



**Texas**

<b>Grant Program:</b>	Green Capacity Building
<b>Grantee Name:</b>	<b>American YouthWorks</b>
<b>Grantee City/State:</b>	Austin, TX
<b>Grant Award Amount:</b>	\$100,000
<b>Initial Period of Performance:</b>	December 2009 – November 2010
<b>Project Name:</b>	American YouthWorks’ Casa Verde Builders Program
<b>Project Description:</b>	Through this program, American YouthWorks will expand capacity in three successful existing programs at its Austin Green Jobs Training Center to include equipment and training that meets job force needs in the Energy, High Tech, and Environmental market sectors. The program will focus on training in weatherization, arborist, and computer refurbishing which are three distinct, but related skill sets. Participants will engage in a combination of on-site, hands-on training and classroom academic studies designed to develop their knowledge and skills pertaining to the greening economy.
<b>Areas Served by Grant:</b>	Austin, Travis County, Texas
<b>PUMAs Served:</b>	NA
<b>Auto-Impacted Counties Served:</b>	NA
<b>National or Local Grant:</b>	NA
<b>Targeted Industries:</b>	Energy, High Tech and Environment Market Sectors
<b>Targeted Credentials:</b>	International Society of Arboriculturalists certifications, 2 day Citizen Forestry certification, Red Card (Sawyer Certification); Computers – IC3 and A+; Pre-Apprenticeship Construction Training (PACT) certification, National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) certifications, Green Building certifications
<b>Targeted Occupations:</b>	Weatherization Specialists, Computer Refurbishing, Arborist – Nursery Workers and Tree Maintenance Workers
<b>Targeted Populations:</b>	High school students
<b>All Project Partners:</b>	National Association of Home Builders Pre-Apprenticeship Construction Training (PACT), City of Austin Green Builders Program, National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER), University of Texas School of Social Work Continuing Education Program, City of Austin, Travis County, Davis Tree Service, They Might Be Monkeys, AMD, Dell, Texas Instruments, SkillPoint Alliance, Christina Foundation, River City Youth Foundation, Heart House, Latinitas Magazine, Foundation Communities, Casa Verde Builders
<b>Projected Outcomes:</b>	
Curriculum, course materials, or competency models and career ladders developed or updated with grant funds:	Weatherization learning labs, Arborist learning labs, Computer Refurbishing learning lab





The number of instructors projected to participate in capacity building activities:	2
The number of individuals projected to be trained by these instructors:	INA
The estimated number of other individuals (besides these students and instructors) projected to participate and/or benefit from capacity building activities:	INA
<b>Other Key Project Deliverables:</b>	Material outcomes include new weatherization, arborist and computer refurbishing tools and work spaces to foster better collaboration between students.
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