

**Community Services Block Grant
Programmatic/Financial Report
September 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 7/31/16	% of Total
Personnel	\$626,904.00	\$246,725.80	39%
Fringe Benefits	\$344,382.00	\$134,384.35	39%
Contractual	\$111,624.00	\$ 13,252.50	12%
Other	\$9,630.00	\$ 5,707.65	59%
Total	\$1,092,540.00	\$ 400,070.30	37%

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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: 58%

NPI	Description	Target	#Enrolled	#Achieved	Success Rate %
Goal 1: Low-income people become more self-sufficient.		± 20%			achieved/target
1.1	Employment				9
1.1 A	Unemployed and obtained a job	60	86	54	90%
1.1 B	Employed and maintained a job for at least 90 days	16	66	8	50%
1.1 C	Employed and obtained an increase in employment income and/or benefits	60	76	24	40%
1.1 D	Achieved "living wage" employment and/or benefits	7	54	6	86%
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		1399		
6.1 B	Individuals with Disabilities		886		
6.2	Emergency Services		#Enrolled	#Achieved	Success Rate %
6.2 A	Emergency Food		24427	24427	100.00%
6.2 B	Emergency fuel or utility payments funded by LIHEAP or other public and private funding sources		46	46	100.00%
6.2 C	Emergency Rent or Mortgage Assistance		58	58	100.00%
6.2 F	Emergency Medical Care		3497	3497	100.00%
6.2 I	Emergency Transportation		52	52	100.00%
6.2 K	Emergency Clothing		185	185	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%
6.3 J	Parents and other adults learn and exhibit improved parenting skills	40	53	36	90.00%
6.3 K	Parents and other adults learn and exhibit improved family functioning skills	220	236	71	32%

Transition Out of Poverty Goal					
TOP	Individuals who transitioned out of poverty	45	14		30%

Programmatic/Administrative Updates

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 (CDC). TDHCA's close out report has been shared with the CDC. 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. Additional information will be provided to members during the meeting.
2. Rosewood-Zaragosa Neighborhood Center – A top candidate has been identified for the position of Program Supervisor. A job offer will be made once reference and CBI checks are complete and final approval is obtained.
3. Montopolis Designated Geographic Area Seat – Ana Villalobos was nominated and elected to serve as the representative for the Montopolis area. She will be working with the City Clerk's office to complete the requirements to begin serving as a member of the Commission.
4. 2017 Community Action Plan and Budget – TDHCA released the Community Action Plan requirements on August 19, 2016 and information on 2017 budget allocations on August 30, along with the goal for Transitioning Persons out of Poverty (TOP). The 2017 allocations and TOP goals are included in the back-up. The Community Action Plan and proposed budget due to TDHCA on October 1. A public hearing is required and will be scheduled for the October 11, 2016 CDC meeting.

If possible, HHSD staff would welcome the opportunity to meet with the CSBG Working Group and/or other members of the CDC to discuss the proposed Community Action Plan and Proposed 2017 budget in advance of submission of the documents to TDHCA on October 1.

5. 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 after City Council review.
6. 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.

South Austin Neighborhood Center - Story of Success

A client screened at a health fair had a blood sugar of 390. Client declined to go to ER. He verbalized understanding that he needed immediate medical attention. Client was then referred to a local health provider. He received an appointment to be seen shortly thereafter. Diabetes education was provided on signs and symptoms of elevated blood sugar and he stated he had several of the symptoms. He also stated he had not been to a doctor in many years. Health consequences of elevated blood sugar were discussed with him and the benefits of healthy nutrition. Client verbalized understanding of health education. Client came back recently for a blood sugar check on and his fasting blood sugar result was 81. Client had been prescribed diabetes medication by the primary care provider and is taking his medication as prescribed. He stated it was difficult at first to cut back on eating sweets but he was concerned about his health and is eating healthier now. Client stated he is also exercising playing basketball and is feeling healthier.