



**Austin Area
Urban League**

*Empowering Communities.
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Dear Sir/Madam, or To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Lisa M. Martinez and I am a Construction Coordinator in the Housing Department with the Austin Area Urban League.

On behalf of the Austin Area Urban League, we expect to repair 16 homes in the current budget year (10/15-9/16). We have 40 additional home owners who are eligible for repairs this year based on applications we have reviewed so far, but there will not be adequate funding to help them this year. This means we start next budget year with these low income home owners on a waiting list plus all of the new applications we receive over the next several months.

We support the goal of Austin homeowners being able to continue in their homes in safe, sanitary, and accessible conditions. If sufficient funding is not available through the Action Plan, please increase funding in the overall City budget this summer so that repair waiting lists end, future flooded homes can be assisted, and Austin home owners do not have to choose between housing that is safe and housing that they can afford.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to the decision that you make in ensuring that low income homeowners continue to have access to home repair programs in the City of Austin.

Sincerely,

Lisa M. Martinez
Construction Coordinator