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Hurricane Harvey strikes Texas Gulf Coast

n August 25, Texas faced an unprecedented and catastrophic storm as Hurricane Harvey quickly gained strength and hit the Gulf Coast as a Category 4 hurricane, the strongest storm to hit the U.S. since Hurricane Charley in 2004. The storm, which hit Port Aransas with 130 mph winds and dropped more than 40 inches of rain on parts of Houston, is estimated to have had an impact on more than 40 percent of the state's population, including many TDCJ employees and their families. Upcoming issues of the Connections newsletter will provide in-depth coverage of the storm and how TDCJ employees responded to this natural disaster. For more information and frequent updates about the storm and its impact, visit the agency website or follow us on TDCJ's social media outlets.



Satellite image of Hurricane Harvey approaching the Texas coast. NOAA/NASA photo