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**Southwest Calls for Major Workforce Development Town Hall Meeting**

*Workforce Solutions: “A Community Imperative”*

In the last two years, Southwest Tennessee Community College has received over \$10 million in the U.S. Department of Labor’s Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training (TAACCCT) funds to facilitate job training opportunities for unemployed and underemployed citizens. Southwest President Nathan Essex is inviting the Mid-South community to a Town Hall Meeting to discuss how TAACCCT job training initiatives prepare program participants for employment in high-wage, high-skill occupations.

The Town Hall Meeting, hosted by President Essex and the Southwest Dept. of Workforce Development, will be held on May 6 from 10:30 a.m.-noon on Southwest’s Macon Cove Campus, Farris Auditorium, located at 5983 Macon Cove, Memphis, TN 38134.

Local business, industry and community leaders have been invited to participate.

“This is an effort by Southwest to emphasize the importance of workforce solutions as an imperative to enhancing economic growth and development,” said Essex.

The general public is invited. For more information, contact Laurie Mudd via email at [lmudd@southwest.tn.edu](mailto:lmudd@southwest.tn.edu) or call 901- 333-4207.

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