

## Emergency Solutions Grant Rapid Re-housing Update

<b>DACC ESG RRH 10/1/2017 to 9/30/2018:</b>	
<b>Individuals served by DACC ESG for FY17/18*</b>	32
<b>Individuals served by DACC ESG services during FY17/18 that were on the DACC frequent offenders list</b>	3
<b>Individuals who have entered housing since FY 2017-2018</b>	26

\*Currently engaged in DACC ESG services denote clients who are actively receiving housing stability case management, housing location services, financial assistance, and/or DACC ongoing resources.

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<b>DACC ESG RRH from 10/1/2018 to 10/31/2018:</b>	
<b>Individuals currently engaged in DACC ESG services*</b>	16
<b>Individuals currently engaged in DACC ESG services who are on the DACC frequent offenders list</b>	1
<b>Individuals who have entered housing 10/1/2018 to 10/31/2018:</b>	1
<b>Of the 16 individuals who are currently engaged in DACC ESG services how many are housed:</b>	12

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## Downtown Austin Community Court Advisory Board

### Proposed Schedule (2019)

- January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019
- March 1<sup>st</sup> or 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019  
(SXSW March 8<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>, 2019)
- May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019
- June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019
- September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019
- November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
(Thanksgiving Holiday – November 28<sup>th</sup> -29<sup>th</sup>, 2019)

## RESTRICTIONS ON POLITICAL ACTIVITY FOR BOARD/COMMISSION MEMBERS

June 2018

The November 2018 ballot will include mayor/council member elections, and may include bond measures, charter amendments, and citizen-initiated petition items. It is important that city officials, including appointed officials such as board and commission members, follow laws and guidelines concerning election activity. Engaging in certain political activities can result in violations (with attendant consequences) of the City Charter, the City Code, and civil and criminal statutes. The City's Personnel Policies and Administrative Bulletins, while governing employees rather than appointed officials, are additionally instructive.

- Running for Office: Board and commission members **may** seek election to any public office. The following must resign their appointed positions in order to run for elective office: Planning Commissioners, Municipal Civil Service Commissioners, and municipal court judges. *Charter, Article IX, Section 6.* The resign-to-run provision applies to municipal court judges only if the unexpired term of their office exceeds one year. The Charter states: "If any judge of a municipal court announces candidacy, or in fact becomes a candidate, in any general, special, or primary election, for any elective public office, at a time when the unexpired term of the judge's office exceeds one year, the judge's announcement or candidacy is an automatic resignation of the office of municipal judge." *Charter, Article VI, Section 2.*
- Personal Contributions; Personal Political Expression: Except as noted in the subsection immediately below, board and commission members **may** contribute personal money or labor to a campaign, or take a position on election items or candidates, in their free time. This is allowed in city elections and in all other elections. Board and commission members **may** put campaign bumper stickers on their personal vehicles, but not on city vehicles, and **may** place campaign signs on their private property. *Texas Attorney General Opinion MW-243.*
- Officials in Uniform or on Active Duty: Board and commission members in uniform or on active duty **may not** take an "active part" in any campaign for an elective position of the city. The term "active part" means passing out campaign literature, writing letters, making political speeches, signing petitions, actively soliciting votes or support, making negative or derogatory remarks about candidates, and the like. *Charter, Article XII, Section 2.* Board and commission members should not engage in political activities when using their city title.
- Seeking Contributions/Exerting Influence: Board and commission members **may not** solicit campaign contributions from any City employee, elected official or appointed official. Board and commission members **may not**, in any way exert influence, either directly or indirectly, on any city employee, elected official, or appointed official to favor any person or candidate for office in the city. This is a misdemeanor criminal offense and, upon conviction, the official shall forfeit their office and be punished by fine. *Charter, Article XII, Section 2.*
- No Requirement to Contribute: Board and commission members **are not** required to contribute to any political fund or render any political service to any person or party whatsoever. A board and commissioner member **may not** remove a person, or reduce a person's classification or salary, or otherwise prejudice a person for refusing to contribute or render political service. Any city official who attempts to do so shall be guilty of violating the charter. *Charter, Article XII, Section 2.*
- No City Resources to Advocate: Board and commission members **may** take a position on a ballot item or a candidate, so long as they use no city resources (including their title) to do so. Board and commission members **may** make communications that factually describe a ballot measure so long as the communication does not advocate passage or defeat in any way.

