



of the Coastal Bend

Career Ready Workforce Certification (Alice, Beeville, Corpus Christi, Kingsville)

January-March 2016

















Who's the BEST? You're the BEST!/I'm the BEST!"

This is the constant theme that is repeated over and over during the week-long class which helps to motivate the "bestees" into their next career. Career Ready Workforce Certification (CRWC) has received State and National Awards for addressing the top demand of employers for a soft skills curriculum that meets the critical needs of their business. 14 competencies such as communication, critical thinking and teamwork are learned over a 4-day curriculum at our Career Centers.

JAN - MAR 2016 135 CRWC Graduates

3,240 Classroom Hours

324 Continuing Education Units

HIRING EVENTS



Color	Number of Events	Location
	07	Alice
	75	Corpus Christi
	03	Kingsville
	01	Rockport
	05	Sinton

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WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS of the Coastal Bend

QUARTERLY REPORT

JANUARY - MARCH 2016



WORKFORCE IMPACT

MARCH 2016 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

0.4% INCREASE FROM FEBRUARY 20

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COASTAL BEND WORKFORCE BY THE NUMBERS

EMPLOYER SERVICES



To Employers 3,123



960





118



Quarterly Regional Job Openings 5,202



Hired through WorkinTexas.com 747

JOB SEEKERS



15,630

Job Seekers Served

January 5, 2016

6,946

Financial Assistance for Training

\$215,191



1,545



630



Number of Youth Served Through Workforce Investment Opportunity Act (WIOA) Services

196



New Enrollments **ELI Program**

22

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

VITA Event Launch (Sunrise Career Center)







For over seven years, WFSCB has been a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Partner providing free tax preparation services to hundreds of taxpayers - including those of limited means, the elderly, people with disabilities and people with limited English proficiency. This is the third year that the Sunrise Career Center has been a VITA host site preparing taxes at no cost to residents and helping them claim Earned Income Tax Credits (EITC) and Child Tax Credit.

5 Volunteers

819 Volunteer Hours

528 Tax Returns Filed

\$773,088 Total Refunds

IDiscovery Safari (Richard Borchard Fairgrounds)

February 26, 2016







Nearly 50 exhibitors and over 1,400 participants came together to make this event truly successful. Children (and parents, too) had a great time as they participated in interactive exhibits, learned about careers in high-demand, and were encouraged to follow the education pathway to their dream job.

> ,400 Participants 50 Exhibitors

CHILD CARE SERVICES

CHILD CARE STATS Families Served 5,365 Children That Attended A State Licensed Child Care Center 8,783





Frogstreet Dine and Dash! (Staples Career Center)

February 25, 2016







TRS Child Care **Center Directors** Attended Event

Workforce Solutions of the Coastal Bend (WFSCB) recently hosted "Dine and Dash!", a curriculum presentation hosted by early childhood vendor Frogstreet. 12 Texas Rising Star child care center directors participated in this event during which they received samples of the curriculum products as door prizes.

Child Development Associate (CDA) Reception (Sunrise Career Center)

February 26, 2016







2 CDA Recipients

WFSCB held a reception at its Sunrise Career Center for child care workers who participated in its inaugural Child Development Associate (CDA) Certification training program. Child care staff who are CDA certified meets one of the criteria a child care center must demonstrate in order to become a Texas Rising Star center. 12 child care workers each received a \$100 incentive check and a certificate of program completion.