

**Agenda**  
**Health & Human Services Committee**  
**West Olive Administration Building – Board Room**  
**12220 Fillmore Street, West Olive, Michigan 49460**  
**Wednesday, August 10, 2011**  
**8:30 a.m.**

**Consent Items:**

1. Approval of the Agenda.
2. Approval of the Minutes from the July 13, 2011 meeting.

**Action Items:**

3. Food Inspection Program Fees (Presentation by Spencer Ballard, Environmental Health Team Supervisor)  
Suggested Motion:  
To approve and forward to the Finance and Administration Committee the proposed changes to the Food Inspection Program fees, new fees: Temporary Food Service Establishment Revisit/Extended Visit: \$50.00, Enforcement Fee: \$255.00, Administrative Consultation Fee:\$300.00, and fee reduction: Compliance Conference Fee \$200.00 (current fee is \$300.00).

**Discussion Items:**

4. Source Tracking at Dunton Park, presentation by Addie Hambley, Environmental Health Manager
5. State of Michigan, Department of Human Services, Migrant Services Program
6. Department Updates

**Adjournment**

**Comments on the day's business are to be limited to three (3) minutes.**

## HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

### Proposed Minutes

DATE: July 13, 2011

TIME: 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: Fillmore Street Complex

PRESENT: Greg DeJong, Robert Karsten, Stu Visser, James Holtrop

ABSENT: James Holtvluwer

STAFF & GUESTS: Alan Vanderberg, Administrator; Lisa Stefanovsky, Health Officer; Dr. Paul Heidel, Medical Director; Sherri Sayles, Deputy Clerk; Lynne Doyle, CMH; Bill Raymond, MI Works!/CAA Director; Donna Cornwell, Human Services Coordinating Council; Michelle Martin, Interim DHS Director; Keith VanBeek, Assistant Administrator; Heather Alberda, Health Dept.; Kerri Borr, MI Works!/CAA; Media

#### SUBJECT: CONSENT ITEMS

HHS 11-013 Motion: To approve the agenda of today as presented and to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2011, meeting as presented.  
Moved by: Karsten UNANIMOUS

#### SUBJECT: DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. New Report: Most Aging Baby Boomers Face Poor Mobility Options – Jim Holtrop explained the report in the packet is an informational piece dealing with public transportation issues that is affecting aging baby boomers. He recommended the Committee read it. The Administrator reported that every 7 to 8 years a transportation study is done through a grant. Area mayors have looked at options.
2. Housing Choice Voucher Program – A presentation on the Ottawa County Housing Choice Voucher program was presented. The Housing Commission was originally formed because Ottawa County was missing out on receiving vouchers. There are over 400 vouchers being given out currently. Due to federal cutbacks and CSBG cuts, the Housing Choice Voucher program is becoming too expensive. Mr. Raymond reviewed a number of options that are being looked at. The two most feasible are merge the Ottawa County Housing Commission with the Housing Choice Voucher Program or Contact MSHDA and turn the voucher program back over to them. His goal is not to give

the voucher program back to MSHDA. The Administrator also recommended a third option of looking at a multi-county program.

3. Emerging Tobacco Products – Heather Alberda, Health Educator, reviewed the Press Release dealing with the state smoke-free air law and how it's working. There has been a huge shift in bar employees' health reporting better overall general health and fewer respiratory symptoms after the law. She also went over the new tobacco products available for consumers and how the tobacco companies are marketing young people.
4. Department Updates:

DHS – Michelle Martin reported DHS is waiting on the new policy dealing with a 48 month limit on cash assistant and how this will affect Ottawa County. She also reported the State is looking at including asset limits for those who receive food benefits. Another change the State would like to see is statewide consistency with a centralized CPS during the intake process.

Human Services Coordinating Council – Donna Cornwell is following up on the needs of senior citizens in Kent and Ottawa Counties. The Food Policy Counsel is working on food distribution.

Mental Health – Lynne Doyle reported an RFP, in conjunction with Muskegon County, has gone out for independent living apartments for persons who need minimal assistance. She also reported the retirement of John North, Muskegon CMH Director.

Health Department – Dr. Heidel received another CDC notification on the measles. Medical professional have already been notified so he believes Ottawa County is ahead of the game. The flu vaccine will be the same as last year's. Secure Care has done the jail medical for the last 7 years. A new RFP will be going out next year.

Lisa Stefanovsky reported there will be a presentation next month on the changes to the Food Enforcement Policy. She also reported on the push for National Accreditation Program for Local Public Health Departments. Due to the cost of \$31,000, she is not recommending this voluntary accreditation for the Health Department.

MI Works!/CAA – Bill Raymond introduced his new employee, Kerri Borr. He reported the Advance Energy Storage Grant has been submitted to the feds. He gave a brief update on Kandu.

**SUBJECT: ADJOURNMENT**

HHS 11-014 Motion: To adjourn at 9:44 a.m.  
Moved by: DeJong

**UNANIMOUS**

# Action Request



**Committee:** Health and Human Services Committee

**Meeting Date:** 8/10/2011

**Requesting Department:** Public Health Department

**Submitted By:** Al Vanderberg

**Agenda Item:** Food Inspection Program Fees

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## SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

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The changes to the enforcement policy make it necessary to adjust the fees associated with these changes. The proposed fee changes include three new fees and one reduced fee and are described in the attached document.

