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Bolivar Peninsula Vision Launches as Nonprofit to Lead Coastal Resilience, Growth, and Community Planning

Bolivar Peninsula, TX — A new nonprofit has officially launched to help shape the future of the Bolivar Peninsula. Bolivar Peninsula Vision, now recognized as a 501(c)(3) organization, is dedicated to building a more resilient, inclusive, and thriving coastal community.

Born out of a collaborative effort with the Bolivar Peninsula Chamber of Commerce's Future Development Committee, the organization will focus on long-range planning, local priorities, and meaningful partnerships that strengthen the peninsula's future.

Bolivar Peninsula Vision is guided by five foundational pillars:

- Affordable & Diverse Housing Expanding housing options that support year-round residents, working families, and retirees
- Economic Growth & Jobs Encouraging entrepreneurship, workforce development, and sustainable business growth
- Tourism & Small Business Support Supporting local events, off-season strategies, and the area's distinct coastal identity
- Environmental & Coastal Stewardship Partnering to protect shorelines, wetlands, and open space while promoting responsible land use
- Education & Health Access Expanding local access to learning, wellness, and community health resources

As an unincorporated area of Galveston County, Bolivar Peninsula lacks formal governmental structure. Bolivar Peninsula Vision will help bridge that gap by pursuing grant funding, coordinating with regional and state agencies, and placing community-led solutions at the center of its work.

The organization's strategic plan—shaped by input gathered during recent Brown Bag Luncheons—will be released in Fall 2025. Additional outreach events, pilot programs, and planning sessions are scheduled throughout the year.

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