

# AGENDA & WORKSHOPS



Hosted by MAFO, a National Partnership of Farmworker and Rural Organizations

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2018

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM Registration: Pre-Assembly Foyer

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2018

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM Registration: Pre-Assembly Foyer

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM **Opening Plenary Session** SALONS D – E

**Welcome to the MAFO Colorado Agriculture & Farm Labor Summit**

**Master of Ceremonies: Heladio (Lalo) F. Zavala,** Chief Executive Officer, MAFO

**SPEAKERS:**

**Tomas Mejia,** Director, Office of Migrant Education, Colorado Department of Education

**Clarke Becker,** Director, Colorado Rural Workforce Consortium, Colorado Department of Labor and Employment

**Roberto Sakata,** Founder and President of the Colorado Fruit & Vegetable Association, sole owner of the Sakata Farms

9:00 AM – 9:15 AM **Adding to the Colorado Farmworker Picture:** Polling Focus Areas – Who are you? What are your priorities?

9:15 AM – 10:45 AM **What Do We Know About Colorado Farmworkers:** A Situational Analysis – Who, What, Where, and When!

**Master of Ceremonies: Irma Morin,** MAFO Treasurer and Executive Director of Community Council of Idaho

**SPEAKERS:**

**Dr. David Conde,** Past Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs at Metropolitan State University of Denver and Current Chair of the East Coast Migrant Head Start Project

**Chris Akers,** Economist, Colorado, State Demography Office

**Jenifer Rodriguez,** Director Migrant Worker Division, Colorado Legal Services

**Al Gold,** Executive Director, Community Resources & Housing Development Corporation

10:45 AM – 11:00 AM Break

11:00 AM – 11:30 AM **Situational Analysis Polling Feedback and Results**

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM **Lunch on Your Own** – Hotel Ascent Restaurant

1:00 PM – 1:30 PM **Introduction of Focus Areas, Work Groups and Methods**

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM **Group Breakouts** SALON A

**1. Farm Worker Housing**

*DISCUSSION MODERATORS:*

**Al Gold,** Executive Director, **Yvette Seerden,** Compliance Specialist, and **Jo Untiedt,** Community Resources & Housing Development Corporation

**2. Farm Labor: Recruitment & Retention**

*DISCUSSION MODERATORS:*

**Betty Velasquez,** Director, Southeast & South Central Workforce Areas, Colorado Rural Workforce Consortium, and **Olga Ruiz,** State Monitor Advocate, Division of Employment & Training, Workforce Development Programs, Colorado Department of Labor & Employment

**3. Community Services & Collaboration**

*DISCUSSION MODERATORS:*

**Jenifer Rodriguez,** Director of the Migrant Worker Division, Colorado Legal Services and **Tomas Mejia,** Director of Migrant Education, Colorado Department of Education

**Note:** Attendees will be assigned to a room (Salon A, Salon B, or Salon C). Breakout sessions will be repeated throughout the afternoon. As an attendee, you will stay in that salon/room while moderators/presenters change rooms accordingly. As an attendee you will participate in all three focus areas.

2:30 PM – 2:45 PM Break

2:45 PM – 3:45 PM **Group Breakouts** SALON B

**1. Farm Worker Housing**

**2. Farm Labor: Recruitment & Retention, and**

**3. Community Services & Collaboration**

3:45 PM – 4:45 PM **Group Breakouts** SALON C

**1. Farm Worker Housing**

**2. Farm Labor: Recruitment & Retention, and**

**3. Community Services & Collaboration**

5:30 PM – 6:30 PM **The Producers and Harvesters Social Hour** ASPEN LEAF ROOM

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## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2018

8:00 AM – 8:15 AM **Welcome and Brief Summary of Monday's Work and Today's Plans** SALONS D – E

8:15 AM – 9:00 AM **General Session: Focus Groups Reports**

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM **Farmworkers: Demand and Supply Perspectives**  
How farmworker migration patterns have changed and impact demand. The impact it has on labor demands as well as programs.

*SPEAKER:*

*Donald Mares, Executive Director, City of Denver Human Services*

10:00 AM – 10:15 AM **Break**

10:15 AM – 11:15 AM **Audience Feedback**

11:15 AM – 12:30 PM **Action Plan Development: Focus Areas Groups** (break out by interest)

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM **Lunch on Your Own** – Hotel Ascent Restaurant

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM **Closing Session: The Follow UP!**

- Action Plans Report Out
- Networking Updates
- What's next?

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