

# **CDM in the News**

## Amplifying migrant workers' voices

#### **RALLYING WITH H-2A FARMWORKERS**





CDM called out the Trump administration's DOL for rescinding crucial, life-saving protections that safeguarded farmworkers from traffic accidents, employer retaliation, and human trafficking—reiterating our concern, as reported in **Civil Eats' Food** Policy Tracker, ProPublica, and Mexican outlets such as El Economista.



## 👉 The Minnesota Star Tribune

### Santa Fe New Mexican

Abigail Kerfoot, CDM's Deputy Legal Director emphasized that any expansion of programs such as H-2A should be paired with the expansion of protections for workers in stories by **The Minnesota** Star Tribune and The Santa Fe New Mexican about the impact of the new administration's policies.

In an investigation from PRISM Prism, CDM Executive Director Rachel Micah-Jones explained how the H-2A visa program's structure leaves women especially vulnerable to wage theft and abuse.

### **FAIR WORK FOR FAIR WORKERS**

## Bloomberg Law

Following the introduction of dangerous bills aiming to remove fair and carnival workers from the H-2B program and its protections, Executive Director Rachel Micah-Jones spoke to **Bloomberg Law** calling out the fair and carnival industry for its efforts to further erode worker protections.

#### **RESPONSE TO WORKPLACE RAIDS**

Workplace raids can have a chilling effect on workers reporting abuse in the workplace, such as wage theft, discrimination and unsafe working environments as Carmen Martinez commented to



**United Press International.** 

## The New York Times

After the historic raid at the Hyundai supplier and LG Energy Solution plant in Ellabell, GA, CDM's Legal and Policy Director, Julia Solorzano,

told **The New York Times** that the Hyundai supply chain has a documented history of labor violations — and that workplace raids only heighten fear and enable abusive employers.



#### **FLAWED GUESTWORER PROGRAMS**



As the threat of mass worksite raids and unprecedented deportations of immigrants continues to escalate. Jimena de Haro. CDM's

Communications Director spoke to **Canal Once** about

the need for a new labor migration model centered on the human rights of workers and their families.



## THE BALTIMORE BANNER

In a letter to the editor of **The Baltimore** Banner, CDM's Executive Director Rachel Micah-Jones spoke out against efforts like the Save Our Seafood Act (S.1292) to expand temporary visa programs without addressing their structural flaws.

CDM's Deputy Policy Director, Carmen Martinez, shared with **Bloomberg Businessweek** that with the expansion of guestworker programs lawmakers are scrambling to provide "solutions" geared toward making it easier and less costly for employers to hire workers but not better or safer for workers.

Elpidia, a member of our Migrant Defense Committee who works in crab picking in Maryland, shared with **Prism** how she encourages others to raise their voices against injustice.



#### **ENSURING ACCESS TO JUSTICE**



## Diario Libre Conexión Migrante



We contributed to the effort to secure justice for more than 20,000 people unjustly incarcerated in NYC because of ICE detainers. Our efforts to spread the word and find victims resulted in multiple stories in the media. Thanks to coverage in radio, TV, print and online media across Mexico and the Dominican Republic, class members will soon have the compensation they deserve.

### **BUILDING TN WORKER POWER** The Atlanta Journal-Constitution

Since filing a class action suit against Hyundai Glovis and GFA Alabama, defrauded workers have continued to

#### speak out across the border

about the abusive working conditions they endured while working in the United States as well as the flaws within the TN visa program that facilitated the abuse.



#### **TOWARDS THE 2026 WORLD CUP**

## **EL UNIVERSAL**

Our Communications Director, Jimena de Haro, spoke with El Universal about the need to implement the human rights framework proposed by FIFA in the host cities without delay since preparations for the 2026 FIFA World Cup are already underway.

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