



# ONE VOICE

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## CITY COUNCIL APPROVES ROSEWOOD COURTS PRESERVATION ZONE

The Austin City Council and Mayor Steve Adler last month approved HACA's plan to preserve eight buildings at Rosewood Courts, allowing the agency to honor the property's historical significance while also making meaningful improvements for current and future residents. The Rosewood Courts redevelopment plan will ultimately create 200 modern affordable housing units and 10 to 15 first-time homeownership houses for working HACA families. Congratulations and thank you to the more than 100 HACA residents who came to City Hall over the last few months to support The Courts! You showed great courage and eloquently used your voices to enact change that will greatly benefit your community for years to come!



## BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB LEADER RECOGNIZED FOR HEROISM

Chalmers Courts staff and residents recently recognized Boys and Girls Club leader Alicia Espinoza for her quick action to help a Chalmers resident whose infant was not breathing. Alicia kept her cool and asked the older Boys and Girls Club members to watch their younger classmates. She then calmly asked the property manager to call 9-11, and used her CPR training to revive the infant before paramedics arrived. Alicia, you are our hero!

## Our Mission & Vision

*To cultivate sustainable affordable housing communities and partnerships that inspire self-reliance, growth and optimism. We envision neighborhoods where poverty is alleviated, communities are healthy and safe, and all people can achieve their full potential.*

## AUSTIN PATHWAYS RAISES OVER \$50K FOR HACA SCHOLARSHIPS

HACA's nonprofit Austin Pathways raised more than \$50,000 during Amplify Austin Day March 1-2. Matching funds were provided by Apartment Management Professionals and Capstone Title.

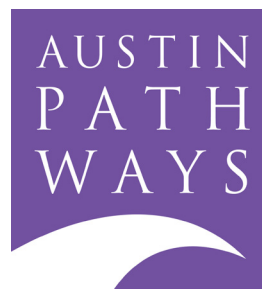
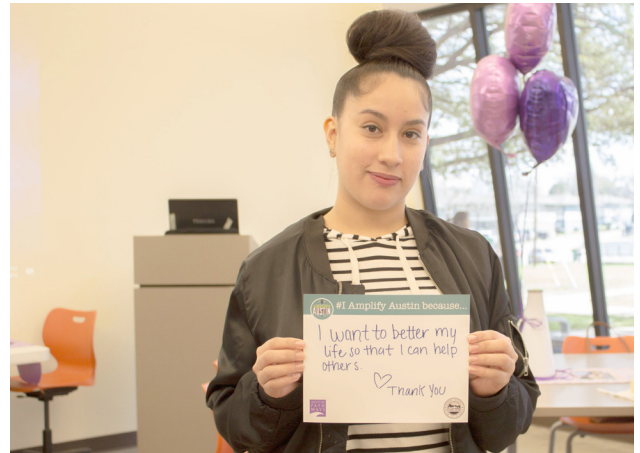
One hundred percent of the funds, generously donated by more than 200 individuals, community partners and local businesses, provide direct support for scholarship and self-sufficiency programs.

HACA and Austin Pathways have awarded more than \$1 million in scholarships to public and affordable housing residents since 2001.

Austin Pathways also provides services like child care and transportation to help residents seek and maintain employment and ultimately be able to afford to move out of public housing.

Thanks to all who donated and shared Austin Pathways on social media. We hope you will continue to support us next year!

For more information, visit [www.austinpathways.org](http://www.austinpathways.org). To volunteer for Amplify Austin 2019, contact Catherine Crago at (512) 477-4488 or [catherinec@hacanet.org](mailto:catherinec@hacanet.org).



The road to success.



## SPRING BREAK FUN AT THE RANCH

Thirty-two HACA youth participated in a two-day STEM (Science Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) camp at Candlelight Ranch last month during Spring Break.

Students from HACA's Youth Educational Success (Y.E.S.) program participated in nature-based, outdoor activities like the Interactive Water Experience, the Sustainable Food Program, and the Nature Exploration & Learning Hiking Trail.

The kids learned the importance of water conservation, as well as the importance of respecting the environment. HACA students practiced their social skills, learned how to communicate clearly, and were encouraged to socialize.

From the guided nature hikes through the canyon, students received hands-on bug lessons, and were empowered to participate and notice nature's "little things."

Learning about plants and wildlife, our students walked away from Candlelight Ranch with a renewed sense of stewardship about the land in which they live.



