

Skills for Small Business

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Responding to the needs of Texas' more than 433,000 small businesses!

Skills training

- Increases competitiveness
- Upgrades current employees skills
- Prepares newly hired employees for job requirements



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- Training for businesses with fewer than 100 employees
- Tuition and fees up to \$1,450 for new employees and up to \$725 for existing employees per 12 month period
- Select courses from schedules for public community or technical colleges, or TEEEX
- No customization or third-party vendors



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- New employees are those hired up to three months prior to contract date
- Trainees must be full-time employees
- Trainees must earn prevailing wage
- Businesses apply directly to TWC at anytime



Skills for Small Business Resources

- For more information about Skills for Small Business, visit: <http://ssb.texasworkforce.org>
 - Application and Instructions on how businesses apply
 - Prevailing wage tutorial
 - Local Community College information
 - Local Workforce Board Targeted Occupations



Fiscal Year 2010-11 biennium \$90 million appropriated

- **Customized Training for Texas Employers**

Can include instructional, scheduling and site-specific adaptations specific to employer needs

- **Skills Development is a Partnership**

Colleges partner with a business, a consortium of businesses or trade union

- **Eligible Applicants and Grant Recipients**

Public or technical colleges, the Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX), or a 501(c)(3) Community-based organizations (CBOs) in partnership with a college

- **Typical Skills Development Fund Grant**

Cost per trainee target of \$1,420

Single-business project can be up to \$500,000

12-month training period

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