

Project Abstract

Name of Applicant: West Hills Community College District

Location of Application by City and State: Coalinga, California

Project Objectives and Activities: WHCCD will provide quality instruction and an array of comprehensive services to migrant and seasonal farmworkers and their immediate family in California's rural San Joaquin Valley. We will identify, enroll, and assist 85 students in obtaining their High School Equivalency credential and in preparing them to enter college or to find employment. We will provide academic and support services that will address the educational, career, personal, health, and financial needs of migrant and seasonal farmworkers.

Applicable Priorities: *Competitive Preference Priority 1* – continue collaboration with WIOA partners and colleges to align training with skilled employment in-demand industry occupations.

Proposed Project Outcomes: 100% of HEP students will complete a needs assessment; develop a student educational plan; attend bilingual HSE preparation classes; receive training stipends and supportive services; be referred to service providers as needed; participate in career readiness workshops; and be invited to attend cultural/educational activities. 69% of HEP participants will achieve an HSE credential; 80% will enter the workforce or higher education.

Number of Participants to be Served Annually: 85 participants; commuter program.

Number and Location of Proposed Sites: WHCCD HEP participants will be served at five (5) rural locations throughout California's Central Valley: Coalinga, Firebaugh, Huron, Lemoore, and Mendota.

Project Targets for Meeting each of the GPRA measures each year:

GPRA #1: 69% of participants will complete their HSE each year of the grant.

GPRA #2: 80% of HSE recipients will enter postsecondary education or careers each grant year.