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**California Employment Development Department Recognizes Contributions  
of California's Agricultural Laborers with 40th Annual Farm Workers  
Appreciation Breakfast in Calexico**

**CALEXICO** – Approximately 2,200 agricultural workers attended today's 40th Annual Farm Workers Appreciation Breakfast in Calexico, at the One Stop Career Center/America's Job Center of California.

California Employment Development Department (EDD) Director Patrick W. Henning was on hand to host the celebration, which treated farm workers to a pre-dawn breakfast.

"This annual event is a wonderful opportunity for California to recognize and say thank you to the many hardworking men and women who work in our state's agricultural industry, and contribute to our economy," said Director Henning.

The breakfast began in 1979 to show gratitude for the hard work and contributions of farm workers in Imperial County.

The EDD Office in Imperial County, the Center for Employment Training (CET) in El Centro, the City of Calexico, the Calexico Chamber of Commerce, the Mexican Consulate in Calexico, and the Farm Worker Services Coalition of Imperial County (FWSCIC) organized the 2019 event. Local agricultural industry, farmers, and contractors as well as by local businesses, agencies, and community-based organizations sponsored the breakfast.

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