



Dean Hengst

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EMpact Award Winner Q3 2026

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What Winning the EMpact Award Means to Dean

“I was completely surprised, humbled, and grateful to receive this award. I feel incredibly fortunate to have joined Engle Martin nearly 18 years ago and to have benefited from exceptional teammates and mentors along the way. My goal had always been simple: to do whatever was asked of me to the best of my ability, to support my teammates in any way I could, and hopefully to be a positive influence along the way. A great deal of “life” has unfolded since I joined Engle Martin, including the highest highs and the lowest lows, but through all of it, I have had the care and support of my teammates, and I strive to reciprocate that at every opportunity.”



Chris Harper Explains His Inspiring Nomination

Chris Harper, *Claim Manager at Engle Martin*, nominated Dean for the EMpact Award. In Chris' words, "Dean is an exceptional manager, leader, and someone who truly embodies the spirit of Engle Martin. He carries a wide range of responsibilities, most notably coordinating adjusters to travel to other states whenever offices need support. He plays a vital role in training new team members and overseeing day-to-day operations, all while consistently making time to answer questions and offer guidance to colleagues, including myself, as I navigate a new role as a manager. Dean has been a steady source of support throughout that transition, helping me learn the ropes since I stepped into this role a year ago. He's always there when I have questions. He is a truly great leader, and I hope to follow in his footsteps someday."

Selected Charity: Texas Humane Heroes

Dean has selected Texas Humane Heroes as the charity to support, a private no-kill nonprofit based in Leander, where Dean lives. Dean recently adopted a pet from the organization, and in fact, every pet he's had throughout his life has been a rescue. This donation will help save the lives of 30 dogs and cats, which couldn't make him happier.



Congratulations to Dean on this well-deserved award! His dedication to his role and willingness to support others has made a meaningful difference across the team!