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## **SMART Safety and Security S3 Training Program Launches in Texas**

*Educational Institutions across the state of Texas can now access a cloud-based SMART Safety and Security S3 platform to participate in SMART Workforce Development.*

**ATLANTA, October 4, 2019** – Minna LeVine, Founder SMART Community Exchange (SCE), today announced that K12 Schools, Vocational Schools and Universities across the state of Texas can now implement the SMART Safety and Security S3 cloud-based training platform, beginning in October 2019. The announcement was made during the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Cyber conference at the Center for American and International Law in Plano Texas. The S3 platform will enable effective training and resources Educators need to deliver 21<sup>st</sup> century education to students. The SCE will deliver the S3 training program through an award-winning cloud-based SMART Learning Environment in partnership with private and public partners. The S3 program will help coordinate, structure, implement, and operationalize community-based SMART Safety & Security S3 projects in communities across the state of Texas.

"I am pleased that we can now provide Educational Institutions access to the 21<sup>st</sup> century resources they need to improve public safety and build safety culture in their communities. The S3 program will engage local community partners providing them access to critical information, technology, training and other resources they need to build 21<sup>st</sup> century skills. The S3 training program will be implemented and executed in Texas starting Q1 2020. In addition to educators, public safety officers and school resource officers, the S3 program will impact citizens. Community leaders are searching for innovative ways to use SMART technologies to improve public safety and security. The S3 program will successfully demonstrate how private and public community partners working together can improve community resilience, attract investment, create new 21<sup>st</sup> jobs and make an impact in their local economy. Ultimately, SMART communities need a SMART workforce. Investing today in SMART human capital development and incorporating SMART into economic development is an effective approach to creating 21<sup>st</sup> century economy and workforce," Minna LeVine, Founder SMART Community Exchange.

"S3 impacts all partners and creates a win-win for Texas educational institutions, communities and citizens. The S3 is about modernizing and transforming community safety & security by making technology accessible for public and private partners and citizens to participate. By empowering our community partners with better mobile technology, data, machine learning, and AI, we enable transformation to true 21<sup>st</sup> century community safety. We are proud to be a part of this important work to connect community partners to mission-critical projects that create more resilient communities." Tana Torrano, Founder SMART Community Exchange.

"The S3 program provides educational institutions an opportunity to address critical public safety and security issues, as well as digitize safety and improve the overall safety culture. We are excited to expand the safety impact in Texas by working with local community partners to build smarter and resilient communities. The S3 community platform allows partners to implement and execute P3 projects today. Each community project will catalyze the adoption of SMART and pave the way for other communities to follow suit. During the next years, when we reflect on the growth of SMART safety & security, we will recognize the critical role Texas played in building resiliency in U.S. communities," adds LeVine.

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