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Total Cost: \$0.00      General Fund Cost: \$0.00      Included in Budget:     Yes     No

If not included in budget, recommended funding source:

## ACTION IS RELATED TO AN ACTIVITY WHICH IS:

Mandated       Non-Mandated       New Activity

## ACTION IS RELATED TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

Goal: 2: To Maintain and Enhance Communication with Citizens, Employees, and Other Stakeholders. & 3: To Contribute to a Healthy Physical, Economic, & Community Environment. & 4: To Continually Improve the County's Organization and Services.

Objective:

**ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION:**     Recommended     Not Recommended     Without Recommendation

County Administrator: **Alan G. Vanderberg**

Digitally signed by Alan G. Vanderberg  
DN: cn=Alan G. Vanderberg, c=US, o=County of Ottawa, ou=Administrator's Office, email=avanderberg@ciottawa.org  
Reason: I am approving this document  
Date: 2011.08.03 14:06:16 -0400

Committee/Governing/Advisory Board Approval Date:



# Ottawa County Health Department

## Environmental Health Food Program Fee Proposal

Adeline Hambley, Environmental Health Manager  
August 2, 2011

### **Background Information**

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The Ottawa County Health Department strives to carry out the Ottawa County Board of Commissioners vision, mission, strategic goals and objectives. The changes to our enforcement policy will ultimately lead to (2.) enhanced communication with citizens, employees and other stakeholders, (3.) contribute to a healthy physical, economic and community environment, and will demonstrate (4.) continual improvement of the County's organization and services. The proposed fee changes are a component of the new enforcement policy which will allow for a contribution to these objectives.

### **Proposed Fee Changes**

#### **New fees:**

- Temporary Food Service Establishment Revisit/Extended Visit: \$50.00
  - A temporary license is issued to those establishments temporarily set-up to serve food to the public. Examples include: tents set-up to serve food at festivals, spaghetti dinners, and pancake breakfasts.
  - Prior to serving food to the public, an inspection is conducted to make sure food served to the public is being stored properly and prepared in a safe manner. A license is issued to allow the food to be served.
  - These inspections are conducted based on the date and time specified by the operator. Often, upon arriving to conduct the inspection, the operator is not ready for inspection.
  - The Revisit/Extended Visit fee helps to partially recapture the cost associated with delays due to the operator not being ready for inspection at time of licensure.

- Enforcement Inspection Fee: \$255.00
  - An establishment that has recurring violations at routine inspections, which suggest a risk to public health, will be subject to enforcement proceedings. These proceedings require additional action by the restaurant in order to correct the problems noted.
  - Included in these actions is an additional inspection, called an Enforcement Inspection.
  - An Enforcement Inspection is not covered by the license fee paid by establishments.
  - The Enforcement Inspection Fee is assessed to those non-complying establishments in order to capture the cost associated with conducting them.
  
- Administrative Consultation Fee: \$300.00
  - This is a new step added to OCHD Enforcement Policy. This step is for those establishments that are in enforcement proceedings. If the establishment fails to comply with requirements after a compliance conference is held (the first step in enforcement), then the Food Supervisor will visit the establishment to meet with the restaurant operator(s) and view the facility.
  - This step has been added to provide onsite consultation to the non-complying restaurant. It allows face-to-face interaction between the Food Supervisor and restaurant staff, and acts to facilitate dialog about the problem areas and possible solutions to help the restaurant to comply with food safety requirements.
  - The Administrative Consultation Fee is assessed to help cover the costs incurred to provide this service.

### **Existing Fee Reduction**

- Compliance Conference Fee: \$200.00 (currently fee is \$300.00)
  - Traditionally the Food Supervisor has attended the compliance conference for those establishments that are in enforcement proceedings. Now, however, the Food Supervisor will not attend these meetings.
  - A Compliance Conference is the first step of enforcement for those establishments with recurring issues. The process has been amended. Now, only the inspector, clerk (to take minutes of the conference), and restaurant representative will be in attendance at this meeting.
  - At this conference issues observed at the establishment will be discussed and plans put in place to address them.
  - If the establishment fails to become compliant with requirements, the next step of enforcement is the Administrative Consultation. The Administrative Consultation is the first step that will involve the Food Supervisor.
  - Removing the Food Supervisor from the Compliance Conference justifies a reduction in the cost to the establishment.

# State of Michigan Department of Human Services Migrant Services

August 10, 2011





# Overview

- Migrant Seasonal Farmworkers in Michigan
  - History
  - Present
- DHS–Migrant Services
  - Past
  - Present

# The Many Faces of Michigan Migrant Seasonal Farmworkers

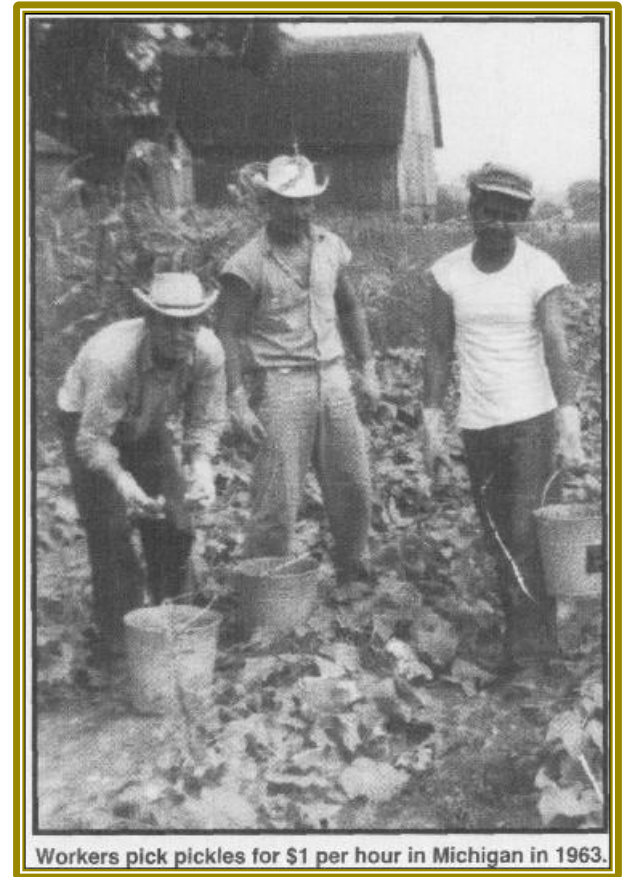
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Migrants picking cherries in Berrien County Michigan, 1940

