

Southwest Key Questions

1. How many employees of 73 that were hired in 2007 are still employed by SWK; how many live in the Johnston/Govalle area; of the 145 current employees how many live in the Johnston/Govalle or the 78702, 21, 23, 41, 44 zip codes?

The City of Austin does not track job retention beyond the 2-year requirement. We have referred these questions to Southwest Key to provide a more detailed response.

2. What is the starting pay of the jobs provided or created by Southwest Key for people? Do these jobs offer paid health insurance?

Job creation/retention is specifically targeted to gain jobs for low- to-moderate income (80% MFI or below) households per income limits established annually by HUD. SWK provides a "\$150 stipend for purchase of personal medical insurance." The City does not, however, track wages/salaries of the jobs created. We have referred these questions to Southwest Key so they can provide a more detailed response.

3. Of the new money brought to Austin to construct a 3.5 million SWK Social Enterprise complex - will the 60 jobs created be from local minority businesses, will they pay their employees living wage construction jobs plus benefits.

We have referred these questions to Southwest Key so they can provide a response. The City of Austin has not committed funding for this project so does not have the information requested.

4. SWK us the 5th largest, what does that mean to CDC? Total budget \$, employees etc.

We have referred these questions to Southwest Key so they can provide a response. We have not been able to confirm what SWK means when it says it's the "5th largest."

5. SWK wants to create 100 new jobs by December 2011, what type of jobs, will they pay a living wage plus benefits; of the hundreds of additional jobs that SWK will create in the coming years, what type of jobs will they be and will they pay a living wage with benefits?

We have referred these questions to Southwest Key so they can provide a detailed response. The City of Austin has not committed funding for this project so does not have the information requested.

6. Are the job coaching, training, job creators and housing counseling teachers certified to do this training? What is the salary of the job coach, job trainer, job creator, and housing counselor?

We have referred these questions to Southwest Key so they can provide a more detailed response. In the current job creation agreement in place with the City these jobs are not listed as jobs to be created/retained. For the jobs that are required of the current job creation agreement, the education level required to perform the jobs is not required to be specified nor is the salary information required.

7. Mark Bell talked about Green Jobs, what kind of GREEN training is SWK doing? Are the instructors certified?

We have referred these questions to Southwest Key so they can provide a response.