- ☐ No City Resources for Election Campaigning: Board and commission members **may not** contribute or use any city resources, equipment, or money for election campaigning. This includes a prohibition against using city worktime, property, websites, workspaces, and the like to support or oppose a campaign, candidate, or ballot measure. It also includes a prohibition against distributing materials such as signs, brochures, flyers, cards, buttons, bumper stickers, or the like in the workplace, including making materials available to be viewed or picked up. Note that posting on social media platforms during City worktime would also fall under distributing materials in the workplace and is therefore prohibited. *Charter, Article XII, Section 2.*
- ☐ No Contributions at City-Owned Buildings: Board and commission members **may not** make a contribution to any candidate or officeholder at a city-owned building, except at a city-owned building that is available for rental to the general public and that is actually rented for a campaign event at the time the contribution is made. *City Code, Section 2-2-52(A).*
- ☐ No Public Funds for Political Advertising: Board and commission members **may not** spend or authorize spending public funds for political advertising. This is a Class A misdemeanor criminal offense. *Texas Election Code, Section 255.003.* It also could subject the official to being personally fined by the Texas Ethics Commission or being held personally criminally liable. Political advertising includes communications that are created, produced, copied, or distributed using city resources; that advocate for or against campaigns, candidates, propositions, or ballot measures; that are published in a paid newspaper, magazine, or other periodical, or are broadcast by radio or television; or that appear in a pamphlet, circular, flyer, billboard or other sign, bumper sticker, internet website, or similar form of written communication. *Texas Election Code, Section 251.001(16).* This prohibition against authorizing or spending public funds includes using City equipment, computers, copiers, supplies, staff, postage, stationary, email, websites, twitter or other social media sites, bulletin or electronic message boards, resources, ATXN Channel 6, and the like.
- ☐ Limitation on Remuneration: Board and commission members **may not** accept remuneration, directly or indirectly, for campaign work relating to an item placed on the ballot if the member served on the body which exercised discretionary authority in the development of the ballot item and participated in the discussion or voted on the item. *Code Section 2-7-62(K).*
- ☐ Requirement to Comply: City officials are responsible for maintaining current knowledge of the city's charter and code provisions, as revised, and abiding by them; and are responsible for abiding by applicable state statutes.

**Downtown Austin Community Court (DACC)  
Stakeholder Update  
(October 2018)**

**October Top ten offenses (Homeless)**

NUMCASES	CHARGE DESCRIPTION
16	Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
	Sitting or Lying Down on a Public Sidewalk or
9	Sleeping Outdoors
7	PEDESTRIAN CROSSING MIDBLOCK
5	CONSUMING ALCOHOL IN A PUBLIC STREET
4	PEDESTRIAN IN ROADWAY/CITY ORDINANCE
2	CAMPING IN A PUBLIC PLACE
2	SOLICIT BY PERSON FROM STREET - SIDEWALK
2	MANIFESTING - DRUGS
2	PEDESTRIAN WALKING AGAINST LIGHT
2	LITTERING

**October Top ten offenses (Non-homeless)**

NUMCASES	CHARGE DESCRIPTION
46	PUBLIC INTOXICATION
28	Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
18	PEDESTRIAN WALKING AGAINST LIGHT
13	PEDESTRIAN CROSSING MIDBLOCK
11	DISORDERLY CONDUCT - FIGHTING
8	CONSUMING ALCOHOL IN A PUBLIC STREET
7	MANIFESTING - DRUGS
6	PEDESTRIAN IN ROADWAY/CITY ORDINANCE
5	PEDESTRIAN ON ROADWAY
5	CAMPING IN A PUBLIC PLACE

**Current Frequent Offender Count: 332**

- Case Count for previous Month – **September** 2018 = 134
- Case Count for Month – **October** 2018 = 229
- Case Count Fiscal YTD **FY19 (Oct 2018)** = same as above
- Case Count Previous Fiscal FY18 (**Oct 2017**) = 637
  
