

Texas Backup Power Package (TBPP) Program

Overview of Draft Program

Note: This information is based on the draft Proposal for Publication published on December 12, 2025. Details could change as the program is still being developed by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT), who is the program administrator.

Summary

The Texas Backup Power Package (TBPP) Program **provides over \$1.8 billion in funding for procurement, installation, and operation of multi-day backup power systems** to ensure reliable and resilient power for critical community facilities and services.

Eligible Entities

Entities with “critical facilities” which serve community safety and human health, such as:

- Fire, police, and emergency response stations
- Schools, community centers, emergency and homeless shelters, and food banks
- Hospitals, clinics and treatment centers, nursing homes, and emergency medical centers
- Evacuation route fuel station or a gas station or grocery store in an area with limited access to essential supplies
- Water and Wastewater Treatment Plants
- Gathering places including a public school, public library, town hall or municipal building, or house of worship identified as critical by the presiding officer of the governing body of a political subdivision

Backup Power Package System Requirements

System requirements include:

- Capable of operating independently of the grid or needing to refuel for at least 48 hours
- Powered by combination of 3 technologies: (1) either a natural gas or propane on-site generator and (2) photovoltaic and (3) battery storage.
- One or more TBPPs aggregated onsite to serve not more than 2.5 megawatts of load at the critical facility
- Comply with design, permitting, and use standards.
- Installed by a vendor approved by the PUCT

The PUCT plans to publish a list of vendors who can provide TBPP. Vendor must be selected by the PUCT through a competitive solicitation process which will be made available at a later date.

Funding

A TBPP may be funded in whole or in part by a grant, loan, or a combination of both. Grants are available for up to \$500 per kilowatt (kW). Loan awards are planned to be structured as a forgivable loan consistent with a term of 1-5 years.

Resources

Grant applications are expected to open in 2026, keep an eye on these resources from the PUCT and NCTCOG:

Website: <https://www.txenergyfund.texas.gov/TBPP>

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Program website: <https://www.txenergyfund.texas.gov/TBPP>

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Slides from a webinar hosted by NCTCOG about this program on January 27, 2026, can be found at www.dfwcleancities.org/events.

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