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TEDC Presents Workforce Excellence Awards at 2019 Mid-Year Conference

The Texas Economic Development Council (TEDC) has announced the recipients of our 2019 Workforce Excellence Awards. The awards will be presented at a special awards breakfast held Thursday, June 14, 2018, at the TEDC's Mid-Year Conference in Rockwall, Texas. The two and one half-day conference was held June 12-14, 2019, at the Hilton Rockwall Hotel.

The Workforce Excellence Award program recognizes exceptional contributions by a Texas community or region that has implemented successful workforce initiatives. The TEDC's Workforce Development Committee committee reviewed applications from eleven (11) communities and organizations. Nominees were then judged on five criteria: innovativeness, transferability, community commitment and leverage, measured objectives, and secondary benefits.

Communities nominated included: *Population Less than 15,000* – City of Roanoke and Workforce Solutions Rockdale Office. *Population 40,001 to 100,000* – Pflugerville Community Development Corporation, Rockwall Economic Development Corporation and Temple Economic Development Corporation. *Population 100,001 to 250,000* – Brazos Valley Economic Development Corporation and Greater Brownsville Incentive Corporation. *Population 250,001 and Above* – Economic Alliance Houston Port Region. *Regional* – Workforce Solutions Lower Rio Grande Valley, Workforce Solutions Northeast Texas and Workforce Solutions South Plains

The 2019 Workforce Excellence Award recipients are:

Population (Les than 15,000): Workforce Solutions Rockdale Office
Population (40,001 to 100,000): Temple Economic Development Corporation
Population (100,001 to 250,000): Greater Brownsville Incentive Corporation
Population (250,001 and Above): Economic Alliance Houston Port Region
Regional Category: Workforce Solutions South Plains

“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 850 members, the TEDC is now the largest state economic development association in the nation.