



**Economic Development Administration – Grant 08-83-05025
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Progress Report October 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019**

Background

From October 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019, EDA Grant 08-83-05025 charges the Gulf Coast Economic Development District (GCEDD) with performing activities that contribute to the long-term economic recovery of the 13-county Gulf Coast Planning Region from Hurricane Harvey (DR-4332). The District's primary functions are to provide technical assistance to economic development organizations, provide planning assistance for regional economic development initiatives, and maintain the region's eligibility to apply for economic development grants and assistance from the EDA.

Technical Assistance

GCEDD provided support through technical and planning assistance to communities in order to facilitate EDA grant applications for the EDA Disaster Supplemental Funds. The GCEDD participated in the November Disaster Recovery Manager training in Austin to enhance the Technical Assistance provided to constituent communities November 28th and 29th.

The Gulf Coast Economic Development District provided technical assistance to multiple jurisdictions and entities throughout the region during this timeframe on their application for long-term economic recovery funding.

Projects include the following:

- Sewage treatment plant in the City of Anahuac
- Business development assistance provided by Hidden Star Resources
- Business park expansion for the East Montgomery County Improvement District
- Workforce development project for Houston Community College
- Innovation center at Sam Houston State University
- Infrastructure improvements for the City of Dayton's business park
- Roadway expansion for the City of Conroe's business park
- Roadway access project for the Katy Economic Development Council
- Workforce Training Center for SERJobs
- Makerspace for Urban Partnerships CDC
- Small business development funding for LiftFund
- Produce distribution center for The Common Market
- Short-line railroad study for the Brazoria Fort Bend Rail District
- Road access project for the City of Wharton
- Water supply project for the Port of Bay City
- Workforce training center for Avenue Community Development Corporation
- Workforce development program for Prairie View A&M University
- Innovation campus for Rice University
- Drainage project for the League City Economic Development Corporation