

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 92

Assigning responsibilities for coordination of State agency functions relating to Migrant and Seasonal Farm Workers, creating the position of State Coordinator of Migrant Services, and establishing a Minnesota Task Force on Migrant Affairs.

I, Wendell R. Anderson, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable Statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

WHEREAS, at a minimum, approximately 15,000 migrant workers and their families enter Minnesota each year and are productively employed in support of Minnesota's growing economy; and,

WHEREAS, an increasing number of such workers are "settling out" as Minnesota residents in the capacity of seasonal farm workers in the rural areas and into the life and work of the urban centers of the State; and,

WHEREAS, as migrant workers or as permanent residents, these families have a variety of basic human needs, which include but are not limited to, education, medical care, food, clothing, and housing; as well as needs such as day care centers and other special services in support of working families; and,

WHEREAS, numerous public and private non-profit organizations and agencies are separately engaged in delivering services to meet the needs of migrants in the State; and,

WHEREAS, it is the expressed desire of such organizations, agencies and other concerned parties to better plan and coordinate their services through establishment of an appropriate and authorized office within Minnesota state government;

NOW THEREFORE, I order that, in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, 1973 Supplement, Chapter 16.028, Subdivision 2:

1. The Department of Administration, under the authority of the Commissioner of Administration, shall coordinate the development of plans relating to migrants among and between the departments and agencies of the state, and between the agencies of the state and other affected or concerned parties.

2. The Commissioner of Administration shall create within the Department of Administration in a manner he shall deem advisable, the position of State Coordinator of Migrant Services, with such supportive staff and offices as he himself may provide or require to be provided from other departments or agencies of state, the occupant of such position or positions having duties and responsibilities prescribed and fulfilled under the authority of the Commissioner, or his designated agent.

3. The Commissioner of Administration shall establish, with the advice of concerned parties both public and private, a Minnesota Task Force on Migrant Affairs, to include representatives of public and private service delivery agencies, the migrant community, employers of migrant and seasonal farm workers, and concerned members of the public. The Task Force shall be in number and membership as deemed appropriate and advisable by the Commissioner to fulfill its responsibilities, which are as follows:

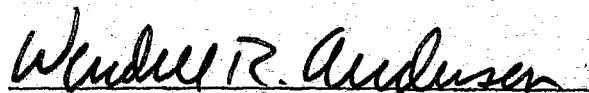
- A. To advise the Commissioner, appropriate state agencies and the public on matters pertaining to plans and programs, services and facilities for migrant and seasonal farm workers and their families in Minnesota;
- B. To assist the State Coordinator of Migrant Services in the development of coordinated programs among and between state departments and other public and private providers of services to migrants;
- C. To assist the State Coordinator in pursuing immediate agency response to emergency needs of migrants;

- D. To serve as a source of information to migrants and to the public regarding state and non-state services available to migrant workers and families and to assist in improving and maintaining communications and cooperation between public and private service organizations by providing a forum for information exchange;
- E. To research, formulate and advocate plans, programs and policies which will serve the needs of migrant and "settled out" families;
- F. To review and make comment to the Governor, the Legislature, the Commissioner of Administration, state agencies and the public regarding the performance of departments and agencies delivering migrant-related services, and concerning the adequacy of state programs, plans and budget for services to migrants and for funding under the various federal grant programs.


4. The facilitating of this Order shall be accomplished no later than 30 days following its effective date.

This Order shall be effective November 27, 1974.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand on this 27th day of November, 1974.

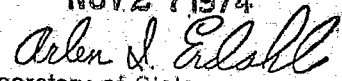

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