



# FY 2018-19 Draft Action Plan

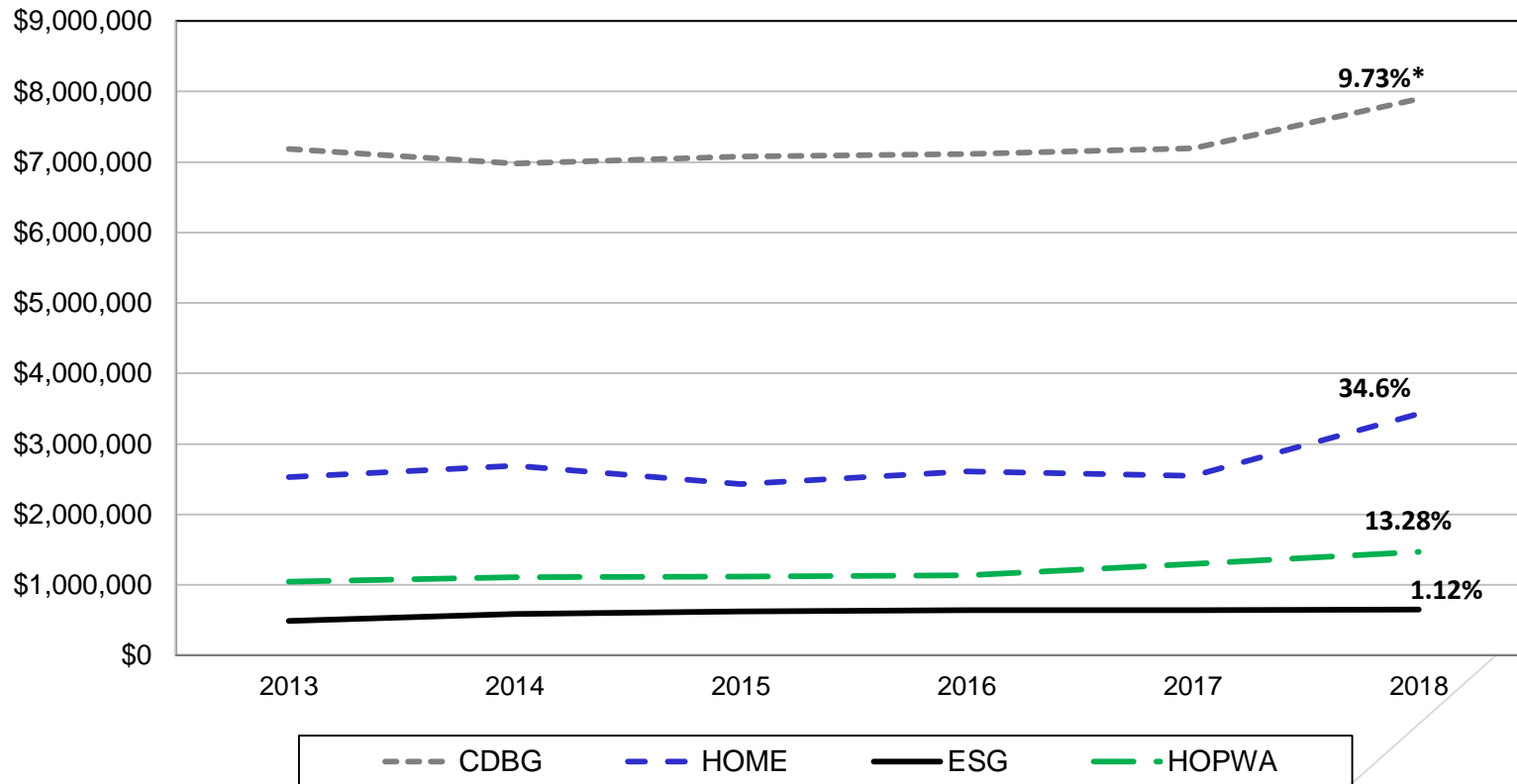
Presentation for the Community Development Commission

July 10, 2018



# Federal Allocations

## City of Austin 2013-2018



\*Chart displays percentage increase in funding between FY 2017-18 and FY 2018-19.

CDBG-Community Development Block Grant; HOME-HOME Investment Partnerships; ESG-Emergency Solutions Grant; HOPWA-Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS

# Investment Categories



Program and service offerings are grouped by investment category, which were developed as part of the FY 2014-2019 Consolidated Plan. They cover a range of eligible activities such as public services, financing of affordable housing, emergency shelter stays, and supportive services.

## Homeless & Special Needs

- Childcare Services
- Senior Services
- Youth Support Services
- Rapid Re-housing
- Shelter Operations
- Transitional Shelter
- Permanent Housing Placement
- Supportive Services

## Renter Assistance

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

## Homebuyer Assistance

- Down Payment Assistance

## Homeowner Assistance

- Architectural Barrier Removal
- Minor Home Repair
- Home Repair Loan Program
- LeadSmart
- GOREpair!

