

Protecting Oregon's Food Supply and Essential Agricultural Workers



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Background

- Mitigating COVID-19 has required that the industry implement social distancing and increased sanitation to reduce transition.
- Migrant farmworkers are hit hardest by coronavirus because social distancing is nearly impossible to maintain in their workplace. Workers often have to travel and work closely to each other.
- In Oregon there is a high rate of COVID-19 among the Latinx community (85.2 cases per 10,000 residents) relative to non-Hispanic (17.0 cases per 10,000 residents)
- Inequitable distribution of resources among communities exacerbated by COVID-19 pandemic.

Program Goals

1. Deploy rapid support and resources to Oregon's agricultural growers.
2. Reduce the potential for COVID-19 exposure, illness and death associated with COVID-19 among agricultural workers and industry.
3. Enhance the public health of the state and educate Oregon's agricultural industry to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

COVID-19 Food Security & Farmworker Package

1 | Housing Access \$10M *\$3.5M

- On-farm Options
 - Modular Units
 - Tent Options
 - Modifications
- Hotel/motel vouchers

*\$3.5 million in Safe Sheltering funds are also available to migrant farmworkers

2 | Field Sanitation \$6M

- Handwashing stations
- Portable restrooms
- Social distancing transportation

3 | Mitigation of COVID-19 \$14M

- Quarantine Fund
- Masks and sanitizer
- Communications and outreach

Agriculture PPE Distribution



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FSFS Applications (7.17.2020)

County	Applications	Housing	Sanitation	Transportation	Primary Crops
Total	110	28	109	17	Berries, mixed veg, orchards
Hood River	31	12	30	4	Cherries, Pears, Apples
Marion	23	3	23	4	Berries, grapes, mixed veg
Yamhill	13	1	13	1	Grapes, berries

Resources

Learn more: [Food Security & Farmworker Safety Program](#)

Learn more: [Quarantine Fund](#)

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