



Agenda

Association of Farmworker Opportunity Programs

2026 AFOP Leadership Conference

February 3 - 4, 2026

**Hilton Old Town
Alexandria, VA**

Subject to Change

(All events in Salon BC unless indicated)

Tuesday, February 3

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Board of Directors Meeting – (Salon BC)
1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Senior Staff Training – (Potomac Room) – <i>Cheryl Torres, LCSW</i>
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	President's Reception (Grand Ballroom Foyer)

Wednesday, February 4

7:45 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.	Buffet Breakfast
8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Welcome with AFOP President Clevon Young
9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	Workforce Development Priorities at ETA – <i>Steve Rietzke, USDOL</i>
9:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Opportunities in Apprenticeship – <i>Office of Apprenticeship, USDOL</i>
9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	NFJP Policy Updates – <i>Laura Ibañez, USDOL</i>
10:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Monitor Advocates, State Workforce Agencies, and NFJP Collaboration – <i>Timmy Dudley, USDOL</i>
11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	NFJP Performance Reporting using the NFJP-Grant Performance Management System – <i>Stephanie Peña, USDOL</i>
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Plated Lunch
1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.	Best Practices for Delivering a Standards-Based Farmworker Program – <i>Krister Engdahl, former Region 6 NFJP Federal Project Officer (FPO)</i>
1:45 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Implementing Practical, Industry-Oriented Sector Strategies - <i>Melanie Magill, Manager of Strategic Initiatives, Central Career Center</i>
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Know Your Rights Training for Businesses - <i>Alice Barrett and Flor de Maria Burden, CASA</i>
3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	AFOP President Clevon Young Closes Training Day