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Tempur Sealy Partners with Blinn College for \$395,732 Job-Training Grant

AUSTIN – Tempur Sealy has partnered with Blinn College to provide customized training for new and incumbent employees using a \$395,732 Skills Development Fund grant from the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC). This grant will benefit workers in the Workforce Solutions Brazos Valley area.

Tempur Sealy in Brenham provides manufacturing, maintenance and training services for developing new mattress product lines. The grant will be used to custom train 263 new and incumbent workers to provide them with technical skills for mattress manufacturing, machine maintenance and safety training. Upon completion of training, the workers will earn an average hourly wage of \$17.34.



TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Ronny Congleton presents a \$395,723 Skills Development Fund grant check to representatives from Blinn College and Tempur Sealy. Pictured from left: Washington County Judge John Brieden, Blinn Board of Trustees Vice President Douglas Borchardt, Blinn District President/CEO Dr. Mary Hensley, Commissioner Congleton, Tempur Sealy Assistant Director of Manufacturing Brad Beach, Tempur Sealy Director of Manufacturing Dave Bishop and Tempur Sealy Senior Human Resources Business Partner Amanda Wolff.

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“Our Skills Development Fund grants serve everyone well,” said TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Ronny Congleton. “Workers get the specialized training they need and the communities benefit from a more highly skilled workforce.”

From the program’s inception in 1996 through 2014, Skills Development Fund grants have created or upgraded more than 316,000 jobs throughout Texas. The grants have assisted 4,074 employers with their customized training needs. The Legislature allocated nearly \$48 million to the Skills Development Fund for the 2014-15 biennium. Employers seeking more information about the Skills Development Fund may visit the [Skills Development Fund website](#).

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