

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

Public Health and Human Services Subcommittee

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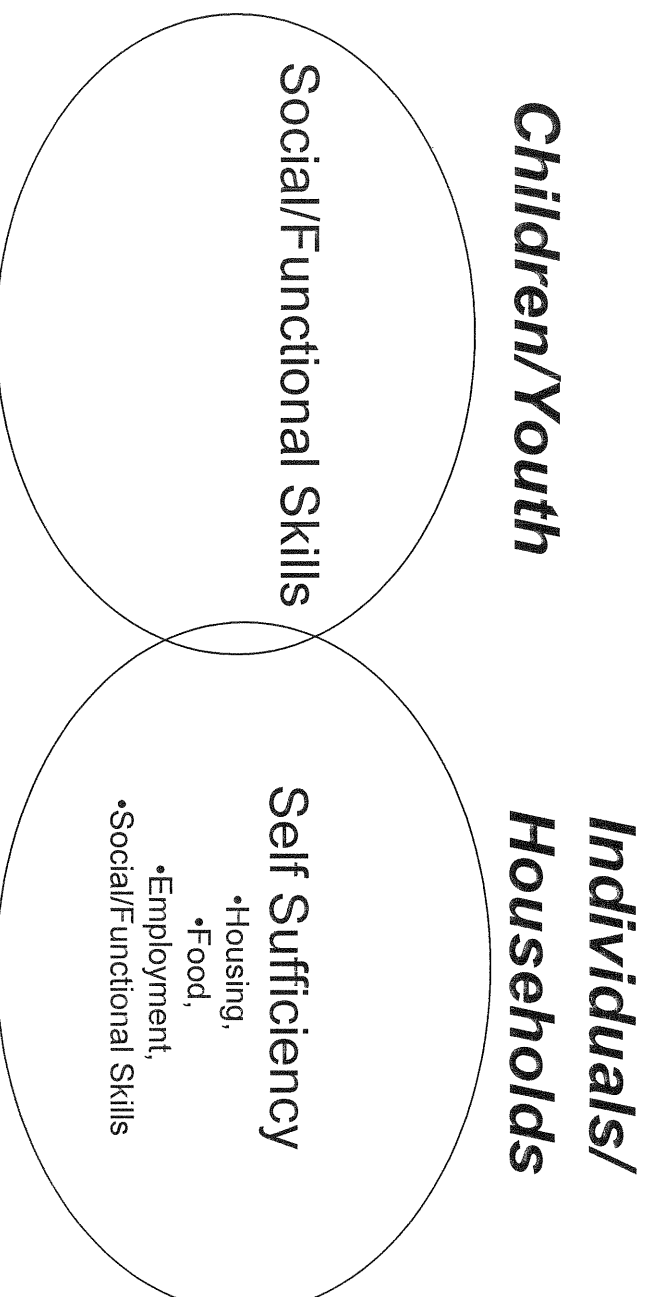
Austin Tomorrow

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