

**Community Services Block Grant
Programmatic/Financial Report
January 8, 2019**

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, 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 including a1C, and cholesterol; pregnancy testing; health promotion presentations, coordination and participation in health fairs, immunizations, coordination of wellness activities, linkages to medical home providers and diabetes case management);
- **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	2018 Contract Budget	Cumulative Expenditures as of 11/30/18	% of Total
Personnel	\$654,554.00	\$600,378.17	92%
Fringe Benefits	\$382,969.00	\$325,577.49	85%
Contractual	\$54,583.00	\$57,401.00	105%
Other	\$10,000.00	\$3,000.00	30%
Total	\$1,102,106	\$986,356.66	90%

Austin Public Health Report on PY18 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

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FNPI	Outcome Description	Target	#Enrolled	#Achieved	Success Rate %
1	Employment				
1B	Unemployed adults who obtained a job up to a living wage	55	94	38	69%
1C	Unemployed adults obtained and maintained a job for at least 90 days (up to a living wage)	20	86	11	55%
1E	Unemployed adults who obtained a job with a living wage	10	74	15	150%
1H	Employed participants in a career-advancement related program who entered or transitioned into a position with increased income and/or benefits	55	74	60	109.09%
2	Education and Cognitive Development	Target	#Enrolled	#Achieved	Success Rate %
2F	Adults who demonstrated improved basic education	5	2	0	0%
2H	Individuals who obtained a recognized credential, certificate or degree relating to the achievement of educational or vocational skills	7	13	7	100%
4	Housing				
4B	Households who obtained safe and affordable housing	35	68	40	114.29%
4E	Households who avoided eviction	375	560	413	110.13%
5	Health and Social/Behavioral Development		#Enrolled	#Achieved	Success Rate %
5B	Individuals who demonstrated improved physical health and well being	5	19	1	20%
5D	Individuals who improved skills related to the adult role of parents/caregivers	50	49	32	64%
SRV	Service Description	Number Served			
3O	Tax Preparation Programs	669			
4C	Rent Payments	345			
4D	Deposit Payments	7			
4I	Utility Payments	36			
5A	Immunizations	754			
5J	Food Distribution	28,451			
7A	Case Management	168			
7B	Eligibility Determinations	1572			
7D	Transportation	158			
7N	Emergency Clothing	3732			

Transition Out of Poverty Goal		Goal	Achieved	Success Rate%
TOP	Individuals who transitioned out of poverty	43	33	77%

- 1. 2019 CSBG Budget** – Based on information received from the National Association for State Community Services Programs the partial Government shutdown has had no impact to CSBG. CSBG was part of the 75% of the government that received their FY 2019 budgets and funding on-time.
- 2. Rosewood Zaragosa and St. John Manager Positions** – We are working with Human Resources to fill these positions. The postings closed on December 31st. We plan to fill the positions as soon as possible.
- 3. Annual Update** – As part of the CSBG Organizational Standards, staff provides an annual update on to the CDC which includes an analysis of the agency’s outcomes and any strategic program adjustments or improvements needed, as well as the demographic information on clients served throughout the year. A copy of last year’s update is provided in the back-up documents for this meeting. We will be providing this information again in the March meeting. If you would like to see the demographic information more frequently we can provide this information to you, upon request.
- 4. Designated Geographic Areas & Responsible Organizations** – Staff will be presenting additional information at the meeting. Please refer to the back-up documents for a copy of the presentation. For your information we have included a copy of the Austin Public Health’s Policy and Procedures on the designated areas, responsible organizations and the nomination/selection process. We welcome your input on the policy and procedure. Please provide any input no later than January 22, 2019.

Success Story

In the Spring of 2018, client came to the South Austin Neighborhood Center and asked for help “getting his head straight” and getting back into the workforce. Client was living in his car in a nearby Walmart parking lot and had been doing so for one year. He had survived on unemployment income which had ran out. Barriers for client included: no physical address and a DUI conviction. Strengths included: work history, motivation and resilience.

Client came to the SANC thinking his situation was “hopeless” and that he had significant “mental problems” that he needed to work on. Client received various basic needs services at the SANC: access to healthy foods, clothing from the Clothing Closet and Self-Sufficiency case management services; including counseling. With the assistance of Austin Public Health staff client was able to secure employment at a social media company and safe housing. As of December 2018, client is still doing well at his job.