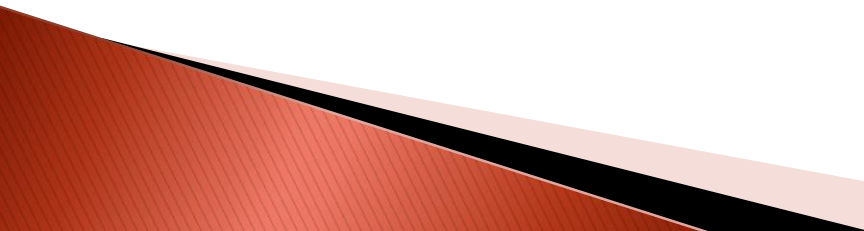


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Workers pick pickles for \$1 per hour in Michigan in 1963.

# Mexican migrant labor

- ▶ Immigration Act of 1921
  - ▶ Chinese Exclusion Act
  - ▶ World War I and II (Labor shortages)
  - ▶ 1924 increase Mexican immigration(quotas)
  - ▶ Bracero program
  - ▶ Operation Bootstraps (Puerto Rican labor)
  - ▶ Depression–Deportations
  - ▶ Operation Wetback (deportation)
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# Push and Pull factors of MSFW

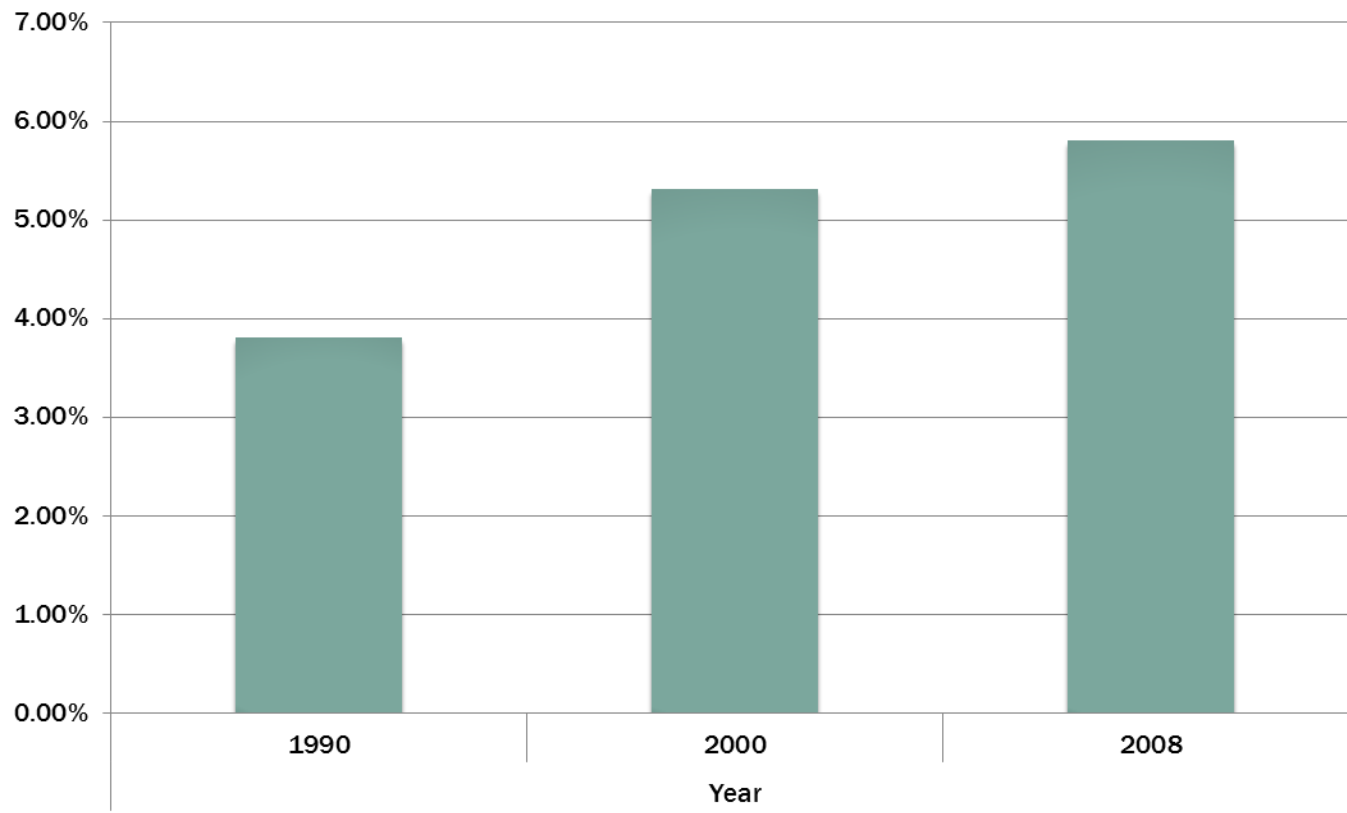
## PUSH

- ▶ Poverty
- ▶ Political upheaval
  - (MX revolution)
- ▶ Unemployment
- ▶ Under employed
- ▶ Lack of education
- ▶ Lack of documentation

