



SOBERING CENTER

SERVING AUSTIN & TRAVIS COUNTY

#TheSoberingCenter

#BeSafeBeSoberATX

Mission of the Austin/Travis County Sobering Center

The Sobering Center enhances public health and safety by providing a safe place for publicly intoxicated individuals to sober up as an alternative to the emergency room or jail and, where appropriate, to provide a bridge to recovery.



Numbers Served

The Sobering Center has performed more than **16,000** intakes since its inception.



Sobering Center of Austin

- No jail or emergency room
- No citations, fines, or medical bills
- No cost for Sobering Center services
- Open 24 hours/7 days a week
- Complete confidentiality
 - We do not notify anyone of a client's admission into the center without consent or subpoena
- Connection to community resources and other services
- Assistance with coordinating transportation home



Admission Criteria

- 18 years or older
- Suspected alcohol or drug intoxication
- No evidence of acute head injury
- No untreated lacerations
- No seizure within the last 24 hours
- No acute gastrointestinal bleeding
- Suicidal/homicidal ideation cleared by a MH professional



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Client is referred/
transported to
the Sobering
Center by Law
Enforcement,
EMS ***or other
referral partner***

NO P.I. CITATION
NO FINES

Intake Medics
do a screening
to ensure it's
safe for the
client to sober
up in our facility

Recovery
Support
Specialists
monitor the
client and
continue to
assess their
needs

SBIRT
Counselors
conduct an
assessment
used to link a
client to the
***appropriate
community
resources***

Questions?

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