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# SOLID COMFORT PARTNERS WITH GED TESTING SERVICE TO OFFER FREE GED® PROGRAM TO EMPLOYEES AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS

WASHINGTON, DC — GED Testing Service has partnered with Solid Comfort to launch the GEDWorks program at its Fargo, North Dakota, corporate headquarters and manufacturing plant. Solid Comfort, a North American manufacturer of hotel guest room furniture, will offer the program to full and part-time employees and eligible family members.

The GEDWorks program includes everything an employee needs to successfully prepare for and pass the GED test. Participants are given access to a personal advisor, online GED study materials, practice tests, connections to local adult education programs and free GED tests.

<u>Solid Comfort</u> joins a growing list of <u>nearly 40 employers</u> that offer the GEDWorks program. To date, more than 4,000 students have earned their GED credentials for free through their employer.

"We are so excited to be joining the growing list of employers offering this service to employees and their families," said Solid Comfort President and CEO Jason Larkin. "We strongly believe that investments in our employees' education, health and wellness are key to their long-term growth and engagement."

Personal advisors are a key component to the GEDWorks program. Advisors act as coaches and motivators, as well as hold students accountable while working towards their GED credential. The GEDWorks program also gives students access to online tools that assist with college and career planning.

GEDWorks students are 81% more likely to earn their diplomas than students who are pursuing a GED credential on their own. Participating GEDWorks employers have reported increased retention rates as well as increased employee satisfaction and engagement.

"Solid Comfort is an excellent addition to the GEDWorks family," said Vicki Greene, President of GED Testing Service. "Through the GEDWorks program, Solid Comfort is making a commitment to help their employees and their family members earn a credential that will open the door to continual personal, professional and academic opportunities."

The GEDWorks program creates a more-skilled and better-prepared workforce, while giving employers access to tools that engage current participants and encourage other employees to sign-up.

More information about the GEDWorks program is available <u>here</u> and <u>this webpage</u> features success stories of GEDWorks graduates.

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### **About Solid Comfort**

For nearly 40 years, Solid Comfort has been crafting exceptional North American-made casegoods for the hospitality industry's top brands. Headquartered in Fargo, ND, the company has over 200,000 square feet of manufacturing space and is a specified provider for world-class brands like Marriott (Fairfield Inn & Suites and TownePlace Suites), Hilton (Home2, Hampton and Homewood Suites), Best Western, and Wyndham Hotels. In 2019, it added a factory-certified installation and construction services team for streamlined logistics, superior product quality and worry-free installation management across the U.S.

## **About GED Testing Service**

The GED test has opened doors to better jobs and college programs for more than 20 million graduates since 1942. The GED test is accepted by virtually all U.S. colleges and employers. As the creator of the one official GED test, GED Testing Service has a responsibility to ensure that the program continues to be a reliable and valuable pathway to a better life for the millions of adults without a high school diploma. GED Testing Service is a joint venture between the American Council on Education and Pearson.