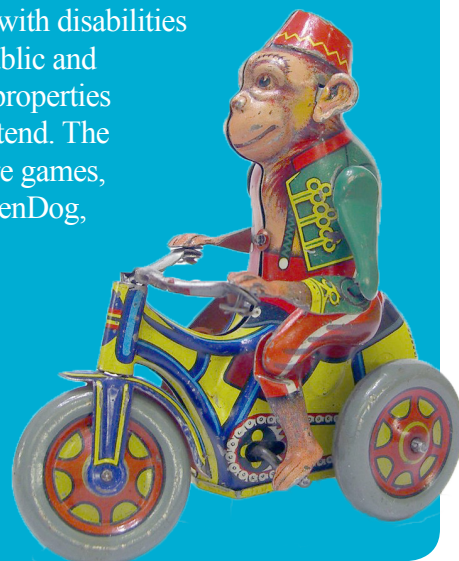
## POOL TOURNAMENT VICTORS

Congratulations to the winners of the recent billiards tournament at North Loop: Bill Flower (North Loop), 1st place; D.C. Oliver (Lakeside), 2nd place; Don Mackey (Lakeside), 3rd place; Thelma Pannell (North Loop), 1st spader; Isaac Robinson (Lakeside), 2nd spader. Great Job!



## JOIN US UNDER THE BIG TOP FOR SENIOR MAYFEST 2018

Come one, come all, to the 26th Annual Senior Mayfest from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 11 at the American Bingo hall, 1919 E. Riverside Dr. This year's theme is "Life's a Carnival," to celebrate Older Americans Month! All seniors and persons with disabilities living at HACA's public and subsidized housing properties are encouraged to attend. The afternoon will feature games, prizes, Circus ChickenDog, and vendors from several local service organizations and lunch. Call your ROSS or FSS specialist for transportation.



## GIFT CARD GIVEAWAY

Are you reading One Voice? For a chance to win a \$10 gift card, call (512) 477-4488 ext. 2601, and leave a message with your name, phone number, property name and unit number. Say the key word: "BLUEBONNET" The first 15 callers could win one of 10 gift cards. Contest open only to subsidized and public housing residents.

## HACA MAKES IT EASIER THAN EVER TO RECYCLE, REDUCE & REUSE!

Separating recyclables into different bins is a thing of the past! You can now help Austin meet its Zero Waste goal of diverting 90 percent of trash from the landfill by 2040 by placing a variety of materials into a single recycling dumpster or bin with no sorting required.

The following materials can now be recycled at HACA's properties:

- Mixed paper
- Corrugated cardboard
- Glass bottles and jars
- Plastic containers
- Aluminum and tin cans

To ensure your recycled trash goes to beneficial use and contributes to Austin's Zero Waste goal and the local economy, place your recyclables in the appropriate blue or green bins conveniently located near trash containers throughout your property.

For more information about recycling onsite, please contact your property management office.

For more information about recycling in Austin, visit [AustinRecycles.com](http://AustinRecycles.com), email [CommercialRecycling@austinrecycles.com](mailto:CommercialRecycling@austinrecycles.com), or call 3-1-1.

## IMPORTANT NUMBERS

HACA Administration (512) 477-4488  
 Resident Call Center (888) 842-4484  
 Maintenance Work Orders (512) 477-8518  
 Section 8/Housing Choice (512) 477-1314  
 Fire/Police 911  
 Non-Emergency Police 311  
 Poison Center (800) 222-1222  
 Quit Smoking (877) 937-7848  
 RAD Hotline (844) HACA-RAD

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*Editor's Note: Scheduled meetings are subject to change.*

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Rent due  Easter	2  Resident Council 1 p.m. @ Bouldin Oaks	3	4	5	6  Resident Council: 11 a.m. @ Georgian 1:30 p.m. @ Santa Rita Courts	7
8	9  Resident Council 1:30 p.m. @ Meadowbrook	10  Citywide 10 a.m.	11  Resident Council: 10:30 a.m. @ Northgate 11 a.m. @ Coronado 2 p.m. @ Lakeside	12  Resident Council 1:30 p.m. @ Gaston	13	14
15	16  Resident Council 1 p.m. @ Thurmond	17  Tax Deadline  Resident Council 11 a.m. @ BTW	18  Resident Council 1:30 p.m. @ North Loop	19  Resident Council 1:30 p.m. @ Rosewood/Salina  HACA Board Meeting	20	21
22  Earth Day	23	24	25	26  Resident Council: 10:30 a.m. Chalmers 11 a.m. Goodrich 1 p.m. Shadowbend/ Man. Village/Man. 11	27	28
29	30					