



**Advocates for people
with disabilities in
the vocational
rehabilitation process**

**We want to hear
from you!**

State rehabilitation councils were established by federal law to provide community input to vocational rehabilitation agencies.

The Rehabilitation Council of Texas (RCT) mission is to advise and partner with the vocational rehabilitation agency to ensure Texans with disabilities have access to an effective vocational rehabilitation service delivery system leading to employment.

RCT, the Texas Workforce Commission and the Texas Workforce Solutions-Vocational Rehabilitation Services (TWS-VRS) partner in a variety of ways, including:

- ★ Evaluating customer satisfaction with services provided by TWS-VRS.
- ★ Helping develop the state plan and state goals and priorities.
- ★ Evaluating the effectiveness of the vocational rehabilitation program.
- ★ Reviewing and commenting on policy.
- ★ Facilitating public hearings.
- ★ Reviewing the effectiveness of and customer satisfaction with providers and the employment customers obtain.
- ★ Making recommendations to TWS-VRS to improve vocational rehabilitation services.
- ★ Obtaining public feedback and opinion on the vocational rehabilitation program.

**Rehabilitation Council
of Texas (RCT)
wants to hear
from the citizens
of Texas.**

**Please contact us
with feedback about
the vocational
rehabilitation program.**

- ★ What experience have you had with vocational rehabilitation?
- ★ What recommendations do you have for the vocational rehabilitation program?
- ★ Would you like an RCT representative to attend a local meeting about vocational rehabilitation issues?
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You can become a member of the Rehabilitation Council of Texas (RCT) and be a part of the exciting activities taking place if any of the following apply to you:

- ★ Have a disability.
- ★ Are a past or current vocational rehabilitation customer.
- ★ Are connected to business or labor.
- ★ Are an advocate or family member.

Talk to the RCT coordinator or come to one of our quarterly meetings. You can find our meeting schedule, agendas and minutes on our TWC web page at www.twc.texas.gov/rct. Council members are appointed by the governor.

Your Texas Workforce Solutions-Vocational Rehabilitation Services Office

To locate your Texas Workforce Solutions-Vocational Rehabilitation Services office, visit: www.twc.texas.gov/find-locations

**TO REACH THE REHABILITATION
COUNCIL OF TEXAS COORDINATOR
OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL:
800-628-5115**



**Texas Workforce Solutions-
Vocational Rehabilitation Services**

101 East 15th Street
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Equal Opportunity Employer/Program

Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

Relay Texas:
800-735-2989 (TTY) and 711 (Voice)

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For purposes of the Vocational Rehabilitation program, the Federal Vocational Rehabilitation grant pays 78.7 percent of the total costs of the program. In Federal fiscal year 2020, the Vocational Rehabilitation agency anticipates receiving \$287,666,847 in Federal Vocational Rehabilitation funds. Funds appropriated by the State pay 21.3 percent of the total costs (\$77,856,466) under the Vocational Rehabilitation program.

For purposes of the Supported Employment program, Federal funds paid 90 percent of the total costs. In Federal fiscal year 2020, the Vocational Rehabilitation agency received \$1,446,266 in Federal Supported Employment funds. State appropriated funds paid 10 percent (\$80,348) of the total costs under the Supported Employment program.

For purposes of the Independent Living Services for Older Individuals who are Blind program, Federal funds paid 90 percent of the total costs incurred under the program. In Federal fiscal year 2020, the agency received \$2,159,283 in Federal grant funds for this program. Funds appropriated by the State paid 10 percent (\$239,920) of the total costs incurred under the Independent Living Services for Older Individuals who are Blind program.