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Texas Mutual awards \$100K to Del Mar College for continued safety training

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas—Texas Mutual Insurance Company—the state’s leading provider of workers’ compensation insurance—has awarded a \$100,000 grant to Del Mar College (DMC) to support workplace safety training. The funding will strengthen safety programs offered through DMC’s Continuing Education and Workforce Programs & Corporate Services Departments, providing valuable training for area employers and their employees, along with the broader community.

2026 marks the 13th consecutive year that Texas Mutual has awarded a \$100,000 grant to support safety training courses targeting several workforce sectors in the Coastal Bend.

“Del Mar College appreciates the continued support that Texas Mutual provides through their grant, allowing us to expand our high-quality safety training programs to reach more Coastal Bend employers and residents living in the region,” said Dan Korus, DMC Dean of Workforce Programs & Corporate Services. “This funding is key to maintaining and developing critical safety training that proactively reduces and prevents workplace incidents to make our part of the state the safest place to live and work. The college’s goal is to continue filling the lead role in providing that training.”

Over the past year, Texas Mutual’s grant funding supported DMC safety training for nearly 700 students. These individuals took 78 classes that totaled more than 1,520 course hours.

The college’s comprehensive safety training is designed to meet diverse workforce needs. Courses emphasize both prevention and preparedness that empower

participants to identify hazards, apply best practices and respond confidently in critical situations.

Safety training addresses the needs of several employment sectors ranging from construction, healthcare and industrial to equipment operations, maritime, energy and food service.

DMC provides industry-recognized safety and certification training, including the OSHA 30-Hour course, healthcare CPR and AED instruction, mariner safety techniques and heavy equipment operator training.

In many instances, these courses are offered at little to no cost by using Texas Mutual funds to support the college's safety training programs. The grant removes financial barriers among individuals and employers, especially underserved populations and small businesses, giving them access to essential safety education that otherwise might be out of reach.

"Texas Mutual values the vital role community colleges play in shaping a skilled and resilient workforce across our state," said Eric Bourquin, vice president of safety services at Texas Mutual. "For more than 25 years, we've proudly supported these institutions through targeted grants that enhance safety training and workforce readiness. Our continued investment in education reflects our belief that safer, stronger communities begin with informed and empowered employees."

Learn more about Del Mar College's safety training offerings by visiting delmar.edu/ce/index.html. For more information on Texas Mutual and its work in the community, visit texasmutual.com.

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