NC FIELD Newsletter

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North Carolina Focus on Increasing Education, Leadership, & Dignity



Ways you can be part of Give Food A Face

The Give Food A Face campaign uplifts challenges and celebrates the contributions of our community. The #GFAF campaign is a core initiative of NC FIELD.



#GiveFoodAFace

- Pay attention to the food supply and the realities of farmworkers.
- Follow, like, share, repost, and promote NC FIELD advocacy campaigns on social media
- Donate expertise, time, material goods, and financial resources we use to alleviate extreme poverty.
- Invite us to your table to contribute as a valuable addition to the conversation

CHILD LABOR IN NORTH CAROLINA



HOW COULD THAT BE?

In rural eastern NC the reality is children as young as 12 years old regularly work in agriculture during the summer. They earn money in one of the most dangerous occupations in the nation. The reasons they work range from the need to earn money for school clothes, and technology to the need to help their parents earn enough to pay rent and utilities during the winter months. All the reasons lead us to one undeniable truth: Children work because the level of poverty they experience is far beyond what most people in the US can conceive. The fact that they are harvesting our food supply, or working in tobacco, which they are legally too young to purchase, is simply the truth we live.

READ MORE



HERE'S HOW YOU CAN FOR HELP END CHILD LABOR.

EDUCATE YOURSELF & OTHERS

Learn about child labor in North Caolina. Share what you learn with friends, family, co-workers, and others. Find ways to engage with the people who provide your food supply.

CONTACT LOCAL, STATE, AND NATIONAL LEGISLATORS.

Ask them to pass laws that ensure no products in your city/state/country are made with child labor, and encourage them to adopt "codes of conduct" which include concern for humane, sustainable, just practices.

INVEST ETHICALLY.

If you're a shareholder, use your voice to ensure that your companies support humane, sustainable, just practices that don't include child labor.

EQUITABLE ACCESS

VACCINES

NC FIELD saw many of the barriers to vaccine access faced in many of our communities alongside the structural limitations our communities face.

NC FIELD was able to leverage the relationship established with the community and provide vaccines in the evenings and on weekends.

Huge shoutout to Walmart, Duplin County Health Department and Dr. Lee. We appreciate your hard work and dedication.



Throughout the pandemic NC FIELD was able to streamline access that provided over 3000 COVID-19 vaccines to people in rural ENC

We are meeting our community where they
are at and that is true outreach
—Yesenia Cuello



NC FIELD IS CPR CERTIFIED

On March 2023 NC FIELD received CPR training and was certified. Thank you to NC Cooperative Extension for having us. NC FIELD intentionally hires from within the community to better address to better address needs.

NC FIELD is grassroots. We work alongside marginalized populations and promote community empowerment thru direct services and systemic change efforts.

MOBILE CLINIC IMPACTS



As stated in an article by International Journal for Equity in Health, the U.S. healthcare system transforms its care delivery model to increase healthcare accessibility and improve health outcomes, it is undergoing changes in the context of everincreasing chronic disease burdens and healthcare costs. Many illnesses disproportionately affect our populations, due to disparities in healthcare access and social determinants of health.

Mobile health clinics are an innovative model of healthcare delivery that help alleviate health disparities amungg vulnerable populations with croinc diseases.



Campbell University Community Care Clinc opens their doors directly into communities during afterhours or evenings after all other clinics are closed. Leveraging existing community assets to respond dynamically to the community's defecate experiences by the agricultural worker community essential for positive health outcome.



In Duplin County alongside Sembrando Salud- NC FIELD Campbell University Community Care Clinic started delivering clinical services in June 2021 and are currently averaging 20 new patients a month.

Farm and Food Workers Relief Program (FFWR)







What is FFWR?

The program will provide a one-time payment of \$600 to farmworkers, meatpacking workers and frontline grocery workers for expenses incurred due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

NC FIELD is one of nine sub-recipient organizations supported by United Farm Worker Foundation to provide workers with critical outreach and application support.

NC FIELD has an active the referral/application process. Feel free to reach out to Angel Gaona-Food and Farm Relief coordinator for any questions.



Get to know us Ana Trimarchi



Community Health Worker
Case Manager

Ana Trimarchi is a former farmworker from Nicaragua. Ana started her journey with NC FIELD during peak of the COVID-19 pandemic and knew she had found her passion. When asked who inspired her in her career, she did not hesitate to say that her daughter Ashley as she is always encouraging Ana and inspires her to be the best version of herself. Ana also shared that the best piece of advice she has been given is to never give up, advice that her husband constantly reminds her of.

Ana also enjoys cooking for friends and family, and dancing. Destinations that she would like to visit one day is Bahamas and Puerto Rico.

Diabetes Education and Empowerment Program

NC FIELD has partnered with NOVANT Health to provides an evidence-based foundation to empower people with diabetes to navigate self-management decisions and activities. DEEP classes are available at our office in Mount Olive site to facilitate accessibility.

DEEP is a patient-centered, collaborative approach tailored to match the fundamental realities of diabetes care. Patient empowerment is defined as helping patients discover and develop the inherent capacity to be responsible for one's own life.

Part of this ongoing care and educational process includes setting goals with patients. Goal setting is an effective strategy; patients who participate in the selection of goals and have clarity about them are more likely to be successful in achieving their goals and one step closer to living happier, healthier lives.



Stay up-to-date

COVID-19 Rapid Tests

Free Covid rapid testing on Sundays 9am-2pm at Maria Reina de las Americas in Mount Olive, NC.

COVID-19 Vaccines

On 04/23/2023 from 10-6pm Sembrando Salud will be at Santa María de los Ángeles Catholic Church in Mount Olive, NC providing COVID-19 booster vaccines for all ages.

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Free Clinic Services

Sembrando Salud & Campbell University Community Care Clinic are averaging 20 new patients a month!

ACA and Medicaid referrals

We are part of the NC Navigator Consortium. We are looking forward to helping vulnerable communities with Medicaid expansion! thank-you to everyone who dedicated years to expand Medicaid in North Carolina.

How you can help!

Follow us on social media. Like & Follow! Donate on NCFIELD.ORG. Volunteer at events



hank You

Dear NC FIELD Supporters: Thank you for supporting NC FIELD and farmworkers everywhere. We hope you enjoyed the updates! We are empowered to do this amazing work thanks to supporters like you!

> Yesenia Cuello **Executive Director**

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