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## **GUILLEN LEADS STATE OFFICIALS ON VALLEY TOUR**

*Rio Grande Valley Partnership hosts State Representatives, Senators*

**AUSTIN** - At the start of the new legislative session, State Representative Ryan Guillen (D-Rural South Texas) helped host over 20 of his colleagues for the Rio Grande Valley (RGV) Partnership Legislative Tour. This tour marks the 21st Legislative Tour of the Rio Grande Valley highlighting valley area growth and the needs of the area going forward.

**"In order for us to be effective as legislative leaders, it is imperative that we articulate to members of the Texas House and Senate the challenges and opportunities that are unique to the region," said Guillen.**

The RGV tour was organized by the RGV Partnership, working with sponsors, the skill developing University of Texas RGV, Representative Ryan Guillen and local business leaders. It is aimed at providing legislators throughout the state a first-hand look at challenges, opportunities, and success in the fields of education, infrastructure, transportation, healthcare, manufacturing, agriculture and international relations in the region. Texas lawmakers toured key sites in Cameron and Willacy Counties this year.

**"The goal of this tour was to give legislators and other key officials the opportunity to experience the Rio Grande Valley in a way that they otherwise would not have," said Representative Guillen. "I'm Proud to showcase the region that I call home, and to have been a part of another successful tour."**

Ryan Guillen serves ten rural South Texas counties in the Texas House of Representatives, including Atascosa, Brooks, Duval, Jim Hogg, Kenedy, La Salle, Live Oak, McMullen, Starr, and Willacy.

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