

Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department



The role of public health is to:

PROMOTE community-wide wellness,

PREVENT disease, and

PROTECT the community from infectious diseases,
environmental hazards, and epidemics

Social Services Strategic Planning, Priorities and Procurement

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Austin Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan

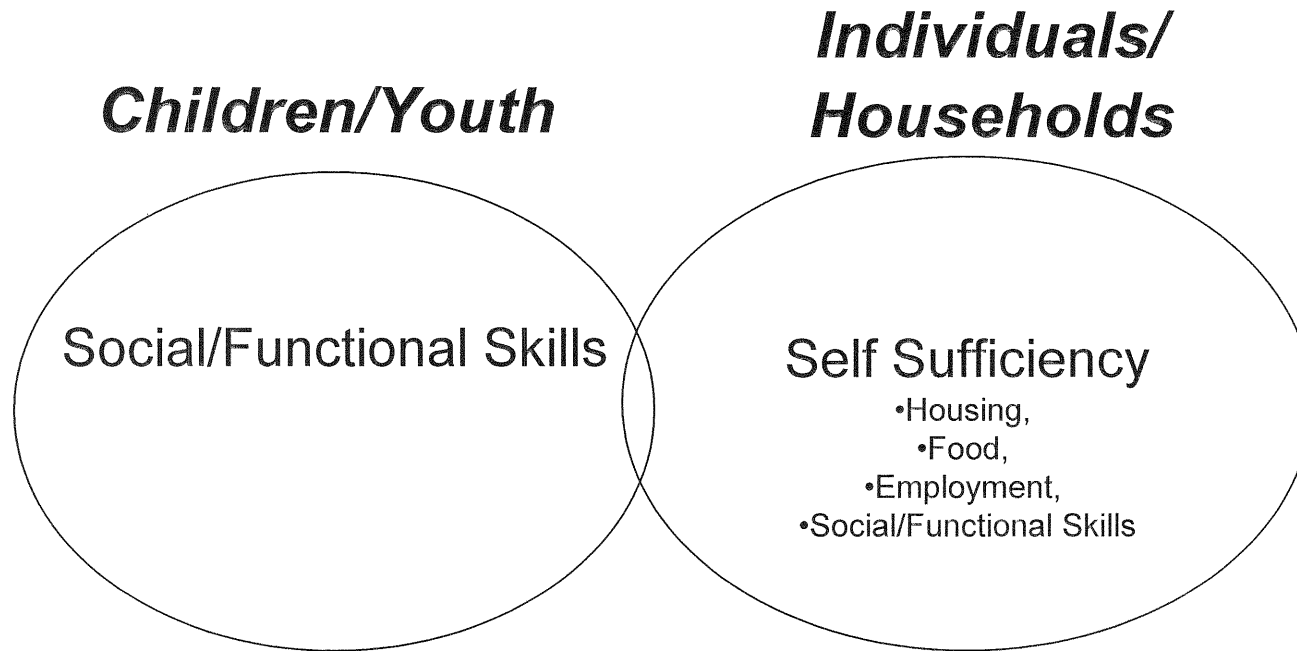
- **2008 Interim Update:** 5 goals (consistent with 1980)
 - Safety Net
 - Transition Out of Poverty
 - Problem Prevention
 - Universal Support Services
 - Enrichment

- **2010 draft:** dimensions of sustainability (Economy, Environment, Equity)
 - HHS workgroups established late 2010
 - HHS elements start early 2011
 - Draft plan end of 2011

- **Goals can be achieved through social services priorities**
 - Food
 - Housing
 - Employment
 - Social/Functional

Social Services Portfolio

Planning Objective: “Contract for Services that Promote Self Sufficiency”



Administrative and Planning Activities

Competitive process that promotes self-sufficiency

- **Criteria**
 - **Client-Centered**
 - **Collaborative**
 - **Connected with the community**
- **Results**
 - **Improved access for clients**
 - **Improved outcomes for clients**
 - **Cost efficient delivery model**

Social Services Investment Portfolio

SERVICES THAT PROMOTE SELF SUFFICIENCY

- Individual/Household Self Sufficiency
- Children/Youth Self Sufficiency
- Administration and Planning

OTHER SERVICES THAT ARE UNIQUE OR PROVIDE LEVERAGE

- Austin Resource Center for Homeless
- Women and Children's Shelter
- Child Care
- Child Care Quality
- Day Labor Center
- HIV Services

Children and Youth Social/Functional Skills Outcomes

- % of youth with improved academic improvement**
- % of clients served who are promoted to the next grade**
- % of youth who reporting having access to mental health and substance abuse services.**
- % of children and families abilities improve, including provision for child care in accredited centers**
- % of youth that are provided opportunities for academic and cultural enrichment in a safe environment during out of school time.**
- % of youth will have access to the services and supports needed as they progress into adulthood**

Individual and Household Self Sufficiency Outcomes

- % of clients that maintain housing**
- % of clients that transition to safe & stable housing**
 - % of clients that are employed at a living wage**
 - % of clients whose household income increases through public benefits**
 - % of clients that have access to support services as needed**

Administration and Planning Activities

- Conduct research and provide reports on cross cutting behavioral health issues of relevance to accomplishing self-sufficiency**
- Conduct year-round activities required to successfully compete for \$5M in federal homeless services funding**
- Coordinate community organizations to focus around multiple Human Service issue areas**
- Conduct other administrative and planning activities that meet the outcomes of promoting self-sufficiency**