

# Texas Workforce Press Release

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## **Texas State Technical College Waco Receives \$305,000 for Radio Frequency Identification Training Facility**

AUSTIN — In a press conference today, Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) Chair Diane Rath presented TSTC Waco with \$305,000 in U.S. Department of Labor Wagner-Peyser funds, that TWC administers. The funding will support the college's Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) Training Facility.

Partnering with TWC, TSTC Waco plans to establish the training facility for corporate and student education in radio frequency identification. In addition to providing state-of-the-art workforce training, the RFID facility will serve as a center of excellence devoted to facilitating the widespread adoption of RFID

technologies. RFID is used for applications such as the EZPass through a toll booth, SpeedPass at the gas pump, and even with biometric technologies for security purposes.

“It is extremely heartening to see state funds used to help establish a training facility for corporate and student education,” state Rep. Charles “Doc” Anderson said. “Through this center, more workers will earn certification in radio frequency identification.”

“TWC strengthens the Texas workforce through innovative skills training programs and through the support of training facilities such as this,” TWC Chair Rath said. “TSTC Waco is a tremendous partner with us in workforce development benefitting employers, workers and the community.”

The RFID facility will provide training for both RFID professionals seeking advanced skills and for students studying this ground-breaking technology.

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In this photo released by the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC), TWC Chair and Commissioner Representing the Public Diane Rath (second from left) presents a \$305,000 DOL Wagner-Peyser Fund check to (from left) TSTC Corporate College Associate Vice President Jeff Gillium, TSTC Corporate College Project Director Bob Hoheisal and TSTC Corporate College President Mike Harder. (TSTC Waco photo)