

# Texas Workforce Press Release

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## **Lone Star College Partners with Godwin-SBO, Lectrus Corp. and T-3 Energy Services Inc. for Job-Training Grants**

AUSTIN – Godwin-SBO, Lectrus Corp. and T-3 Energy Services Inc. have partnered with Lone Star College to provide training for a total of 469 new and upgraded positions using two job-training grants that total \$523,140 from the Texas Workforce Commission’s (TWC) Skills Development Fund.

In partnership with Lone Star College, Godwin-SBO and Lectrus received \$359,868 to train 235 for positions including electricians, fitters, machinists, press operators, structural designers, and welders. Upon completion of training, workers will earn an average hourly wage of \$18.13. T-3 Energy Services received \$163,272 to train 234 oil and gas manufacturing workers. Upon completion of training, workers will earn an average hourly wage of \$15.63.

“The training programs taking place using this grant will build competent skills,” said TWC Commissioner Representing the Public Andres Alcantar. “The number of Texans working in these jobs earning good wages will be a great economic boost for this region of Texas.”

In Fiscal Year (FY) 2009, Skills Development Fund grants created or upgraded 19,516 jobs, which paid an average hourly wage of \$24.44. These grants assisted 170 Texas employers with their customized training needs. The Legislature appropriated \$90 million to the Skills Development Fund for the 2010-11 biennium. Employers seeking more information about the Skills Development Fund may visit the TWC Web site at <http://skills.texasworkforce.org>.

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