

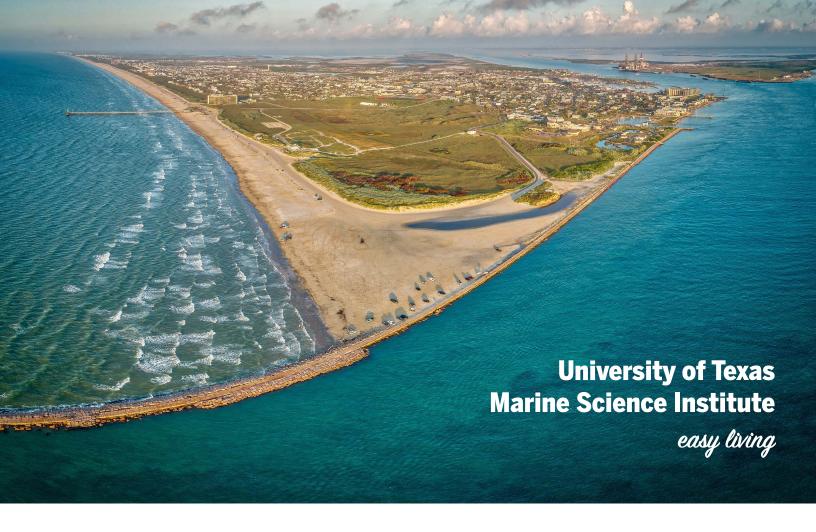
## **Nature is Waiting for You**

The Coastal Bend region surrounding the University of Texas Marine Science Institute is full of natural beauty to enjoy. From 66 miles of protected barrier island at the **Padre Island National Seashore** to many other protected places like the **Aransas National Wildlife Refuge** and **Mustang Island State Park**, the Coastal Bend will help you get your nature fix. Don't forget the birds - we're located in the Central Flyway and the Coastal Bend is in one of the best places to see migratory birds.









## You're On Island Time

With low cost of living, the Coastal Bend region provides opportunities for affordable housing within minutes of the beach. The University of Texas Marine Science Institute is is also an easy commute to the City of Corpus Christi, a growing, multi-cultural city which offers arts and cultural activities as well as employment opportunities for partners and spouses. In addition the local independent school districts of Port Aransas and Flour Bluff have the highest rating from the Texas Education Association.





