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Workforce Solutions for Tarrant County wins the 2011 Workforce Excellence Award – Regional Category

Workforce Solutions for Tarrant County is proud to announce that the Texas Economic Development Council (TEDC) selected the Tarrant County as the winner of the 2011 Workforce Excellence Award – Regional Category. This award was submitted by Workforce Solutions for Tarrant County on behalf of the Workforce Development and Workforce Governing Board.

Texas Economic Development Council (TEDC) created a Workforce Award to recognize the exceptional contributions of a Texas community who has implemented successful workforce initiatives. Criteria for evaluation include: Innovativeness, Transferability, Community Commitment and Leverage, Measured Objectives, and Secondary Benefits.

Workforce Solutions for Tarrant County (Tarrant County's Workforce Development Board) was recognized for the Project Workforce Innovative Solutions to Homelessness (WISH) and Project STEP (Subsidized Transitional Employment) Programs. Awards are presented to the community or region that has demonstrated the most significant contribution to workforce development in their communities or regions in the state of Texas. The WISH and STEP Programs were clearly innovative in their approach to serve unique and employment challenged individuals. These programs were tailored specifically to the special populations of the homeless and the ex-offenders. Workforce Development Board Chair, Leslie Sisk along with Executive Director, Judy McDonald and Capacity and Training Manager, Kay Gollihugh accepted the Award at the TEDC's Spring Conference Award's Breakfast on April 27, 2011 in Sugar Land, Texas.

Workforce Solutions for Tarrant is committed to Keeping Tarrant County Working!

Workforce Solutions for Tarrant County is Tarrant County's local workforce board and provides services to jobseekers and employers. A 29 member Board made up of business and community leaders chaired by Leslie Sisk with Lhoist North America works in partnership with the Workforce Governing Board (WGB), which is composed of the mayors of Fort Worth and Arlington, and the Tarrant County Judge, to oversee Workforce services in Tarrant County. More information about the 8 centers we have throughout Tarrant County can be found at our website: www.workforcesolutions.net

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