



FY 2015-16 Action Plan Community Needs Assessment

Presentation for the Community Development Commission

May 12, 2015



Outline

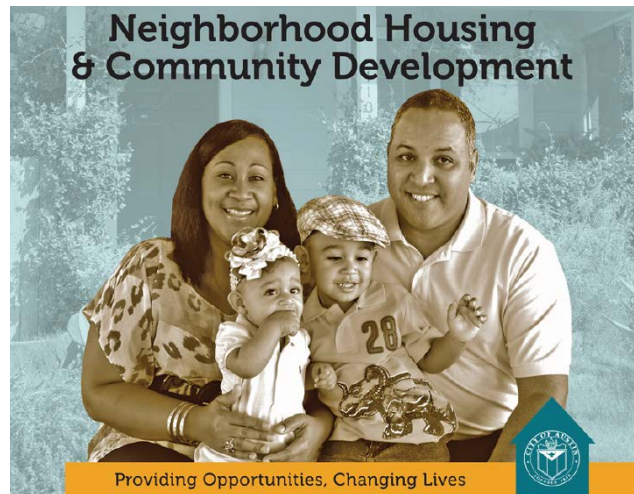
- ▶ NHCD's Mission
- ▶ What is the Action Plan?
- ▶ Federal Funds & Requirements
- ▶ Market Conditions
- ▶ Community Needs Assessment
- ▶ Timeline
- ▶ Additional Opportunities for Input
- ▶ Questions





Neighborhood Housing + Community Development Office Mission

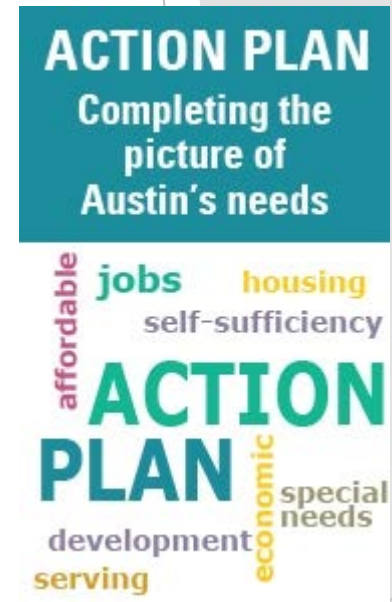
To provide housing, community development, and small business development services to benefit eligible residents so they can have access to livable neighborhoods and increase their opportunities for self-sufficiency.





What is the Action Plan?

- ▶ The City of Austin expects to receive \$11.2 million from HUD for Fiscal Year 2015-16. The Action Plan serves as the City's application to access these resources.
- ▶ Annual Action Plans outline the actions, activities, and resources that will be used to address the needs of low-to moderate-income families.
- ▶ At the end of each Fiscal Year, the City prepares a Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) that includes annual performance metrics.



2014-2019 Five Year Consolidated Plan





Federal Funds + Requirements

- ▶ The City of Austin receives four formula block grants from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), to help address affordable housing, community and economic development needs.



HOME HOPWA ESG

- ▶ Regulatory requirements include affirmatively furthering fair housing choice in Austin.
- ▶ As a participating jurisdiction, the City of Austin is required to submit a 5-year Consolidated Plan, Action Plans (1 per year), and End-of-Year Reports called the CAPER (1 per year).



Federal Formula Funds

	FY 14-15	FY 15-16	Annual \$ Change	Annual % Change	5 Year \$ Change	5 Year % Change
CDBG	\$6,983,366	\$7,078,382	\$95,016	1%	(\$1,078,766)	-14%
HOME	\$2,686,764	\$2,433,108	(\$253,656)	-10%	(\$2,098,709)	-46%
HOPWA	\$1,112,390	\$1,117,794	\$5,404	1%	\$13,867	1%
ESG	\$583,706	\$622,474	\$38,768	8%	\$292,030	89%
TOTAL	\$11,366,226	\$11,251,758	(\$114,468)		(\$2,871,578)	