# Investment Categories, continued



## Housing Developer Assistance

Rental Housing  
Developer Assistance

## Small Business Assistance

Microenterprise  
Technical Assistance

Community  
Development Bank

Family Business Loan  
Program

## Neighborhood & Community Revitalization

Public Facilities

Parking Facilities

## Financial Empowerment

Individual  
Development Account

HousingSmarts



# FY 2018-19 Program Income Limits

## 2018 HOME & CDBG Program Income Limits By Household Size

Median Income Limit	1 Person Household	2 Person Household	3 Person Household	4 Person Household
<b>* 30%</b>	18,100	20,650	23,250	25,800
(30% MFI is defined by HUD as <b>extremely low-income</b> )				
<b>* 50%</b>	30,100	34,400	38,700	43,000
(50% MFI is defined by HUD as <b>very low income</b> )				
<b>* 80%</b>	48,200	55,050	61,950	68,800
(80% MFI is defined by HUD as <b>low-income</b> )				
<b>100%</b>	60,200	68,800	77,400	86,000

2018 Area Median Family Income  
\$86,000 (4-person household)  
Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA): Austin – Round Rock, Texas

# Community Outreach

## 11 Boards and Commissions Consulted

- African American Resource Advisory Commission (March 6)
- Commission on Immigrant Affairs (March 12)
- Asian American Quality of Life Advisory Commission (March 20)
- Hispanic/Latino Quality of Life Resource Advisory Commission (March 20)
- Early Childhood Council (March 21)
- Austin Area Comprehensive HIV Planning Council (March 27)
- Community Development Commission (April 10)
- Commission on Seniors and Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities Annual Joint Meeting (April 13)
- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Commission (April 16)
- Ending Community Homelessness Coalition (ECHO) (April 18)
- Equity Action Team Working Group (April 20)

## 4 Public Hearings Held

### **Public Comment Period**

- Community Development Commission (April 10)
- City Council (April 26)

### **Draft Action Plan Period**

- City Council (June 14)
- Community Development Commission (July 10)



### **Carbon monoxide alarms now required**



As of April 1, residential and commercial properties with gas or fuel-burning appliances must have carbon monoxide alarms to prevent poisoning by the deadly gas.

The new requirement says a CO detector must be installed near a sleeping area if anything in your home uses fuel or gas, and inside fuel or gas. The alarm may be part of a smoke alarm and must be maintained to manufacturer specifications.

"Carbon monoxide is a deadly gas that cannot be smelled, seen or heard, but it can be detected through an alarm," said Code Supervisor Moses Rodriguez. "For safety measures, it's important to install the CO alarms if you have any gas appliances at home."

The Austin City Council adopted the 2015 International Property Maintenance Code last October with local amendments including the alarm requirement.

For more information, visit [austintexas.gov/code](http://austintexas.gov/code).

### **New La Loma Solar Farm 'solabrated'**

The grand opening of La Loma Community Solar Farm drew an enthusiastic crowd to the East Austin facility recently. After a media briefing and ribbon cutting, attendees toured the solar farm and children participated in solar car races and sunflower seed planting at the March 24 opening dubbed Solabration. Community solar allows multiple customers to share the output of a central facility rather than installing solar on their roofs – a great option for renters or those with shaded roofs.

Austin Energy recently began receiving energy from La Loma, which is the largest community solar farm in the Electric Reliability Council of Texas and the first in Texas to offer low-income customers a discounted rate on community solar. The 2.6-megawatt project boasts more than 9,000 panels and will produce at least 4,400 megawatt-hours of electric power per year. Learn more and join the wait list for future community solar projects at [austineenergy.com/go/communitysolar](http://austineenergy.com/go/communitysolar) or by calling 512-482-5346.



City Council Member Plo Renteria and Austin Energy General Manager Jackie Sargent officially open the solar farm.

### **Women's Entrepreneurial Luncheon is June 22**

The City of Austin Small Business Program is hosting a celebration of women's entrepreneurial spirit at the 14th annual Women's Entrepreneurial Luncheon. The luncheon is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. June 22 at the Hyatt Regency Austin, 208 Barton Springs Road, in the Foothills II Room on the 17th floor.

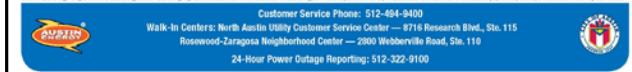
The luncheon will recognize the contributions of local women business owners. Panelists will share insights, challenges and successes in achieving entrepreneurial success. Register at [smallbizaustin.org](http://smallbizaustin.org).

