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St. David's HealthCare Partners with Austin Community College for \$1 Million Job-Training Grant

AUSTIN – St. David's HealthCare has partnered with Austin Community College to provide job training for new and incumbent workers using a \$1,005,983 Skills Development Fund grant from the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC). The grant will benefit workers in the Workforce Solutions Capital Area and Workforce Solutions Rural Capital areas.

This grant will be used to provide custom training to 709 new and incumbent workers for nursing and allied health related topics with focused instruction on geriatric, emergency, respiratory, chemotherapy, critical care and progressive care nursing training. Trainees who complete the training may be eligible for numerous nursing and specialist certifications. Upon completion of training, the workers will receive an average wage of \$32.71.



TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Ronny Congleton presents a \$1,005,983 Skills Development Fund grant check to representatives from Austin Community College and St. David's HealthCare. Pictured from left: Austin Community College President & CEO Dr. Richard Rhodes, Austin Community College Executive Dean of Continuing Education Division Dr. Hector Aguilar, Commissioner Congleton and St. David's HealthCare President and CEO David Huffstutler.

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“Our Skills Development Fund grants serve everyone well,” said TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Ronny Congleton. “Workers get the specialized training they need and the communities benefit from a more highly skilled workforce.”

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 [Skills Development Fund website](#).

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