Daikin Texas Technology Park

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U.S. Based Employment Growth Over \$500M Investment

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Daikin Industries, Ltd. – A Global Leader and Innovator



- Daikin Texas
 Technology
 Park (DTTP)
- 4.2M Square Feet
- 3rd Largest
 US Tilt wall

Fun Fact –
 Can hold 74
 football fields

Air Innovation Happens at Daikin

Residential - providing residential air conditioning solutions to make inside air feel perfect, in any space

Light Commercial and Commercial - leading the industry in efficient, easy-to-use air conditioning systems

Applied/Industrial - offering custom solutions to help make your building – and your people – more successful

Decades of Industry-Leading Innovation - building on decades of innovation, pioneering technologies that set new innovation standards for the North American HVAC&R industry for sustainability and quality of life



Who We Are...



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- Turn-key HVAC management solution
- Matches HVAC work with contractor network
- Multi-family solution



- System Design Resources
 - New/ &
 - **Replacements**
 - Integrated Controls
 - Planned ٠ Maintenance







Core Strength People-Centered Management

Ever Onward — Our growth is achieved through clear management strategy



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One of the most important roles of management is to establish a worksite where employees at Daikin can feel the greatest fulfillment in life and an environment in which they can work with vitality and demonstrate their full potential to achieve growth.



"Engaging the Entire Business:

Hiring is Not Just an HR Problem"



Manufacturing Hiring Situation

- Hiring challenges before COVID-19 started
 - Consolidated four factories into one campus
 - Northwest of Houston, no bus lines
 - Underestimated available workforce
 - Establishing new MFG processes, the Daikin way
 - Needed 1,000 additional workers to staff new product assembly lines
- And then there was...
 - COVID-19
 - Increased Product Demand
 - Increases in wages and incentives
 - Government stimulus and benefits

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Current Situation – Very Challenging



- Ramped up 518 FTE's Dec '20 Feb '21, new hires and temp conversions
- Total on roll or showing up leveled out in June, higher absenteeism
- New hire adds fell in Feb '21, remained flat most months since
- Weekly attrition started to surpass hires
- Hiring and MFG data tracked and reported weekly in CEO Staff Meeting

From Pointing Fingers to Joined Hands



- HR and MFG, working together for 2 years on people situation
- Reporting detailed people challenges, at minimum, during weekly senior staff meeting
 - Some input from other business units about gaps and countermeasures
- Conversation changes when people challenges start affecting the success of other groups

Collective Efforts – Corporate Marketing

- Engaged Corporate Marketing Team and resources
- Budget covered by Corporate Finance
- Joint campaign with HR, MFG, agreed upon audience, targets, KPI's
- Targeted prior employees with "win-back" campaign with texts and direct line to HR for rehire – 129 returned
- Postcards and mailers to high potential zip codes



Community Partners



- Leveraged community relations team to engage key partners
- Hosted large job fairs at local major community college in populated area of Houston
- Engaged local media contacts
 - Multilingual radio stations
 - Television interviews / ads
 - Marketing partnerships (Houston Texans)
- Recruited company volunteers from all business units
- Mandatory participation for senior leaders

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Solving Hiring Barriers

- DTTP location created transportation challenges to interested workers
- No public transportation options
- Partnered with Procurement to source private buses, companypaid
- With support from Community Relations team, secured parking spots with Houston Metro park & ride locations for bus pickup
- Three active bus routes, currently reviewing the longterm efficacy





Digging into the Data

- Gathered the top internal data analysts to dig deeper in the details
- Identified training, hiring and attendance patterns creating work disruptions
- Redesigned onboarding processes, corrected gaps in communication at the time of hire compared to the placement on the floor
- Shifted more hires from flex to FTE by increasing internal hiring talent
- Added additional HR members to support the floor
- Targeted training of group leaders and team lead as a result of survey and employee relations feedback

Engaged, Supportive, Committed



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Questions? Thank you!



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