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## North Carolina Farmworker Health Program

2024 Profile (Data from State Fiscal Year 2024)

# **Grant Facts\***

\$5.4M

Total federal (HRSA) available grant funding

**25** 

Jobs (full-time and parttime) supported in local communities

11,033<sup>†</sup> Patients served

\$288

Average annual contribution of federal funds per patient

88% (\$1.88)

Return on Investment for each Farmworker Health grant dollar's economic impact

# Performance Measures\*†



66%

Patients with well controlled diabetes, as evidenced by A1c levels < 9



**52%** 

Patients with well controlled hypertension, as evidenced by blood pressure levels < 140/90



70%

Patients screened for obesity through Body Mass Index (BMI) testing and follow up plan if abnormal



84%

Patients screened for tobacco cessation and treatment



<u>Did You Know?</u> Agriculture is a \$100-billion-a-year industry in North Carolina, and is dependent on a healthy workforce. Farm labor ranks as one of the top three most dangerous occupations in the United States. Farmworker populations are traditionally underserved because of barriers to care, including transportation, language, cost and geographic isolation. Since 1993, the North Carolina Farmworker Health Program (NCFHP) has worked to advance the health and well-being of agricultural workers and their families by providing technical assistance, leveraging resources and facilitating shared learning with a statewide network or partners. NCFHP is primarily federally funded, and is administered by the Office of Rural Health (ORH).

### **Program Achievements**:

NCFHP contracts with eight service delivery sites and has six additional grant supported partners. In CY 2023, NCFHP served 11,033 men, women, and children from farmworker families. In 2023, NCFHP outreach workers reached 5,556 farmworkers with pesticide safety education and 7,067 farmworkers with heat illness education.

# **Agricultural Worker Digital Health Initiative**

The Agricultural Worker Digital Health Initiative was launched in 2023 by the NCFHP with research partners from East Carolina University and North Carolina State University. The purpose of the initiative is to transform agricultural workers' access to affordable, reliable high-speed broadband internet by implementing a community-led structural intervention. Specifically, this project is aiming to enhance telehealth models and improve health.

# 2023 Overview



**16** Hotspot distribution partners



3,024

Farmworkers with internet access



Hotspots distributed



6

Mobile clinics and outreach vehicles with mobile routers



14

Migrant housing internet hubs installed/maintained



†Performance Measures data from Calendar Year 2023 ending 12/31/2023

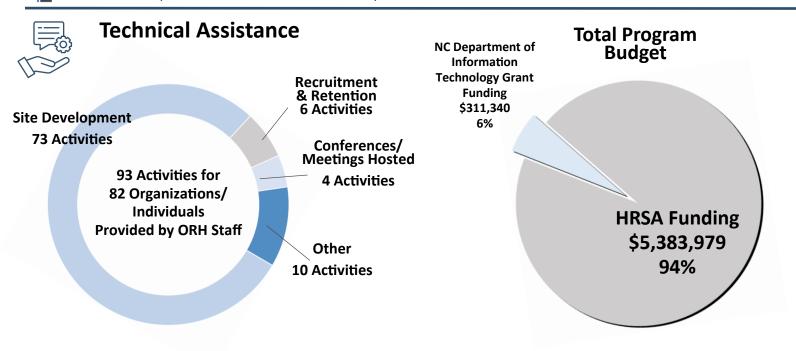


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14
Agencies Funded

Program Reach
70
Total Counties Covered

45
Rural Counties Covered

