

EXECUTIVE ORDER 72-09

By Executive Order dated May 27, 1968, a departmental Task Force on migrant affairs was created in order to better coordinate the state's resources to meet the needs of migrant and agricultural workers during the 1968 crop season. This Order was reaffirmed in January 1969, with the departmental Task Force to continue indefinitely.

From its inception, the Task Force has proved to be effective in coordinating the state's programs for migrant and agricultural workers. On February 1, 1972, I directed that steps be taken to reorganize and reconstitute the Task Force to provide for improvements which will enhance effectiveness and broaden the scope of activities to provide more equitable public services delivery for agricultural workers statewide.

The headquarters for Task Force operations has been established in Olympia, to improve communications among state agency directors concerned with agricultural worker problems.

Sub Task Force groups are being established among local agencies in intensive agricultural areas throughout the state. These local groups will address agricultural worker service delivery problems which can be solved locally and be the initial link in the communications chain for those problems which require state level policy and administrative action.

The Task Force shall be composed of departmental representatives having administrative or program responsibilities which directly pertain to the problems and needs of migrant and agricultural workers. One representative shall be designated by the Secretary of the Department of Social and Health Services for the Service Delivery Division and Health Division and by the directors of the following departments, or agencies: Employment Security, Labor and Industries, Agriculture, Public Instruction, Washington State Patrol, The Mexican-American Commission and the State Office of Economic Opportunity. These persons should have positions of statewide responsibility. The chairman of the Task Force shall be selected by the directors of the named agencies.

The Task Force will strive to facilitate the delivery of state services to agricultural communities in a fair and just manner through member and related agencies. Emphasis will be placed on coordinating services and improving responsiveness to the needs of all agricultural workers.

Additional members representing other state agencies may be added to the Task Force with the approval of the directors of the above named departments. In addition, the chairman may appoint as ex-officio members of the Task Force representatives of other public and private agencies and organizations as may be appropriate to the effective implementation of the objectives of the Task Force.

The Task Force will be officially known as The Interagency Task Force For Agricultural Workers.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set
my hand and caused the seal of the State of

Washington to be affixed at Olympia this
10th day of July A.D., Nineteen hundred and
seventy-two.

Daniel J. Evans
Governor of Washington

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Secretary of State
