CWOP: Celebrating Year 1 & Looking Ahead

CWOP Year 2 Is Here!

After a successful first year, the CWOP team at West Modesto Community Collaborative (WMCC) is excited to begin Year 2! Throughout the past year, the team connected with workers, students, families, employers, and community organizations across Stanislaus County to share helpful information about workplace rights, health and safety, and available resources.

As CWOP moves into its second year, the team hopes to continue building on those connections, reaching more workers, and finding new ways to support the community.

Celebrating a Successful First Year

Year 1 was all about building connections, getting out into the community, and making workplace rights information easier to access. Some of the team's highlights included:

- Conducting outreach throughout local communities and migrant centers
- Providing Know Your Rights and workplace safety trainings
- Connecting with farmworkers and other vulnerable workers
- Presenting to high school students and young workers entering the workforce
- Building relationships with local organizations, schools, and community programs
- Providing one-on-one support and resources to workers with workplace concerns

Each outreach event, training, and conversation helped the team learn more about the needs of local workers and how CWOP can continue to be a helpful resource.

Community Spotlight: Know Your Rights Training

A recent highlight for the CWOP team was its Know Your Rights training at the Patterson Migrant Center. The training had a great turnout and gave the team an opportunity to connect directly with migrant workers and their families.

Participants learned about different labor law topics, worker rights, employer responsibilities, and the importance of keeping records when workplace issues happen. They also had the opportunity to ask questions and share some of their own experiences and concerns.

The team was also able to provide backpacks for children and raffle food gift cards for participating families. Overall, it was a successful evening filled with learning, conversation, and community connection.

What CWOP Heard From the Community

Throughout Year 1, workers and community members shared some of the challenges they are facing both at work and in their everyday lives. Some common concerns included wage theft, workplace injuries, and difficulty accessing basic needs such as affordable housing, food, and reliable transportation.

Hearing these concerns directly from the community helps the CWOP team better understand where support is needed and how workers and families can be connected to helpful resources.

Looking Ahead to Year 2

As CWOP begins Year 2, the team is looking forward to continuing the work started during its

first year. The goal is to reach even more workers, provide additional educational trainings, build new community partnerships, connect with workers in different industries, and continue outreach to young workers who are entering the workforce.
Year 1 helped create a strong foundation, and Year 2 will be an opportunity to continue growing, learning, and making workplace rights information more accessible throughout the community.

Connect With CWOP

CWOP is available to help workers learn more about their workplace rights and connect them with helpful information and resources.
Schools, organizations, community groups, and workplaces interested in a presentation, training, outreach event, or educational resources are encouraged to connect with the CWOP team at West Modesto Community Collaborative.CWOP looks forward to another year of connecting, educating, and supporting workers throughout the community!