

Northeast Service Center Cistern Murals Art Call



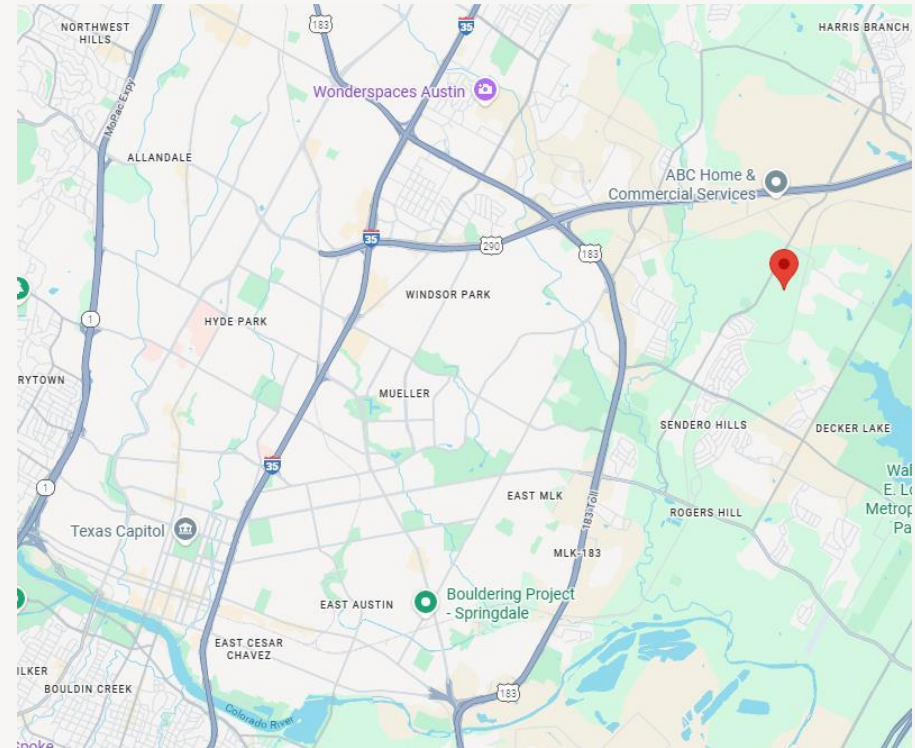
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NESC Cistern Murals



Project Phase	Scoping (Art Call)
Artist(s) Name	TBD
Art Commission	\$300,000
Funding Type	CIP/Bond
Sponsor Dept	Austin Resource Recovery Austin Fleet Mobility Services
Managing Dept	Austin Financial Services
Council District	1



NESC location: 8301 Johnny Morris Rd

NESC Project Overview

Project Overview:

- First AIPP project within P3 delivery model
- \$3 million in Art Commissions
- AIPP developed opportunities & budgets

Project Goals:

- New campus will consolidate services to one location
- ARR: trash collection, recycling, composting, large brush collection and bulk items
- AFMS: vehicle maintenance needs for City of Austin

Timeline:

- Phased approach: cistern murals is the fourth project
- Construction began fall 2025
- Campus opening fall 2027



