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Pharr-San Juan-Alamo ISD Receives \$211,213 Jobs and Education for Texans (JET) Grant

AUSTIN – The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) has awarded Pharr-San Juan-Alamo ISD a \$211,213 Jobs and Education for Texans (JET) grant. The grant will help the school district purchase and install equipment to provide students with training to prepare for careers as emergency medical technicians and paramedics.



TWC Director of Employer Initiatives Aaron Demerson presented a \$211,213 Jobs and Education for Texans (JET) grant to representatives from Pharr-San Juan-Alamo ISD. Pictured from left to right: Workforce Solutions Lower Rio Grande Valley CEO Francisco Almaraz, state Sen. Juan “Chuy” Hinojosa, South Texas College President Dr. Shirley Reed, state Sen. Eddie Lucio, Jr., Pharr-San Juan- Alamo ISD Superintendent Dr. Daniel King, Pharr-San Juan-Alamo ISD Board President Guadalupe Rodriguez, Workforce Solutions Lower Rio Grande Valley Board President Jaime Ortiz, Pharr-San Juan-Alamo ISD Board Member Humberto Rodriguez, Aaron Demerson, Pharr-San Juan-Alamo ISD Board Member Jesus Vela, Jr.

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TWC recently awarded 25 grants totaling \$4,986,000 to public community and technical colleges and independent school districts for programs that focus on supporting new, emerging industries or high-demand occupations through the [JET grant program](#).

The JET program provides funding for equipment to eligible educational institutions for the purpose of developing career and technical education courses and may include courses offering dual-credit and technical education programs. Equipment funded through JET grants must be used to train students for jobs in high-demand occupations.

Eligible educational institutions can apply for the next phase of JET funding through a competitive grant process. TWC has issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) solicitation that provides information and instruction on how to submit a proposal packet. Go to the [JET Grant Program webpage](#) to access the RFP Solicitation.

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