

Grant Summary

Grant Program	Job-Driven (JD) National Emergency Grant (NEG)
Grantee Name	Texas Workforce Commission
Grantee City and State	Austin, Texas
Grant Award Amount	\$5,004,412
Location of Grant Activities	The counties of Anderson; Aransas; Austin; Bee; Bell; Bowie; Brazoria; Brooks; Brown; Callahan; Camp; Cass; Chambers; Cherokee; Coleman; Colorado; Comanche; Coryell; Delta; Duval; Eastland; Fisher; Fort Bend; Franklin; Galveston; Gregg; Hamilton; Hardin; Harris; Harrison; Haskell; Henderson; Hidalgo; Hopkins; Jefferson; Jim Wells; Jones; Kendall; Kent; Kleberg; Knox; Lamar; Lampasas; Liberty; Live Oak; Marion; Matagorda; McMullen; Milam; Mills; Mitchell; Montgomery; Morris; Nolan; Nueces; Orange; Panola; Rains; Red River; Refugio; Runnels; Rusk; San Patricio; San Saba; Scurry; Shackelford; Smith; Starr; Stephens; Stonewall; Taylor; Throckmorton; Titus; Upshur; Van Zandt; Walker; Waller; Wharton; Willacy; and Wood
Project Description	<p>Texas will partner with eight local workforce investment boards to provide targeted participants work-based training opportunities for emerging, in-demand occupations. The State will use on-the-job training and Registered Apprenticeships for the work-based learning component, and will add to existing employer partnerships in high-growth fields. Texas will also use paid internships to enhance the resumes of the long-term unemployed, as well as vocational training that would lead to credentials and certifications. Additionally, Texas will implement its proposed <i>Employability Boot Camps</i>, which will provide the long-term unemployed with tailored reemployment services to facilitate rapid job placement.</p> <p>Texas plans to leverage the resources of its partners, including the Workforce Investment Act programs, Unemployment Insurance, Wagner-Peyser Employment Services, public assistance programs, and veterans' programs, in order to provide the full complement of reemployment services to the JD NEG participants.</p>
Key Industries	Biosciences; Defense; Nanotechnology/Manufacturing; and Renewable Energy
Populations to be Served	Dislocated workers, with a particular emphasis on the long-term unemployed and recipients of Unemployment Insurance who have been profiled as likely to exhaust their benefits. Eligible foreign-trained immigrant workers will also be included, and preference will be given to veterans and military spouses who meet the definition of dislocated workers
Partners	Local workforce investment boards; business organizations; local economic development councils,

	chambers of commerce; state apprenticeship program; and employers in emerging fields.
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