- Frequent Offender Case Count for previous Month – **September** 2018 = 72
- Frequent Offender Case Count for Month – **Oct** 2018 = 48
- Frequent Offender Case Count Fiscal YTD **FY19 (Oct 2018)** = same as above
- Frequent Offender Case Count Previous Fiscal FY18 (**Oct 2017**) = 224
  
- Homeless Case Count for previous Month – **September** 2018 = 22
- Homeless Case Count for Month – **October** 2018 = 57
- Homeless Case Count Fiscal YTD **FY19 (Oct 2018)** = same as above
- Homeless Case Count Previous Fiscal FY18 (**Oct 2017**) = 227

### **Intensive Case Management October 2018**

DACC has eight master level licensed Clinical Case Managers on staff. As of October 31, 2018, our eight Clinical Case Managers had 79 active clients and a waitlist of 109 clients. We were able to eliminate our frequent offender waitlist and can now immediately schedule a frequent offender for our case management services. During October 2018, DACC Clinical Case Managers assisted in attaining housing for four clients, one of whom is enrolled in our DACC ESG program. One of the four clients housed in October is number 38 on our frequent offender list. DACC Case Managers made 12 referrals during October to our rehabilitative services that include residential treatment, transitional housing and counseling. We are collaborating with ECHO on referrals for clients ready to enter Permanent Supportive Housing and Rapid Rehousing as well as looking for alternative housing for clients.

### **Homeless Outreach Street Team – HOST**

We have a dedicated DACC Intensive Case Manager on HOST and provide the HOST team with office space, access to the DACC truck and access to DACC funded program resources. During October of 2018 a new Clinical Case Manager was hired to case manage referrals from the HOST team.

### **October 2018 HOST Data:**

Individuals that had a contact with HOST - 156

Contacts with HOST clients - 254

Total Needs met during October 2018 - 196

- Coordinated Assessment - 29
- Shelter/linkage to housing services - 39
- Mental Health Evaluation and Treatment – 19
- Substance Abuse Services - 4
- Medical Care - 22
- MAP Cards – 5
- Linkage to Case Management -4
- Basic Needs - 29
- Transportation - 19
- Identification Document - 20
- Benefit Linkage - 2
- Referral to APS - 0
- Legal - 1
- Employment - 3

### **Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) - Rapid Rehousing Program (RRH)**

During October the DACC ESG program had 16 clients enrolled, one who is a frequent offender. Of the 16 clients engaged in the DACC ESG program 12 have been housed. The DACC ESG program collaborates with the COA Communicable Disease Unit (CDU), Front Steps and ECHO housing team with case management, financial assistance and location services.

### Community Service Restitution (CSR) Statistics - October 2018

- Number of CSR hours scheduled in DACCP = **609**
- Number of Community Service Restitution hours completed by defendants scheduled @ DACC = **1,556\***
- Number of Community Service Restitution hours Supervised by DACC and completed by Travis County Probationers = **546\***
- Monetary value of total CSR hours (**20,545**) completed = **\$26,275 (\$12.50 per hour)**
- Number of CSR hours completed by frequent offenders = **308**
- Total number of square footage completed for graffiti abatement, ARR, Code Enforcement, PARD, other COA departments and citizen/stakeholder requests **525,612**
- Total number of sites serviced by DACC work crews for graffiti abatement, ARR, Code Enforcement, PARD, other COA departments and citizen/stakeholder requests = **174**

