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## **Flex-N-Gate Texas LLC Honored at Texas Workforce Conference**

Fort Worth, Texas – Flex-N-Gate Texas LLC (Flex-N-Gate) received the Employer Award of Excellence for the Workforce Solutions for Tarrant County area at the Texas Workforce Commission’s (TWC) 22nd Annual Texas Workforce Conference held Nov. 28–30 in Houston. The award honors private sector employers that are actively involved with Texas Workforce Solutions and have made a positive impact on employers, workers and the community.

“The Employer Award of Excellence recognizes those employers who put a premium on serving their communities and continue to raise the bar by contributing to Texas’ success,” said TWC Chair and Commissioner Representing Employers Ruth R. Hughs. “The work of these employers, together with local workforce boards, helps ensure a healthy economic climate in the Lone Star State.”

Flex-N-Gate Texas is an innovative automotive employer in Arlington that values career advancement for all employees. The company takes an active role in attracting and retaining local talent. Flex-N-Gate successfully integrated adult education and literacy, as well as Skills Development Fund activities, into an innovative approach to meet the needs of its employees. Flex-N-Gate recognized early on that some of its employees might have language or basic education barriers and did not want that to prevent deserving, talented employees from succeeding in skills training. Flex-N-Gate is dedicated to ensuring that existing employees have all the opportunities available to prepare for career advancement.

Tarrant County received a \$30,000 Performance Incentive award for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Adult/Dislocated Worker Training-Related Employment. TWC Performance Incentive awards recognize boards that display increased accountability and improved efficiencies. Monetary awards for achievement in these categories will be used to enhance workforce service programs during the next year.

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Tarrant County is among 28 local workforce boards located throughout the state that serves its county residents. Workforce Solutions for Tarrant County’s primary goal is to meet the needs of Tarrant employers and workers through locally-designed, market-driven workforce development initiatives and services. All employers, workers and job seekers are eligible to take advantage of these services. A 29-member Board made up of business and community leaders chaired by Jon Gustafson, with Lockheed Martin works in partnership with the Workforce Governing Board (WGB), which is composed of Fort Worth Mayor Betsy Price, Arlington Mayor Jeff Williams and Tarrant County Judge Glen Whitley, to oversee Workforce services in Tarrant County. More information about the workforce centers we have throughout Tarrant County can be found at our website: [www.workforcesolutions.net](http://www.workforcesolutions.net)