

**Texas Workforce Commission
Order
Fiscal Year 2023 Block Grant Allocations and Distribution**

WHEREAS, Sections 301.001, 302.002, and 302.065, Texas Labor Code, establish the Texas Workforce Commission to operate an integrated workforce development system in this state, in particular through the consolidation of job training, employment, and employment-support services (including child care services), to achieve an efficient and effective delivery of services, and to allocate funds to local workforce development areas for the purpose of meeting or exceeding statewide performance targets, as set forth in the General Appropriations Act, and consistent with federal and state program requirements; and

WHEREAS, Section 302.062(a), Texas Labor Code, provides that the Texas Workforce Commission shall provide to the local workforce development areas in which local workforce boards have been certified and local plans approved by the Governor, through a block grant process, funds available to the Commission for workforce training and employment services; and

WHEREAS, S.B. No. 1, General Appropriations Act, 87th Legislature, Regular Session, appropriates funds to support the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC's) mission to promote and support a workforce system that offers individuals, employers, and communities the opportunity to achieve and sustain economic prosperity for the fiscal year 2022-23 biennium; and

WHEREAS, funds appropriated to TWC in S.B. No. 1, General Appropriations Act, 87th Legislature, Regular Session, for fiscal year 2023, for the objectives of supporting a market-driven system and helping jobseekers secure employment, and for child care services are included by TWC in the block grant allocations for fiscal year 2023 to all local workforce development areas throughout the state (including those allocations previously adopted for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Title I programs and Adult and Education and Literacy programs , approved on May 31, 2022 and effective July 1, 2022, pursuant to federal law and regulation); and

WHEREAS, these block grant allocations and distributions consist of state and federal program funds for workforce training and employment and support services for Child Care Services (\$1,121,757,884), TANF Choices (\$74,481,190), Employment Services (\$26,394,769), Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment and Training (\$14,301,879), Small Board Funding Distribution (\$1,222,151), and Migrant Seasonal Farmworker Distribution (\$254,000), in addition to the aforementioned Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Title I programs and Adult Education and Literacy programs; and

WHEREAS, these block grant allocations are awarded in concert with the requirements of associated state and federal statutes, program regulations and rules, and TWC contract provisions and requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Texas Workforce Commission that the fiscal year 2023 block grant allocations and Small Board Funding Distribution are adopted, and the Executive Director is hereby ordered to administer these block grant allocations in the most feasible and economical manner and within all guidelines prescribed by H.B. No. 1, General Appropriations Act, 87th Legislature, Regular Session, the Texas Labor Code, and TWC rules.

Adopted on August 9, 2022:

Bryan Daniel, Chair and Commissioner Representing the Public

Julian Alvarez III, Commissioner Representing Labor

Aaron Demerson, Commissioner Representing Employers