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## Vermillion Restaurant and Watering Hole Honored at Texas **Workforce Conference**

AUSTIN – Vermillion Restaurant and Watering Hole (Vermillion) received the Employer Award of Excellence for the Workforce Solutions (WFS) Cameron area at the Texas Workforce Commission's (TWC) 21st Annual Texas Workforce Conference held Nov. 29 – Dec. 1 in Dallas. The award honors private sector employers that are actively involved with Texas Workforce Solutions and have made a positive impact on employers, workers and the community.

WFS Cameron assisted the local iconic eatery Vermillion during its expansion into the city of Harlingen. Vermillion restaurant has been serving the residents of Brownsville for decades, and owner George Perez planned an expansion into Cameron County. WFS Cameron identified the positions that needed to be filled before the restaurant's grand opening and the tools to provide information to job seekers.

"I am pleased to recognize Vermillion and Cameron for their leadership and applaud their commitment to their communities," said TWC Commissioner Representing Employers Ruth R. Hughs. "Through successful employer partnerships at the local level, we will maximize our effectiveness and keep Texas as a top destination for businesses."

WFS Cameron was recognized for outstanding board performance, receiving a \$30,000 award for Youth Inspiration & Career Awareness. The Youth Inspiration & Career Awareness Award is intended to recognize and highlight three Local Workforce Development Board initiatives focused on supporting career awareness and exploration for young people.

WFS Cameron is among 28 local workforce boards located throughout the state. The board serves Cameron county. The primary goal of TWC and the workforce boards is to meet the needs of Texas employers and workers through locally-designed, market-driven workforce development initiatives and services. All employers, workers and job seekers are eligible to take advantage of these services.

The Texas Workforce Commission is a state agency dedicated to helping Texas employers, workers and communities prosper economically. For details on TWC and the services it offers in coordination with its network of local workforce development boards, call 512-463-8942 or visit www.texasworkforce.org. To receive notifications about TWC programs and services subscribe to our email updates.