Key Documents and News Articles—Compiled by members of Strengthening Sanctuary Alliance

Documents:

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Proclamation by Governor Inslee Protecting the Health of Agricultural Workers (May 28, 2020) <https://www.governor.wa.gov/sites/default/files/COVID19Proc20.57AgrWorkersHealth.pdf?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery>

Governor Inslee’s Agricultural Covid-19 Requirements (May 28, 2020)

<https://www.governor.wa.gov/sites/default/files/COVID19AgriculturalSafetyPlan.pdf>

WA. State Department of Health Reports:

        [COVID-19 Cases by Occupation](https://5f1b09ef-f5ad-412c-b7bd-02ad16d21e8d.usrfiles.com/ugd/5f1b09_722b012100df4fc3839095701be9eba1.pdf) (June 2020)

        Shows disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on agricultural workers

        [COVID-19 Cases by Race, Ethnicity and Language](https://5f1b09ef-f5ad-412c-b7bd-02ad16d21e8d.usrfiles.com/ugd/5f1b09_7fcdd80639a0429b8b61daa303b55b19.pdf) (July 2020)

Shows disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on people of color, especially Latino/as and Hawaian and Pacific Islanders

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         Shows high rates of deaths in Yakima County

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         Confirmed Cases, Hospitalizations and Deaths

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/Coronavirus>

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[Statement on COVID-19 and Risks to Farmworkers](https://lulac.org/covid19/advocacy/Covid19_Farmworker_Advocates_Statement.pdf)

            Signed by 12 Farmworker Advocacy Groups

Powerful summary of the many challenges farmworker communities face that make them vulnerable to the COVID-19 pandemic.

National Center for Farmworker Health:  COVID-19 in Rural America: Impact on Farms & Agricultural Workers

<http://www.ncfh.org/msaws-and-covid-19.html>

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Articles on conditions facing farmworkers and their families. Some general information, some specific to Yakima:

Pre-existing Conditions, No Sick Leave and Health Insurance Put Farmworkers at Increased Coronavirus Risk (The Counter, March 18, 2020)

 <https://thecounter.org/farmworkers-uninsured-covid-19-coronavirus/>

Concerns about vulnerability of farmworker communities in in Florida, New York State, Washington State, and Arizona.

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David Bacon, Are Washington’s Farmworkers COVID-19 Guinea Pigs?

<https://capitalandmain.com/are-washingtons-farmworkers-covid-19-guinea-pigs-0521>

<https://letshaveaplan.blog/2020/05/24/farm-workers-at-risk-covid19-has-killed-more-workers-than-anything-else-osha-has-issued-zero-citations/>

<https://crosscut.com/2020/06/yakima-county-farmworkers-called-sacrificial-lambs-pandemic>

<https://www.yakimaherald.com/opinion/editorials/guest_editorials/guest-opinion-yakima-valley-s-farm-workers-have-been-invisible-for-too-long/article_8a9c2d24-8d6d-56d1-8db1-69353120905f.html>

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<https://www.newsbreak.com/news/1587175951882/latinos-have-the-most-coronavirus-cases-in-washington-state>

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<https://www.yakimaherald.com/special_projects/coronavirus/health-officer-for-yakima-county-thrust-into-center-of-pandemic/article_6e073528-b0d3-54dd-a672-f10587905112.html>

<https://kuow.org/stories/during-pandemic-yakima-farmworkers-kept-their-jobs-raising-risk-of-infection>

Excellent general resource, for immigrant health/labor perspective:

The Stand, from the WA State Labor Council

[https://www.thestand.org](https://www.thestand.org/) – daily section on Covid-19

Archive of news, resources, guidance  - section: Immigrant Workers

<https://www.wslc.org/covid-19/>