**Downtown Austin Community Court (DACC)  
Stakeholder Update  
(FY2018)**

FY 2018 Top ten offenses (Homeless)		FY 2018 Top ten offenses (Non-homeless)	
NUMCASE	CHARGE DESCRIPTION	NUMCASE	CHARGE DESCRIPTION
266	Sitting or Lying Down on a Public Sidewalk or Sleeping Outdoors	526	PUBLIC INTOXICATION
181	Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	271	Sitting or Lying Down on a Public Sidewalk or Sleeping Outdoors
153	AGGRESSIVE SOLICITATION	207	Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
87	CAMPING IN A PUBLIC PLACE	138	DISORDERLY CONDUCT - FIGHTING
79	PEDESTRIAN IN ROADWAY/CITY ORDINANCE	123	PARK CURFEW VIOLATION
58	PARK CURFEW VIOLATION	122	CAMPING IN A PUBLIC PLACE
46	PUBLIC INTOXICATION	120	AGGRESSIVE SOLICITATION
45	CONSUMING ALCOHOL IN A PUBLIC STREET	99	Volunteer Case
42	PEDESTRIAN WALKING AGAINST LIGHT	96	CONSUMING ALCOHOL IN A PUBLIC STREET
39	PEDESTRIAN ON ROADWAY	72	PEDESTRIAN IN ROADWAY/CITY ORDINANCE

**Frequent Offender Count on September 30, 2018:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Case Count for FY2018 = \_\_\_\_\_
- Case Count Previous Fiscal Year – FY2017 = \_\_\_\_\_
- Frequent Offender Case Count for FY2018 = \_\_\_\_\_
- Frequent Offender Case Count Previous Fiscal Year – FY2017 = \_\_\_\_\_
- Homeless Case Count for FY2018 = \_\_\_\_\_
- Homeless Case Count Previous Fiscal Year – FY2017 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Intensive Case Management FY2018**

DACC had six master level licensed Clinical Case Managers on staff during FY17/18. Our six Clinical Case Managers had contact with 392 distinct individuals during FY17/18 and a waitlist of 109 clients who requested our services. We were able to eliminate our frequent offender waitlist of 18 clients and can now immediately schedule a frequent offender for our case management services. During FY17/18, DACC Clinical Case Managers assisted in attaining housing for 46 clients (32 were Intensive Case Management clients and 14 were Rapid Rehousing clients). Fifteen of the housed clients were on the DACC frequent offender list. DACC Case Managers made 179 referrals to our rehabilitative services that include residential treatment, transitional housing and counseling. We are collaborating with ECHO on referrals for clients ready to enter Permanent Supportive Housing and Rapid Rehousing as well as looking for alternative housing for clients.

### **Homeless Outreach Street Team – HOST**

We have a dedicated DACC Intensive Case Manager on HOST and provide the HOST team with office space, access to the DACC truck and access to DACC funded program resources.

#### **FY2018 HOST Data:**

Unduplicated clients encountered by HOST - 798

Number of contacts with HOST clients - 2388

Total Needs met during FY17/18 - 1458

- Coordinated Assessment - 248
- Shelter/linkage to housing services - 246
- Mental Health Evaluation and Treatment – 194
- Substance Abuse Services - 34
- Medical Care - 133
- MAP Cards - 82
- Basic Needs - 156
- Transportation - 110
- Identification Document - 147
- Benefit Linkage -56
- Referral to APS - 8
- Navigation and Case Management - 23
- Miscellaneous - 0
- Legal - 8
- Employment - 13

**Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) - Rapid Rehousing Program (RRH)** The DACC ESG RRH program served 32 clients during FY2018. Three of those served were on the DACC frequent offender list. The DACC ESG Case Manager housed 26 clients during FY2018. The DACC ESG program collaborates with the COA Communicable Disease Unit (CDU), Front Steps and ECHO housing team with case management, financial assistance and location services.

### **Community Service Restitution (CSR) Statistics – FY2018**

- Number of CSR hours scheduled in DACCP = **11,107**
- Number of Community Service Restitution hours completed by defendants scheduled @ DACC = **16,378\***
- Number of Community Service Restitution hours Supervised by DACC and completed by Travis County Probationers = **11,480\***
- Monetary value of total CSR hours (**27,858**) completed = **\$348,225 (\$12.50 per hour)**
- Number of CSR hours completed by frequent offenders = **3841**
- Total number of square footage completed for graffiti abatement, ARR, Code Enforcement, PARD, other COA departments and citizen/stakeholder requests **20,772,105**
- Total number of sites serviced by DACC work crews for graffiti abatement, ARR, Code Enforcement, PARD, other COA departments and citizen/stakeholder requests = **1,840**