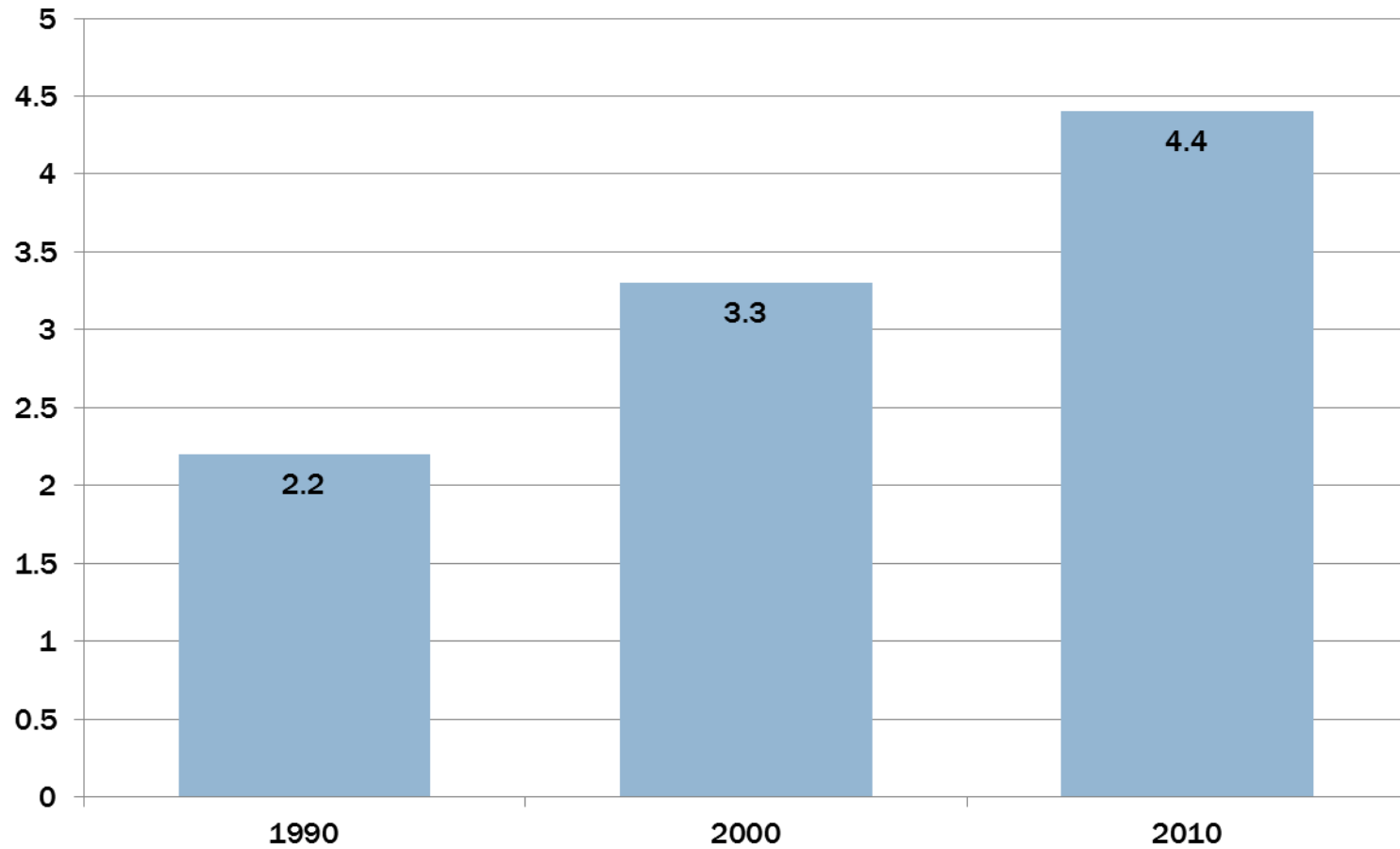
## PULL

- ▶ Employment
- ▶ Increase financial stability
- ▶ Education
- ▶ Safety
- ▶ Previous farming experience