### **Feedback sought on housing plan**

The Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department (NHCD) released the Draft Action Plan for public comment May 22. Each year, the City receives federal funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for programs and services that support affordable housing and public services for extremely low, low-income, and moderate-income households, persons with disabilities, seniors and youth. NHCD seeks your feedback on the draft plan during the public comment phase ending June 25. Visit [austintexas.gov/departments/housing](http://austintexas.gov/departments/housing), call the NHCD main line at 512-974-3100 or email [nhcd@austintexas.gov](mailto:nhcd@austintexas.gov).

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Additional outreach methods provided to Austinites encouraging comments and feedback:

- Draft Action Plan copies distributed to 10 community centers
- Notice in Austin Energy's PowerPlus Newsletter

# Timeline



## Annual Action Plan

**May 22 – July 11:** Public Comment Period on Draft Action Plan

**June 14:** City Council Public Hearing on Draft Action Plan

**July 10:** Public Hearing and CDC Final Recommendations on Draft Action Plan

**August 9:** City Council Final Action on Draft Action Plan

**August 15:** Action Plan Due to HUD

Tuesday, May 22	Start of Public Comment Period (DRAFT Action Plan Published)
Thursday, June 14	City Council - Public Hearing 4:00pm - City Hall Council Chambers, 301 W. Second Street, Austin 78701
Monday, June 25	End of Public Comment Period
Tuesday, July 10	Community Development Commission - Public Hearing and Final Recommendations 6:30pm - Street-Jones Building, 1000 E. 11th Street Room 400, Austin 78702
Thursday, August 9	City Council - Final Action 4:00pm - City Hall Council Chambers, 301 W. Second Street, Austin 78701
Wednesday, August 15	Action Plan Due to U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

# Draft Action Plan Change Log



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Section	Section Title	Page Number in Draft	Change Description
AP-12	Citizen Participation Outreach	23	Added additional public meetings and public hearings attended by staff during the Draft Action Plan comment period.
AP-15	Expected Resources	33	Updated Publically Owned Land referencing Tillery Street and Henninger Street. <i>Acres on Tillery Street and Henninger Street - Pecan Grove development to be determined. Parcels of land were acquired over a period of years and assembled into the 5-acre tract, part of which contains a grove of mature pecan trees and a vacant stone house. The house was built circa 1935, and is rare for the area, which is surrounded mostly by 1960's-era wood frame single-family homes. The age of the trees and their placement on the property will provide a unique setting for the type of development that is ultimately chosen and a new use for the stone house could be incorporated into the development plan. AHFC is exploring future development of this site and proposes to release a Request for Proposal.</i>
AP-20	Annual Goals and Objectives	35	Updated funding for Housing Development Assistance and Small Business Assistance goals to reflect updated funding table.
AP-35, AP-38	Projects Summary	AP-35; Page 39 AP-38; Page 41	<p>AP-35: <del>In FY 2018-19, the City of Austin reformatted HOPWA funded projects in order to be consistent with HUD guidance on HOPWA project set-up. A more detailed description of all projects can be found in AP-38, Projects Summary.</del> In FY 2018-19, the City of Austin reformatted HOPWA funded projects consistent with HUD guidance on HOPWA project set-up. The Emergency Home Repair program became the Minor Home Repair program in order to be consistent with HUD guidance.</p> <p>AP 38: <del>The Emergency Home Repair (EHR) Program makes repairs to alleviate life-threatening living conditions and health and safety hazards for low- and moderate-income homeowners. Households residing in Austin city limits and earning incomes at or below 80 percent of MFI are eligible. Eligible households can receive up to \$5,000 for home repairs per year.</del></p> <p>The Minor Home Repair Program makes repairs to address life-threatening living conditions and health and safety hazards for low- and moderate-income homeowners. Households residing in Austin city limits and earning incomes at or below 80 percent of median family income (MFI) are eligible. Eligible households can receive up to \$5,000 for home repairs per year and with discretionary approval, up to \$7,500 for roof replacement.</p>



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AP-38	Projects Summary	41	Updated program funding for Microenterprise Technical Assistance from \$0 to \$200,000 and the anticipated FY 2018-19 Businesses Assisted from 0 to 31.
		41	Updated the Rental Housing Development Assistance (RHDA) and Aquisition and Development (A&D) program funding to reflect updated funding table.
Attachments	Attachment I B; Public Notices and Comments		Log of Written Comments Received and Staff Responses updated with comments from the Draft Action Plan comment period.
	Attachment II E; Funding Table		Funding table updated.
General	General	Throughout	Additional non-substantive changes were made throughout the document. These included grammatical fixes and wordsmithing to clarify statements or reduce redundancy.

# Questions



Neighborhood Housing and Community Development

[www.austintexas.gov/housing](http://www.austintexas.gov/housing)

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