# **GROWTH** in all the **RIGHT PLACES**

A&M growth-planning program to enable communities to turn risks into resilience on the Texas Gulf Coast

Are coastal communities in Texas factoring storms into their plans for growth? How can government officials and citizens make better decisions about growth? What new state and federal regulations affect local policies on development?

To help local officials and citizens make sense of the challenges and opportunities involved in growth planning, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) awarded a grant for the Texas Coastal Watershed Program to create or expand:



### Resiliency Program

to help communities: • Determine how to grow

- while reducing flood risks to neighborhoods and businesses
- Identify flood-planning options
- Align state and federal resources with local needs



#### **Citizen Planner Program**

to help communities:Understand the legal and

- regulatory issues pertaining to municipal planning
- Identify policies to reduce risks from specific physical hazards such as floods



## CHARM Program

- to help communities: • Use cutting-edge
  - visualization tools to see how various choices for development and growth could affect flood risks













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