

1                   **Certification and Recertification of Community Rehabilitation Programs**  
2                   **to Participate in the Purchasing from People with Disabilities Program**  
3                   **Discussion Paper**  
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6   **Background**

7   The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) administers the Purchasing from People with  
8   Disabilities (PPD) program. TWC’s responsibilities include determining the eligibility  
9   requirements for participation in the program and ensuring subsequent compliance with those  
10   requirements when a community rehabilitation program (CRP) is certified or recertified. CRPs  
11   must reapply every three years before the expiration date on the certificate. TWC staff reviews  
12   each submitted application and all required documentation prior to forwarding recommendations  
13   for certification or recertification to TWC’s three-member Commission for approval.

14   **Issue**

15   Staff has completed reviews of one application for certification and 24 applications for  
16   recertification. All 25 CRPs meet all requirements for certification and recertification contained  
17   in TWC’s Purchases of Products and Services from People with Disabilities rule §806.41,  
18   Certification and Recertification of Community Rehabilitation Programs.

19   One Certification

20   **Squeaky Clean Solution**

- 21       • Provides: office cleaning and floor services
- 22       • Currently no PPD program contracts
- 23       • Types of disabilities: alcohol and drug rehabilitation

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25   Twenty-Four (24) Recertifications

26   **1. Austin Task Inc.**

- 27       • Provides: documentation destruction/shredding, janitorial, and mailroom services
- 28       • Current number of employees: 108
- 29       • Integrated employment placement: 85

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31   **2. Camp County Developmentally Disabled Association, Inc.**

- 32       • Provides: litter pickup, grounds maintenance, and picnic janitorial services
- 33       • Current number of employees: 33
- 34       • Integrated employment placement: four

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36   **3. Endeavors Unlimited (San Antonio, Texas)**

- 37       • Provides: ground maintenance and custodial services
- 38       • Current number of employees: 37
- 39       • Integrated employment placement: zero

- 1    **4. World Technical Services, Inc. (San Antonio, Texas)**  
2    • Provides: litter pickup, grounds, janitorial, and tree trimming services  
3    • Current number of employees: 140  
4    • Integrated employment placement: zero  
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6    **5. David & Ivory Ministries, Inc. dba Lieutenant's House (Houston, Texas)**  
7    • Provides: litter pickup, landscaping, and janitorial services  
8    • Current number of employees: 93  
9    • Integrated employment placement: 16  
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11    **6. MHMR of Nueces County dba Behavioral Health Center of Nueces County (Corpus**  
12    **Christi, Texas)**  
13    • Provides: ground maintenance and litter pickup  
14    • Current number of employees: 11  
15    • Integrated employment placement: zero  
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17    **7. West Texas Centers for MHMR**  
18    • Provides: lawn care and rest area maintenance  
19    • Current number of employees: 31  
20    • Integrated employment placement: seven  
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22    **8. Fresh Start of Monroe, Inc.**  
23    • Provides: grounds maintenance, janitorial services, and litter pickup  
24    • Current number of employees: 31  
25    • Integrated employment placement: zero  
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27    **9. Goodwill Industries of Central East Texas, Inc.**  
28    • Provides: temporary staffing and janitorial services  
29    • Current number of employees: 35  
30    • Integrated employment placement: one  
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32    **10. Permian Basin Community Centers for MHMR dba Midland Vocational Service**  
33    • Provides: janitorial services and park maintenance/landscape  
34    • Current number of employees: 53  
35    • Integrated employment placement: zero  
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37    **11. Professional Contract Services, Inc.**  
38    • Provides: air filters and janitorial services  
39    • Current number of employees: 1,069  
40    • Integrated employment placement: zero  
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- 1 **12. San Antonio Lighthouse for the Blind**  
2 • Provides: contract management, temporary staffing, writing instruments, textile, and  
3 aircraft floorboards  
4 • Current number of employees: 12  
5 • Integrated employment placement: zero  
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- 7 **13. SDR & Associates, Inc.**  
8 • Provides: large debris removal  
9 • Current number of employees: six  
10 • Integrated employment placement: zero  
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- 12 **14. West Texas Lighthouse for the Blind**  
13 • Provides: litter removal and mowing services  
14 • Current number of employees: 60  
15 • Integrated employment placement: zero  
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- 17 **15. Andrews Center dba Andrews Diversified Industries Recertification**  
18 • Provides: grounds maintenance  
19 • Current number of employees: 112  
20 • Integrated employment placement: three  
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- 22 **16. Austin State Supported Living Center**  
23 • Provides: products such as CDs, backup horns, bindings, and toothbrushes  
24 • Current number of employees: 84 (current pay is below minimum wage)  
25 • Integrated employment placement: zero  
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- 27 **17. Camino Real Community MHMR Center**  
28 • Provides: products such as chairs, food products, picture frames, and wheelchairs  
29 • Current number of employees: 37  
30 • Integrated employment placement: zero  
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- 32 **18. Citizens Development Center dba Achieve**  
33 • Provides: fleet car washing, janitorial, landscaping, and temporary wage services  
34 • Current number of employees: 163  
35 • Integrated employment placement: 207  
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- 37 **19. Lending Helping Hands to Others**  
38 • Provides: janitorial services  
39 • Current number of employees: 12  
40 • Integrated employment placement: zero  
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- 1 **20. Liberty Proclaimed Ministry**  
2 • Provides: litter removal and mowing services  
3 • Current number of employees: 74  
4 • Integrated employment placement: seven  
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- 6 **21. Opportunities for Deserving Individuals Inc.**  
7 • Provides: janitorial and landscaping services  
8 • Current number of employees: 22  
9 • Integrated employment placement: zero  
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- 11 **22. South Texas Lighthouse for the Blind**  
12 • Provides: paper bags, mouse pads, toilet paper, and cleaning solutions  
13 • Current number of employees: 66  
14 • Integrated employment placement: zero  
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- 16 **23. St. Vincent DePaul Rehabilitation Service of Texas dba Peak Performers**  
17 • Provides: temporary employee services  
18 • Current number of employees: 387  
19 • Integrated employment placement: 86  
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- 21 **24. Upper Valley Helpsource, Inc.**  
22 • Provides: mowing and litter pickup  
23 • Current number of employees: four  
24 • Integrated employment placement: zero
- 25 **Decision Point**  
26 Staff seeks direction on approving the certifying and recertifying of CRPs to participate in the  
27 PPD program.