

A wide-angle photograph of a lush green cornfield stretching to the horizon. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow across the sky and the tops of the corn plants. In the distance, a few small structures, possibly farm buildings or industrial facilities, are visible against the horizon line. A semi-transparent blue rectangular box is positioned in the upper right quadrant of the image, containing white text.

# National Farmworker Jobs Program

Funded by the U.S Department of Labor

The logo for Proteus, featuring the word "proteus" in a white, lowercase, sans-serif font. The letter "o" is stylized with a circular arrow around it. The logo is positioned in the bottom left corner of the image, partially overlapping the cornfield.

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# WHO WE ARE:

At Proteus we work alongside individuals to achieve their goals and attain a level of self-sufficiency

We are a nonprofit federally funded through the Dept. of Labor that provides assistance to anybody and their family that has done some type of agriculture/farm work in the past 2 years. We support journeys that entail job training and educational assistance.

## Mission

Proteus provides agricultural workers and their families with affordable health care, education, assistance, and job training

## Vision

A better life for farmworkers



# SERVICES & BENEFITS



# Educational Assistance

- Career Search
- College Enrollment
- FAFSA Completion
- Tuition Assistance
- Books
- Classroom Stipend
  - \$6 for every classroom hour attended.
  - Can range from \$50- \$195 a week
- Mileage Reimbursement
  - If required to travel > 20 miles round trip to class you can qualify for mileage reimbursement
  - Up to \$30 a week
- Miscellaneous Assistance
  - Tools, Uniforms, rent, utilities, groceries, childcare, etc



# Seasonal Farm work



# Job Training Assistance

- **On the Job Training 17 and older**
- Resume Creation
- Interview Prep
- Job Search
- Career placement
- Career Success/ Continued Case Management
- Miscellaneous Assistance
- **Work Experience/paid Internship**







# Micheal Morales

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# PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

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- Applicant must have worked in agriculture or farm work within the last 2 years. Another route- they are a dependent of someone who has performed agricultural work.
- Income guidelines
- Applicant must be Authorized to work in the United States
  - DACA status
  - Permanent resident status
  - Work permit





## WHAT TYPE OF FARM WORK QUALIFIES FOR THE PROGRAM?

- ✓ Bailing hay
- ✓ Planting/Combining
- ✓ Walking Beans
- ✓ Detasseling/Sorting
- ✓ Seed Sorting
- ✓ Poultry and Other Livestock
- ✓ Wholesale Greenhouse
- ✓ Orchard Work
- ✓ Egg Hatcheries
- ✓ Aquaculture
- ✓ Other







# FAQs

What if I do the farm work but I am not interested in the tuition assistance, can you still help?

Can my family benefit from the program?

What happens after education/training is over?

Does the training have to be related to agriculture?

When do I pay back what has been provided to me?



# Health and Safety

- Worker Protection Safety (WPS)
- Heat Safety
- Limiting Exposure Around Families (LEAF)
- Jose Aprende
- COVID-19
- Long-sleeve shirt collection

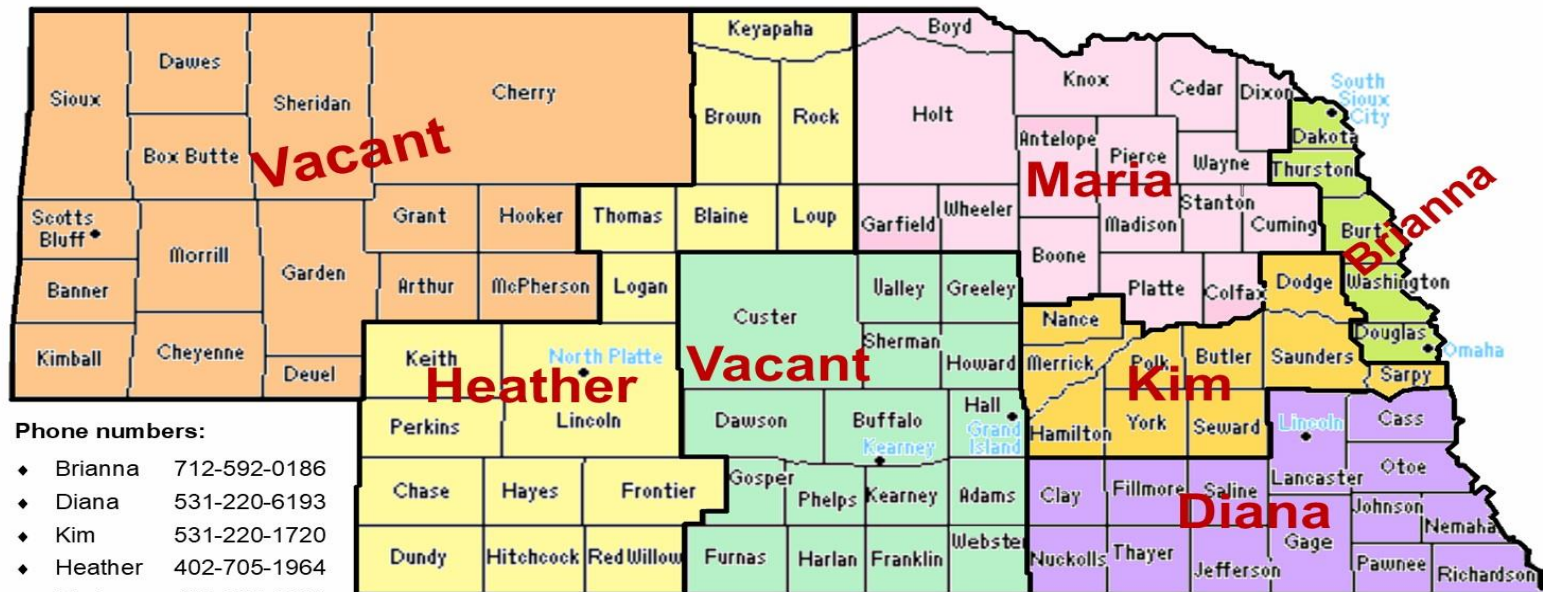




## Next Steps

1. Complete the [prequalifying form](#)
2. Send me an email after your submission
3. Follow Proteus on Social Media to stay in the know

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# QUESTIONS?

