

**Community Services Block Grant
Programmatic/Financial Report
July 12, 2016**

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) Outreach Sites.

- **Basic Needs** (food, clothing, information and referral, notary services, transportation, school supplies, car safety education and car seats, tax preparation, Blue Santa applications, fans, Thanksgiving food baskets and other seasonal activities);
- **Preventive Health** (screenings for blood pressure, blood sugar, and cholesterol; pregnancy testing; 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)

Expenditures Categories	2016 Approved Budget	Cumulative Expenditures as of 5/31/16	% of Total
Personnel	\$626,904.00	\$116,723.59	19%
Fringe Benefits	\$344,382.00	\$ 66,898.94	19%
Contractual	\$111,624.00	\$ 12,572.50	11%
Other	\$9,630.00	\$ 240.37	2%
Total	\$1,092,540.00	\$ 196,435.40	18%

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MISSION: To prevent disease, promote health, and protect the well-being of our community.

TOP 5 NEEDS: Basic needs; employment; housing services; health; education

Report Date: May 2016

Percent of Contract Expired: 42%

NPI	Description	Target	#Enrolled	#Achieved	Success Rate %
Goal 1: Low-income people become more self-sufficient.		± 20%			achieved/target
1.1	Employment				
1.1 A	Unemployed and obtained a job	60	64	26	43.33%
1.1 B	Employed and maintained a job for at least 90 days	16	52	5	31.25%
1.1 C	Employed and obtained an increase in employment income and/or benefits	60	54	11	18.33%
1.1 D	Achieved "living wage" employment and/or benefits	7	42	0	0.00%
1.3	Economic Assessment Enhancement and Utilization	Target	#Enrolled	#Achieved	Success Rate %
1.3 A	Number and percent of participants in tax preparation programs who qualified for any type of Federal or State tax credit and the expected aggregate dollar amount of credits	125	256	0	0.00%
Goal 6: Low-income people, especially vulnerable populations, achieve their potential by strengthening family and other supportive environments.					
6.1	Seniors/Disabled				
6.1 A	Senior Citizens		970		
6.1 B	Individuals with Disabilities		640		
6.2	Emergency Services		#Enrolled	#Achieved	Success Rate %
6.2 A	Emergency Food		19087	19087	100.00%
6.2 B	Emergency fuel or utility payments funded by LIHEAP or other public and private funding sources		13	13	100.00%
6.2 C	Emergency Rent or Mortgage Assistance		9	9	100.00%
6.2 F	Emergency Medical Care		2771	2771	100.00%
6.2 I	Emergency Transportation		52	52	100.00%
6.2 K	Emergency Clothing		148	148	100.00%
6.3	Child and Family Development	Target	#Enrolled	#Achieved	Success Rate %
6.3 A	Infants and children obtain age-appropriate immunizations, medical, and dental care	65	4	4	6.15%
6.3 J	Parents and other adults learn and exhibit improved parenting skills	47	40	34	85.00%
6.3 K	Parents and other adults learn and exhibit improved family functioning skills	220	125	36	16.36%

Transition Out of Poverty Goal					
TOP	Individuals who transitioned out of poverty	45	7		15.56%

Programmatic/Administrative Updates

1. TDHCA Monitoring Visit - The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs conducted a monitoring of the Community Services Block Grant on November 2 – 6, 2015. The monitoring report and HHSD's response was provided to members of the Community Development Commission. HHSD continues to work with City Legal, NHCD and the City Clerk's office to address the concerns regarding the structure of the Community Development Commission. We will provide additional information regarding their recommendations to the Commission as it becomes available for review, discussion and possible action.
2. Public Health Nursing Update – The nurse started at Blackland on June 27, 2016. Her hours will be Monday through Thursday 8 am to 4:30 pm and she will split her time between Blackland and East Austin.
3. East Austin and Montopolis Neighborhood Centers – A top candidate for the position has been identified and a job offer will be made once all required reference and background checks are complete.
4. Rosewood-Zaragosa Neighborhood Center – Alan Washington, Program Supervisor, has been promoted to the Family Health Unit Manager of the City of Austin Health and Human Services Department. An Acting Supervisor has been named, and the position will be posted as soon as final approval is obtained.
5. FY15 Single Audit – The City's audit firm has completed the audit and confirmed there are no findings for CSBG. A copy of the audit will be made available to Commissioners for review at an upcoming meeting.
6. East Austin Community Development Commission Member – The CDC's recommendation to change the responsible organization to hold the nomination/election meeting to the East Cesar Chavez contact team has moved forward to the City Council's Housing Committee and will be considered on their August 1 agenda.
7. Colony Park Designated Geographic Area Seat – The Colony Park Neighborhood Association elected a new member, Michael Tolliver, who is working to complete his required training in order to begin serving.
8. North Austin Neighborhood Center - HHSD has submitted a request to the Real Estate office to pursue location options for leased space to open a Center in this area.
9. Rent and Utility Assistance – The new contract for rent and utility assistance is now underway with Catholic Charities. The focus of this program is prevention of homelessness. Clients must be referred through the Neighborhood Centers to receive assistance. To receive assistance, clients must be renters who are City of Austin and/or Travis County residents, at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level and have had a financial crisis that puts their housing at risk.