the following link: submit your proposal here.

The presentation proposal deadline is <u>June 15, 2024</u>

## **ATTENDEES**

Approximately 350 NFJP grantee staff, U.S. Department of Labor federal staff, Federal Project Officers (FPOs), State Monitor Advocates (SMAs), state workforce partners, and interested farmworker advocacy groups are expected to attend.

**TOPICS**Here are some sample topics. You can also propose a topic that is not on this list:

Employment & Training	Policy/Leadership	MIS/Finance
Serving NFJP Youth	Sector Strategies	NFJP Performance
Supportive Services &	Good Jobs Principles	MIS and TEGL 10-23
Related Assistance		Compliance
Co-enrollment & Referrals	NFJP Requirements in the	Grants Performance
	Uniform Guidance	Management System:
		What is in Store?
Partnering with State	Serving the Undocumented	ETA Grant Management:
Monitor Advocates		Understanding the Grant
		Process & Requirements
Serving Farmworkers and	Partnering with State	Cost Principles & Cost
their Families	Monitor Advocates	Classification
Building Employer Support	NFJP Policies & Procedures	Cost Allocation & Indirect
	under the New NFJP Grants	Costs
Coaching Clients in Crisis	NFJP Housing Grants	Procurement Standards &
		Methods
Working with Farmworker	The H-2A Program	Financial Reporting
Youth		
Outreach & Recruitment	New NFJP Youth Grants	Internal Controls
Job Search and Job	Motivational Leadership	_
Retention Strategies		

## SESSION FORMAT, TOPICS, AND LENGTH

Most workshop sessions are 45 minutes in length; a select few last 1 1/2 hours. Topic themes should focus on various workforce development and professional development topics, as well as policy matters pertaining to NFJP and grants management. Additionally, we welcome presentations from fellow advocacy groups such as Migrant Head Start, Migrant Health, Legal Aid, Immigration Services, and more. The more we collaborate, the better we can refer our customers, and the more holistic farmworker services become - to the benefit of the farmworker community.

## A/V & EQUIPMENT

A screen, projector, HDMI cord, and microphone will be provided in each room by AFOP. **Please bring your computer and any necessary adaptors.** Presentations should

not be contingent on internet access. Any equipment requests over and above what is provided will add to conference expenses.

## **REGISTRATION**

For speakers attending only for their presentation, no registration will be necessary. If you would like to attend the full conference, however, we ask that you please register. Our registration link will be live by June 1, 2024.

#### LODGING AND MARKETING MATERIALS

Presenters are responsible for their own lodging, transportation, and any physical handout copies. Digital copies of all hand-outs and PowerPoints must be submitted to Kendra Moesle (kmoesle@afop.org) no later than one week prior to the event, so they can be made available to attendees.

AFOP provides conference exhibit space as well as advertising space in the conference program. Interested sponsors and exhibitors should contact Tamara Taylor at operations@afop.org.

A room block is available at the Flamingo Hotel under "AFOP" at a special discounted rate. If needed, please make your reservation as soon as possible. The room block closes on 8/27/2024.