

1                   **Approval of Re-Certification of Community Rehabilitation Programs**  
2                   **to Participate in the Purchasing from People with Disabilities State-Use Program**  
3                   **Discussion Paper**  
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5                   **Background**

6 Texas Human Resources Code §122.013 requires the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) to  
7 establish rules for the certification of Community Rehabilitation Programs (CRPs) to participate  
8 in the Purchasing from People with Disabilities (PPD) program. TWC Chapter 806 Purchases of  
9 Products and Services from People with Disabilities rule §806.41 establishes requirements for  
10 participation in the program and subsequent adherence to those requirements when a CRP has  
11 been certified. CRPs must reapply every three years, before the expiration date on the certificate.  
12 PPD staff reviews each completed application and all required documentation and, once the  
13 materials are deemed acceptable, presents the application to TWC's three-member Commission  
14 for approval.  
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16                   **Issue**

17 The PPD program has reviewed the applications of four CRPs seeking to continue participation  
18 in the program through recertification. All of these CRPs pay minimum wage or higher.  
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20                   **Recertifications**

21                   **1. A Lift for Life Outreach Center, Inc. (Dallas)**

- 22                   ➤ Services: Janitorial, Litter Removal, and Grounds Maintenance
- 23                   ➤ Products: N/A
- 24                   ➤ Current number of employees on PPD contracts: 33
- 25                   ➤ Wages and benefits: Averaging \$12.07 per hour
- 26                   ➤ Certification date: 9/2003
- 27                   ➤ Cumulative integrated employee placements for fiscal year prior to application: 1
- 28                   ➤ CRP is current on state Unemployment Insurance taxes.  
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30                   **2. Janie Clements Industries/Center for Life Resources (Brownwood)**

- 31                   ➤ Services: Janitorial, Litter Removal, and Grounds Maintenance
- 32                   ➤ Products: Panties and Bras
- 33                   ➤ Current number of employees on PPD contracts: 105
- 34                   ➤ Wages and benefits: Averaging \$7.49 per hour
- 35                   ➤ Certification date: 9/2003
- 36                   ➤ Cumulative integrated employee placements for fiscal year prior to application: 1
- 37                   ➤ CRP is current on state Unemployment Insurance taxes.  
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39                   **3. Goodwill Industries of East Texas (Tyler)**

- 40                   ➤ Services: Document Destruction Services, Temp Services
- 41                   ➤ Products: Delineators, Mailbox Posts, Quarter Fold Wipes, and Anti-Fatigue Mats
- 42                   ➤ Current number of employees on PPD contracts: 62
- 43                   ➤ Wages and benefits: Averaging \$13.71 per hour
- 44                   ➤ Certification date: 9/2003
- 45                   ➤ Cumulative integrated employee placements for fiscal year prior to application: 0
- 46                   ➤ CRP is current on state Unemployment Insurance taxes.

- 1 **4. Marion Moss Enterprises, Inc. (Lubbock)**
- 2     ➤ Services: Ground Maintenance
- 3     ➤ Products: Clocks, Litter Sticks, Litter Bags
- 4     ➤ Current number of employees on PPD contracts: 73
- 5     ➤ Wages and benefits: Averaging \$8.26 per hour
- 6     ➤ Certification date: 9/2003
- 7     ➤ Cumulative integrated employee placements for fiscal year prior to application: 0
- 8     ➤ CRP is current on state Unemployment Insurance taxes.

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10 **Recommendation**

11 Staff recommends the recertification of four CRPs for continued participation in the PPD

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