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Dallas Regional Chamber Launches Initiative to Connect Workers Impacted by COVID-19 to Jobs, Resources

DALLAS (March 30, 2020) – The Dallas Regional Chamber (DRC) today announced the launch of an online jobs page to connect workers displaced by the COVID-19 crisis to thousands of job openings and critical resources in the Dallas Region.

The [“Connecting Displaced Workers to Jobs” platform](#) lives on the DRC’s Say Yes to Dallas talent attraction campaign page and includes listings broken down by sector, including hospitals, pharmacies, grocery stores, food service, and warehouses.

“Many of our hard-working neighbors find themselves out of work through no fault of their own,” said Dale Petroskey, DRC President and CEO. “The DRC is doing all we can to help by connecting them to thousands of job opportunities and other resources so they can quickly get back on their feet.”

The website offers listings to individuals who need:

- leads for in-demand jobs;
- access to online courses to upskill into high-demand, well-paying jobs;
- childcare resources for parents involved in essential work; and
- links to help workers to file for unemployment claims.

Job opportunities include shelf stockers at grocers, nurses, business-development specialists, and delivery drivers, and will be updated regularly in partnership with Workforce Solutions Greater Dallas. The Say Yes site continues to function as a resource for companies or individuals seeking to relocate to the Dallas Region. The DRC jobs initiative was born out of an ongoing collaboration with leaders from the Dallas Citizens Council, Downtown Dallas Inc., and VisitDallas in meetings earlier this month as the COVID-19 crisis began unfolding in Dallas.

As part of a broader initiative to assist displaced workers, the DRC is also partnering with [Uber Works](#) to better fill the emerging workforce gap for hourly and shift workers. Uber Works, which launched earlier this month in Dallas, connects shift workers looking for temporary employment opportunities in general labor, customer service, production, and commercial cleaning with participating employers.

“Uber Works is pleased to partner with the DRC to help displaced workers find access to earning opportunities,” said Andrey Liscovich, CEO of Uber Works. “In these uncertain times, it is more important than ever that businesses on the front lines, including grocery stores and other distribution centers, are able to connect to the workforce and support the increased demand for essential goods.”

Employers and workers who wish to learn more about how to post openings or seek positions should contact workforce@dallaschamber.org.

About the Dallas Regional Chamber

The Dallas Regional Chamber is one of the most established business organizations in the nation and serves as the voice of business and the champion of economic development and growth in the Dallas Region. We work with our member companies and regional partners to strengthen our business community by advocating for pro-growth public policies, improving our educational system, attracting talented workers from around the world, and enhancing the quality of life for all. Our goal is to make Dallas the best place in the United States to live, work, and do business. For more information, please contact the DRC at 214.746.6600 or visit www.dallaschamber.org.

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