\$1 Million Available for Returning Veterans Skills Training

Through these training funds, veterans – particularly those who have been deployed to Iraq or Afghanistan – will receive important skills training to meet the demands of Texas employers."

-Texas Workforce Chairman Tom Pauken

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The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) has allocated \$1 million for the Returning Veterans Skills Training Fund. Recently separated veterans can upgrade their skills in fields that support Texas' future job growth.

Private Texas employers can apply to TWC for training grants by partnering with established training providers such as community colleges, apprenticeship training programs, or community-based training programs with demonstrated experience. Employers must be based in Texas and in good standing and in compliance with the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act and other applicable state and federal labor laws.

To Apply

Applications for grants can be submitted at any time up to November 1, 2010. To apply, download the grant application at http://www.twc.state.tx.us/svcs/funds/vet_scholarship.html, complete all requested information, sign the forms, and return them electronically to: vet.scholarproject@twc.state.tx.us or call Workforce Business Services at (512) 936-0401.

For additional information on the Returning Veterans Skills Training Fund, employers can call (512) 936-0401



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QUALIFICATIONS

Veterans eligible for skills training scholarships must:

- Be discharged or released from active duty within the previous 36 months;
- Be discharged or released from active duty under conditions other than dishonorable;
- Have served during a war, campaign, or expedition for which a campaign badge has been authorized;
- Be employed by a participating employer or have an offer of employment from a participating employer; and
- Provide a DD-214 to document service status.

ABOUT TVLP

Active duty service members exiting the military may face challenges transitioning to civilian life and the workplace. To assist those veterans, TWC established the Texas Veterans Leadership Program (TVLP), modeled on the successful Vietnam Veterans Leadership Program which TWC Chairman Tom Pauken, himself a Vietnam veteran, established during the Reagan administration. Twenty-eight Veterans Resource and Referral Specialists (VRRSs) are based in local workforce development areas across Texas to assist their fellow veterans with job-search activities, training opportunities and other resources.

For more information about the TVLP Skills Training Fund or other training opportunities and services available from TWC and the 28 local workforce development boards, please visit the TWC Web sites vets.texasworkforce.org and www.texasworkforce.org.





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