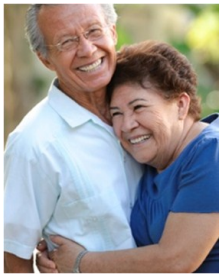
The Community is Changing—Are We Ready?
The State of the Safety Net

Community Advancement Network invites you to join us for a series of meetings to explore the state of the safety net in our community and to have a conversation about what we can do to create a more effective system. We encourage you to attend all forums. It will be important to hear a diverse array of perspectives, regardless of area or depth of expertise.



Our basic needs are met

May 7, 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.
IBC First Equity, 8998 Research Blvd. Austin, TX 78758

- Housing and utility assistance
- Housing rights and legal assistance
- Financial literacy and assistance with poor credit, criminal histories

We achieve our full potential

June 4, 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.
IBC First Equity, 8998 Research Blvd. Austin, TX 78758

- Basic education and literacy
- Job search assistance
- Workforce training and work supports (e.g. childcare, transportation, tools, clothes)
- Small business development

We are healthy

August 6th, 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.
IBC First Equity, 8998 Research Blvd. Austin, TX 78758

- Accessing insurance, Medicaid, MAP
- Accessing mental health and substance abuse services
- Promotion of healthy behaviors through prevention and invention
- Dental care
- Long-term care

We are safe, just and engaged

September 3rd, 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.
IBC First Equity, 8998 Research Blvd. Austin, TX 78758

- Availability of, and legal obligations to provide, interpreter and translation services
- Cultural competency organizational assessments and training
- Diverse leadership and workforce development programs

Who should participate?

People who use the social service safety net, people who work within the social service safety net, and people who want our social service safety net to work better.

Each forum will feature a panel of experts and will ask some of the following questions:

- What services are available?
- How do people access these services?
- Is there enough capacity?
- What system changes are needed to improve outcomes for clients?
- How are we responding to growth and change?

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