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Gov. Rick Perry Unveils New Employment Resource: WorkInTexas.Com

AUSTIN – Gov. Rick Perry today officially unveiled **[WorkInTexas.com](#)**, an online job resource tool that can further help employers looking for workers, and workers looking for a job. The new program is being administered through the Texas Workforce Commission.

“The new program ‘WorkInTexas.Com’ is an innovative Internet tool that will match qualified workers with good employers at no cost,” Perry said. “In Texas, our two great competitive advantages are a strong, skilled workforce and a job climate that is second-to-none. This is an exciting time for Texas as the state continues to attract new businesses, grow existing industries, create new jobs and compete in a global marketplace.”

[WorkInTexas.com](#) is made possible through a partnership between the Texas Workforce Commission, more than two dozen local workforce boards, and 270 local workforce centers. Since the website went active May 24, more than 27,000 jobs have been posted, more than 46,000 Texans seeking work have registered, and more than 3,800 people have been hired. Up to the minute job leads are provided in real time, grouped according to a variety of industry categories that will help skilled workers find work that appeals to their interests and their training.

“As of the first week of April, unemployment compensation claims were down 23 percent from exactly one year prior, but we won’t rest until every Texan seeking employment finds the opportunity that can feed their families and forge a brighter future,” Perry said. “A job is much more than a generator of revenue for government, it is a generator of pride for a worker, and a source of hope in the future. Building a brighter future must always be our mission.”

Perry noted that from September to April, 88,000 new jobs were filled by Texas workers. There are other signs that the Texas economy is getting stronger, Perry said, noting that sales tax receipts have greatly exceeded projections, Texas is now the nation’s top exporting state and, according to the Federal Reserve, high-tech manufacturing in Texas reported its first quarterly gain in three years.

“A Texas of unlimited opportunity and prosperity is built on the backs of our workforce, and on the shoulders of our schools,” said Perry. “Job creation and job retention not only fund the priorities of government, they fund a brighter future for millions of Texas families. A job is a source of dignity in

addition to being a source of income for a worker. We can build a Texas of greater prosperity one job at a time.”