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The Eastern Farm Workers Association helps low income farmers, who have problems with living expenses. NCC's Malika Kalila reports.

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The Eastern Farm Workers Association offers support for low income farmers who are having trouble meeting their expenses. Luis Erickson, a volunteer coordinator at the association, says the organization negotiates with National Grid to allow families more time to pay their electric and gas bills.

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<" My area is just trying to make sure people have their lights on.">

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Erickson says for some low income family members electricity is a must have, because they have serious health issues and their medicines need to stay refrigerated. The coordinator says the association has a local doctor who helps families with health issues. According to E-F-W-A, farm workers are the poorest workers in the country, performing some of the most difficult and dangerous work. They report farm workers face an average life expectancy of 48 years.

According to Erickson the organization is looking for volunteers to help farmers in need. Malika-Budur Kalila, N-C-C News.

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