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## Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department



The role of public health is to:

**PROMOTE** community-wide wellness,

**PREVENT** disease, and

**PROTECT** the community from infectious diseases,  
environmental hazards, and epidemics

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Late Backup

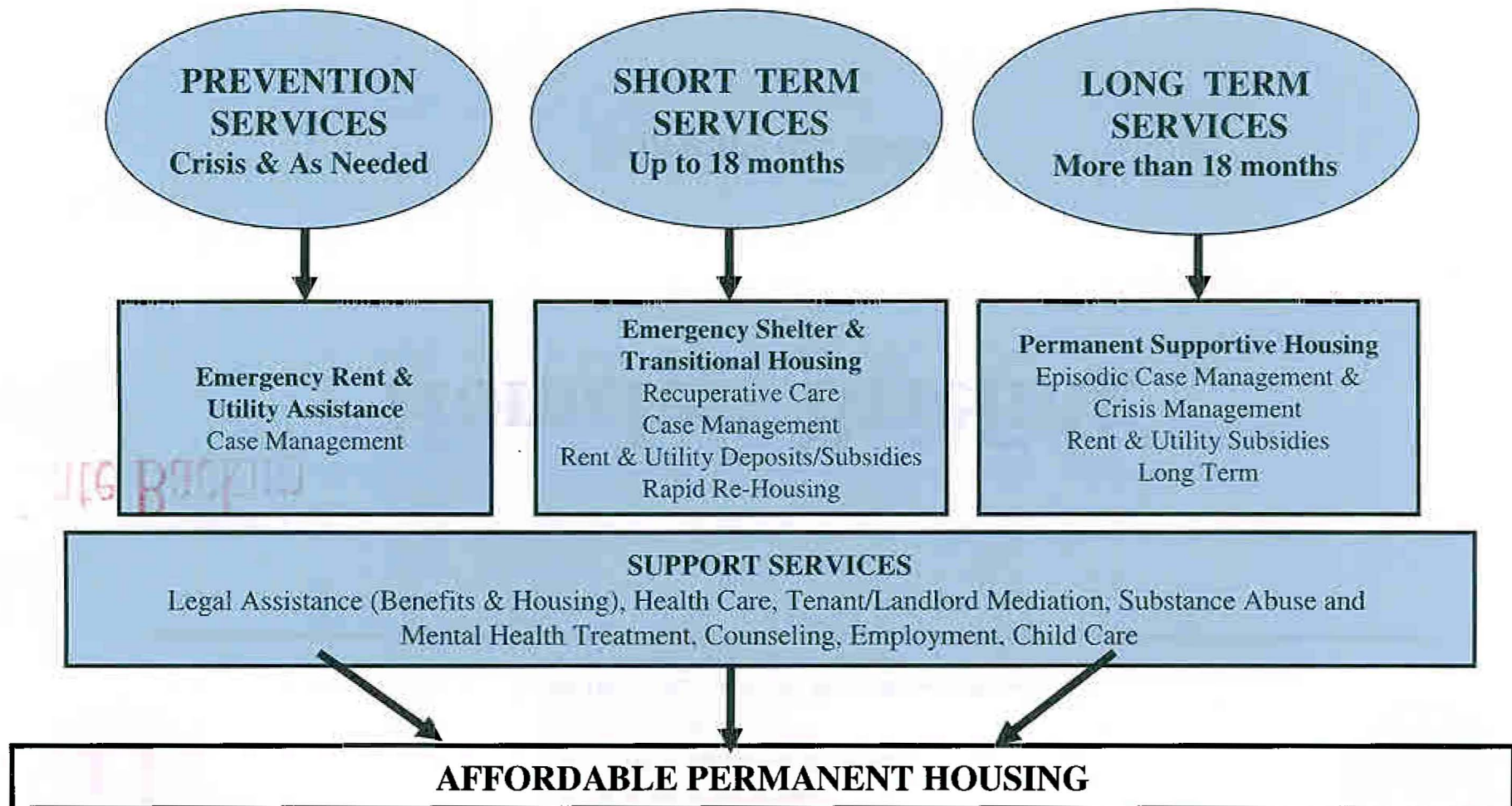
# Homeless Briefing

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# Homeless Services Continuum

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# **Priority Needs**

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## **Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) - Permanent Supportive Housing:**

- **2010 report commissioned by ECHO, Re-entry Roundtable, & Mayor's Mental Health Task Force to recommend PSH needs for our community**
- **Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) estimates 1900 units needed in 10 years**
- **CSH report recommends short-term production goal (4 years): 350 units**