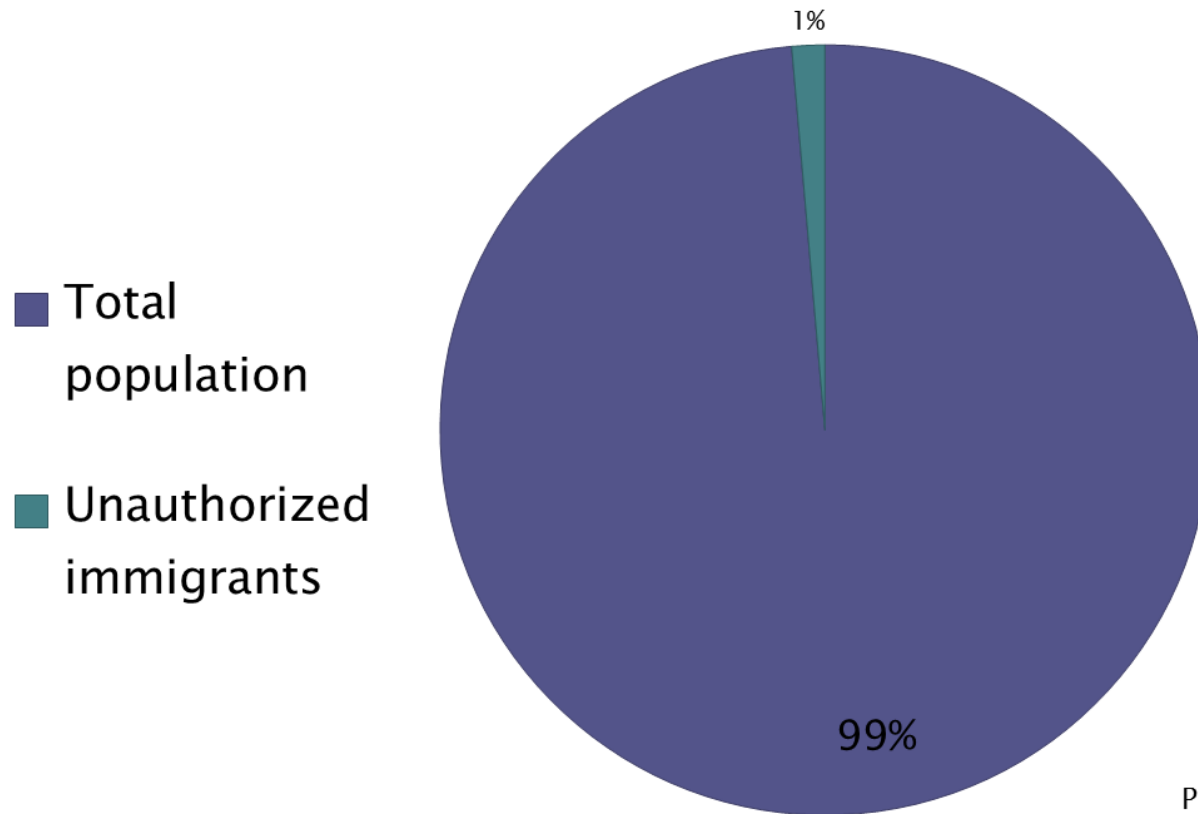
# Michigan foreign born immigrants



# % of MI population by Hispanic or Latino origins

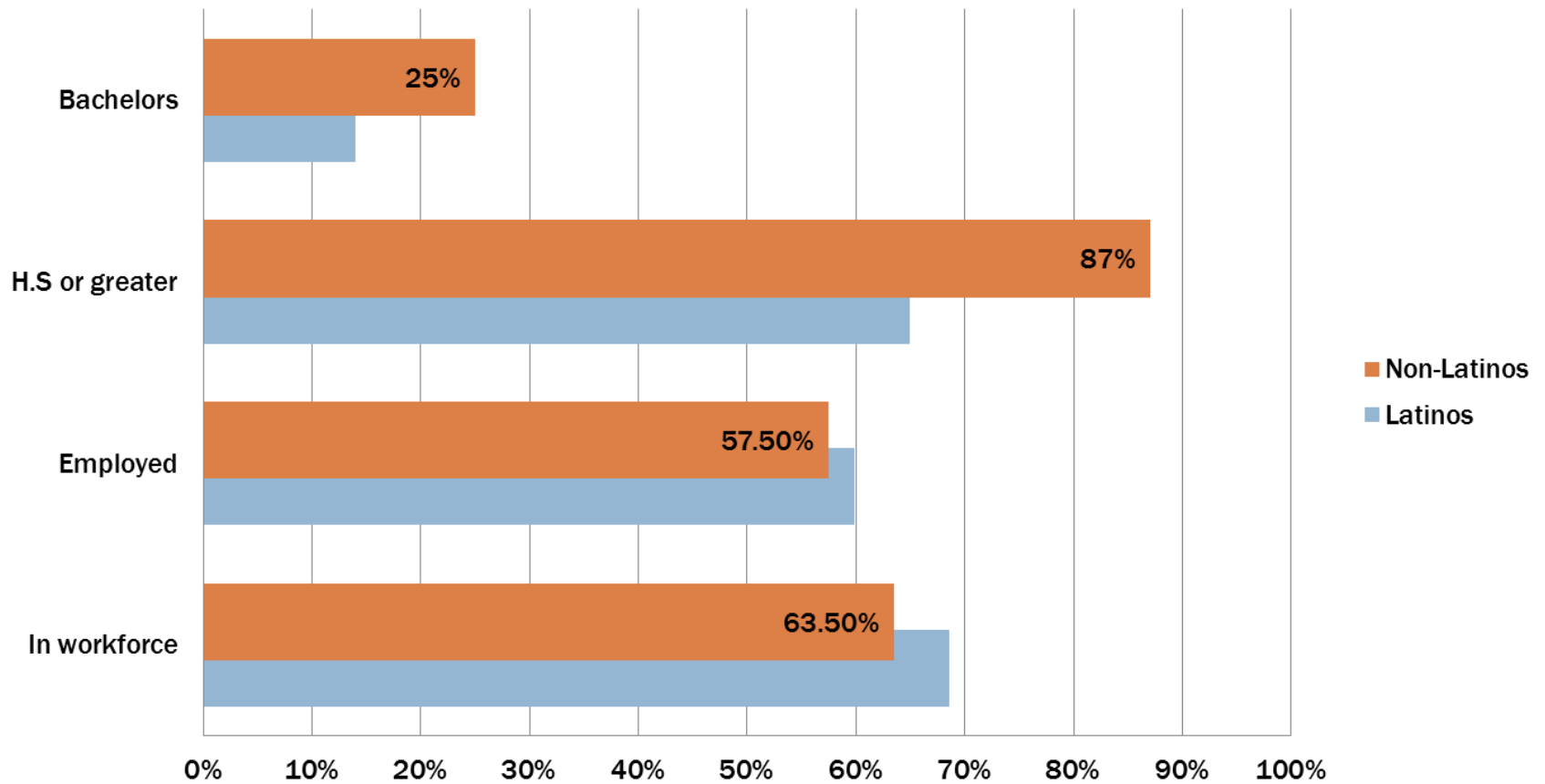


# Unauthorized Immigrants in Michigan 2009



Pew Hispanic Center, 2009

