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**PRESS RELEASE**

**EXPANSION GRANT AWARDED TO COASTAL BEND  
TEXAS STATE CEMETERY**

Chairman George P. Bush will oversee new improvements to honor fallen patriots

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Today, Veterans Land Board (VLB) Chairman George P. Bush released the following statement celebrating the Department of Veterans Affairs grant to expand the Coastal Bend State Veterans Cemetery in Corpus Christi, Texas. The VA has awarded the VLB a grant of \$1,966,125 for 100 percent of allowable costs for the expansion of the cemetery.

“The sacrifices made by our United States Military Veterans are impossible for our nation to fully repay, yet we must strive to do everything in our power to come as close as we possibly can,” said Chairman George P. Bush. “The cemetery expansion grant from the Department of Veterans Affairs will be used to establish approximately 2 acres of land, and include 1,000 pre-placed crypts, irrigation, landscaping and other supporting infrastructure. These improvements will ensure we continue to honor our Veterans and their families with quality perpetual care at their final places of rest. Providing earned burial benefits at our Texas State Veterans Cemeteries conveys the gratitude of a grateful nation and honors the men and women who have sacrificed, both on and off the battlefield.”

The Texas Veterans Land Board (VLB), a division of the Texas General Land Office, operates four Texas State Veterans Cemeteries, conveniently located across the state. These Texas State Veterans Cemeteries are hallowed grounds that are an expression of our respect for the Texas men and women who have served our nation with honor. The VLB provides free burial of Veterans with military honors at Texas State Veterans Cemeteries in Abilene, Corpus Christi, Killeen and Mission."

For additional information on Texas State Veterans Cemeteries, Homes, land and home improvement loans, call 1-800-252-VETS (1-800-252-8387), or visit the VLB website at [VLB.com](http://VLB.com). Follow the Texas Veterans Land Board at [Facebook.com/TXVLB](https://Facebook.com/TXVLB), or on Twitter at [Twitter.com/TexasVLB](https://Twitter.com/TexasVLB), or YouTube at [Youtube.com/user/TexasVLB](https://Youtube.com/user/TexasVLB). Read the VLB Blog at [Texas-Veterans-Blog.com](http://Texas-Veterans-Blog.com).