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The WorkSource To Receive \$154,298,996 for Region

HOUSTON – The WorkSource has received word from the Texas Workforce Commission that it will receive \$154,298,996 in federal and state funds during the next fiscal year for its service system. The WorkSource is a comprehensive human resources provider serving the 13-county Houston-Galveston Gulf Coast region. It helps employers solve workforce-related business problems and individuals with career transition.

The WorkSource helps employers find qualified workers by screening and referring qualified applicants, scheduling interviews and arranging space for the interviews, as needed. It provides a range of services for residents—including placement assistance, counseling, and financial aid for those who are eligible—to match employers' needs. When area residents lose jobs as a result of company layoffs or plant closings, The WorkSource provides outplacement services to assist both the employer and the affected employees.

During the last year, The WorkSource assisted 400,000 residents with their employment needs, and placed more than 100,000 in jobs. It provided approximately \$10 million in education scholarships and \$100 million in total financial assistance.

The WorkSource is the largest of 28 workforce boards in the State of Texas, and one of the largest regional workforce boards in the country. It operates 36 local offices placed strategically throughout the region—which includes Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Colorado, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Walker, Waller and Wharton counties. Because its revenues come primarily from tax dollars, The WorkSource does not charge for its services.