# Partners

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- **AIDS Services of Austin**
- **Austin Families**
- **Austin Tenants Council**
- **Austin/Travis County  
Integral Care**
- **Best Single Source Partners**
- **Blackland**
- **Caritas of Austin**
- **Casa Marianella**
- **Crime Prevention Institute**
- **Family Eldercare**
- **Foundation for the Homeless**
- **Foundation Communities**
- **Front Steps**
- **Green Doors**
- **LifeWorks**
- **Project Transitions**
- **SafePlace**
- **Salvation Army**
- **VinCare Services**
- **Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid**

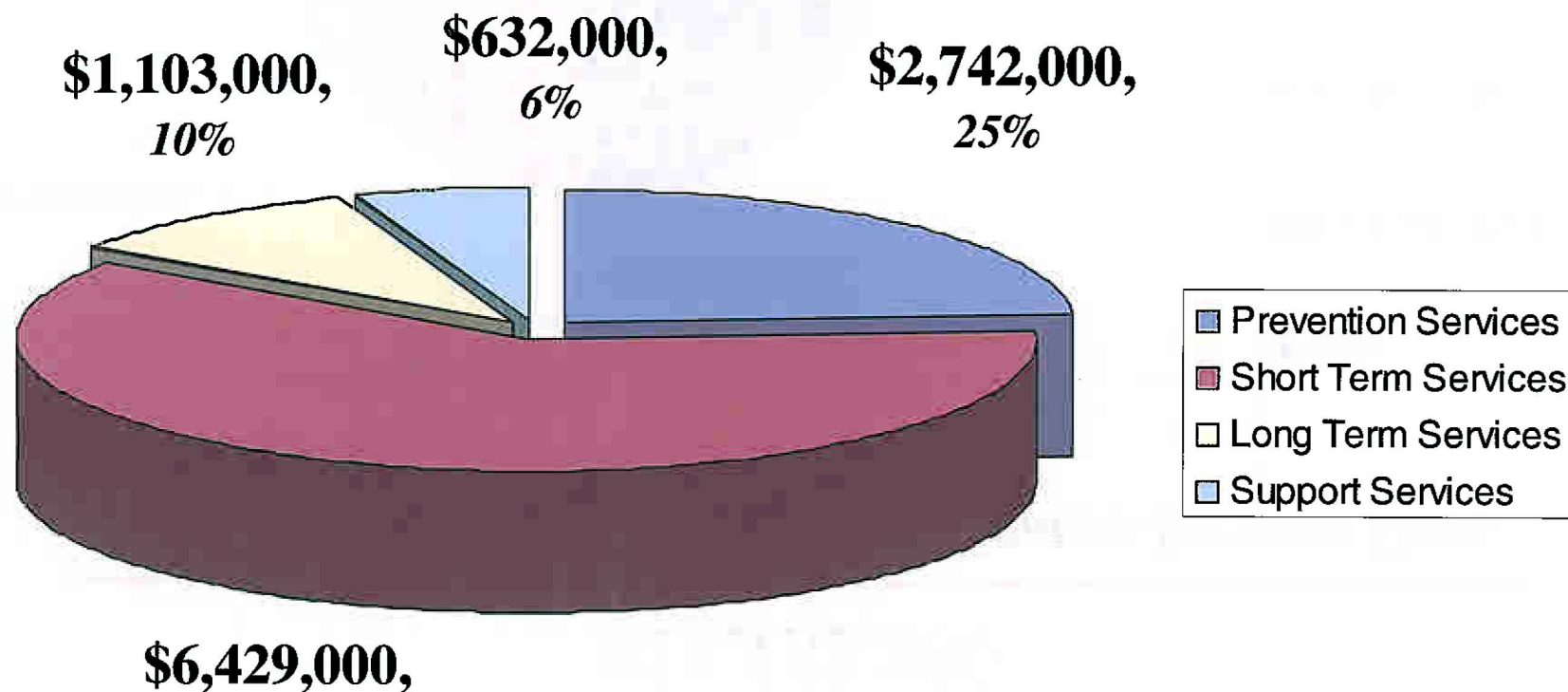


# Homeless Services Continuum Funding

## \$11,152,000

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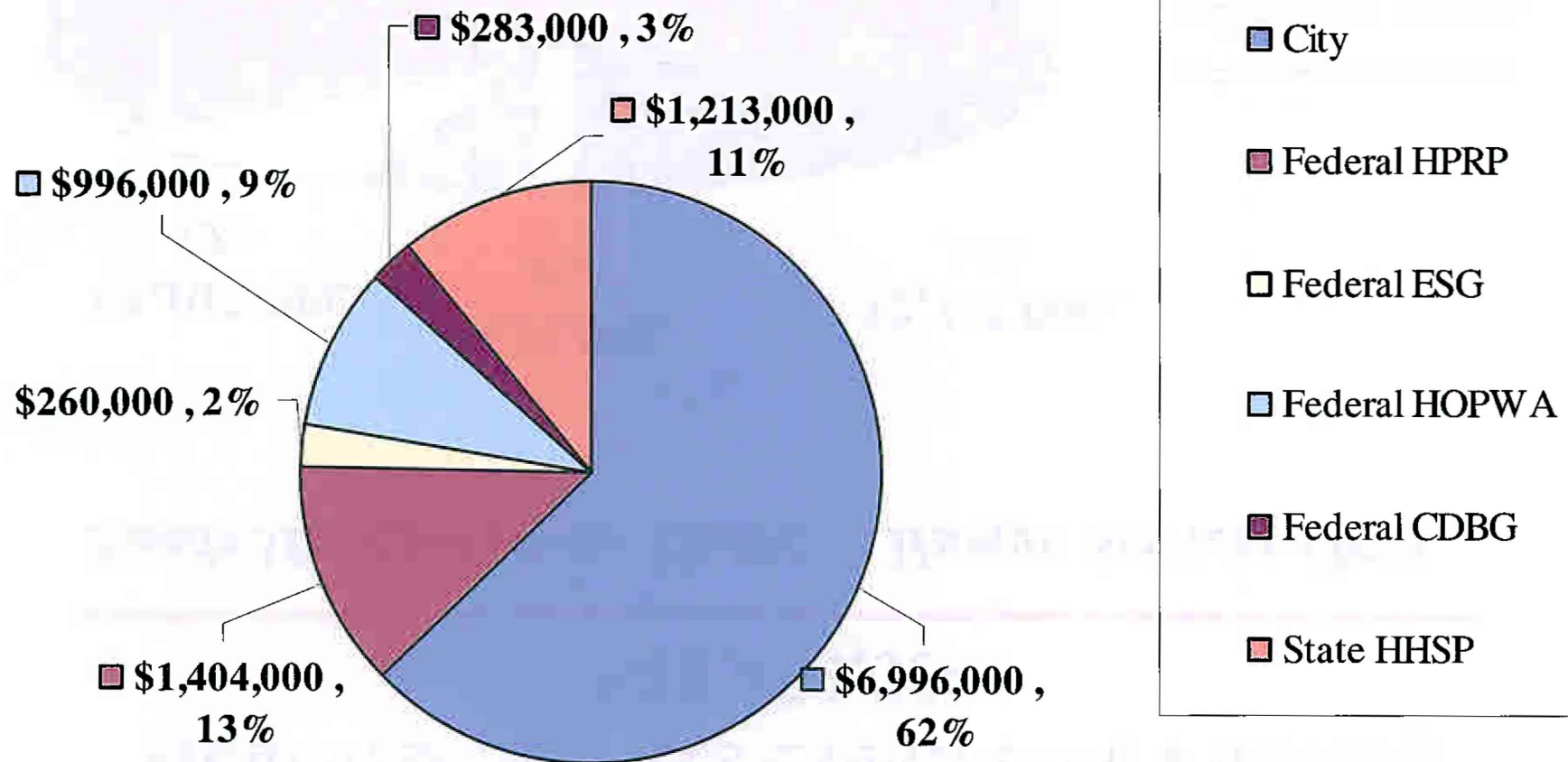
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# Total Investment – by Source

## \$11,152,000

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# Current Community Capacity

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## *Emergency Shelter*

<b>Individuals</b>	<b>440</b>
<b><u>Households with children</u></b>	<b><u>279</u></b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>719</b>

## *Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)*

<b>Individuals</b>	<b>335</b>
<b>Chronically homeless Ind.</b>	<b>57</b>
<b><u>Households with children</u></b>	<b><u>61</u></b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>453</b>

## *Transitional Housing*

<b>Individuals</b>	<b>188</b>
<b><u>Households with children</u></b>	<b><u>374</u></b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>562</b>

## *New PSH Capacity -- Funded in 2010*

<b>Youth ages 18 – 24</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Households with children</b>	<b>28</b>
<b><u>Ex-offenders</u></b>	<b><u>10</u></b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>46</b>

# **Recommendations for Future Investment**

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## **Priority Gaps in Homeless Services Continuum**

- Permanent Supportive Housing**
  - Chronically homeless individuals who are frequent users of shelter & services at ARCH**
  - Individuals re-entering the community from the criminal justice system**
  
- Short-Term Shelter & Services for Families with Children**