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NEWSLETTER



BUILD IT 🎓 SHIP IT 🏚 RAIL IT . . . IN PORT ARTHUR

INVESTING IN THE CITY'S ECONOMIC FUTURE . . .



Haulin Gas LLC

Haulin Gas, LLC is a young fuel distribution company in Port Arthur, TX. The EDC's assistance allowed for the growth and expansion of its operations resulting in employment opportunities for Port Arthur residents.

Ramtex

The PAEDC is proud to have assisted RamTex in making their home in the PAEDC Spur 93 Business Park. This location allows Ramtex to maximize their business growth. RamTex is a provider of concrete and asphalt services, earthwork/site work services and specialty services.

Clifford Distillery, LLC

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opened their doors in downtown Port Arthur to operate a top shelf whiskey and rum distillery. With this investment, the distillery is able to employ Port Arthur Residents and add to the City's economic base as a new business enterprise.

THE PRESS BUILDING

Center for Community & Business Development

The Port Arthur EDC recently completed the \$10m renovation of the old Port Arthur News Building located at 549 4th Street, across from city hall. The Center for Community and Business Development, also known as "The Press Building" is a 47,000 square foot building that encompasses leading technology to assist entrepreneurs and creatives in furthering their vision for their business and provides a place for networking and co-working which is essential in today's economy. Tenants include Lamar State College Port Arthur, which hosts their culinary arts curriculum with state-of-the-art teaching kitchens and a downtown coffee shop concept, "Bistro 549". The city's Emergency Operations team also has a state-of-the-art space that will enable first responders to communicate, congregate and assist citizens in the event of a natural or industrial disaster.





NURTURING SMALL BUSINESS GROWTH



Asia Jones Owner Finessed Beauty Bar

Success Story

With guidance and nurturing from the PAEDC, Ms. Asia Jones began her new business start-up in 2017. Now in 2022, with challenges along the way (COVID), Ms. Jones has a thriving business. Not only did she thrive, she has expanded to serve her ever growing clientele. Finessed Beauty Bar, hair salon, is now located in Central Mall, 3100 Hwy. 365, Suite 150.

http://StyleSeat.com/asiajones3 | (409) 237-5944

WORKFORCE EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING

PAEDC has implemented several programs as well as partnered with local entities to offer training resources that will benefit both, local employers as well as the residents of Port Arthur.

CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR CITIZENS

- Police Academy | Lamar Institute of Technology
- CDL Program | Lamar State College Port Arthur
- NCCER Pipefitter Certification | Digital Workforce Academy
- CNA Training I Angel's Devine Touch

Please call the EDC Office at 409-963-0579 for more information regarding these programs.

PAEDC Scholarships

The Board of Directors funded five (5) graduating Port Arthur high school seniors, \$13,500 per senior, who plan to attend Lamar State College Port Arthur (LSCPA) to pursue an Associate's Degree in the following high demand programs: Drafting, Heating Ventilation & Air Conditioning, Instrumentation Technology, Medical Coding Specialist, Medical Office Administration, Process Technology, Surgical Technology and Nursing.

2021 Scholarship Recipients



Demeria Anderson



Huy Tran



Fabiola Reina Rubio



Phi Tran



Alexandra Valencia

2022 Scholarship Recipients



Jocelyn Barajas



Govinda Le



Victoria Nguyen



Argolio Rivas Martinez



Abigail Salazar

Youth Employment Program (YEP)

The PAEDC Youth Employment Program is open to students who are residents of the City of Port Arthur and current Spring graduates of High School, our next session will open up for the 2023 Graduates in the Spring of 2023! The goal of this Employment Program is to offer successful candidates an opportunity to improve their skills as well as the experience of working in a business environment closely relative to their field of study. Participants generally will find the experience to be rewarding and interesting. A special Thank You to the local businesses for participating in our program as employers to our youth: Robogistics; Team Fabricators; City of Port Arthur Departments - Parks & Recreation, Purchasing and Water Utilities; Port Arthur EDC - The Press Building. We are thankful for another very successful Summer of Employment for OUR Youth!!

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PAEDC BUSINESS PARKS



Spur 93 Business Park - 9555 West Port Arthur Road

- Ideal Location (just 10 miles from I-10 and 90 miles from the city of Houston)
- 2 miles from Southeast Texas Regional Airport at the juncture of U.S. HWY 69 and 96.
- 10 miles from the Port of Port Arthur and 15 miles from the Port of Beaumont.
- Over 300 acres ready for development

Spur 93 Business Park Tenants

AWC B&B Ice

BioMedical Waste Solutions

Coastal Industrial

Dashiell Dacon Flowserve

ISC Industrial Specialty Crafts

Johnson Controls

JZ Russell Industries Martin Apparatus

Motion Industries

MPW Industrial Water Services

Ohmstede

Phoenix Environmental Partners LLC

RamTex

Setpoint Integrated Solutions

Standard Alloys

For Information regarding our Business Parks please contact 409-963-0579



- 7 Acre Business Park on Highway 73 (9th Avenue Exit coming from Winnie)
- Six available lots.
- Lot Layout



PAEDC WELCOMES NEW CEO



Mr. Terry Stokes joins the Port Arthur Economic Development in the role of Chief Executive Officer. Port Arthur is Terry's third Economic Development stop in Texas. He is eager to join forces with the area's stakeholders to attract outside investors...











