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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Community Partner Spotlight: A Local Business Makes a Big Difference

In August, one of our VR customers began their employment journey at Casa Kevin, a general store located in the heart of Weslaco. This charming local business is known for its welcoming atmosphere and variety of seasonal and household items. The partnership with Casa Kevin represents more than just a job placement, it reflects the power of inclusive hiring and community collaboration.

Through this placement, our customer gained valuable hands-on experience in a retail environment. From stocking and customer service to workplace routines and communication, the skills developed through this Work Experience Training opportunity are foundational for long-term success.

We're proud to partner with businesses like Casa Kevin that see ability first and open their doors to creating accessible, supportive workspaces. Thank you, Casa Kevin, for modeling inclusive employment in the Rio Grande Valley!

TWC-Approved Vocational Adjustment Training (VAT)

- Entering the World of Work
- Disability Disclosure Training
- Skills to Pay the Bills (Soft Skills Curriculum)
- Money Smart (Financial Literacy Training)
- Soft Skills for Work Success
- Explore the "You" in Work
- Public Transportation Training
- Specialized VAT Services (Conflict Resolution, Stress Management, Hygiene and more)

Each course includes extension activities, journaling, and customized accommodations to meet individual student needs.



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QUICK FACT:

WHAT IS VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION?



L.E.G. is a proud to partner with TWS to deliver VR services

Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) is a series of personalized services designed to help individuals with disabilities prepare for, secure, and succeed in employment. It's not a one-size-fits-all approach, VR services are tailored to each customer's unique goals, abilities, and support needs.

Some of the services available include:

- Career exploration and guidance
- Postsecondary training and education planning
- Work experience opportunities
- Resume and interview preparation
- Job placement support and follow-up

At Leadership Empowerment Group, we partner closely with the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) to deliver VR services that promote independence and long-term employment success.



Holiday Message from the L.E.G. VR Division

As we close out the year, the L.E.G. VR Division would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all of our partners, customers, and community collaborators. 2025 has been a year of learning, connection, and purpose and we couldn't have done it without your trust and partnership.

The holiday season invites us to reflect on the progress we've made and renew our commitment to building pathways toward independence, purpose, and employment for individuals with disabilities. We believe in the power of personalized support, meaningful partnerships, and inclusive workplaces and we look forward to continuing this mission in the new year.

Wishing you peace, joy, and continued success this holiday season and beyond.



Save the Date: Events & Resources for Inclusive Employment

While December tends to be quieter for in-person job fairs, there are still powerful resources available for job seekers and employers committed to disability inclusion.

Ongoing Disability-Friendly Job Fair Resources:

·Disability Chamber of Commerce – RGV (DCC-RGV)
This regional nonprofit hosts disability-inclusive hiring events and employer education forums throughout the year. Stay up to date at: dcc.gov.com

·ABILITY Job Fair – Online & Accessible

A national, fully accessible virtual job fair designed for individuals with disabilities. Includes live video booths, screen reader-friendly tech, and ASL support. Learn more at: abilityjobfair.org