# Michigan Latinos in the workforce





# Defining the Migrant/Seasonal farmworker (MSFW)

## Seasonal Worker

- agricultural/seasonal
- not required to move from home

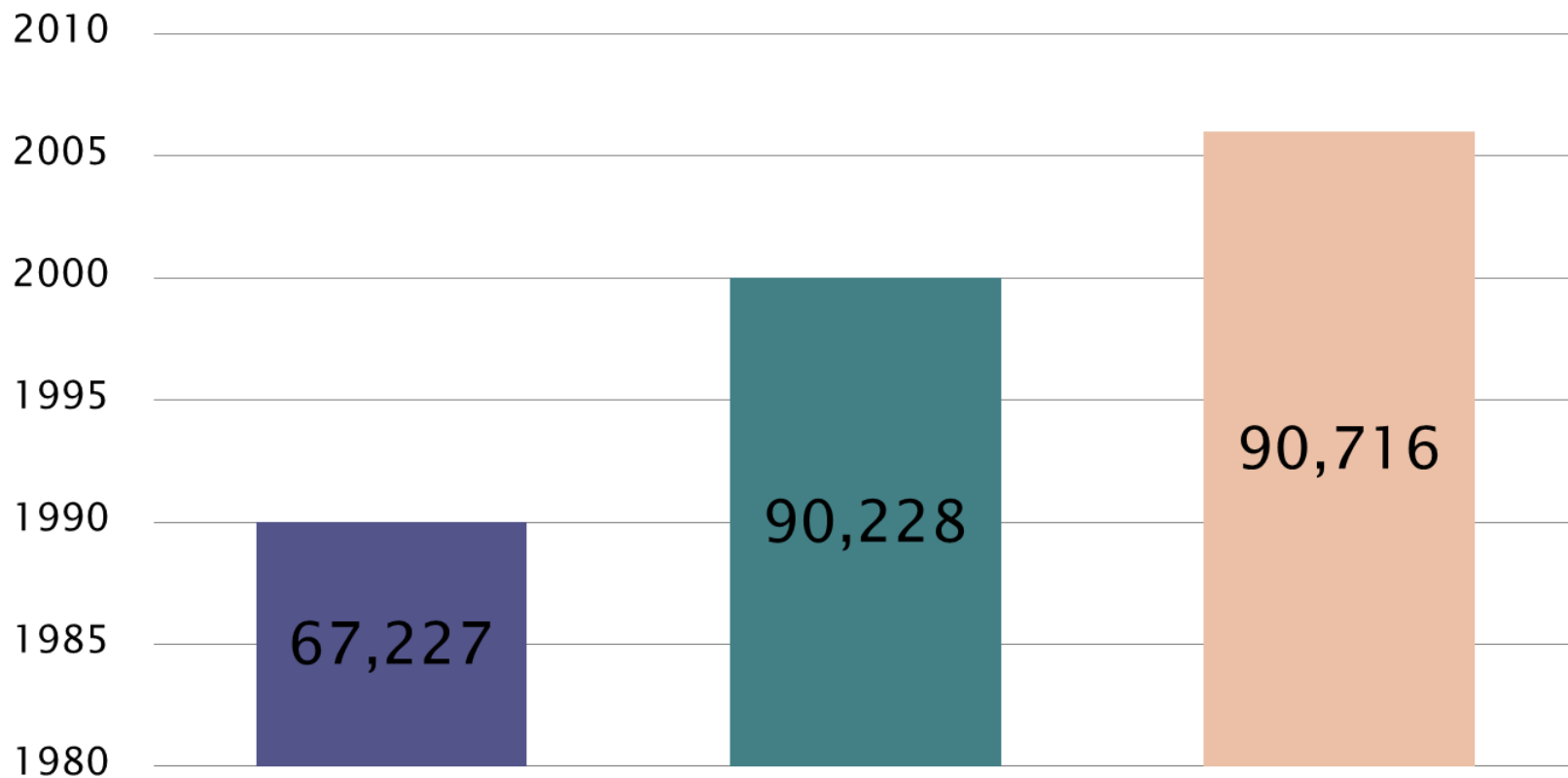
## Migrant Worker

- agricultural/seasonal
- and**
- moves more than 50 miles from home and returns to home base

