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## PRESS RELEASE

# VA Awards GLO and VLB Over \$6.4 Million to Expand and Improve Coastal Bend State Veterans Cemetery in Corpus Christi

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AUSTIN — Today, Texas Land Commissioner Dawn Buckingham M.D., announced that the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has awarded the Texas General Land Office (GLO) and the Texas Veterans Land Board (VLB) \$6,484,476 for the expansion and improvement of [Coastal Bend State Veterans Cemetery](#) in Corpus Christi.



Commissioner Buckingham at the Coastal Bend Veterans Cemetery Expansion Ground Breaking on Sept. 22, 2023.

This crucial funding will provide Texas Veterans with 10 years of plot availability by adding 3,130 pre-positioned crypts and 1,220 columbaria niches. Space Force recognition will also be added to the cemetery along with additional irrigation and landscaping.

The VLB will contribute another \$144,000 for off-site road improvement to allow for safe ingress and egress for construction traffic on the east side of the cemetery and motorized entry gates.

Construction is expected to last for 16 months and conclude in early Spring 2025.

The Coastal Bend State Veterans Cemetery serves more than 42,000 Veterans and their eligible family members. It was opened on December 14, 2011 and is the fourth Texas State Veterans Cemetery built and run by the VLB, under the GLO.

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