

**Community Services Block Grant
Programmatic/Financial Report
August 9, 2016**

The Community Services Block Grant funds the delivery of services to low income Texas residents in all 254 counties. These funds support a variety of direct services in addition to helping maintain the core administrative elements of community action agencies.

For the City of Austin, the grant provides funding for the delivery of basic needs, case management, preventive health and employment support services through the City's six (6) Neighborhood Centers and the three (3) Outreach Sites.

- **Basic Needs** (food, clothing, information and referral, notary services, transportation, school supplies, car safety education and car seats, tax preparation, Blue Santa applications, fans, Thanksgiving food baskets and other seasonal activities);
- **Preventive Health** (screenings for blood pressure, blood sugar, and cholesterol; pregnancy testing; health promotion presentations, coordination and participation in health fairs, immunizations, coordination of wellness activities, linkages to medical home providers);
- **Case Management** (individual/family support counseling, advocacy, self-sufficiency case management, crisis intervention, linkages with employers, educational opportunities and training, and working with individuals on quality of life issues);
- **Employment Support** (intake, assessment and goal setting, job readiness training, job placement assistance, and job retention services)

Expenditures Categories	2016 Approved Budget	Cumulative Expenditures as of 6/30/16	% of Total
Personnel	\$626,904.00	\$169,323.55	27%
Fringe Benefits	\$344,382.00	\$ 97,579.94	28%
Contractual	\$111,624.00	\$ 12,912.50	12%
Other	\$9,630.00	\$ 5,466.14	57%
Total	\$1,092,540.00	\$ 285,282.50	26%

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MISSION: To prevent disease, promote health, and protect the well-being of our community.

TOP 5 NEEDS: Basic needs; employment; housing services; health; education

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Percent of Contract Expired: 50%

NPI	Description	Target	#Enrolled	#Achieved	Success Rate %
Goal 1: Low-income people become more self-sufficient.		± 20%			achieved/target
1.1	Employment				
1.1 A	Unemployed and obtained a job	60	73	38	63.33%
1.1 B	Employed and maintained a job for at least 90 days	16	59	6	37.50%
1.1 C	Employed and obtained an increase in employment income and/or benefits	60	66	17	28.33%
1.1 D	Achieved "living wage" employment and/or benefits	7	47	1	14.29%
1.3	Economic Assessment Enhancement and Utilization	Target	#Enrolled	#Achieved	Success Rate %
1.3 A	Number and percent of participants in tax preparation programs who qualified for any type of Federal or State tax credit and the expected aggregate dollar amount of credits	125	256	136	108.8%
Goal 6: Low-income people, especially vulnerable populations, achieve their potential by strengthening family and other supportive environments.					
6.1	Seniors/Disabled				
6.1 A	Senior Citizens		1190		
6.1 B	Individuals with Disabilities		793		
6.2	Emergency Services		#Enrolled	#Achieved	Success Rate %
6.2 A	Emergency Food		21523	21523	100.00%
6.2 B	Emergency fuel or utility payments funded by LIHEAP or other public and private funding sources		22	22	100.00%
6.2 C	Emergency Rent or Mortgage Assistance		30	30	100.00%
6.2 F	Emergency Medical Care		2976	2976	100.00%
6.2 I	Emergency Transportation		52	52	100.00%
6.2 K	Emergency Clothing		183	183	100.00%
6.3	Child and Family Development	Target	#Enrolled	#Achieved	Success Rate %
6.3 A	Infants and children obtain age-appropriate immunizations, medical, and dental care	65	4	4	6.15%
6.3 J	Parents and other adults learn and exhibit improved parenting skills	47	53	46	90.00%
6.3 K	Parents and other adults learn and exhibit improved family functioning skills	220	150	49	22.27%

Transition Out of Poverty Goal					
TOP	Individuals who transitioned out of poverty	45	9		20%

1. TDHCA Monitoring Visit - The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs conducted a monitoring of the Community Services Block Grant on November 2 – 6, 2015. The monitoring report and HHSD's response was provided to members of the Community Development Commission. TDHCA's close out report is now attached for review. HHSD continues to work with City Legal, NHCD and the City Clerk's office to address the concerns regarding the structure of the Community Development Commission and additional information will be provided to members in a presentation during the meeting.
2. East Austin and Montopolis Neighborhood Centers – Juan Garcia has accepted the position of Program Supervisor effective August 8, 2016.
3. Rosewood-Zaragosa Neighborhood Center – The position of Program Supervisor was posted and will close on August 8, 2016. Interviews will be scheduled starting mid-August.
4. FY15 Single Audit – The City's audit firm has completed the audit and confirmed there are no findings for CSBG. A copy of the audit will be made available to Commissioners for review at an upcoming meeting.
5. East Austin Community Development Commission Member – The CDC's recommendation to change the responsible organization to hold the nomination/election meeting to the East Cesar Chavez contact team is awaiting assignment to the appropriate Council Committee by the Mayor's Office.
6. Colony Park Designated Geographic Area Seat – The Colony Park Neighborhood Association elected a new member, Michael Tolliver, who is working with the City Clerk's office to complete his required training.
7. Montopolis Designated Geographic Area Seat – The nomination/election meeting has been scheduled and will be held on August 24, 2016 at 6:30 pm at the Montopolis Recreation Center.
8. Findings and Recommendations on CSBG from the CDC – These findings and recommendations were sent forward through the City Clerk's office to Mayor and Council.

Blackland Neighborhood Center - Story of Success

A client came to the Blackland Neighborhood Center seeking assistance with food. He was unemployed, so the Community Worker helped him with food and linked him to the Social Worker and Job Counselor at the Center. He entered case management with the Social Worker, received help applying for job opportunities and was referred to our partners at Workforce Solutions. A few weeks later, the client called staff at the Center to report he was hired full time at one of the places he'd learned about through the Job Counselor. The Social Worker then worked with him on a budget and provided some assistance with rent and utilities until he could receive his first paycheck to help him maintain his housing. The Social Worker has continued to work with this client to help him retain his job and gain some financial stability. He will soon reach 90 days above 125% of the Federal Poverty Level and it is anticipated he will be able to become fully self-sufficient.