# Vewsletter



CalVans, California Vanpool Authority Newsletter

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#### New Clinic in Salinas

#### Tyler B. Greene D.C./Chiropractor

21 Winham Street Salinas, CA 93901 **Phone:** 831.757.9411 Cell: 831.595.2952 Fax: 831.422.4677 **Hours:** M/W/F 8AM-5PM

Closed 11AM-1:30PM T/TH 1:30PM-5PM

#### ■ Who We Are

The California Vanpool Authority (CalVans) is a public transit agency providing public vanpools to those electing to commute to work in a non-profit manner; this includes agricultural workers and non-agricultural workers. The service provided by CalVans is recognized by local, state and federal agencies as a safe and cost effective method of getting to work in a shared ride vehicle.

#### ■ How Can CalVans Help YOU? If you would like to bring the benefits of CalVans to your operation, contact the California Vanpool Authority Toll-Free at 1-866-655-5444

CalVans operates Monday thru Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is closed on major holidays.

The CalVans main office is located at:

#### 1340 North Drive Hanford, Ca 93230

CalVans also has satellite offices in Imperial, Kern, Monterey, Ventura, and San Joaquin County.

## Yes, we are out of vans... but there are options

If you have a GMC or Chevrolet vans or can acquire one, CalVans will agree to operate it as though it were a CalVans vehicle. CalVans will place decals, a GPS system and insure the vehicle and operate it as though it was part of the CalVans fleet. The mileage rate will be \$1.15 per mile; this will cover routine maintenance, fuel, and insurance cost. When the season is over we will remove the decals and GPS system.

Staff has contacted someone who may have access to vehicles for the summer months. The individual's contact information is:

Rick Bell **Director of Sales, Mobility Leasing Services** 

**912.312.1140 ☑** rickbell@merchantsfleet.com

## Don't have your paperwork rejected by the DOL

On March 25th CalVans staff met with DOL staff in Sacramento to review procedures related to FLC/FLCE approvals. They are committed to processing your applications in a timely manner but need your help in the following areas:

1. Use the most recent Farmworker Driver Agreement. The most recent can be found on the CalVans website and is dated 2019.

#### **★** https://calvans.org/ag-notices-forms

- 2. The person signing the Employer Acknowledgement of Farmworker Driver on behalf of the company needs to be authorized to do so. Meaning they are the same person the DOL has approved on file
- 3. Not fully completing Part I of form WH530 Section 1 and 5. Please see Image 1 and 2.

#### Image I

FLC	Initial	Renewal	Amended
FLCE	Initial	Renewal	Amended
If renewal	Prior Certificate N	lumber:	

applicant)	To be completed by an "individual"
Will you drive a vehicle	to transport workers?
If "yes", read instructio	ns and complete the following:
Driver's license no.: (Attach copy of license	to application)
State;	Date issued:
Expiration date:	Class:
Endorsements:	
Restrictions:	
A valid doctor's certifica	ate must be submitted every three years
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Is doctor's certificate a	ttached? Yes No
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4. Not sending in the complete or correct DOT or DOL physical form. If you send in the DOT form MCSA-5876, you can send in the Medical Examiners Certificate (MEC) or all the pages of the exam, either one. If you send in the exam and not the MEC be sure and include all pages of the exam. If you use a DOL form WH-515, note that this form has to be signed by a medical doctor and is good for three years. Some have sent in both DOT and DOL forms; in that case the approval will be for the DOT 2 year period.

After June 1st DOL staff will return any application not using the correct CalVans forms or not having the correct person sign for the company. After that the applications will be rejected. Completion of Parts 1 and 5 are now required.

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## Don't have your paperwork rejected by the DOL Continued from page 1

The DOL has released all new forms. The links to the new WH530 applications are:

https://www.dol.gov/whd/forms/wh530.pdf English

https://www.dol.gov/whd/forms/WH530\_Sp.pdf Spanish

Also, note the address on the forms has not been updated to the correct address. The correct address for mailing your applications is

90 7th Street, Suite 11-100 San Francisco, CA

The DOL Staff stands ready to answer any questions you may have. They can be reached at the following number:



415-241-3505

## Please update your Employer Application

Many of the Employer Applications we have on file are outdated with inaccurate names and/or phone numbers. Please submit a new one if you have not done so in the past year. The fillable form can be found on our website using this link https://calvans.org/wp-content/uploads/cv\_pubpdfs/5097/Employer%20Application.pdf The application has also been attached to the newsletter (last two pages of newsletter). When submitting the application please send them to Diana Huerta in our Accounting Department diana.huerta@co.kings.ca.us

## Seatbelts and Tickets



When CalVans staff goes out on a call, they take that time to inspect the van as well and any other vans in the area. One of the common things we see is seatbelts being torn or tied up. CHP officers have stopped a few of

the vans due to passengers not wearing seatbelts. It is the drivers responsability to make sure that everyone is wearing their seatbelts. CalVans will not pay for any traffic violation committed by the driver. For passengers not wearing their seatbelts the fine is close to \$350+ and the driver is left to pay the ticket.

