#### Daikin Texas Technology Park

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## Daikin Industries, Ltd. – A Global Leader and Innovator



- Daikin Texas
  Technology
  Park (DTTP)
- 4.2M Square Feet
- 3<sup>rd</sup> 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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