

**DOWNTOWN AUSTIN
COMMUNITY COURT**

GEOGRAPHIC SERVICE AREA AND ADJUDICATED CASES ANALYSIS

Project Update - July 2022



SCOPE AND PURPOSE

DACC is conducting an analysis of its current and potential geographic service area (GSA) and adjudicated cases.

The purpose of this analysis is to understand the efficacy of DACC's current GSA and adjudicated cases, and to determine whether expansion or alterations might better serve the community and DACC stakeholders.



CURRENT GSA /ADJUDICATED CITATIONS

Geographic service area: The neighborhoods for which DACC adjudicates citations. Currently downtown, west campus, and east Austin

Adjudicated cases: The charge codes, or offenses, that are heard at DACC. Currently Class C misdemeanors (includes Prop B and state camping ban violations) that are generally non-traffic related



PROJECT TIMELINE

March/April 2022 – DACC internal discussions and information analysis

May 2022 – Planning for stakeholder engagement (interdepartmental workshops, community engagement process), update to DACC Advisory Board

June 2022 – Stakeholder engagement

July 2022 – Stakeholder engagement continued, update to DACC Advisory Board

August 2022 – Analysis of stakeholder input data

September 2022 – Stakeholder data analysis report presentation, guided discussion with DACC Advisory Board

November 2022 (tentative) – Finalized GSA analysis report presented to DACC Advisory Board



STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PRIORITIES

1. Provide different ways for people to engage on this topic, accounting for access abilities, safety, and knowledge of DACC.
2. Work to provide effective education about DACC/GSA alongside engagement opportunities



ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Internal stakeholder engagement:

- Interdepartmental workshops
- Individual discussions
- Department-level presentations

External stakeholder engagement:

- Public community meetings
- SpeakUp! Austin project education portal and survey
- Open-house style engagement opportunities
- Ad-hoc engagement solicitation
- AHAC input



DATA ANALYSIS

Data analysis will take place once data collection is largely complete (late July)

A combination of qualitative and quantitative analysis will be used

Highlights of the engagement effort:

- 17 City departments
- 50 community meeting registrants
- 50+ survey respondents
- 150+ engagements on SpeakUp! Austin

Major theme across all engagement platforms: Equity



NEXT STEPS

Continuing engagement through the end of July:

- Internal/external stakeholders invited to reach out to request engagement meetings with DACC staff/leadership
- SpeakUp! Austin educational and input opportunities open until August 1

Stakeholder engagement report:

- Data analysis to take place in August
- Report presented to DACC Advisory Board on September 16

