

TEXAS MIGRANT COUNCIL, INC. APPLAUDS NEW TOOL TO HELP FAMILIES PLAN FOR COLLEGE

Laredo – The Texas Migrant Council, Inc. applauds the announcement by the US Department of Education of a new tool that will help 11th graders plan for the costs of a college education.

“I was happy to here Secretary Spellings announce FAFSA4caster which provides parents with the opportunity to forecast tuition expenses and provide financial aid options”, stated Mary Capello-CEO. One of the challenges to Hispanics not attending college is the cost. This tool will make it easier for students to feel that college is within their reach.

In our Head Start Center’s we stress to our children the importance of education and involve the parents in this process. “The biggest worry for the parents is how expensive higher education is”, stated Cynthia Garcia, Migrant Seasonal Head Start Director. This tool allows the parents involved with our Centers to see that financial options exist and that college is not out of reach for their children.

For further information see: <http://www.ed.gov/news/pressreleases/2007/03/03212007.html>