



FULLER ACRES

SEPTIC CARE PROGRAM

EDUCATIONAL AND REBATE PROGRAM FOR:

- ✓ Septic Care Supplies
- ✓ System Inspections
- ✓ System Pumping

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Program Overview

The Kern County Septic Care Program is a locally initiated program designed to provide education and financial incentives to help residents of the Fuller Acres community maintain healthy septic systems. This program offers free septic care education and rebates for septic system care supplies, system inspections, and system pumping. Rebates are offered for a limited time, now through **June 25, 2025**. Applicants may only receive one rebate.

Please visit the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's [SepticSmart Program](#) webpage, which aims to increase homeowner education on septic systems and promote awareness of their care.

Eligible Applicants

Eligible Applicants are homeowners within the Fuller Acres community, as illustrated by Attachment B, and meet the following eligibility standards. Applicants are responsible for ensuring they meet the eligibility standards; questions regarding eligibility may be directed to (661) 868-3198 or CAOmailbox@kerncounty.com.

1. **Property Owner.** The applicant must own the residential property and may only redeem one rebate.
2. **Property is located within the Fuller Acres community.** Applicants should refer to Attachment B to determine if their home is in the Fuller Acres community.
3. **Timeframe.** Before applying, septic care supplies or pumping/inspection services eligible for rebate must have been purchased or completed after April 1, 2025.
4. **Proof of Payment.** Applicants must submit their septic care supply receipts or invoices as proof of payment with their application. Applicants will only be rebated for the eligible costs
5. **Existing Septic Systems.** Rebates are eligible for existing systems only (costs for supplies associated with the construction of a new replacement system are not eligible).

Eligible Rebates

Eligible rebate activities include septic care supplies, system inspection, and system pumping. Table 1 below highlights the maximum rebate amount per eligible activity. Please be advised, rebates are intended to supplement the costs of the eligible activities up to the listed limits, not cover them.

Table 1. Maximum Rebate Per Eligible Activity

	Septic Care Supplies	Septic Pumping	Septic Inspection
Maximum Rebate Amount per Applicant	\$100	\$150	\$200

1. Septic Care Supplies

- Bacterial and enzyme additives
- Septic chlorine tablets
- Root destroyer
- Effluent filters
- Drain field restorers
- Grease traps
- Sludge reducers
- Inspection and monitoring tools (e.g., septic tank risers and lids; tank alarms, float switches)
- Septic air pumps
- Septic aerators
- Other. Applicants may request other supplies not listed but will be subject to the approval of County Staff.

2. Septic System Inspections.

- Contractors/businesses that complete the septic system inspections must have an active C-42 Sanitation System Contractor License issued by the California Contractors State License Board (CSLB). To confirm if your selected contractor/business is properly licensed, please refer to the [CSLB's Find My Licensed Contractor Tool](#).

3. Septic System Pumping

- Contractors/businesses must be registered and adequately permitted with the [Kern County Public Health Department's Septic Pumper/Grease Pumper/Toilet Pumper Program](#). To confirm if your selected contractor/business is properly registered and licensed, please contact Kern County Public Health, Environmental Branch at (661) 862-8740 or eh@kerncounty.com

Application Process for Septic Care Rebates

Figure 1 below describes the basic application process. Applicants should direct their program questions to county staff at CAOmailbox@kerncounty.com or (661) 868-3198. All program-related forms are publicly available on kerncounty.com/economicdevelopment. The Application Form (Attachment A) must be completed in its entirety, printed, originally signed, and digitally submitted with the required attachments to CAOmailbox@kerncounty.com.

Figure 1. Application Process for Septic Care Rebates

1. Confirm Eligibility

Please review the eligibility criteria outlined on Page 2 before applying. If you have any eligibility questions, contact the County Administrative Office at (661) 868-3198 or CAOmailbox@kerncounty.com.

2. Select Eligible Rebate

Review the list of eligible rebates and purchase your supplies or services. Keep your receipts/invoices to submit with your application as proof of purchase.

3. Submit
Application

Submit a complete application with receipts/invoices to CAOmailbox@kerncounty.com. Applications will be reviewed for eligibility and completeness by County Staff, and they will notify all applicants in writing via email of their application approval or denial within 30 days of application submittal.

4. Receive your
Rebate

Once your application is processed and approved, a check will be sent to the mailing address listed on the application within 6-8 weeks.

Attachments

Attachment A – Kern County Septic Care Program Application

Attachment B – Location Eligibility Map

Attachment A – Kern County Septic Care Program Application

Kern County Septic Care Program Application

Interested applicants should first refer to the Kern County Septic Care Program Guidelines publicly available on the program website at kerncounty.com/economicdevelopment. This application must be completed in its entirety, printed, originally signed, and digitally submitted with the required attachments to: CAOmailbox@kerncounty.com.

Step 1. Homeowner Owner Information

Full name:			Parcel ID#:		
Address:			City/State:	Zip Code:	
Email:			Phone:		
Are you the property owner?	☐ Yes	☐ No			

Step 2. Rebate Request

Maximum Rebate Per Eligible Activity

	Septic Care Supplies	Septic Pumping	Septic Inspection
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Please check off and complete the following fields as it relates to your selected eligible rebate.

☐ OPTION 1. Septic Care Supplies

Type of Supply	Date Purchased	Cost (\$)
TOTAL COST INCURRED		\$

☐ OPTION 2. Septic Pumping Service. *Please be advised, the selected service provider must have an active C-42 Sanitation System Contractor License issued by the California Contractors State License Board (CSLB) and properly registered with the Kern County Public Health Department*

Service Provider	Date of Service	Cost (\$)

☐ **OPTION 3. Septic Inspection Service.** *Please be advised, the selected service provider must have an active C-42 Sanitation System Contractor License*

Service Provider	Date of Service	Cost (\$)

Step 3. Attach Proof of Payment

Please attach copies of your receipts or invoices with this application to submit as proof of payment for the supplies or services selected above.

Step 4. Certification

I, the undersigned, have read and agree to the **Terms and Conditions** set forth on Page 8. I certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief that the information provided on this application is true and correct as of the effective date of this certification.

Homeowner(s):

Print Name:

Date:

Signature:

Terms and Conditions

I agree that the selection of qualifying septic system care supplies or pumping/inspection services referenced in this application package are my sole responsibility, and that the manufacturer, dealer, supplier of these supplies, and/or any contractor or business performing pumping/inspection services is not an agent or representative of KERN COUNTY. I understand that KERN COUNTY makes no representations regarding any supplies, services, contractors, businesses, or workmanship of third parties that I may purchase or hire to perform septic system care in connection with this application.

I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT KERN COUNTY MAKES NO WARRANTY, WHETHER EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE, USE, OR APPLICATION OF THE PRODUCTS OR SERVICES I CHOOSE TO PROCURE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS APPLICATION.

I waive any and all claims against KERN COUNTY and its directors, officers, employees, and agents, for any claims or losses arising out of any procurement of septic care supplies, pumping services, and/or inspection services in connection with my application for any rebate(s) hereunder. Without limiting the

generality of the foregoing, KERN COUNTY shall not be liable hereunder for any type of damages, whether direct, indirect, incidental, consequential, exemplary, reliance, punitive, or special damages, including damages for loss of use, regardless of the form of action, whether in contract, indemnity, warranty, strict liability or tort, including negligence of any kind.

Attachment B – Location Eligibility Map

