Grant Title: MIGRANT EDUCATION EVEN START FAMILY LITERACY PROGRAM

Funding Opportunity Number: CFDA Number: 84.214A.


Area of Research: Integration of early childhood education, adult literacy or adult basic education, and parenting education into a unified family literacy program.


Amount: $250,000-$400,000 per year, 3 awards.

Length of Support: Up to 48 months.

Eligible Applicants: Any State or local government entity, institution of higher education or non-profit organization is eligible to apply for a grant under the MEES Program. For example, the following types of entities are eligible to apply: State educational agencies (SEAs) that administer migrant education programs; local educational agencies (LEAs) that have a high percentage of migratory students; nonprofit community-based organizations that work with migratory agricultural or fishing families; and faith-based organizations that work with migratory agricultural or fishing families.

Summary: The Migrant Education Even Start (MEES) Family Literacy program is intended to help break the cycle of poverty and illiteracy of migratory agricultural or fishing families by improving the educational opportunities of these families through the integration of early childhood education, adult literacy or adult basic education, and parenting education into a unified family literacy program. This program is implemented through cooperative activities that build on high-quality existing community resources to create a new range of educational services for the most-in-need migratory agricultural or fishing families, promote the academic achievement of migratory children and adults, assist migratory children in meeting challenging State content standards and challenging State achievement standards, and use instructional programs based on scientifically based reading research on preventing and overcoming reading difficulties for children and adults.