



Texas Enterprise Zone Program

Opportunity

The Texas Enterprise Zone Program (TEZP) is a statutory economic development tool for local communities to partner with the state of Texas to promote job creation and retention as well as significant private investment. The TEZP has been instrumental in attracting \$79 billion in capital investment and securing more than 156,000 projected new jobs and more than 273,000 retained jobs in the state of Texas.

TEZP sales and use tax refunds are based on the level of investment and job activity. The following chart details the refund thresholds for incremental levels of capital investment:

Five-Year Capital Investment	Refund per Job	Maximum Created or Retained Jobs	Maximum Refund over Five-Year Period
\$1,000,000–\$4,999,999	\$2,500	125	\$312,500
\$5,000,000–\$149,999,999	\$2,500	500	\$1,250,000
\$150,000,000–\$249,999,999	\$5,000	500	\$2,500,000**
\$250,000,000 +	\$7,500	500	\$3,750,000***

** Double Jumbo Enterprise Projects will only receive credit for new job creation.
 *** Triple Jumbo Enterprise Projects must create at least 500 jobs.

Eligibility

- The Governor’s Office is authorized to designate up to 105 projects every two years with applications accepted quarterly and limited to 12 designations per round. A local community must first nominate a business to be eligible for the TEZP.
- Employment and capital investment commitments must be made and implemented within the five-year designation period. Capital investment is not limited to expansion or new construction and may include other capitalized expenses.

Competitive Scoring

The TEZP application is segmented into three distinct parts with a certain percentage of the overall points earmarked for each one. The points are allocated as follows:

40%
Distress

Economic distress characteristics of the immediate geographic area.

25%
Local Effort

Local effort by nominating jurisdiction aimed at achieving development and revitalization of the block group in which a proposed project is located.

35%
Private Effort

Type and wage levels of the jobs to be created and/or retained, community initiatives, and local revitalization support contributed by the company.

Requirement to hire a percentage of economically disadvantaged individuals, veterans, or residents of an enterprise zone is

25 or 35%

of the certified positions that experience turnover.

Partner with Ryan to Join this Growing List of TEZP Participants

Many national relocations, local industry expansions, and/or net new job creation and retention projects have been designated under the program, including projects associated with the following entities and/or subsidiaries*:

- 3M Company
- Alcon Laboratories, Inc.
- Andeavor
- Apache Corporation
- BASF Corporation
- Bayer Corporation
- Bell Helicopter Textron Inc.
- Blue Bell Creameries, L.P.
- CITGO Refining and Chemicals Company L.P.
- Delek Refining, Inc.
- Dell, Inc.
- Dr Pepper Snapple Group, Inc.
- Ethicon, Inc.
- Frito-Lay, Inc.
- General Cable Industries, Inc.
- General Motors Company
- GE Oil & Gas USA
- Huntsman Corporation
- International Paper Company
- Kelly Aviation Center, L.P.
- L-3 Communications Integrated Systems
- Lehigh Hanson, Inc.
- Marathon Oil Corporation
- Mars Chocolate North America, LLC
- Mattress Firm, Inc.
- MillerCoors LLC
- Mohawk Industries, Inc.
- Neiman Marcus Group, Inc.
- NXP Semiconductors
- Raytheon Company
- Rent-A-Center, Inc.
- Ryan, LLC
- Sabre Industries, Inc.
- Tyson Foods, Inc.
- Valero Refining - Texas, L.P.
- Whataburger Restaurants, LLC
- WinCo Foods LLC
- YETI Coolers
- Zale Delaware, Inc.



* For a comprehensive list of TEZP participants, visit the [Texas Governor's Office website](#).

To join this growing list of companies and learn more about the eligibility criteria and application process, contact a member of Ryan's Credits and Incentives team.

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