



Texas National Security Council Launches
Will Counter Data Center Misinformation at the Local Level

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June 9, 2026 – The Texas National Security Council (TNSC), a pro-Texas coalition of national security professionals, today announced its launch to bring fact-based information directly to local Texas officials and communities on issues surrounding data centers.

Unlike broader industry efforts, TNSC is focused on grassroots engagement. TNSC will be meeting in person with local officials and community members to address their concerns and provide accurate, fact-based information. The organization will also work closely with other data center advocacy groups.

"I joined TNSC because it operates at a true local level," said Project Director Annie Jamarik. "We're going to be meeting face-to-face with officials and community groups to share accurate, fact-based information. This isn't about massive ad campaigns. This is about conversations with Texas leaders and the people of Texas."

Among TNSC's subject matter experts is retired Texas Department of Public Safety Executive Director Colonel Steven McCraw, who can speak candidly from his decades of service and knowledge about threats to data, public safety, and national security.

"The Chinese government is using its state-controlled media (CGTN, China Daily, and Global Times) and coordinated social media amplification to criticize U.S. data centers for driving up electricity prices and creating economic strain on American consumers. At the same time, it is subsidizing up to 50% of energy costs for its own data centers while rapidly expanding its domestic capacity," McCraw said.

"It's imperative that we win the technology race for our national security, but data centers are also critical to our everyday lives. On any given day, the average Texan has thousands of interactions with data centers—whether it's emails and texts, bank accounts, or health records. Even the 911 system relies on data centers for critical information. From my nearly five decades in law enforcement, I know firsthand how easily sophisticated bad actors can access our personal information. It's critical that our data be housed in the US – and preferably in Texas, where we take security seriously," he said.

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Besides security issues, TNSC will address misinformation related to economic development, job and education growth, as well as water usage and stress on the electric grid.

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