CDBG = Community Development Block Grant

HOME = HOME Investment Partnerships

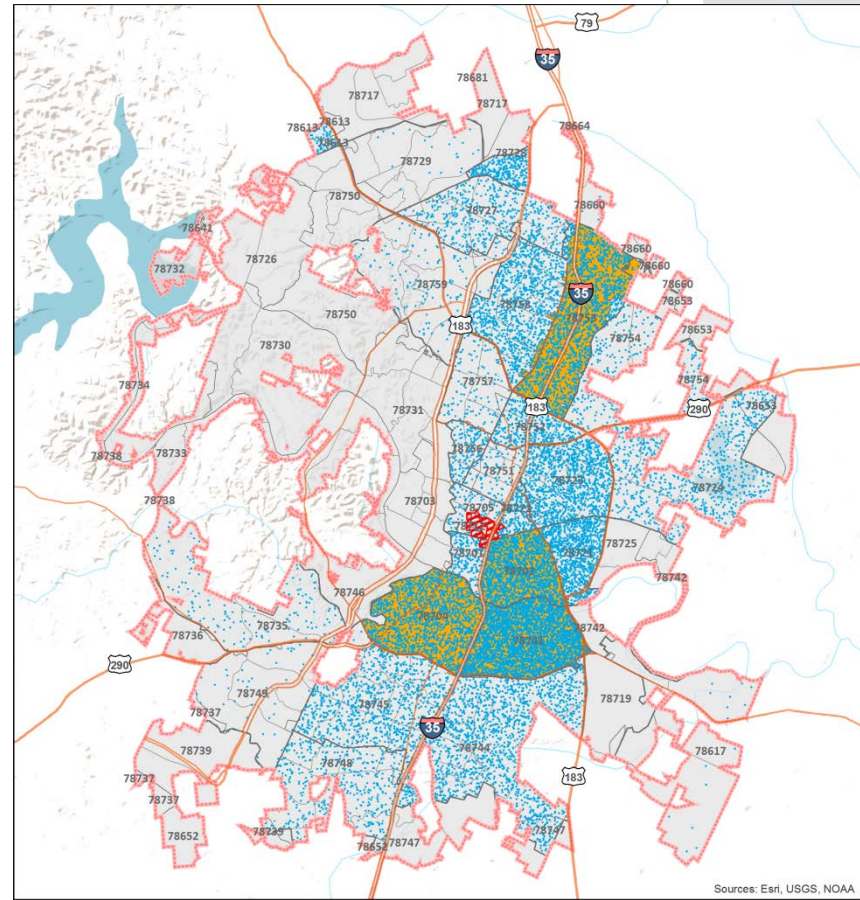
HOPWA = Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS

ESG = Emergency Solutions Grant



Housing Market Affordability

- Overall, renter incomes have not kept up with increased rents. Median rent is **\$200** more per month than in 2000
- Publicly subsidized rental units are concentrated in a handful of ZIP codes (78741=18%, 78753=10%, 78702=9%, 78704=9%)



Subsidized Housing by ZIP Code

• 1 Dot = 1 Subsidized Rental

ZIP codes with the highest concentration of publicly subsidized housing

Austin City Boundary

University of Texas

Source: City of Austin 2014

Comprehensive Housing Market Study



Housing Market Affordability

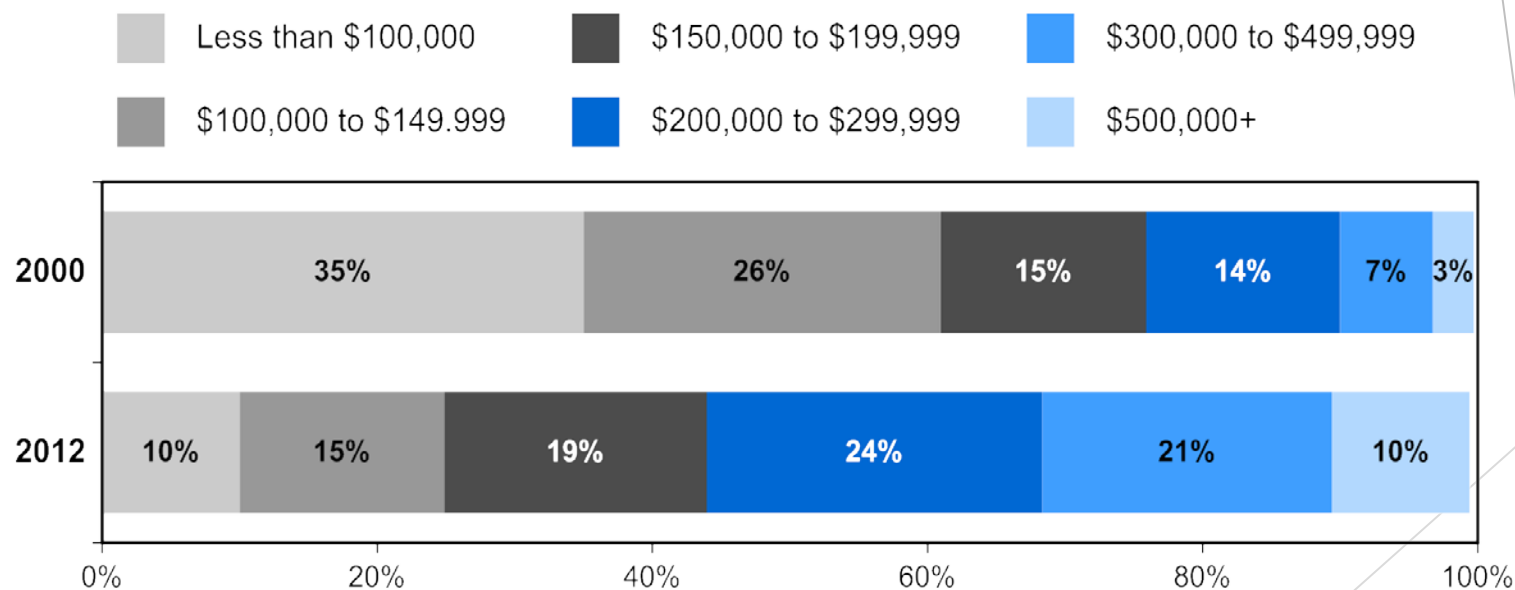
- ▶ The Shortage of affordable rentals has increased from 37,500 in 2008 to 40,900 units in 2012 (or 48,000 units using 2014 rents)
- ▶ Increase almost entirely driven by loss of rentals affordable for \$20,000 to \$25,000 income households (**5,000** units)
- ▶ Accessible AND affordable housing close to transit is extremely difficult to find for persons with disabilities

