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Texas Mutual awards over \$4M in grants to nonprofits supporting working families

Grants are first phase of a two-part initiative to invest in programs for communities, businesses and working families

AUSTIN, Texas—Texas Mutual Insurance Company, the state's leading provider of workers' compensation insurance, announced today the recipients from its first 2024 request for proposal (RFP) initiative. Grants have been awarded to 57 Texas organizations in 35 cities to support generational learning programs. These grants are part of Texas Mutual's larger commitment of \$8 million to fund nonprofit organizations in two categories: generational learning to support working families, and workforce development and safety training.

"At Texas Mutual, we believe that investing in the well-being of working families is an investment in the future of Texas," said Jackie Sekiguchi, Texas Mutual community affairs manager. "Through these grants, we are empowering organizations that share our commitment to providing essential resources and support for hardworking employees and their family members to ensure they have the tools they need to not only survive but thrive."

Generational learning grant recipients were selected based on their ability to meet the following criteria:

- Improving the health and wellness of Texas workers and their families by providing access to quality health care and health education
- Strengthening the early childhood education system by ensuring child care providers have the resources needed to deliver access to affordable, quality education for Texas families
- Providing holistic wraparound support for clients in addition to case management to ensure families have the resources they need to seize opportunities

For a full list of generational learning grant recipients, please visit texasmutual.com/generational-learning.

Workforce development and safety training grants—the second phase in Texas Mutual's RFP initiative—will be awarded to organizations and programs focused on the following criteria:

- Training the current and future skilled workforce in safe work practices, especially in industries or occupations at higher risk for workplace accidents
- Creating strong pathways for in-demand, middle-skill jobs
- Upskilling and reskilling adult learners using earn-and-learn initiatives

Applications for the second grant cycle will open at 8 a.m. CDT on Monday, August 19, and will close at 11:59 p.m. CDT on Friday, September 27.

For organizations interested in applying for a workforce development and safety training grant, Texas Mutual will host an <u>informational webinar on August 28 at 11 a.m. CDT.</u>

Funding amounts for the upcoming workforce development and safety training grants will vary by market and organization size. Applicants are recommended to request funding between \$25,000 and \$100,000. To be eligible for grant funding, organizations are required to be based in Texas, must be a 501(c)(3) designated organization, and must be able to demonstrate they are actively delivering assistance and services to Texas communities. Organizations interested in applying can learn more and access the application during the submission window at texasmutual.com/communityfunding.

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About Texas Mutual Insurance Company

Austin-based Texas Mutual Insurance Company, a policyholder-owned company, is the state's leading provider of workers' compensation insurance. Texas Mutual provides coverage to 43 percent of the market, representing over 77,000 companies, many of which are small businesses. Since 1991, the company has provided a stable, competitively priced source of workers' comp insurance for Texas employers. Helping employers prevent workplace accidents is an important part of Texas Mutual's mission.