

FY 2026-2027 BUDGET QUESTION

Response to Request for Information

DEPARTMENT(S): Austin Public Library;

CBQ NO.: 66

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REQUEST:

Could you please detail the number of social workers, if any, are available at all Austin Public Library (APL) locations in the FY26-27 proposed budget? Could you detail their salary or proposed salary? Please include community navigators.

RESPONSE:

Austin Public Library's FY 2026–27 Proposed Budget does not include any positions classified as social workers or community navigators at any library location.

APL employs two full-time Community Services Coordinators funded through APL's General Fund budget under the Homelessness Activity within the Community Services Unit. Although these positions are not classified as social workers or community navigators, the coordinators provide related community support and are assigned to priority locations based on service needs. The FY 2026–27 budgeted salary for each coordinator is \$60,000, excluding payroll taxes and benefits.

APL can also make space available for social workers employed and funded by other City departments or community partners to provide coordinated services at library locations, as appropriate. APL would coordinate with the responsible departments or partners to align those services with patrons' needs.