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What Texas Rural EMS Providers Need to Know

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Starting January 2026, Texas counties under 68,750 in population [will have access to game-changing ambulance funding](#). Here's what you need to know, and how Frazer can help.

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What Is HB3000?

House Bill 3000 (HB3000), passed during the 89th Texas Legislature, creates the **Rural Ambulance Service Grant Program**. This program provides financial assistance to help rural counties purchase new ambulances and make necessary modifications.

The goal is simple: improve emergency response in underserved areas by helping agencies replace aging fleets and close dangerous response-time gaps.

Effective Date: September 1, 2025

Application Window Opens: January 1, 2026

Why Was HB3000 Created?

Texas has a rural EMS access problem. In fact, **over 94% of Texas counties include “ambulance deserts”**: areas where residents live more than 25 minutes from the nearest EMS station. Many communities also face:

- Limited or unstable EMS budgets
- Aging vehicles with high maintenance costs
- Staffing shortages and long response times

HB3000 is designed to close those gaps by offering meaningful financial relief to rural counties and helping ensure faster, more reliable emergency care.

Who Qualifies?

The program is open to **Texas counties with populations of 68,750 or less.**

Grant Amounts

- **Up to \$500,000** for counties under 10,000 in population
- **Up to \$350,000** for counties between 10,000–68,750

What the Funds Can Be Used For:

- **Ambulance purchases only**, including necessary equipment or modifications.

Program Requirements:

- One application per county per fiscal year
- Funds must be used within five years
- Counties may not reduce EMS budgets after receiving a grant

What's Next?

The **Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts** will manage the program, including setting application guidelines, disbursement timelines, and compliance checks.

The **Legislative Budget Board** projects that if fully utilized, the program could distribute up to \$84 million per year.

Why This Matters for Your County

HB3000 is more than a grant, it's a chance to modernize your EMS fleet without exhausting your local budget. For counties already managing financial constraints, this program can help:

- **Reduce response times**
- **Improve fleet reliability**

- **Strengthen trauma and critical care access**

How Frazer Can Support You

At Frazer, we're already working to support counties planning to apply for HB3000. Here's how we can help:

✔ **Application Guidance**

We'll walk you through the requirements and ensure your quote matches the grant guidelines.

✔ **Grant-Aligned Packages**

Our EMS vehicles meet the program's requirements and are designed to maximize your investment.

✔ **Lifetime Support**

Frazer offers long-term service, warranty support, and remount options to extend the value of your purchase.

We've supported Texas EMS [for decades](#), and we're ready to help your community plan ahead for HB3000.

Ready to Prepare?

If your county serves fewer than 68,750 residents, **now is the time to start planning.**

Application Date to Remember: January 1, 2026

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