

# HOMELESS STRATEGY DIVISION BRIEFING

## PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

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August 9th, 2023



# TODAY'S AGENDA

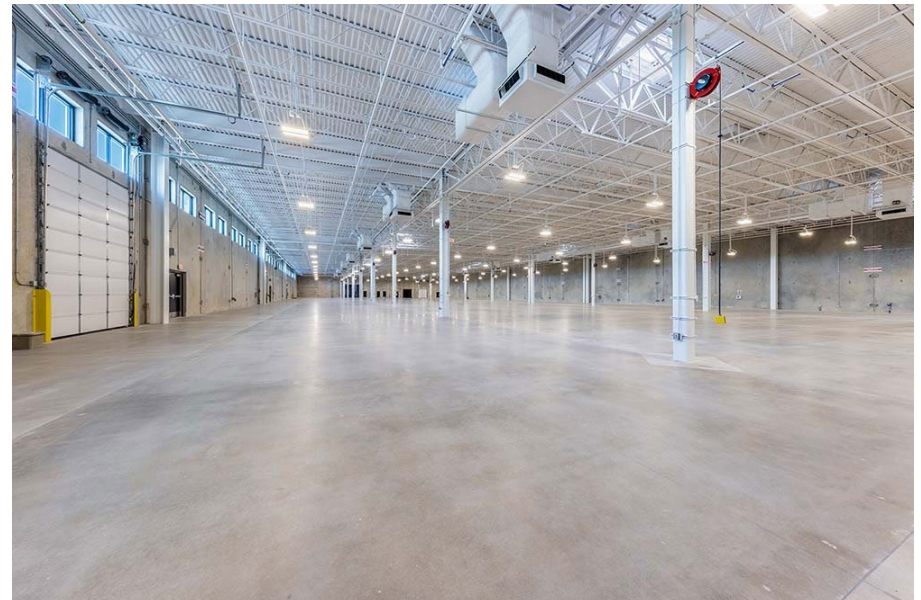
- Marshalling Yard Shelter
- 8<sup>th</sup> Street Shelter
- Bridge Shelter Expansion
- HEAL Initiative

# MARSHALLING YARD EMERGENCY SHELTER

SOCIAL SERVICE CONTRACT WITH ENDEAVORS APPROVED BY COUNCIL 7/20



- Current Contract Status
- Operational Timeline
- Amenities & Services
- Community Engagement



# DOWNTOWN SHELTER

FACILITY LEASE & URBAN ALCHEMY SERVICE CONTRACT APPROVED 6/8



## Facility

- 501 E. 8<sup>th</sup> Street (former Salvation Army shelter)
- 1 Year Lease, pending execution
- Anticipated Repairs



## Operation & Services

- Amendment to Urban Alchemy ARCH contract
- 150 beds with supportive services
- 1 Year term, negotiations underway

# BRIDGE SHELTER EXPANSION

MOVING TO DOUBLE OCCUPANCY GENERATES 130 ADDITIONAL BEDS



## Northbridge Shelter

- 60 Additional Beds
- Expansion completed 6/12/2023

## Southbridge Shelter

- 70 Additional Beds
- Austin Area Urban League amendment
- Full occupancy anticipated this month



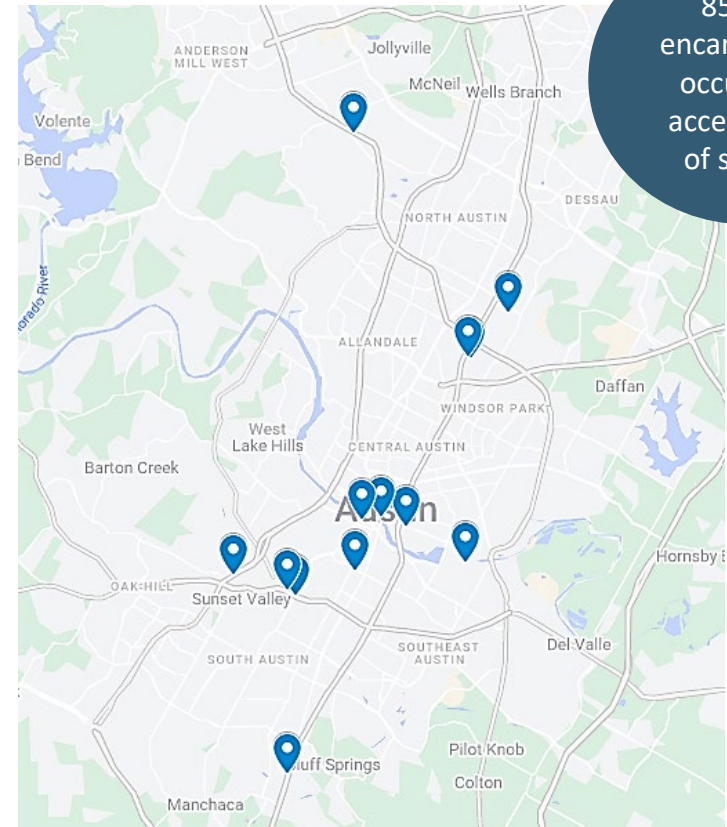


# HEAL INITIATIVE

## HOUSING-FOCUSED ENCAMPMENT ASSISTANCE LINK

### HEAL Initiative Sites

1. Terrazas Branch Library
2. Menchaca / Ben White Blvd.
3. Lady Bird Lake / Buford Tower
4. 183 / Oak Knoll
5. Old San Antonio Road / Slaughter Creek
6. IH-35 Frontage Road / St. Johns Avenue
7. West Bouldin Creek
8. Adjacent St. John Neighborhood Park
9. Gillis Park
10. Roy Guerrero Park
11. Gustavo "Gus" Garcia District Park
12. Pack Saddle Pass / Ben White Blvd.
13. Gaines Creek Greenbelt



85% of  
encampment  
occupants  
accept offer  
of shelter

*Gaines Creek Encampment Before & After HEAL Photos*

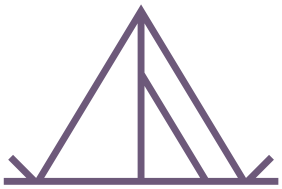


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### Over 550 People Moved to Shelter

Since HEAL began in June 2021, the initiative has compassionately closed 13 high-acuity encampments and moved 557 unhoused residents into bridge shelter



**13**

Encampment  
Decommission



**557**

People Moved to  
Bridge Shelter



**340**

People Assigned a  
Case Manager



**200**

People Housed  
So Far



**42**

People Graduating  
the Program

**196 Days**

The time from shelter intake to housing move-in is generally  
about 6 1/2 months.

Data as of July 25, 2023  
Source: HMIS

*Thank you!*