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## **RAM, Inc. Selected as Small Employer of the Year Finalist by the Texas Workforce Commission**

**Abilene, Texas** — The Texas Workforce Commission has announced RAM, Inc. as one of three finalists for the Small Employer of the Year award. Nominated by Workforce Solutions of West Central Texas, RAM, Inc. is a vital workforce system partner. Award nominees are recognized for their impact and ability to create opportunity for employers, individuals and communities to achieve and sustain economic prosperity. RAM, Inc. and company leadership including CEO Richard Williams, are strong advocates for the manufacturing industry, investing in a current and future talent pipeline through the Workforce Solutions Career and Education Outreach program, the Big Country Manufacturing Alliance (BCMA), and company initiatives that support employee upskilling and local community college students pursuing manufacturing careers. Valued for their innovation and collaboration locally and throughout the West Central Texas region, RAM, Inc. has also been nominated as the 2020 Local Employer of Excellence.

Founded in 1990 by Bob and Diann Morris and based in Cisco, RAM, Inc. components can be found in applications and industries around the world including commercial and military aerospace, energy, and healthcare. Despite a small footprint, RAM, Inc. makes a big impact. The company's workforce has grown to include 63 employees, up 35% since March 2020, creating a local economic impact to the tune of \$14 million. Over the past year, RAM, Inc. has devoted hundreds of hours to outreach K-12 students about STEM careers, and invested over \$25,000 in training and tuition assistance for employees, their families, and area students at Cisco Community College.

“RAM is honored and humbled to have been nominated and subsequently chosen as a finalist for this year's Small Employer of the Year award from the Texas Workforce Commission,” said RAM, Inc. CEO Richard Williams. “Our hope is that this award will encourage more businesses to connect with and participate in the community and regional workforce development initiatives carried out by Workforce Solutions of West Central Texas. Their outstanding team of professionals has facilitated

outreach to businesses and through their vision and persistence enabled these businesses to connect with the future workforce. Through the Workforce Solutions of West Central Texas leadership, businesses are able to communicate with education and education is able to hear and understand what businesses need to remain competitive in the world economy.”

The 2020 Employer of the Year winners will be announced at the 24th Annual Texas Workforce Conference Employer Awards, which will take place virtually online on Wednesday, December 9.

*The Workforce Solutions of West Central Texas Board is charged with oversight and policy-making responsibility for local workforce and training programs. We are committed to strengthening the economic vitality of our 19-county region by investing in the success of residents and businesses. Our assistance and expertise are provided to both the job seeker and the employer. Visit our website at [www.wfswct.org](http://www.wfswct.org). Equal Opportunity Employer/Program. Auxiliary aids and services are available, upon request, to individuals with disabilities. Relay: 1-800-735-2989 (TTY) / 711 (voice). This program/service is funded 87% with federal funds and 13% with non-federal funds.*

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