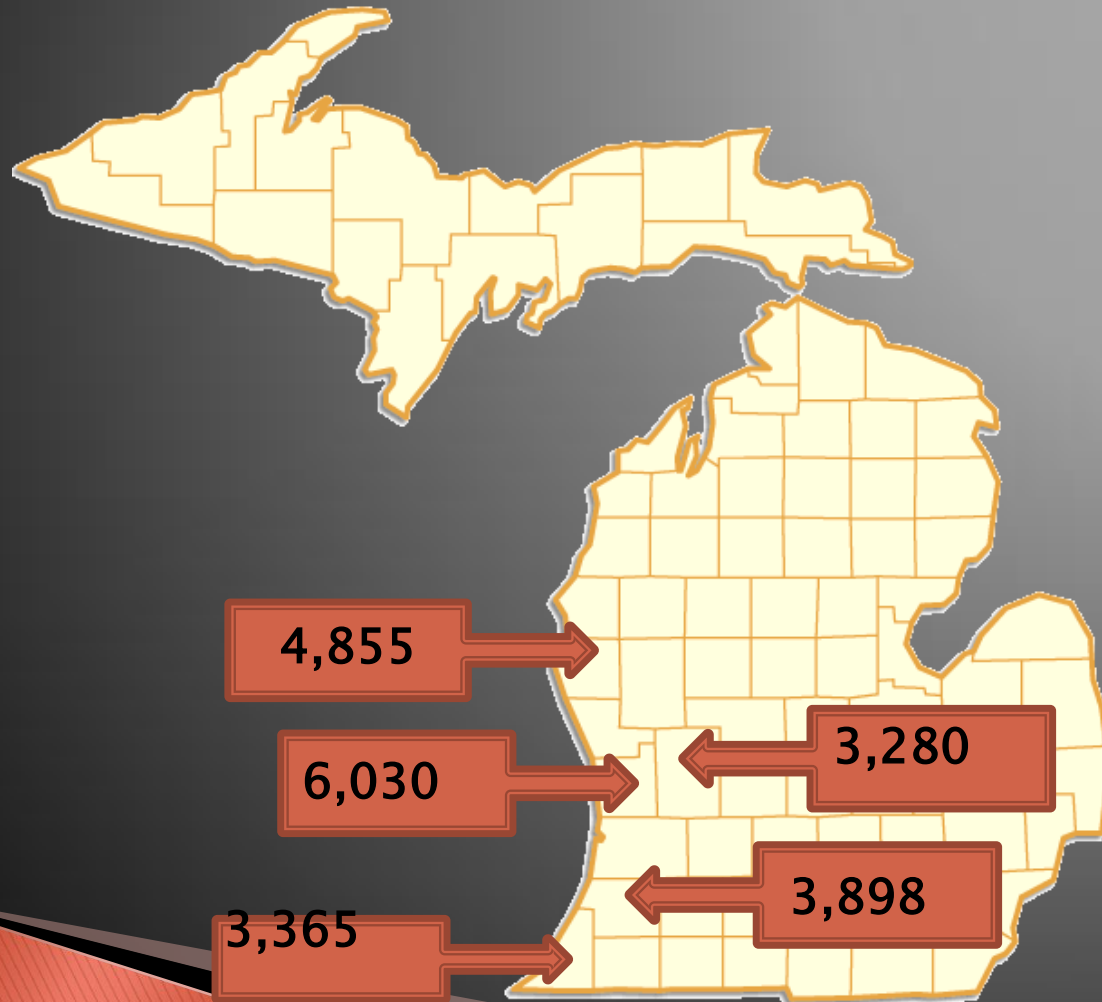
# Demographics

- ▶ 90,716 MSFW in Michigan
- ▶ 49% Mexican
- ▶ Average age 33 years
- ▶ 79% male
- ▶ 54% Spanish primary language
- ▶ 50% are U.S citizens
- ▶ Average income of five \$12,244–16,773/year
  - 2010 U.S poverty guidelines \$30,948 (120%)

# Total Michigan Migrant Seasonal Farmworkers 2009



# Counties with MSFW (workers only)



# Migration patterns



# Major industries

- Field agriculture
- Nursery and Greenhouse
- Food Processing
- Reforestation

MSFW Enumeration Profile Study, Sept. 2006



# Michigan crop national rankings

## Fruits

- ▶ Apples #3
- ▶ Blueberries # 1
- ▶ Tart Cherries #1

## Vegetables

- ▶ Asparagus #3
- ▶ Carrots and Celery #2
- ▶ Cucumber #1
- ▶ Potatoes #8
- ▶ Squash #1

