

Texas Migrant Council, Inc.

Dbas New America Corporation

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Texas Migrant Council, Inc. Receives Education Donation

Laredo, TX - A key component of Texas Migrant Council's (TMC) success is its partnerships with the community. The EduPlate Factory Corporation and members of our community in partnership with TMC have come together and donated 370 sets of educational plates. These sets of six (6) educational plates will be given to families involved in migrant farming with children in TMC's Head Start program.

These plates will serve as tools that will assist these families in the development of their children's education. "These community partners understand that education not only takes place in the classroom but in the home. These tools provide the opportunity for parent and children to learn together and guarantee that these children begin the path toward a solid education", said Mary Capello - CEO.

"Research shows that being able to read and count on the first day of kindergarten can highly increase the chances of a child doing well throughout his/her academic years. It is essential that we work together to help these children get a good start in school", stated Michael Puig-President, EduPlate Factory.

The educational plate sets are being donated by the EduPlate Factory (100 sets), the A.E. Puig Family Ltd. Partnership (150 sets), Puma Construction/Landmark Realty (20 sets), Ms. Mary Soler (25 sets), Texas Community Bank (25 sets), International Bank of Commerce (50 sets).

Background

For 37 years the Texas Migrant Council, Inc. dbas New America Corporation (TMC) has been providing families with educational and workforce opportunities that prepare them for their lifelong learning journey. Our mission is to help children and families in emerging diverse communities by creating opportunities for advancement through education and training and by collaborating resources with public and private partners. TMC provides services in Texas, Ohio, Indiana, Wisconsin, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Nevada, and Iowa. Through our migrant programs we serve more than 8,000 children. This allows the farmhands working our nation's farms the freedom to work the crops knowing that their children are cared for in a safe learning environment.