

College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP) CFDA #84.149A
TSTC in Harlingen CAMP Project
Project Abstract

Name of Applicant: Texas State Technical College (TSTC) in Harlingen

City and State of Applicant: Harlingen, Texas

Project objectives and activities: The TSTC CAMP Project will assist eligible migrant and seasonal farmworkers (or immediate family members) enroll in and complete STEM programs of study, which will increase the income potential of participants. Project activities include recruiting visits and information dissemination, assistance with enrollment, summer enrichment activities, orientation sessions, tutoring, intensive advising, enrichment activities, assistance with financial aid and registration, and assistance with transfer forms as necessary (TSTC's certificate and associate degree technical programs are generally terminal in nature).

Applicable Priorities: The project addresses Competitive Preference Priority 1—Promoting Science, Technology, Engineering, or Math (STEM) Education, with a Particular Focus on Computer Science.

Proposed Project Outcomes: In addition to providing comprehensive support services to 175 eligible students, TSTC will establish additional best practices for recruiting, retaining, and graduating minority, low socioeconomic, and academically-underprepared students.

Number of participants to be served/location: The TSTC CAMP Project will identify and serve 35 eligible migrant and seasonal farmworkers (or their immediate family members) annually for five years (175 total participants served, equal mix of commuter and residential), all at TSTC's Harlingen campus, a region of the Lower Rio Grande Valley with high poverty levels.

Project targets for meeting each of the GPRA measures each year: 86% of CAMP participants will complete the first year of their post-secondary program; 92% of CAMP participants who complete their first year of college will continue their post-secondary education.