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Texas Mutual announces \$8M in grant funding for Texas nonprofits

Funding will invest in programs supporting generational learning, workforce development and safety training

AUSTIN, Texas—Texas Mutual Insurance Company, the state's leading provider of workers' compensation insurance, today announced it is committing \$8 million in grant funding to organizations across Texas through two request for proposal (RFP) initiatives. This is the third consecutive year Texas Mutual will invest in nonprofit organizations for their efforts to support working families and fortify businesses through workforce development and safety training.

Applications for the first grant cycle focused on generational learning open at 8 a.m. CDT on Monday, April 17, and will close at 11:59 p.m. CDT on Friday, May 26.

"Texas Mutual's annual grant cycles help ensure Texas nonprofits have the resources they need to flourish and grow," said Jackie Sekiguchi, Texas Mutual community affairs manager. "By providing these resources, we hope to create a lasting impact on Texas communities that will, in turn, create a stronger, safer Texas for the generations to come."

In the first grant cycle, Texas Mutual seeks to invest in initiatives that support generational change and will be awarded to organizations that demonstrate the following:

- 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 wrap around support for clients in addition to case management to ensure families have the resources they need to seize opportunities

Through the second grant cycle—workforce development and safety training— Texas Mutual seeks to invest in organizations and initiatives focused on the following:

- 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 be accepted between 8 a.m. CDT on Monday, August 21, and 11:59 p.m. CDT on Friday, September 29.

Grant amounts will vary by market and organization size. Applicants are recommended to request funding between \$25,000 and \$100,000, unless otherwise advised. 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.

The Texas Mutual community affairs team will host an informational webinar on April 26 for the first grant cycle to answer questions about the RFP. Interested organizations are encouraged to <u>register for the event</u>. Organizations can find more information and access the application during the appropriate submission window at <u>texasmutual.com/communityfunding</u>.

Through grant programs, Texas Mutual is able to further its reach across the state by partnering with organizations doing meaningful work in their communities. Since 2016, Texas Mutual has contributed \$60 million to organizations working to strengthen Texas' future.

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Texas Mutual Insurance Company, a policyholder-owned company, is the state's leading provider of workers' compensation insurance. Texas Mutual provides coverage to over 75,000 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.