

TEXAS WORKFORCE INVESTMENT COUNCIL REQUIREMENTS FOR BOARD PLANS

Background

The Texas Workforce Investment Council (TWIC) is charged under both state and federal law with recommending Local Workforce Development Boards' (Boards) Plans and plan modifications to the governor for final approval. TWIC reviews each Board plan to ensure that local goals and objectives are consistent with the statewide long-term objectives in the system strategic plan, *Advancing Texas, Strategic Plan for the Texas Workforce System, FY 2010–FY 2015 (Advancing Texas)* [and the 2012 Update to Advancing Texas](http://governor.state.tx.us/twic/work/) (<http://governor.state.tx.us/twic/work/>)

Additionally, state law charges TWIC with reporting annually to the governor and the Texas legislature on the implementation of the system strategic plan, and with monitoring the operation of the state's workforce system to assess the degree to which the system is effective in achieving state and local goals and objectives. Therefore, TWIC also reviews Board Plans and plan modifications to determine each Board's progress in implementing strategies that align with *Advancing Texas*.

Purpose of Current Request

Information gained from Boards' responses to the following questions will be reviewed for alignment with *Advancing Texas* and will be the basis for recommending approval to the governor. Additionally, a summary of Boards' responses and strategies will be included in TWIC's 2013 annual evaluation report to the governor and the legislature. TWIC is asking each Board to include both narrative and quantitative information (where available) in its response for each population listed in part I and narrative information in response to the directives in part II.

PART I

Provide detailed information on plan strategies that are specifically designed to meet the needs of each of the following populations, and to facilitate their entry into the workforce:

- Veterans
- Texans with low literacy or poor English language fluency
- Blind or disabled Texans

Additionally, where applicable, specify related performance measures and targets for each population.

PART II

1. Provide detailed information on an innovative strategy contained in your plan that includes collaboration with two or more system partners.
2. Describe the rationale for the strategy and its intended outcomes.
3. Describe how both the process and the outcomes of the strategy will be evaluated to determine the strategy's success over time.