

Support Needed

You can help us make a difference in the lives of our agricultural workers and their families in a variety of ways:

1. *Join the AIFC Board of Directors*
2. *Sponsor our Annual Conference*
3. *Provide a donation toward our Scholarship Program*

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Accomplishments

AIFC's accomplishments include, but are not limited to:

- Coordinates and hosts an annual educational conference for all entities providing services to Arizona agricultural workers
- Provided over 65 scholarships, totaling over \$70,000, to children of farmworker families through the AIFC Scholarship Program
- Initiated and facilitated several Agricultural Worker Enumeration Studies for the state of Arizona
- Heightens public awareness of the societal value of and difficulties faced by farmworkers
- Identified specific geographic areas of farmworkers which are in urgent need of receiving bare minimum services
- Facilitated cross-agency coordination in carrying out federal mandates to train all farmworkers on pesticide handling
- Created an initiative for the study of farmworker housing needs in Arizona and successfully advocated for its passage in the Arizona legislature.
- Successfully advocated for the Governor's veto of legislation attempting to drastically diminish the pesticide buffer zone around homes and schools
- Sponsored the AmeriCorps Program for pesticide safety training



Mission:

To best meet and serve the needs of the farmworker population.





History

The Arizona Interagency Farmworkers Coalition (AIFC), a non-profit, community-based service organization, was founded in 1991. The Coalition formed in response to a need to coordinate fragmented services from multi-disciplinary agencies and organizations. AIFC was originally housed and coordinated through the Arizona Alliance for Community Health Centers in efforts to support Migrant Health Centers. Today, AIFC is an independent 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

AIFC has two central purposes:

- 1) Provide scholarships to children in Arizona agricultural worker families to assist with college.
- 2) Organize a yearly educational conference for all entities providing services to Arizona agricultural workers.

Participation

The AIFC Board of Directors, which consists of elected volunteers, sets policy and oversees AIFC activities.

Individuals representing various agencies participate in the AIFC Board, as well as the Annual Conference. These agencies provide a variety of services to the agricultural worker population.

Participating organizations include:

- Agricultural agencies, groups, and employers
- Employment and training programs
- Farm labor advocates
- Community Health Centers and other health service providers
- Housing programs
- Labor enforcement agencies
- Legal aid advocates
- Migrant educational programs
- University agricultural programs
- Other local, state, and federal government agencies and private individuals



Immediate Issues

- Access to Services
- Availability of Low-Income Housing
- Community Leadership Development
- Comprehensive Health Services
- Immigration Policy
- Labor Protections
- Legislative Representation
- Migrant Education and Scholarships
- Occupational/Environmental Safety
- Public Benefits and Social Services
- Trade Regulations

Please let us know if you have any thoughts, concerns, or questions:

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