*Source: City of Austin 2014
Comprehensive Housing Market Study*



Housing Market Affordability

Home values have risen considerably, with only 10% priced under \$100,000 (v. 35% in 2000)



Source: City of Austin 2014 Comprehensive Housing Market Study



Community Needs Assessment

- ▶ The purpose of the Community Needs Assessment is to obtain feedback from the community, residents, and stakeholders about how to refine investment priorities.
- ▶ **Key Question: Of the investment priorities identified in the Consolidated Plan (below), which are the top needs in our community?**
- ▶ Input will inform the DRAFT Action Plan.

Homeless & Special Needs Assistance

- Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) programs
- Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) programs
- Child Care Services
- Senior Services
- Youth Services

Renter Assistance

- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance
- Architectural Barrier Removal – Rental
- Tenants' Rights Assistance

Homebuyer Assistance

- HousingSmarts Counseling and Financial Literacy Education
- Down Payment Assistance

Homeowner Assistance

- Architectural Barrier Removal – Owner
- Emergency Home Repair
- Homeowner Rehabilitation Loan Program
- GO Repair! Program
- Holly Good Neighbor
- LeadSmart

Housing Development Assistance

- Rental Housing Development Assistance
- Acquisition and Development
- Community Housing Developer Organization (CHDO) Operating Expenses Grants
- Developer Incentive-Based Programs

Neighborhood & Commercial Revitalization

- East 11th and 12th Streets Revitalization
- Colony Park Sustainable Community Initiative

Small Business Assistance

- Community Development Bank
- Microenterprise Technical Assistance

Financial Empowerment

- Individual Development Accounts
- HousingSmarts Counseling and Financial Literacy Education



FY2015-16 Action Plan Timeline

Date	Action
Friday, March 20	Community Needs Assessment Period Begins
Monday, April 13	Mayor's Committee for People w/ Disabilities - Presentation and Input
Tuesday, April 14	CDC - Public Hearing @ Austin Energy, Town Lake Center (6:30pm) <i>*Rescheduled*</i>
Thursday, April 16	City Council - Public Hearing @ City Hall (1pm)
Tuesday, April 21	Asian American Quality of Life Advisory Commission - Presentation and Input
Wednesday, April 22	Hispanic / Latino Quality of Life Advisory Commission - Presentation and Input
Wednesday, May 6	African American Resource Advisory Commission - Presentation and Input
Tuesday, May 12	CDC - Public Hearing @ Street-Jones Building, 1000 East 11th Street (6:30pm)
Friday, May 15	Community Needs Assessment Period Ends
Friday, May 22	Public Comment Period Begins (DRAFT Action Plan Published)
Monday, June 1	CDC - Public Hearing @ City Hall Boards and Comm. Room (7pm)
Thursday, June 11	City Council - Public Hearing @ City Hall (Time TBD)
Monday, June 22	Public Comment Period Ends
Tuesday, June 30	CDC - Meeting for Final Recommendations @ NHCD 400a (6:30pm)
Thursday, August 6	City Council - Final Action @ City Hall (Time TBD)
Saturday, August 15	Action Plan Due to U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development



Additional Opportunities for Community Input



- ▶ **E-MAIL:** Public comments can be submitted to NHCD@austintexas.gov



- ▶ **MAIL:** Public comments can be submitted by mail to NHCD, ATTN Action Plan, P.O. Box 1088, Austin Texas 78767
- ▶ **ONLINE:** For more information, and to see where you can engage with staff about the Action Plan, visit www.austintexas.gov/housingplan

Questions



Neighborhood Housing and Community Development

Erica Leak | erica.leak@austintexas.gov

Jim Padilla | jim.padilla@austintexas.gov