



# Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Action Plan

Presentation for the Community Development Commission

June 30, 2015

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# FY2015-16 Action Plan Timeline



| Date      | Action   |
|-----------|--|
| March 20  | Community Needs Assessment Period Begins   |
| April 13  | Mayor's Committee for People w/ Disabilities - Presentation and Input                |
| April 14  | CDC - Public Hearing @ Austin Energy, Town Lake Center (6:30pm) <i>*Rescheduled*</i> |
| April 16  | City Council - Public Hearing @ City Hall (1pm)                                      |
| April 21  | Asian American Quality of Life Advisory Commission - Presentation and Input          |
| April 22  | Hispanic / Latino Quality of Life Advisory Commission - Presentation and Input       |
| May 6     | African American Resource Advisory Commission - Presentation and Input               |
| May 12    | CDC - Public Hearing @ Street-Jones Building, 1000 East 11th Street (6:30pm)         |
| May 15    | Community Needs Assessment Period Ends   |
| May 22    | Public Comment Period Begins (DRAFT Action Plan Published)                           |
| June 1    | CDC - Public Hearing @ City Hall Boards and Comm. Room (7pm)                         |
| June 11   | City Council - Public Hearing @ City Hall (Time TBD)                                 |
| June 22   | Public Comment Period Ends   |
| June 30   | CDC - Meeting for Final Recommendations @ Street-Jones Bldg Rm 400a (6:30pm)         |
| August 6  | City Council - Final Action @ City Hall (Time TBD)                                   |
| August 15 | Action Plan Due to U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development                  |





# Public Outreach Recap

The outreach strategy for the 2015-2016 Action Plan was responsive to the City of Austin's Citizen Participation Plan (CPP), which describes expectations for encouraging public participation in the development of federal reports. Outreach modes and responses are provided below.

- ▶ Online: [www.austintexas.gov/housingplan](http://www.austintexas.gov/housingplan)
- ▶ Notification in Austin Energy utility bill inserts
- ▶ Community Needs Survey in English and Spanish
  - ▶ Hardcopy Distribution at Community Events: **123** responses
  - ▶ Online: **77** responses
- ▶ Public Hearings: **4**
  - ▶ [Austin City Council](#)
  - ▶ [Community Development Commission](#)
- ▶ Letters / Statements from Citizens or Organizations: **7**
- ▶ Presentations for boards and commissions and other community organizations
  - ▶ [Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities](#)
  - ▶ [African American Resource Advisory Commission](#)
  - ▶ [Asian American Quality of Life Advisory Commission](#)
  - ▶ [Hispanic / Latino Quality of Life Advisory Commission](#)
  - ▶ [Ending Community Homelessness Coalition](#)



# Changes to the Draft Action Plan

Changes to the draft Action Plan dated May 22, 2015 are outlined in the change log provided as backup. Most were minor edits intended to update, clarify or enhance information presented. Examples include:

- ▶ Estimated production for Childcare Services and Youth Services to reflect federal funding only.
- ▶ Project description for HOPWA Transitional Housing updated to clarify that transitional housing is provided until permanent housing is obtained.
- ▶ Housing Trust Fund value updated from \$825,847 to \$880,976 due to revised estimates from Budget Office. (applicable to housing and administrative costs)
- ▶ Exhibit 1 depicting HUD and City Budget Process comparison updated to improve readability.



# Requested Action

- ▶ The Citizen Participation Plan states: “The CDC will be given the opportunity to make recommendations to the City Council prior to its final action.”
- ▶ City Council will take final action on August 6.
- ▶ Staff requests that the Community Development Commission recommend approval of the City’s Fiscal Year 2015-16 Action Plan.



