

**Community Services Block Grant
Programmatic/Financial Report
July 11, 2017**

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	2017 Contract Budget	Cumulative Expenditures as of 5/31/2017	% of Total
Personnel	\$655,832.00	\$166,689.66	25%
Fringe Benefits	\$374,189.00	\$ 98,964.93	26%
Contractual	\$118,171.00	\$ 14,950.00	13%
Other	\$10,000.00	-	-
Total	\$1,158,192.00	\$280,604.59	24%

Austin Public Health Report on PY17 Community Action Plan

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

TOP 5 NEEDS: Employment; housing services; education; basic needs, health

Report Date **May, 2017**

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	75	70	38	50.67%
1.1 B	Employed and maintained a job for at least 90 days	25	72	9	36.00%
1.1 C	Employed and obtained an increase in employment income and/or benefits	75	80	28	37.33%
1.1 D	Achieved "living wage" employment and/or benefits	10	67	2	20.00%
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	584	116	92.80%
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		934		
6.1 B	Individuals with Disabilities		548		
6.2	Emergency Services		#Enrolled	#Achieved	Success Rate %
6.2 A	Emergency Food		17080	17080	100.00%
6.2 B	Emergency fuel or utility payments funded by LIHEAP or other public and private funding sources		103	103	100.00%
6.2 C	Emergency Rent or Mortgage Assistance		149	149	100.00%
6.2 F	Emergency Medical Care		3037	3037	100.00%
6.2 I	Emergency Transportation		60	60	100.00%
6.2 K	Emergency Clothing		225	225	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	2	2	3.08%
6.3 J	Parents and other adults learn and exhibit improved parenting skills	50	108	33	66.00%
6.3 K	Parents and other adults learn and exhibit improved family functioning skills	220	355	207	94.09%
Transition Out of Poverty Goal					
TOP	Individuals who transitioned out of poverty		45	18	40%

Programmatic/Administrative Updates

1. **CSBG Budget** - The President's initial 2018 budget eliminates funding for the Community Services Block Grant. CSBG currently supports 16 of the 35 staff positions at the Neighborhood Centers, along with rent and utility assistance and other direct assistance such as bus passes.
2. **CDC By-laws** – The CDC's recommended updates were submitted and the City Clerk's office has now indicated the item will be on the City Council's Audit and Finance Committee's agenda on August 22, 2017.
3. **Summer Fan Distribution** – During the summer months, all Neighborhood Centers participate in the Family Eldercare Summer Fan program, distributing fans to help individuals and families avoid heat related health issues, and decrease energy costs.
4. **ROMA Next Generation** – At the National level, Results Oriented Management and Accountability (ROMA) Next Generation has been adopted. "ROMA Next Generation (NG) is a system for continuous quality improvement to enable community action agencies to measure, analyze and communicate performance." In the coming months, additional information will be provided about ROMA Next Generation as we work on the 2018 CSBG Community Action Plan.
5. **Crisis Intervention Team (CIT)** - Jill Smith, CIT Program Supervisor, will give a presentation about the work of this team. The Crisis Intervention Team is funded through the City's General Fund, but also supports the work of CSBG at the Neighborhood Centers.