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### KARNES CO. JOBLESS RATE DECREASES TO 2.8 PERCENT

*Workforce Solutions Alamo releases October 2018 Job Report*

**(November 16, 2018) San Antonio, Texas** – Workforce Solutions Alamo released information indicating that the Karnes County unemployment rate decreased to 2.8 percent in October, down from 2.9 percent in September.

Karnes County's unemployment rate **registered lower** than the overall rate of 3.1 percent for the 13-county Workforce Solutions Alamo area, which includes Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Frio, Gillespie, Guadalupe, Karnes, Kendall, Kerr, Medina, McMullen and Wilson counties. McMullen County registered the lowest unemployment rate amongst the counties at 2.1 percent while Atascosa County registered the highest rate at 3.4 percent.

Comparing the Workforce Solutions Alamo metro area to the state and nation, the Texas **seasonally unadjusted (actual)** unemployment rate decreased to 3.5 percent in October from the 3.7 rate reported in September. The nation's unadjusted (actual) unemployment rate decreased to 3.5 percent in October, down from 3.6 percent reported in September. Summarizing the **seasonally adjusted unemployment** rates for the state and the nation, Texas seasonally adjusted rate fell to 3.7 percent in October, down from 3.8 percent reported in September, while nation's unemployment rate held steady at 3.7 percent in October, the same 3.7 rate reported in September.

*The mission of Workforce Solutions Alamo involves working to strengthen the Alamo regional economy by growing and connecting talent pipelines to employers. Workforce Solutions Alamo reaches over 8,000 businesses and more than 2.0 million residents in the City of San Antonio and the counties of Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Frio, Guadalupe, Gillespie, Karnes, Kerr, Kendall, McMullen, Medina, and Wilson counties. For more information on available workforce programs and services, visit our website at [www.workforcesolutionsalamo.org](http://www.workforcesolutionsalamo.org).*

*Note: Only the actual/unadjusted series unemployment rate estimates for Texas and the US are comparable to sub-state unemployment rates. Adjusted rates are calculated by smoothing out the changes in unemployment due to the typical seasonal hiring and layoffs. Rates reported are estimates and changes in previously reported rates can occur with BLS readjustments.*

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