

**Community Services Block Grant  
Programmatic/Financial Report  
June 13, 2017**

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)

<b>Expenditures Categories</b>	<b>2017 Contract Budget</b>	<b>Cumulative Expenditures as of 4/30/17</b>	<b>% of Total</b>
Personnel	\$655,832.00	\$115,191.70	18%
Fringe Benefits	\$374,189.00	\$ 68,304.74	18%
Contractual	\$118,171.00	\$ 14,950.00	13%
Other	\$10,000.00	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,158,192.00</b>	<b>\$198,446.44</b>	<b>17%</b>

## Austin Public Health Report on PY17 Community Action Plan

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

**TOP 5 NEEDS: Employment; housing services; education; basic needs, health**

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NPI	Description	Target	#Enrolled	#Achieved	Success Rate %
<b>Goal 1: Low-income people become more self-sufficient.</b>		<b>± 20%</b>			<b>achieved/target</b>
<b>1.1</b>	<b>Employment</b>				
<b>1.1 A</b>	Unemployed and obtained a job	75	51	27	36.00%
<b>1.1 B</b>	Employed and maintained a job for at least 90 days	25	56	5	20.00%
<b>1.1 C</b>	Employed and obtained an increase in employment income and/or benefits	75	62	21	28.00%
<b>1.1 D</b>	Achieved "living wage" employment and/or benefits	10	52	2	20.00%
<b>1.3</b>	<b>Economic Assessment Enhancement and Utilization</b>	<b>Target</b>	<b>#Enrolled</b>	<b>#Achieved</b>	<b>Success Rate %</b>
<b>1.3 A</b>	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	584	0	0
<b>Goal 6: Low-income people, especially vulnerable populations, achieve their potential by strengthening family and other supportive environments.</b>					
<b>6.1</b>	<b>Seniors/Disabled</b>				
<b>6.1 A</b>	Senior Citizens		780		
<b>6.1 B</b>	Individuals with Disabilities		447		
<b>6.2</b>	<b>Emergency Services</b>		<b>#Enrolled</b>	<b>#Achieved</b>	<b>Success Rate %</b>
<b>6.2 A</b>	Emergency Food		13778	13778	100.00%
<b>6.2 B</b>	Emergency fuel or utility payments funded by LIHEAP or other public and private funding sources		81	81	100.00%
<b>6.2 C</b>	Emergency Rent or Mortgage Assistance		115	115	100.00%
<b>6.2 F</b>	Emergency Medical Care		2281	2281	100.00%
<b>6.2 I</b>	Emergency Transportation		47	47	100.00%
<b>6.2 K</b>	Emergency Clothing		174	174	100.00%
<b>6.3</b>	<b>Child and Family Development</b>	<b>Target</b>	<b>#Enrolled</b>	<b>#Achieved</b>	<b>Success Rate %</b>
<b>6.3 A</b>	Infants and children obtain age-appropriate immunizations, medical, and dental care	65	2	2	3.08%
<b>6.3 J</b>	Parents and other adults learn and exhibit improved parenting skills	50	39	26	52.00%
<b>6.3 K</b>	Parents and other adults learn and exhibit improved family functioning skills	220	355	207	94.09%
<b>Transition Out of Poverty Goal</b>					
<b>TOP</b>	Individuals who transitioned out of poverty		<b>45</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>18%</b>

## ***Programmatic/Administrative Updates***

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1. **CSBG Budget** - The President's initial 2018 budget eliminates funding for the Community Services Block Grant. CSBG currently supports 16 of the 35 staff positions at the Neighborhood Centers, along with rent and utility assistance.
2. **CDC By-laws** – The CDC's recommended updates were submitted and the City Clerk's office has now indicated the item will be on the City Council's Audit and Finance Committee's agenda on June 21, 2017.
3. **Pre-Juneteenth Education and Wellness Fair** – The Blackland Neighborhood Center will be hosting this event again this year on June 16, 2017 from 10 am to 2 pm. We hope you can join us.
4. **Income Tax Assistance** – Through the AARP Income Tax Assistance program offered at the Rosewood-Zaragosa Neighborhood Center, this year, 116 taxpayers received a total of \$133,687 in income tax credits. We will be reporting this information as part of our May performance report to TDHCA.
5. **Story of Success** – A woman in her late 60s came into the South Austin Neighborhood Center seeking assistance. She explained to staff that she was living on a fixed income from the VA and had gotten behind on her rent due to unexpected medical expenses. She had received an eviction notice and didn't know how she would be able to pay the back rent and fees she owed. Through working with the staff at South Austin, they were able to reduce the amount owed, and help the client connect to resources that would assist her in paying off the debt through a local program. The client was able to avoid eviction and maintain her housing as a result.