



# Do you need assistance with your public water system?

Texas maintains multiple avenues for public water systems to receive financial, managerial and technical assistance. Below is a non-exhaustive list of what assistance is currently available.

If you have questions or want additional information about assistance, contact the Water Supply Division at 512-239-4691 or your local TCEQ regional office.

## Do you need financial assistance?

### BIG MONEY FOR BIG PROJECTS

Contact the Texas Water Infrastructure Coordination Committee, a “one-stop-shop” monthly meeting that features multiple assistance providers; USDA’s Rural Development program; or apply to the Texas Water Development Board’s Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, which offers low interest financing for long-term infrastructure projects.

### FOR EMERGENCIES

Reach out directly to Texas Department of Agriculture, United States Department of Agriculture, General Land Office, Federal Emergency Management Agency and/or North American Development Bank, and don’t forget to contact your county officials.

Don’t forget to review your rates! Remember, if you are an investor-owned utility, the Public Utility Commission may need to approve your rate increase.

## Do you need technical or managerial assistance?

### TCEQ’S ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

TCEQ has many programs that can provide assistance upon request: The Financial, Managerial and Technical Assistance program, Texas Optimization Program, Small Business and Local Government Assistance and EnviroMentor program.

### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Other entities that can offer technical assistance: Environmental Protection Agency, Texas Water Infrastructure Coordination Committee, Texas Water Development Board, Texas Rural Water Association, Texas Section of American Water Works Association and Communities Unlimited.

## Do you need assistance with something else?

### MUTUAL AID GROWS THE POOL OF RESOURCES

The Texas Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network is a mutual aid program for sharing resources across the state.

Additionally, system-to-system agreements with your neighbors can be great for building redundancy and support during emergencies.

### OTHER EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

Contact your local government officials (mayor, county judge, or emergency management coordinator) who may be able to obtain assistance for your system. They may also coordinate with the Texas Division of Emergency Management to provide resources.

# Helpful Links



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## **Communities Unlimited**

[www.communitiesu.org/environmental](http://www.communitiesu.org/environmental)

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## **Environmental Protection Agency**

[www.epa.gov/water-infrastructure/water-technical-assistance-waterta](http://www.epa.gov/water-infrastructure/water-technical-assistance-waterta)

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## **Federal Emergency Management Agency**

[www.disasterassistance.gov](http://www.disasterassistance.gov)

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## **Texas General Land Office**

[www.recovery.texas.gov](http://www.recovery.texas.gov)

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## **List of County Judges**

[www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/judges.shtml](http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/judges.shtml)

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## **North American Development Bank**

[www.nadb.org/our-impact/region/united-states#financing](http://www.nadb.org/our-impact/region/united-states#financing)

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## **Public Utility Commission of Texas**

[www.puc.texas.gov/industry/water/utilities/fmt.aspx](http://www.puc.texas.gov/industry/water/utilities/fmt.aspx)

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## **Texas Section of American Water Works Association**

[www.tawwa.org](http://www.tawwa.org)

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## **TCEQ Financial, Managerial, and Technical Assistance**

[www.tceq.texas.gov/drinkingwater/fmt](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/drinkingwater/fmt)

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## **Small Business and Local Government Assistance**

[www.tceq.texas.gov/assistance/water/index.html](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assistance/water/index.html)

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## **Texas Department of Agriculture**

[www.texasagriculture.gov/Grants-Services/Rural-Economic-Development/Rural-Community-Development-Block-Grant-CDBG](http://www.texasagriculture.gov/Grants-Services/Rural-Economic-Development/Rural-Community-Development-Block-Grant-CDBG)

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## **Texas Division of Emergency Management**

[www.tdem.texas.gov](http://www.tdem.texas.gov)

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## **Texas Rural Water Association**

[www.trwa.org/page/ta-hub](http://www.trwa.org/page/ta-hub)

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## **Texas Water Development Board**

[www.twdb.texas.gov/financial/index.asp](http://www.twdb.texas.gov/financial/index.asp)

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## **Texas Water Infrastructure Coordination Committee**

[www.twicc.org/index.html](http://www.twicc.org/index.html)

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## **Texas Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network**

[www.txwarn.org](http://www.txwarn.org)

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## **United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development**

[www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-environmental-programs](http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-environmental-programs)

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