60x30TX Refinement

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Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Strengthening the 60x30TX plan

Builds on the focus of the original 60x30TX plan to increase postsecondary attainment by developing clear goals that expand the educated workforce and drive economic prosperity.



Expand our focus to adult learners beyond
25-34-year-olds. Building a more adaptable
workforce that can navigate current challenges
and drive long-term economic growth requires a
strategic emphasis on expanding opportunities for
all Texans.



Leverage and accelerate innovation to drive research, commercialization, and economic development. The challenges posed by COVID-19 have spurred and accelerated innovations globally. By prioritizing research, data, and technology, our institutions will drive discoveries and economic development opportunities that are crucial for the state's future prosperity.



Ensure all Texans have equal access to tools and resources that promote educational attainment. The disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on Black, Hispanic, rural, and low-income Texans has magnified the importance of removing barriers to high-quality postsecondary education and training so all Texans can participate in, contribute to, and benefit from the Texas economy.



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Prioritize high-value credentials to align with workforce needs. Certain skills and credentials will be especially important to help displaced workers immediately return to work, and create a more resilient Texas workforce for the future.

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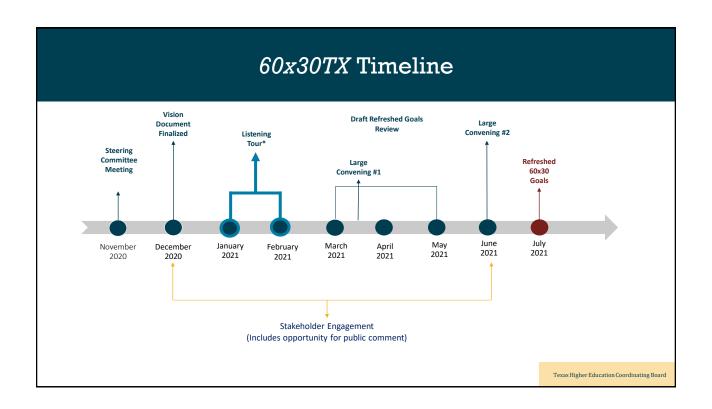
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- Hosting nine virtual regional listening tours in January and February
 - Each region includes a co-hosting university and community college
- Includes leaders from K-12, institutions of higher education, employers, and other regional and community stakeholders
- Objective: to hear from key stakeholders on topics such as barriers and opportunities to re-engaging adult learners, identifying and prioritizing high-value credentials, and harnessing the power of innovation through research and development

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