We also encourage drivers to have all of their paperwork in order. Things that the CHP looks for when they stop a CalVans vehicle are that the driver has their up to date MEC, the signed declaration, maintenance record and the vans registration. Most of those items can be found in the red packet that is put in every van. Safety is one of our biggest priorities, please encourage drivers and passengers to wear their seatbelts at all times when the van is moving.

## **Breakdown by Region and County**

Breakdown by Region

Region	All Vans	General	Agriculture
San Joaquin Valley	385	230	155
Salinas Valley	213	12	201
Santa Barbara/Ventura	180	2	178
Imperal Valley	29	0	29
Total	807	244	563

#### Breakdown by County

County	All Vans	General	Agriculture
Monterey	212	12	200
Fresno	138	62	76
Tulare	93	77	16
Kings	66	64	2
Imperial	23	0	23
Santa Barbara	135	0	135
Kern	31	20	11
Ventura	33	0	33
Madera	15	Ι	14
San Luis Obispo	12	2	10
Merced	18	3	15
Stanislaus	3	I	2
Riverside	6	0	6
Sacramento	9	0	9
Santa Clara	I	0	I
San Joaquin	12	I	10
Totals	807	244	563

## Vans not being used will be reassigned

Staff will be contacting companies not using vans that they have reserved. The vans will then be resigned to companies who may have a shortage of vans. Please let CalVans staff know if you will not be using the vans you reserved.

## **Looking for an Employee in Santa Maria**

If you know of someone looking for work in the Santa Maria, CalVans is hiring. The person has to be over 25 have a clean driving record, be bilingual and work independently. They will be working in the Santa Maria area supporting the vans that are there now. The work will involve light maintenance like changing lights and batteries, swapping vans and filling out paperwork.

ENTERED INTO QB BY:

RECEIVED DATE:



#### **California Vanpool Authority - CalVans**

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#### **EMPLOYER SPONSORED TRANSPORTATION**

QUALIFIED TRANSPORTATION FRINGE BENEFIT VOUCHER INFORMATION REQUEST FORM

Single or Multi-Company Information	on (1 separate transit vouc	cher required per ac	count being s	et-up) -	
Company and F	Registration Information	on	Are y	ou a grower?	[ ] Yes [ ] No
Name:	If FLC, list registration #	Yr Estab/ Avg Comp Size	Parent/Gu	arantee Co	Preferred Invoice Delivery
					[ ]Website [ ]E-mail [ ] Box-Cloud
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					[ ]Website [ ]E-mail [ ] Box-Cloud
Industry:		Add all conta	itadts to informational email list? [ ] Yes [ ] No		
How did you find out about us?	Feature you in market	ting events or on the s	ocial media site	s listed below?	[ ] Yes [ ] No
	[ ] Facebook [ ] T	witter [ ] Instagram	n [ ] SnapCha	t [ ] YouTub	e [ ] CalVans webpage/Blog
CalVans operates with traditional office hou and maintenance emergencies for CalVar CalVans vehicles when emergenices arise ho	ns drivers. CalVans makes eve	ery effort to assign eliq	gible drivers to	acknowledgem	
Vans travelling more than 200 miles one once permission is obtained. Do you anti-	cipate vans will travel to other	r regions or states?			[ ] Yes [ ] No
	elow for planning purposes reg	-			
City and County or State	Season &/or Duration	in months i.e- Fall, Sp	ring, etc	Nur	mber of vans anticipated?
Contact/Billing Information-					
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State:	Zip	o:	County:		
Website:			Fax:		
Billing/Mailing address (if different):			City:		
State:	Zip	):	County:		
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Billing Office Main Phone:			Fax:		
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Printed Name of Signature 1:	Signature:			Date:	
Printed Name of Signature 2:	Signature:			Date:	

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Signed VOUCHER(S) received I	by main office:				Received by:		
Not authorized to use Employer Voucher Program:			Oustanding previous account:		High Deposit or other Reason:		
Packet Complete:	Yes (Date)		No [ ] Complete Below				
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## 2019 H-2A ROUNDTABLE SESSIONS

Santa Maria Spanish Session – May 7 ~ Radisson Hotel (1 PM—5 PM)

Santa Maria English Session – May 8 ~ Radisson Hotel (8 AM—4 PM)

Oxnard/Ventura – May 9 ~ Courtyard by Marriott (8 AM—4 PM)

Salinas – June 4 ~ Salinas Sports Complex (8 AM—4 PM)

Sonoma/Santa Rosa – June 6 ~ Sonoma County Farm Bureau (8 AM—4 PM)

#### **SPONSORS**

### **SUSTAINING**









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## **REGIONAL**











### **PRESENTERS**

#### U.S. Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division

Jennifer Amore, National Immigration and Agricultural Branch Chief (Salinas/Sonoma) Ruben Lugo, Western Region Ag Enforcement Coordinator

#### U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration

Shane Barbour, Center Director, Chicago NPC (Santa Maria/Oxnard)

John Rotterman, Supervisory Immigration Program Analyst, Chicago NPC (Santa Maria/Oxnard)

