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**AUSTIN HOUSING AUTHORITY TO KICK OFF JOBS PLUS PILOT PROGRAM**  
**\$2.7 million grant is the largest competitive grant HACA has ever received for resident services**

**WHAT:** U.S. Congressman Lloyd Doggett (D) will join the Housing Authority of the City of Austin (HACA) and various community partners to officially kick off a new pilot program intended to help public housing residents in east Austin obtain the education and job skills necessary to be successful in today's workforce.

**WHEN:** 10 a.m., Friday (July 1)

**WHERE:** Chalmers Courts, 1801 E. 4<sup>th</sup> St.

**EVENT:** The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development awarded HACA a \$2.7 million grant to establish a Jobs Plus pilot program to help the agency address high rates of individual and household unemployment in Austin's public housing developments. Jobs Plus is an evidence-based program for residents living at Booker T. Washington Terraces and Chalmers Courts.

HACA and its community partners will deliver collaborative programming based on employment-related services, financial incentives -- Jobs Plus Earned Income Disregard, and Community Supports for Work.

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