



# PORT CORPUS CHRISTI®

Omar Garcia, Chief External Affairs Officer

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An experienced leader in the energy sector, Omar Garcia is the Chief External Affairs Officer for the Port of Corpus Christi, which is the United States' largest port in total revenue tonnage as well as its leading crude oil export gateway.

In his role, Garcia liaises between Port executive leadership and the public advocacy groups, local and national elected officials, business leaders, community members and regional stakeholders. He manages all external affairs for the Port and is responsible for oversight and guidance of Government Affairs, Public Affairs, Communications, Trade Development and Community Relations.

Prior to joining the Port of Corpus Christi in 2018, Garcia served as the Chief Executive Officer of the South Texas Energy & Economic Roundtable (STEER), where he facilitated communication, education and public advocacy surrounding the production of energy resources in South Texas.

Garcia is a former vice president of the San Antonio Economic Development Foundation and has more than 12 years of economic development experience, including positions with the Texas Governor's Office, TIP Strategies, Corpus Christi Regional Economic Development and the City of San Antonio's Economic Development Department. Garcia's lengthy career also includes two years with Bank of America, where he served as Vice President of Business Development for the Treasury Management division.

A native of Kingsville, Texas, Garcia is highly skilled in developing public and economic policy, having been appointed in 2010 to the Texas Economic Development Corporation by then Governor Rick Perry. Garcia holds a degree in International Business and Spanish from St. Edwards University and is a certified economic development finance professional through the National Development Council.