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To: Community Development Commission  
Re: Community Development Block Grants  
From: Southwest Key Programs  
June 28, 2011

On June 16, 2011, two members of the Southwest Key Programs staff came before the Community Development Commission (CDC) to speak on behalf of a proposal submitted in May requesting a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) in the amount of \$250,000 for the Social Enterprise Complex as part of our community revitalization program for East Austin.

During their time, the CDC posed three questions and were told the answers would be forthcoming. Here are the answers to those questions:

1. What is the dropout rate for students at the East Austin College Prep Academy?  
Currently the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade middle school has a zero dropout rate.
2. What is the cost per student at the East Austin College Prep Academy?  
The East Austin Prep Academy receives \$1,200 less from the state per student than a traditional public school receives. As a public charter school, it receives the same average daily attendance rate as traditional public schools, but no benefit of property taxes.
3. Of the 148 Austin residents currently employed by Southwest Key Programs how many live in East Austin?  
45 of the 148 Austin residents employed by Southwest Key Programs live in East Austin (defined as East of I-35).

Thank you for your consideration of Southwest Key Programs as a recipient of a CDBG in the amount of \$250,000 for our Social Enterprise Complex.

Best regards,

Juan Sanchez  
Chief Executive Officer  
Southwest Key Programs