Community Services Block Grant Programmatic/Financial Report June 11, 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 4/30/19	% of Total
Personnel	\$702,685.00	\$159,848.83	22.7%
Fringe Benefits	\$386,878	\$99,499.19	25.7%
Other	\$12,543.00	\$0	0%
Total	\$1,102,106	\$259,348.02	23.5%

Austin Public Health Report on PY19 Community Action Plan

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

TOP 5 NEEDS: Housing; Health; Employment; Basic Needs; Education

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Transition Out of Poverty Goal		Goal Achieved		Success Rate%	
ТОР	Individuals who transitioned out of poverty	43	12		28.0%

- **<u>1.</u>** <u>**Community Worker Positions**</u> Interviews on June 4th. These positions will be based at the Blackland, Rosewood Zaragosa and South Austin Neighborhood Centers.
- <u>2.</u> <u>COA Single Audit Report FY18</u> As part of the CSBG Organizational Standards, staff provides an annual update to the CDC. Audit is available in the back-up documentation. There were no findings for CSBG.
- **<u>3.</u>** <u>CDC Geographic Areas Nomination/Selection Meetings</u> On May 23rd City Council approved Bertha Delgado's appointment to the CDC to represent the East Austin geographic area for the next 4 years.
- <u>4.</u> Neighborhood Center Improvements The construction of the new Montopolis Recreation and Community Center is underway and on schedule. In May they worked on installation of site water, wastewater, and drainage system connections to the main city lines, installation of new telephone line for the pool house, and completion of the structural steel floors and roof. The goal is to align these projects with the Strategic Direction 2023 of improving the condition of city owned facilities and supporting customer satisfaction with City services.
- 5. NSU Community Worker Month our 15 Community Workers help improve the lives of disadvantaged individuals and groups by deep listening, facilitating change and empowering individuals to reduce stress, improve their health outcomes and adopt a proactive approach to life. Neighborhood Center community workers play a vital role in the operations of the Neighborhood Services Unit. They are involved with eligibility screenings, food distributions, seasonal distributions, rent & utility assistance and other important basic needs services.

Success Story

Client presented to us at an Austin Public Health Community Health Hub in December 2018. Her initial HbA1c was **9.2**. At this visit, the nurse talked with client about healthy nutrition, provided hypertension education, encouraged exercise and discussed complications of elevated HbA1c. Client verbalized understanding and talked about making healthy changes. Client was provided diabetes case management services by one of our Public Health nurses and was empowered to make healthy choices re: diet and exercise. At her two month follow-up, client's HbA1c had improved to **6.4**. She had a big smile and was happy to see her HbA1c number improve in just two months.