

Actions –Related to Public Safety

Chapter 5: Draft Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan

CFS Action-15: Strengthen police ties to the community, including more personal interaction, to enhance safety and build trust.

CFS Action-16: Coordinate performance measures across public safety agencies to better plan for additional facilities, units, and staffing and to provide better oversight and service to all parts of Austin as the city grows.

CFS Action-17: Develop and promote online and interactive mapping, analysis and notification tools to provide recent data related to public safety issues and natural disaster threats.

CFS Action-18: Develop or enhance public safety educational programs in the community regarding topics such as:

- personal safety
- drug use, especially among youth
- fire dangers for property within or near the wildland interface
- police and fire procedure awareness.

CFS Action-19: Conduct and maintain a comprehensive existing Austin Fire Department and Austin-Travis County Emergency Management Services building condition report to assess the need for remodeling, expansion, replacement, or consolidation of facilities.

CFS Action-20: Ensure that land development policies, regulations and design standards take public safety issues like roadway connectivity, ingress/egress and street design into consideration.

CFS Action-21: Develop an integrated emergency mitigation and response plan through coordination with our public and private sector regional partners:

- Surrounding municipalities and counties
- School districts, colleges, and universities
- Major employers
- Hospitals
- Regional agencies such as Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG) and Capital Metropolitan Transportation Agency (Cap Metro)
- State of Texas agencies and departments.

CFS Action-23: Continue expansion of public safety regional service delivery model. This may be accomplished through Interlocal Agreements with surrounding municipalities and agencies or a confederation or consolidation of public safety agency operations.

SOC Action-9: Increase the ethnic and racial diversity and bilingual and multilingual abilities of law enforcement and other first responders and healthcare staff, and increase opportunities for city staff to learn languages other than English.

SOC Action-10: Continue and expand the reverse 911 to inform residents of public safety emergencies.

SOC Action-11: Increase safety patrols in gathering spaces and along pedestrian routes--trails, walking paths, school tracks.

SOC Action-12: Publish and publicize a list of emergency contacts to develop closer relationships between public safety personnel and the community.

SOC Action-13: Extend the assignments of public safety professionals in a given geographic area in order to build stronger community relationships.

SOC Action-15: Expand collaboration among law enforcement personnel and service providers of marginalized populations.