Michigan Dept. of Ag 1997–2009 report

# Ottawa County crops

- ▶ Apples
- ▶ Asparagus
- ▶ Blueberries
- ▶ Celery
- ▶ Cranberries
- ▶ Nursery/Floriculture Industry
- ▶ Onions

~~~Michigan Dept. of Agriculture Speciality Crops report





# Total economic value

- \$6.69 billion 2006 over half use migrant labor
- 50–75% migrant wages are spent in local business
- 2000, states economy gained \$34 million for programs severing migrant population
- 2002–2007 value of crops from MI increased 53%
- How much do they contribute to the state?

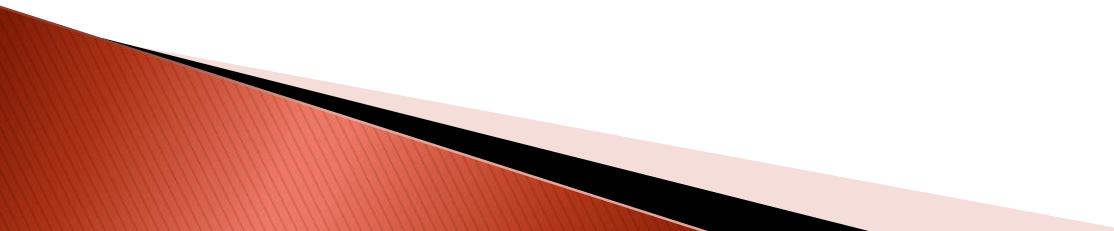
# Challenges

- ▶ Poor living conditions
- ▶ Unemployment/underemployed/
- ▶ Language
- ▶ Fear of deportation
- ▶ Providers' hours of operations (9–5)
- ▶ Limited access to vital documents (Drivers license, birth certificates)
- ▶ Limited or no access to daycare services
- ▶ Limited access or knowledge of resources

# Migrant Services

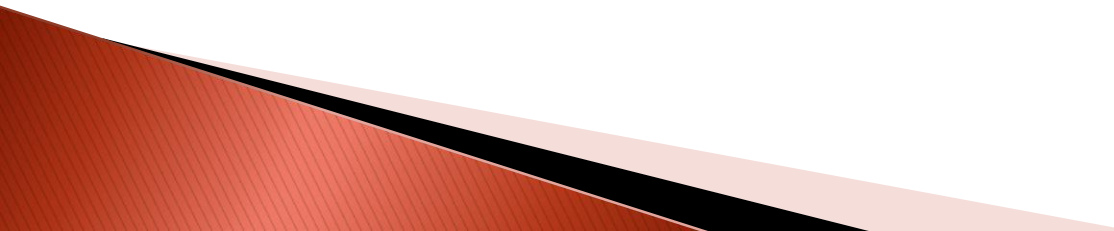
## Mission:

To deliver public benefits, provide assistance, and coordinated statewide services that meet the economic and cultural needs of marginalized migrant and seasonal farmworkers



# Migrant Services

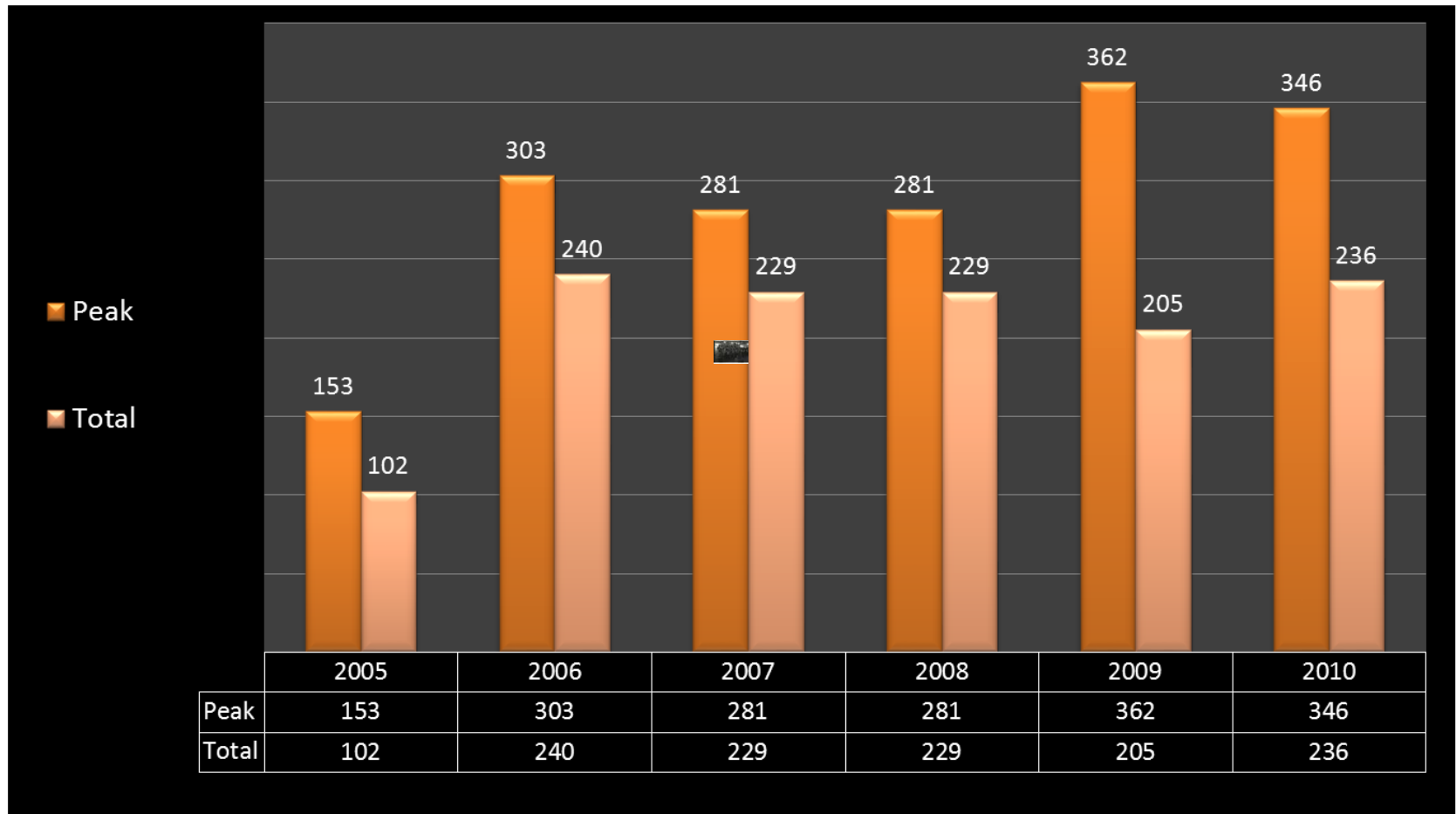
## Goals

- Analyze, recommend and advocate for favorable interpretation of policies and procedures
  - Advocate on behalf of migrants to proposed federal and state legislation
  - Coordinate allocation, recruitment, hiring of bilingual Migrant Program Workers
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# DHS Services Provided

- ▶ Determine eligibility
  - Medicaid
  - Food Assistance
  - Child Care
  - Emergency services
- ▶ Referrals
- ▶ Outreach
- ▶ Translation and Interpretation
- ▶ Transportation
- ▶ Advocacy

# Average number of recipients receiving benefits



# Review

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