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TEDC Announces Recipients of the 2023 Workforce Excellence Awards

The Texas Economic Development Council (TEDC) has announced the recipients of our 2023 Workforce Excellence Awards. Seven recipients have been awarded in their respective population categories. A total of fifteen nominees overall were recognized for their workforce projects.

The Workforce Excellence Award program recognizes exceptional contributions by a Texas community or region that has implemented successful workforce initiatives. Members of the TEDC's Workforce Development Committee reviewed and scored the applications from the nominees based on five criteria: innovativeness, transferability, community commitment and leverage, measured objectives, and secondary benefits.

Communities nominated included: *Population Less than 15,000* – Tomball; *Population 15,001 to 40,000* – Seguin and Terrell; *Population 40,001 to 100,000* – Pflugerville and Weslaco; *Population 100,001 to 250,000* – Frisco and San Angelo; *Population 250,001 and Above*: Lubbock; *Regional* – Greater San Antonio and New Braunfels/Seguin; *Workforce Boards* - Alamo/Capital/Rural Capital Areas, Central Texas, Coastal Bend, Greater Dallas and Lower Rio Grande Valley.

The 2023 Workforce Excellence Award recipients are:

Population (Less than 15,000): **Tomball Economic Development Corporation** Population (15,001 to 40,000): **Seguin Economic Development Corporation** Population (40,001 to 100,000): **Weslaco Economic Development Corporation** Population (100,001 to 250,000): **San Angelo Chamber of Commerce** Population (250,001 and Above): **Lubbock Economic Development Alliance** Regional: **New Braunfels Economic Development Corporation and Seguin Economic Development Corporation** Workforce Reserves Development Solutions Control Towas

Workforce Boards: Workforce Solutions Central Texas

"Our TEDC's Workforce Excellence Award is one of the ways in which our organization honors the outstanding work done by our communities and regions, their leaders, and their economic development professionals in the area of workforce development," noted Carlton Schwab, President/CEO of the TEDC."

The TEDC was organized in 1961 and provides information, education and legislative services to its members to foster the expansion of existing businesses, the location of new firms and the development of strategies that promote a positive business climate in Texas. With over 980 members, the TEDC is the largest state economic development association in the nation.