



Host Site: Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid

Topic of Project: Farmworkers Rights

Location: Mercedes, TX

The Fellow will work remotely as required by COVID circumstances or be based in TRLA's Mercedes office.

Description of Fellow Project:

The Rural Summer Legal Corps Student Fellow will work with TRLA's Farmworker team in the Rio Grande Valley (RGV) of South Texas. While working on the Farmworker team, the Fellow will assist the team's attorneys and paralegals with a variety of employment law matters affecting migrant and seasonal agricultural workers. The Fellow will assist with negotiations and litigation on current cases, along with intakes and case development for various complaints that the team receives during the summer.

If COVID-19 protocols permit, the Fellow will also conduct regular outreach and Know Your Rights presentations to workers. The Fellow will work remotely as required by COVID circumstances or be based in TRLA's Mercedes office, traveling as needed elsewhere in Texas. (The Fellow will always be accompanied by a permanent TRLA staff-person on such trips.)

Additional Applicant Qualifications:

Proficiency with reading and writing in Spanish and good legal research and writing skills.

