

A Community for Education
 AIDS Services of Austin
 American YouthWorks
 Any Baby Can
 ASCEND Center for Learning
 Austin Area Urban League
 Austin Child Guidance Center
 Austin Children's Shelter
 Austin Clubhouse
 Austin Free-Net
 Austin Groups for the Elderly
 Austin Partners in Education
 Austin Travis County Integral Care
 AVANCE
 Blackland CDC
 BookSpring
 Boys and Girls Club of Austin
 Camp Fire USA Balcones Council
 Capital Area Food Bank
 Capital IDEA
 Carites of Austin
 Casa Marianella
 CASA of Travis County
 Catholic Charities of Central TX
 Center for Child Protection
 Child Inc.
 Communities in Schools
 Council on At-Risk Youth
 Easter Seals Central TX
 Eastside Community Connection
 ECHO
 El Buen Samaritano Episcopal Mission
 Extend-A-Care for Kids
 Faith in Action Caregivers
 Family Eldercare
 Foundation Communities
 Foundation for the Homeless
 Front Steps
 Goodwill Industries of Central TX
 HAND
 Lance Armstrong Foundation
 Leadership Austin
 LifeWorks
 Literacy Coalition of Central TX
 Lone Star Association of Charitable
 Clinics
 Meals on Wheels and More
 Open Door Preschool
 Partnerships for Children
 People's Community Clinic
 Project Transitions
 SafePlace
 Southwest Key Programs, Inc.
 Sustainable Food Center
 The Arc of the Capital Area
 The Austin Project
 The Care Communities
 The Settlement Home for Children
 Trinity Center
 United Way Capital Area
 Vaughn House
 Volunteer Healthcare Clinic
 Waterloo Counseling Center
 Wonders & Worries

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Austin Area Human Services Association

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August 16, 2012

Re: Affordable Housing in Bond Package

Dear Mayor Leffingwell, Mayor Pro Tem Cole and City Council Members,

As you finalize the bond package, One Voice Central Texas and its members we understand that you have a difficult decision to make, but **we strongly urge you to maintain at least \$76.8 million for affordable housing.** We view this amount as the minimum acceptable investment in safe and stable housing for the elderly, disabled, veterans and other vulnerable populations needing support.

Our letter to you of April 9th advocated for \$110 million and then our letter to you of July 16 urged support for \$100 million. At this point, \$76.8 million must be preserved for affordable housing.

With looming federal and state cuts this bond offers a unique opportunity for our community to provide affordable housing and home repair. Affordable housing is at the core of providing stability to the vulnerable nature of the clients we serve and to leveraging the success of the many resources our agencies commit to this population.

We urge you to maintain at least \$76.8 million for affordable housing.

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