# Questions & Answers



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# Appendices



## Federal Formula Grants Overview

|              | FY 14-15            | FY 15-16            | Annual \$ Change   | Annual % Change | 5 Year \$ Change     | 5 Year % Change |
|--------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| CDBG         | \$6,983,366         | \$7,078,382         | \$95,016           | 1%              | (\$1,078,766)        | -14%            |
| HOME         | \$2,686,764         | \$2,433,108         | (\$253,656)        | -10%            | (\$2,098,709)        | -46%            |
| HOPWA        | \$1,112,390         | \$1,117,794         | \$5,404            | 1%              | \$13,867             | 1%              |
| ESG          | \$583,706           | \$622,474           | \$38,768           | 8%              | \$292,030            | 89%             |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>\$11,366,226</b> | <b>\$11,251,758</b> | <b>(\$114,468)</b> |                 | <b>(\$2,871,578)</b> |                 |

CDBG = Community Development Block Grant

HOME = HOME Investment Partnerships

HOPWA = Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS

ESG = Emergency Solutions Grant



| Section        | Section Title                         | Page Number in Draft | Change Description   |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| AP-05          | Executive Summary                     | 4                    | Updated Exhibit 2 - FY-14-19 Consolidated Plan Priorities Table. "FY 2014-19 Con Plan Goal" values corrected.  |
| AP-05<br>AP-12 | Executive Summary<br>Participation    | 5<br>23              | Removed reference to Advertisement on Spanish Language Television. The advertisement was not aired due to other programming commitments. Staff recognizes Spanish language advertising to be an important outreach tool, and has made a note to initiate this request earlier in the process going forward.  |
| AP-05          | Executive Summary                     | 2                    | Updated Exhibit 1- HUD and City Budget Process Comparison to improve readability.  |
| AP-15          | Expected Resources<br>Attachment II E | 29<br>161            | Updated Housing Trust Fund value from <del>\$825,847</del> to \$880,976 due to revised estimates from Budget Office. This impacts housing (Rental Housing Development Assistance) and administration.  |
| AP-35          | Projects                              | 42<br>43             | Updated estimated production values for Childcare Services from <del>218</del> to 194, and Youth Services from <del>159</del> to 146 to reflect Federal funds only.  |
| AP-35          | Projects                              | 53                   | <b>Project description for HOPWA Transitional Housing edited as follows:</b> "The City of Austin HHSD contracts with Project Transitions for Transitional Housing services. The program is designed to increased stability, to reduce homelessness and increase access to care and support. Transitional Housing provides facility-based and scattered-site housing with support services to persons living with HIV/AIDS. Transitional Housing is provided until permanent housing is obtained. <del>- may not provide housing for any individual for more than 24 months.</del> A variety of supportive services are offered to all clients including: facility-based meals, life skills management counseling, substance abuse relapse prevention support, client advocacy, transportation and assistance with obtaining permanent housing. Case managers ensure that clients are informed of the availability of needed medical and supportive services and provide referrals and assistance in accessing those services. Project Transitions has 30 apartments located in two agency-owned facilities and other apartments that are leased throughout the community." |
| AP-38          | Projects                              | 45                   | <b>Project:</b> ARCH - ESG Shelter Operating and Maintenance<br><b>Field:</b> "Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities"<br><b>Text edited as follows to provide additional context:</b> Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 2000 Persons Assisted <del>This number is lower than previously because it is only counting night shelter clients and not day resource clients. The funding supports the entire building, but the service provided is Shelter.</del> 2,000 represents a reduction from the previous fiscal year. In previous years, the City counted all persons who used the Day Resource Center, who may or may not be homeless, and may be there to use other services such as the health clinic or counseling. Since these funds support the Emergency Shelter, estimates have been adjusted to report overnight sleeping clients of the shelter only.  |
| AP-85          | Other Actions                         | 91                   | <b>Question:</b> Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing<br><b>Deleted the following statement:</b> <del>"HACA and AHFC applied for a Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grant in April 2015. If awarded, the City of Austin plans to contribute CDBG funds over a 5 year period to assist in the redevelopment of Rosewood Courts."</del> <b>Replaced with corrected text:</b> "HACA submitted the final Rosewood Choice Neighborhoods Planning Initiative Transformation Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in April of 2015. HACA anticipates that HUD will release the Notice of Funding for the 2015 Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grant sometime in November 2015. At that time, HACA will consider whether or not to pursue the opportunity. If awarded, the City of Austin plans to contribute CDBG funds over a 5 year period to assist in the redevelopment of Rosewood Courts."  |
| Attachments    | Attachment I                          | 102                  | Input received during the May 22, 2015 to June 22, 2015 Public Comment period on the Draft Action Plan have been added to Attachment I. The Change Log was also added to this attachment as well.  |