

**Community Services Block Grant  
Programmatic/Financial Report**

**July 10, 2012**

The Community Services Block Grant funds the delivery of services to low income Texas residents in all 254 counties. These funds support a variety of direct services in addition to helping maintain the core administrative elements of community action agencies.

For the City of Austin, the grant provides funding for the delivery of basic needs, case management, preventive health and employment support services through the City's six (6) Neighborhood Centers and the three (3) Field Offices.

- **Basic Needs** (food, clothing, information and referral, notary services, transportation, school supplies, car safety education and car seats, tax preparation, XMAS Bureau applications, blankets, fans, Thanksgiving food baskets and other seasonal activities);
- **Preventive Health** (screenings for blood pressure, blood sugar, and cholesterol; pregnancy testing; lead poison testing and education, health promotion presentations, coordination and participation in health fairs, immunizations, coordination of wellness activities, linkages to medical home providers);
- **Case Management** (individual/family support counseling, advocacy, self-sufficiency case management, crisis intervention, linkages with employers, educational opportunities and training, and working with individuals on quality of life issues);
- **Employment Support** (intake, assessment and goal setting, job readiness training, job placement assistance, and job retention services)

***2012 Contract Update***

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- 27% of the 2012 contract year budget expended as of May, 2012.

<b>Allocation</b>	<b>\$ 990,165.00</b>
Personnel	\$ 188,179.01
Fringe Benefits	\$ 69,544.08
Travel	\$ 0.00
Equipment	\$ 0.00
Supplies	\$ 0.00
Contractual	\$ 1,700.00
Other	\$ 4,283.24
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 263,706.33</b>
<b>Balance as of 5/31/12</b>	<b>\$ 726,458.67</b>

**Performance Data (1/1/12 thru 5/31/12)**

	Persons	Households
YTD Unduplicated Served (demographics gathered)	1,808	956
YTD Unduplicated Served (no demographics gathered)	29,207	11,970
<b>Cumulative Total Served</b>	<b>31,015</b>	<b>12,926</b>

**Demographics:**

Gender	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 41% male</li> <li>• 59% female</li> </ul>	Household Type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 17% single parent female</li> <li>• 2% single parent male</li> <li>• 7% two parent hh</li> <li>• 57% single person</li> <li>• 12% Adults/no children</li> <li>• 5% Other</li> </ul>
Age	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 29% 0-17</li> <li>• 5% 18-23</li> <li>• 18% 24-44</li> <li>• 11% 45-54</li> <li>• 37% 55-70+</li> </ul>	Household Size	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 58% - 1</li> <li>• 21% - 2</li> <li>• 9% - 3</li> <li>• 12% - 4 or more</li> </ul>
Race	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 37.07% Black or African American</li> <li>• 54.20% White</li> <li>• .33% Am Indian or Alaskan Native</li> <li>• 1.71% Asian</li> <li>• 1.27% Multi-Race</li> <li>• 5.42 % Other</li> </ul>	Level of Household Income	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 59% - 0 to 50%</li> <li>• 10% - 51 to 75%</li> <li>• 12% - 76 to 100%</li> <li>• 9% - 101 to 125%</li> <li>• 10% - 126% and above</li> </ul>
Ethnicity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 48% Hispanic or Latino</li> <li>• 52% Not Hispanic or Latino</li> </ul>	Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 23% Own</li> <li>• 64% Rent</li> <li>• 3% Homeless</li> <li>• 10% Other</li> </ul>
Education Level (24-70+ yrs of age)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 23% 0-8</li> <li>• 23% 9-12/non-graduate</li> <li>• 37% HS Graduate/GED</li> <li>• 11% 12+ Post Secondary</li> <li>• 6% 2 or 4 yr college graduate</li> </ul>	Other Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 49% receive Medicaid/Medicare</li> <li>• 47% disabled</li> <li>• 4% veteran</li> <li>• 44% receive Food Stamps</li> </ul>
Source of Income	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 21% No Income</li> <li>• 1% TANF</li> <li>• 61% SSI/Social Security</li> <li>• 11% Employment</li> <li>• 6% other</li> </ul>		

**National Performance Indicators:**

	<b>Unduplicated Individuals</b>
Unemployed and obtained a job	16
Employed and obtained an increase in employment income and/or benefits	4
Number of participants in tax preparation programs	685

Number of participants who received assistance with enrollment in prescription assistance program (FamilyWize)	53
Parents and other adults learn and exhibit improved parenting skills	715
Parents and other adults learn and exhibit improved family functioning skills	784
Food	22,843
Medical care provided at agency clinic or as a result of agency referral	3,270
Transportation	46
Clothing	1,028
School Supplies	51
Other types of assistance	1,361
Persons Working Towards Transitioning Out of Poverty	45

***Programmatic/Administrative Updates***

- Neighborhood Representation on Commission - The commission term for four (4) neighborhood seats on the Community Development Commission expires on July 31, 2012. The Office of the City Clerk sent out written notifications to the appropriate individuals as identified for the responsible organizations for carrying out the nomination/election process for the designated geographic area. Staff has been in the process of contacting and meeting with the designated responsible organizations to provide technical assistance for the East Austin, Dove Springs, Colony Park and South Austin geographic areas during the nomination/election process.
- Workforce Education and Readiness Continuum (WERC) – The neighborhood centers are a key partner in a new City of Austin-funded network to help prepare Austin-area residents to enter or re-enter today's competitive job market. WERC is designed to provide services ranging from GED, ESL, job-readiness training and college-level education to clients. Rosewood-Zaragosa, South Austin and St. John's Community Centers are providing office space for WERC program specialists and neighborhood center staff make referrals to the program. The program began in April, 2012 and we have now begun exploring ways to continue to strengthen this partnership.
- SafeKids - The neighborhood centers have also been a key partner of the SafeKids Coalition through the child passenger safety program. Through this program, neighborhood center staff schedule appointments at the neighborhood centers for families who are in need of a child passenger safety seat. Staff who are trained as child passenger safety technicians then install the seats for the families who have registered. We are also in the process of evaluating and updating our partnership with the SafeKids program to continue to offer this important service.

