





#### **QUARTERLY REPORT** 2ND QUARTER, 2013

State Breach of Contract legislation was passed and signed by Governor Perry. The new law will allow for construction contracts with claims over \$250,000 in dispute with a state agency to be settled in the courts. Other areas within the bill, such as recovery of legal fees, we will work to resolve in the next session.

LEGISLATIVE SUCCESS:

As part of the 22 association coalition known as the "Jobs for Texas Coalition", we were successful in supporting legislation which provides flexibility in high school curriculum. Students will now have the opportunity to prepare for the workforce as well as prepare for college. This will be a big benefit to workforce development for our industry.

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- Over 100 industry leaders joined us for the TEXO/AIA Leadership Teams Summer Forum: "IPD...Fact vs Myth on Texas First IPD Project". Project collaborators discussed Dallas' first real IPD project, the Texas Harris Methodist Alliance Hospital.
- HR leaders representing TEXO contractor member firms held their first HR Forum this quarter, "An Outlook on Shortage of Resources".



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- The Young Constructors Council held two panel discussions with architects and construction principles. Both meetings also included YCC, and leadership from YCC member firms.
- During the recent ABC National Legislative Conference, TEXO was presented with two important awards. For Outstanding Chapter Perfomance, TEXO was presented the Grassroots Chapter Recognition Gold Award. TEXO also recieved the Joe M. Rogers Award for Advocacy and Governmental Affairs



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- TEXO led construction companies across North and East Texas in the May 15<sup>th</sup> Construction Industry "Stand Down", an initiative that has grown over the years and gained national attention.
- TEXO continues to lead monthly safety meetings with industry safety leaders, including the Latino Safety Forum.





#### **Business Partners**

TEXO is pleased to offer members several carefully selected discount programs tailored to meet the needs of the construction professional. TEXO members can save their company money through the various partnerships TEXO has established.

















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## COMING SOON

TEXO's Safety First program is a revolutionary safety initiative intended to standardize safety training, while elevating the safety knowledge and performance within the commercial construction workforce in North and East Texas. The program is a hands-on, interactive orientation for employees of all divisions so they can learn the essentials of job site safety. Participants will have real-time conversations with the instructor and other peers on the components of each of the 10 training modules, while receiving a personalized identification card and opportunity to complete their OSHA 10-hour certification.

For more information about TEXO's Safety First program, please visit www.texosafetyfirst.com.