



## Small Business Environmental Assistance Program

### Who we are

We help small businesses in Tennessee with any environmental question they may have. Our services are free and confidential. We also act as your small business advocate on environmental issues.

### Did you know?

Small Business Environmental Assistance Programs (SBEAPs) were established as part of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990. As such, there is a SBEAP in each state. They work together as a network to assist each other when needed so a state program can better assist small businesses in their state.

These programs receive no Federal funding. They are supported by state air permit fees.

Go to [www.nationalsbeap.org](http://www.nationalsbeap.org) to find other state SBEAPs.

### How our program works

#### The program has three parts:

- Technical Assistance
- Ombudsman advocate
- Compliance Advisory Panel

#### Working partnerships include:

- Business community
- Trade Associations
- Other State SBEAPs
- Other State and Local agencies
- U.S. EPA
- Pollution Prevention Programs

### Small Businesses we have assisted in 2020

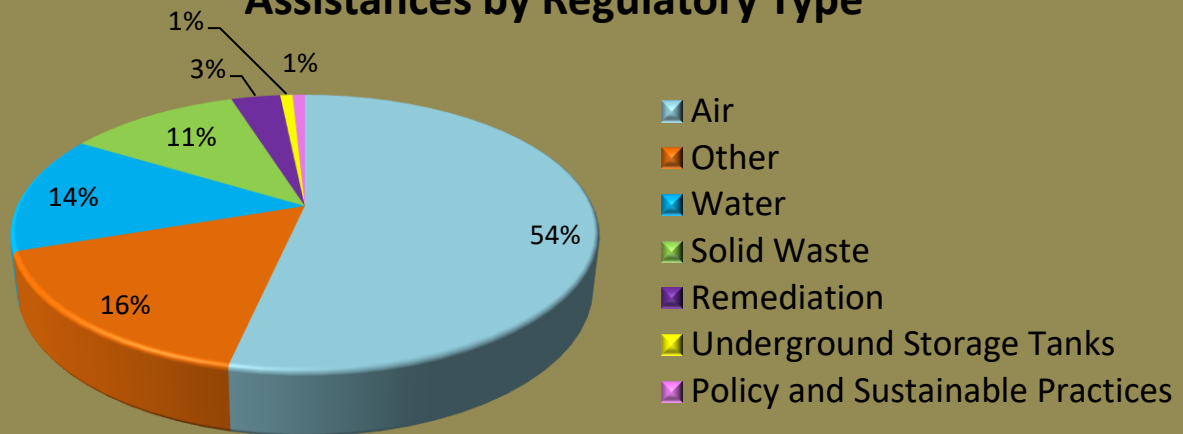
- Gasoline Dispensing Facilities
- State (both TN and other states) and local governments
- Consultants
- Small Scale Meat Processors
- Manufactures of different types
- Woodworking whether sawmills or cabinet making
- Individuals and citizens with environmental questions or planning to start a business
- Many more! Assisted businesses in 96 different categories!

A small business is defined as one that has 100 or fewer employees, emits less than 100 tons/year of criteria pollutants, emits less than 10 tons/year of any single hazardous air pollutant (HAP) or less than 25 tons of any combination of HAPs, and is not a large quantity generator of hazardous waste. However, if you need assistance, call or email!

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[www.tn.gov/environment/sbeap](http://www.tn.gov/environment/sbeap)

## Assistances by Regulatory Type



## 2020 audience impact

- 216 individual assistances
- 96 different industrial categories
- 9,609 website visits and 25,344 impressions on Facebook and Twitter
- 6 meetings and other activities to promote the SBEAP to outside organizations
- 3 events with a total of 500 booth visits
- 2 presentations at workshops to approximately 200 attendees

## What our clients say

“Our business is very fortunate to have remained open and strong. We appreciate your timely response. Your group is always a great resource”

“This is really great! You have helped us out significantly! We want to not only be compliant with the state and federal regulations, but provide an environment for our employees that is safe for their short term and long term health and wellbeing...You are doing small companies in this state a great service.”

“We want to thank you so very very very much for all of your help on this. Without you, I do not know what we would have done.”

## For more information

Visit us at [www.tn.gov/environment/sbeap](http://www.tn.gov/environment/sbeap)

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