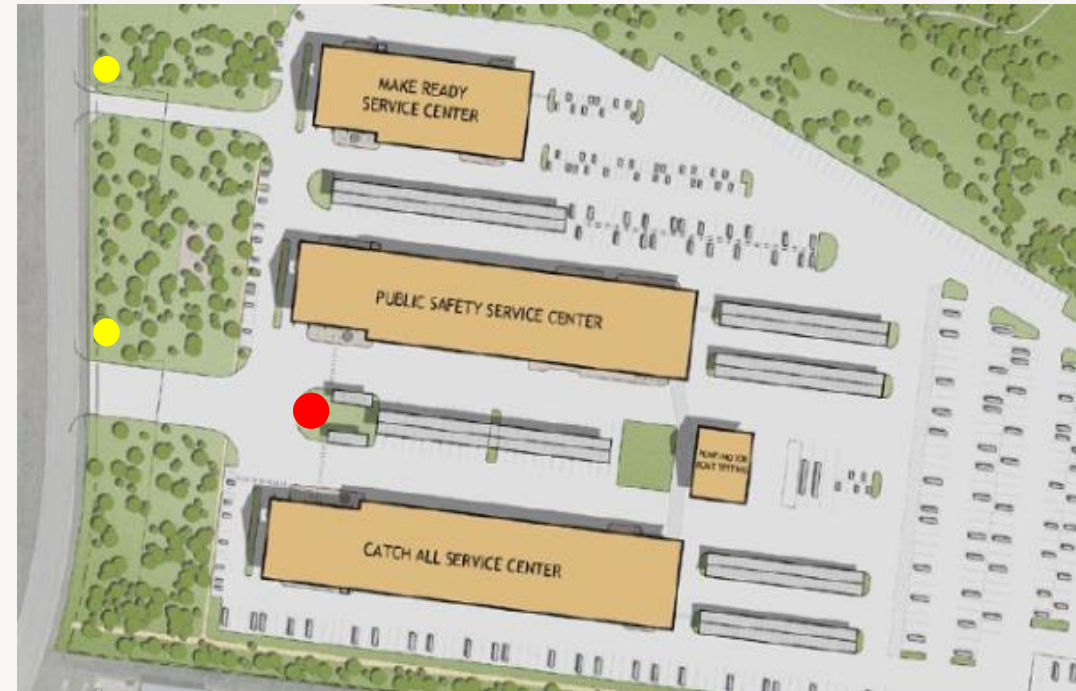
North Campus: Austin Resource Recovery

NESC AIPP Opportunities Overview



North Campus: Austin Resource Recovery

Garage Façade	\$1,800,000
Interior Suspended Artwork	\$ 300,000



South Campus: Austin Fleet Mobility Services

Cistern Murals x 2	\$ 300,000
Sculptures x 5	\$ 600,000
Total AIPP Opportunities	\$3,000,000

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Scope of Work:

- 2 site-specific permanent artwork
- 2D mural applied to metal water tank (cisterns)
- Artworks should stand alone and work together
- Artwork themes should consider a central focus on the essential workers of ARR and AFMS
- Engage stakeholders and community
- Artwork integrated into campus design, including coordination with project team and AIPP artists

Considerations:

- Users and visitors of the site
- Longterm maintenance
- Campus is open 24/7



Cistern Example

Eligibility: Austin-based visual artists who reside in the seven counties bounding the Austin metro area (Travis, Hays, Williamson, Bastrop, Caldwell, Burnet, and Blanco counties)

Emerging: public artists show professional achievement and are developing qualifications that show significant potential in the field of public art. Minimum of one relevant completed project with a budget up to \$10,000

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Site Renderings



North Campus Theme*

Consider central focus around ARR such as recycling and reuse



South Campus Theme*

Consider central focus around AFMS such as mobility, movement, connectivity, people and community they serve.

**Artworks should be illustrative and representative of the essential work within NESC vs literal representation.*

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Artist Selection Process



Selection Criteria:

- Artistic merit, creative capacity, and technical expertise of past work (30%)
- Enthusiasm and ability in creating site-specific public artwork and working with local communities (40%)
- Demonstrated experience in the field of public art (30%)

Artist Selection Process:

- Utilize the Public Artist Texas Pre-Qualified List
- Identify shortlist of artists
- Independent scoring (selection panelists)
- Selection Panel Meeting
- Review combined averaged scores
- Deliberate and recommend 1 artist and 1 alternate

Next Steps



Timeline* (subject to change):

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| • AIPP Panel (Art Call) | October 5, 2026 |
| • Arts Commission (Art Call) | October 19, 2026 |
| • Artist Selection Process | Fall / Winter 2026 |
| • Artist Kick-Off | Quarter 1 2027 |

Action needed:

A motion to recommended the approval of the Art Call for NESC Cistern Murals, Art in Public Places Project to the Arts Commission.