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AAA Texas, Swaydental Management Partner with El Centro College for \$419,430 in Job-Training Grants

AUSTIN – AAA Texas LLC and Swaydental Management Co. have partnered with El Centro College to provide job training for 196 new and incumbent workers using Skills Development Fund grants totaling \$419,430 from the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC). The grants will benefit workers in the Workforce Solutions Great Dallas and Workforce Solutions for Tarrant County areas.

AAA Texas will create 110 jobs using a \$197,835 Skills Development Fund grant. The grant will be used to provide specialized training for policy management, billing systems, travel agent specialty, claims foundations and customer service interactions. Those trained will include customer service representatives, call center supervisors, insurance sales agents, policy processing clerks and travel agents. Upon completion of the training, the workers will receive an average hourly wage of \$17.22.



Top photo: TWC Chairman Andres Alcantar (center) presents a \$197,835 Skills Development Fund grant to representatives from AAA Texas LLC and El Centro College.



Bottom Photo: TWC Chairman Andres Alcantar (Center) presents a \$221,595 Skills Development Fund grant to representatives from Swaydental Management, Co. and El Centro College representatives.

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Swaydental Management will create or upgrade 86 jobs using a \$221,595 Skills Development Fund grant. The grant will be used to provide product knowledge, leadership and customer service skills in dental services. Trainees will have an opportunity to gain certifications in coronal polishing and pit and fissure sealant. Those trained will include accounting clerks, administrative assistants, office supervisors, registered dental assistants and dental hygienists, business developers and front desk personnel. Upon completion of the training, workers will earn an average hourly wage of \$19.43.

“Skills grants deliver customized training solutions that help Texas employers and workers succeed in the marketplace,” said TWC Chairman Andres Alcantar. “This investment builds not only employee skills, but the capabilities of our community colleges to the benefit of employers and the community. We are pleased to make this investment.”

From the program’s inception in 1996 through 2014, Skills Development Fund grants have created or upgraded more than 316,000 jobs throughout Texas. The grants have assisted 4,074 employers with their customized training needs. The Legislature allocated nearly \$48 million to the Skills Development Fund for the 2014-15 biennium. Employers seeking more information about the Skills Development Fund may visit the TWC website at www.texasworkforce.org/skills.

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