Brian Pasternak, Acting Deputy Administrator, OFLC (Salinas/Sonoma)

Lynette Wills, Supervisory Immigration Program Analyst, Chicago NPC (Salinas/Sonoma)

#### U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services - Department of Homeland Security

Michelle Westra, Program Manager, USCIS Headquarters, Service Center Operations Blake Goto, Section Chief, USCIS California Service Center

#### **U.S. Department of State, Consulate General**

Morgan Miles, Monterrey Consulate, Consul, Team Lead (Santa Maria/Oxnard)
Melissa Schubert, Tijuana Consulate, Fraud Prevention Manager (Santa Maria/Oxnard)
Jessica Robles, Monterrey Consulate General, Deputy Fraud Prevention Manager (Salinas/Sonoma)

#### State of California, Employment Development Department-Workforce Services Branch

Roman Diaz, Manager, Foreign Labor and Agricultural Services Group Francisco Macias, Foreign Labor Analyst Rosalba Chavez, Foreign Labor Analyst

#### State of California, Housing and Community Development

Matthew Weise, Codes and Standards Administrator II, Southern Field Office Manager

#### **County of Monterey, Environmental Health**

Marni M. Flagg, REHS, Supervising Environmental Health Specialist (Salinas)

#### **H-2A Attorneys & Other Industry Representatives**

Mike Saqui, Principal, The Saqui Law Division, Dowling Aaron, Inc.

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Laura Brown, Regulatory Affairs, CA Strawberry Commission (Santa Maria/Salinas)

Norma Encinas, Cierto Global, H-2A Recruitment & Training

Please note that presenters may vary by location and are subject to change.

#### REGISTRATION

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## H-2A STAKEHOLDER FORUM AGENDA - English Sessions

7:15 AM—8:00 AM Registration

#### 8:00 AM—12:30 PM MORNING SESSIONS:

#### **Wage and Hour H2A Compliance Hot Topics**

**Jennifer Amore**, DOL Wage and Hour, Immigration and Agricultural Branch Chief (Salinas/Sonoma) **Ruben Lugo**, DOL Wage and Hour, Regional Ag Enforcement Coordinator

#### **Avoiding Delays and Best Practices During the H2A Certification Process**

Rosalba Chavez, Foreign Labor Analyst, State of CA EDD

Roman Diaz, Manager, Foreign Labor and Agricultural Services Group, State of CA EDD

**Shane Barbour**, Center Director, Chicago NPC (Santa Maria/Oxnard)

John Rotterman, Supervisory Immigration Program Analyst, Chicago NPC (Santa Maria/Oxnard)

Brian Pasternak, Acting Deputy Administrator, DOL ETA-OFLC (Salinas/Sonoma)

Lynette Wills, Supervisory Immigration Program Analyst, Chicago NPC (Salinas/Sonoma)

#### I-129 Processing Best Practices & Related Issues

**Michelle Westra**, Program Manager, USCIS Headquarters, Service Center Operations **Blake Goto**, Section Chief, USCIS California Service Center

#### **Visa Processing Best Practices and Recruitment Fraud in Mexico**

Morgan Miles, Monterrey Consulate: Consul-Team Lead, (Santa Maria/Oxnard)

Melissa Schubert, Tijuana Consulate: Fraud Prevention Manager (Santa Maria/Oxnard)

Jessica Robles, Monterrey Consulate, Deputy Fraud Manager (Salinas/Sonoma)

12:30 PM—1:15 PM Lunch (provided)

#### 1:15 PM—4:00 PM AFTERNOON SESSIONS:

#### **Housing Panel-Federal, State and Local Codes**

Matthew Wise, Codes and Standards Administrator II, Southern Field Office Manager

Marni M. Flagg, REHS, Supervising Environmental Health Specialist, Monterey County (Salinas)

Francisco Macias, Foreign Labor Analyst, State of CA EDD

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Laura Brown, Regulatory Affairs, CA Strawberry Commission (Santa Maria/Salinas)

#### Wage and Hour - Legal Issues - Best Practices Panel

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Jeanne Malitz, Principal, Malitz Law Inc.

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#### **Question & Answer for the Government Agencies-Voluntary Session**

ETA/CNPC, DOL Wage and Hour, USCIS, DOS—Consulates, EDD and HCD

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## H-2A STAKEHOLDER FORUM AGENDA - Spanish Session (May 7)

#### 12:30 PM—1:00 PM Registration

#### 1:00 PM—5:15 PM PROGRAM

#### H-2A Regulatory Requirements

Ruben Lugo, DOL Wage and Hour

#### H-2A job order—SWA Function

Roman Diaz, EDD

#### **H-2A Housing Inspections**

Francisco Macias, EDD

Matthew Weise, State of CA HCD

Carlos Castaneda, H-2A user, SARC (local housing standards)

#### **Dealing with CNPC, USCIS and U.S. Consulate**

Dax Deason, Deason Law, PC

#### H-2A User Best Practice Panel

Carlos Castaneda, H-2A user, SARC

Norma Encinas, Cierto Global, H-2A Recruitment & Training

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