Texas Workforce Media Advisory

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASEMEDIA CONTACT: Lisa GivensDATE: July 25, 2018PHONE: 512-463-8556Workforce Solutions Cameron Partner With Cameron County Education
Initiative Inc. to Support Texas Industry Partnership Initiative

WHAT:	Check Presentation — Texas Industry Partnership Initiative
WHO:	TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Julian Alvarez
WHEN:	8:30 a.m. Friday, July 27
WHERE:	Workforce Solutions Cameron 851 Old Alice Road Brownsville, Texas 78520

Cameron County Education Initiative Inc. and Workforce Solutions Cameron have partnered to establish a preapprenticeship construction program in Cameron County. The program is part of the Texas Industry Partnership initiative and will help up to 25 eligible participants gain skills in use of basic hand and power tools, trades math and blueprints. Some participants also receive certification in first aid and forklift driving. This customized training is made possible using a \$50,000 TIP grant from the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC). The grant will benefit workers in the <u>Workforce Solutions Cameron</u> area.

The Texas Industry Partnership is a \$1,000,000 program that allows the local workforce board to apply for funds on the behalf of workforce related project. Ideally the funds are to create occupational job training programs that will improve the skill sets of individuals for jobs in six designated industry clusters: advanced manufacturing, aerospace, biotechnology, information technology, petroleum refining and energy. Funding can be used but is not limited to curriculum, equipment, instructors and small building improvements.

TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Julian Alvarez will present a check to representatives from Cameron County Education Initiative Inc. and Workforce Solutions Cameron at an 8:30 a.m. ceremony to be held at Workforce Solutions Cameron, 851 Old Alice Road in Brownsville.

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