



WHO WE ARE

The Gulf Coast Workforce Board and its operating affiliate Workforce Solutions are the public workforce system in the 13-county Houston-Galveston region. We help employers meet their human resource needs and individuals build careers, so both can compete in the global economy.

- The Workforce Board is business-led and community focused, with members representing private sector business, education, organized labor, and community-based organizations.
- With participation from the region's chief local elected officials, the Workforce Board sets the strategic direction for the regional workforce system and guides the area's workforce agenda focusing on four key results:
 - competitive employers,
 - an educated workforce,
 - more and better jobs, and
 - higher incomes.
- The Board contracts for the operations of its affiliate Workforce Solutions, which directly delivers service to employers and individuals.

WHAT WE DO

- During 2015, our Employer Service helped more than 26,000 employers
 - find candidates to fill about 200,000 openings;
 - outplace more than 4,000 workers; and
 - get advice on human resources issues and concerns
- Our 25 local offices and seven adult education providers touched more than 380,000 individuals helping
 - about 237,000 go to work;
 - More than 22,000 improve their basic education skills; and
 - more than 31,000 use \$134 million in financial aid to get a job, keep a job or get a better job
- Our entire system worked to provide individuals, students, parents, teachers and counselors with up-to-date and useful information on the good jobs of the future – focusing on the high-skill, high-growth jobs that provide opportunities for growth and good wages.

Workforce Solutions is an equal opportunity employer/program.
Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.
Please contact H-GAC at least 48 hours in advance to request accommodations 713.627.3200
Deaf, hard-of-hearing or speech-impaired customers may contact:
Relay Texas 1-800-735-2989 (TTY) or 711 (Voice).
Equal opportunity is the law.

The Gulf Coast Workforce Board

Charge

The Gulf Coast Workforce Board is the public workforce system for the 13-county Houston-Galveston area. The Workforce Board sets the region's workforce agenda and the strategic direction for its operating affiliate, Workforce Solutions. Annually, the Board oversees and evaluates the use of about \$200 million in public dollars that help employers meet their human resource needs and individuals build careers.

Members

There are currently 43 members, a majority of whom represent private business, from across the region. The Board also includes representatives of organized labor, education (K-12, postsecondary and adult education/literacy), economic development agencies, and community-based organizations.

Business members are nominated by general purpose business organizations, and other members, by interested organizations. The region's chief elected officials – the 13 county judges and the mayor of the City of Houston – appoint members from nominations received, and the Houston-Galveston Area Council's Board of Directors confirms these appointments.

Meetings

The Workforce Board meets six times a year – every other month beginning each year in February – on the first Tuesday of the month. A meeting generally lasts an hour to an hour and a half. The Board meets at the Houston-Galveston Area Council, 3555 Timmons Lane, Houston.

Much of the Board's work is done through its committees, including its Strategic Planning, Education, Employer Service, and Audit/Monitoring groups.

H-GAC serves as the staff to the Board.

More Information

<http://wrksolutions.com/about/workforceboard.html>

Mike Temple, Director
Carol Kimmick, Administrative Coordinator
713.627.3200 voice
713.993.4578 fax