DHD#10 RECOGNIZES JULY AS MIGRANT AND SEASONAL FARMWORKER APPRECIATION MONTH

July 20, 2021 – Governor Gretchen Whitmer has proclaimed July as Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker Appreciation Month, providing the opportunity for Michiganders to support and appreciate this valuable workforce.

District Health Department #10 (DHD#10) is joining in on this celebration, recognizing the many hard-working individuals across our ten counties who come to Michigan to work with our local farmers in planting and harvesting Michigan's crops. Without their help and workforce, our farmers would not be able to efficiently harvest and pack their crops for residents to enjoy.

"DHD#10 acknowledges the valuable role that migrant and seasonal farm workers play in our communities and appreciate their contribution to supporting agricultural work within our jurisdiction," said Kevin Hughes, Health Officer for DHD#10.

In addition to acknowledging and appreciating this work being done, DHD#10 is also able to provide valuable resources to migrant and seasonal farmworkers and their families.

"DHD#10 can provide migrant and seasonal farmworkers and their families help in finding resources for health, food, childcare, and other services," said Mary Rangel, a Women, Infants, Children (WIC) Clerk for DHD#10. "Each year, with funding from the Fremont Area Community Foundation and Choice One Banks, the Sparta Area Migrant Resource Council, which DHD#10 is a part of, recognizes and celebrates these families with an annual Farm Worker Appreciation Day."

This year's Farm Worker Appreciation Day will be held Sunday, July 25th at Grant Middle School, 96 E 120th St, Grant, from 8:00-11:00am.

To learn more about services DHD#10 can provide for migrant or seasonal farmworkers, please visit www.dhd10.org or call 888-217-3904.

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