

Host Site: Legal Aid Services of Oregon

Topic of Project: Farmworkers/Employment Law

Location: Woodburn, OR

## **Description of Fellow Project:**

The Fellow will help migrant agricultural workers, especially H-2A workers and workers living in labor camps in rural counties of Oregon access their legal rights.

Agricultural workers, especially H-2A workers and workers living in migrant labor camps, face dangerous and unhealthy workplaces and housing, wage theft, and discrimination and retaliation for exercising their rights. There will be new protections for these workers next summer including strengthened protections for H-2A workers and strengthened housing regulations, but many will lack access to these protections without additional support needed to meaningfully educate them about these new and other existing rights and help them exercise their rights.

The Fellow will help gather information about workers' experiences to create accessible educational materials about their rights, conduct intakes of impacted workers, assist in direct legal work to help workers protect their rights, and educate migrant workers in rural areas on best practices to protect their workplace rights.

Additionally, the Fellow will assist staff with direct representation to migrant agricultural workers in rural areas, especially H-2A visa workers and workers who reside in labor camps, who face workplace problems. Activities will include intakes, investigation, legal research, legal drafting, client interviews. The Fellow will also develop, prepare and distribute outreach materials including written materials, presentation tools and radio show.

## Additional Applicant Qualifications:

This Fellowship will be hybrid. Proficiency in Spanish is preferred.

