

About the Local Plan & Updates

Our 2021-24 Local Plan describes the current and future economic and workforce needs of our region and lays out how the Texas’ Gulf Coast Workforce Board will use its resources to meet those needs.

The update allows for more recently available data to inform the Workforce Board’s investments in services, education and training to ensure that area businesses have the people with the skills and abilities to drive our regional economy forward.

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Timeline

ENACTMENT OF THE
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT
(WIA)



1998

Transformed federal employment and training programs into a market-driven, business-led process with local decision-making to account for the nuances of each community.

Mandated the creation of local workforce boards and a network of connected neighborhood career offices where employers connect with prospective job candidates.

PASSAGE OF WORKFORCE
INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY
ACT REPLACES THE 1998 WIA



2014

Promotes increased coordination between workforce development, educators and employers to ensure workforce investments are evidence-based and data-driven.

FAST-FORWARD
TO THE
CURRENT PLAN

THE 2021-2024 LOCAL
WORKFORCE PLAN IS DESIGNED
AND IMPLEMENTED



2021

Guides the Gulf Coast Workforce Board and Workforce Solutions in making decisions about how we use our system and resources to meet employment needs through 2024.

THE UPDATED PLAN IS
RELEASED BY WORKFORCE
SOLUTIONS



2023

Two years into the 2021-2024 Local Workforce Plan, the plan is updated with the most recent workforce data reflecting our region’s recovery from the height of the COVID-19 Pandemic in 2020.

Learn about the updates to the local plan in one of two ways:

Attend a public meeting:

January 19, 2023
3 PM to 4:30 PM
Workforce Solutions
Northline Office
4424 North Freeway
Houston, TX 77022

or View recorded presentation:
www.wrksolutions.com/localplan

5 ways to comment:

- Voice** your comments:
- Attend the public meeting
 - Phone: 713.993.4579
- Submit** comments online:
www.wrksolutions.com/localplan
- E-mail** comments:
comments@wrksolutions.com
- Mail** comments:
Houston-Galveston Area Council
Attn: Thomas Brown
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Houston, TX 77227-2777
- Deliver** written comments:
Houston-Galveston Area Council
3555 Timmons Lane,
Ste. 100
Houston, Texas 77027

Public Comment
Period for the
updated plan.

JAN 2 – 31

Comments
considered and
documented in the
plan’s appendix.

FEB 1 – 6

Updated plan is
presented for
approval of the Gulf
Coast Workforce
Board.

FEB 7

MARCH 1

Approved, updated 2021-2024 Local Workforce Plan is submitted to the Texas Workforce Commission and the U.S. Department of Labor.