

## **Recovery and Resiliency Summit 2021**

*Recovering and Growing as a Community*

*Lamar University April 9, 2021*

**7:30-8:10** – Registration/Preparation

**8:10-8:30** – Welcome & Introductions

- **Dr. Brenda Nichols** – Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, Lamar University

**8:30-9:15** – Regional Disaster Recovery – **Jorge Ayala**, Area Director AURO Economic Development Administration (U.S. Dept. of Commerce)

**9:15-10:00** – Regional Health Update – **Kenneth Coleman**, Beaumont Public Health Department

**10:00-10:15** – Break

**10:15-11:15** – Breakout Sessions I

### **Healthcare**

1. Nurses During the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Qualitative Study – **Ruthie Robinson & Cynthia K. Stinson**
2. Resilience in the time of COVID-19: A virtual experiential learning program serving students and cancer patients – **Lindsey Minter**

### **Economic**

1. Lamar University Economic Recovery and Resiliency Program – **Enrique Venta, Gevorg Sargsyan, Paul Latiolais, Ricardo Colon, James Slaydon**
2. Financial and risk management analysis of the education sector in Southeast Texas during Hurricane Harvey – **Enrique Venta, Gevorg Sargsyan, Paul Latiolais, Ricardo Colon, James Slaydon**

**11:15-12:00** – Lunch Break

**12:00-12:30** – Coastal Restoration, **Tim Richardson** and County Judge **Jeff Branick**

**12:30-1:45** – **Panel Discussion: Lessons Learned and Resources for Future Storms**

*National Weather Service (NWS):* **Joe Rua**, Senior Forecaster, Lake Charles Office

*US Geological Survey (USGS):* **Jeff East**, Surface Water Specialist, Texas Water Science Center

*Entergy-Texas (tentative):* **Frank Shannon**, Customer Service Director

*Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM):* **Carman Apple**, District Coordinator

*Lower Neches Valley Authority (LNVA):* **Scott Hall**, General Manager

Moderated by **Dr. Liv Haselbach**; Chair, Lamar University Civil and Environmental Engineering

**1:45-2:00** – Break

**2:00-3:00** – Breakout sessions II

**Healthcare**

1. Socially Distanced: Mental Health and Suicide Prevention during a Pandemic –  
**Warren Miller, Angela Clavijo, Matt Stephenson**

**Science/Community Preparedness**

1. Radar Satellites for Emergency Response to Storm-induced Flooding – **Reda Amer**
2. A GIS Study of showing the importance of wearing Facemask during COVID Pandemic –  
**Suranjana Chatterjee**

**3:00-3:15** – Wrap up, Evaluations – **Ginger Gummelt**

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