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## Get to know Austin.

A culturally rich and dynamic city, Austin has much to offer newcomers and long-time residents alike. To help you become better acquainted with all the amenities that Capital City residents enjoy, we're pleased to share this guide with you.

Because we're committed to helping you with your anticipated realty transaction, we've included helpful checklists and educational resources designed to help you make home, land and commercial real estate choices that reflect your interests and values.

Remember: When it comes time to select your title company, you can place your trust in **Preserve Title Company** and our talented, hard-working team members.

Sincerely,

Timothy Hero, President

P.S. Follow our social channels to learn more about our title services, homebuying and selling tips, insights on local happenings and must-visit Texas destinations.







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PROPERTY ADDRESS
DATE FULLY EXECUTED CONTRACT SENT TO PRESERVE TITLE
EFFECTIVE DATE
DATE OF INITIAL EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT
EARNEST MONEY AMOUNT
DATE SURVEY IS DUE TO ALL PARTIES
SURVEY NOTES
COMMIT DUE DATE
NOTES
DATE SELLER DISCLOSURE IS DUE BY
OPTION PERIOD ENDS
HOA FEE DUE BY
CLOSING DATE

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convenience. Please consult with your legal counsel and verify these dates on your own behalf.





HOMEBUYERS GUIDE AUSTIN

PLANNING TO SELL A HOMEOWNER'S CHECKLIST

PRESERVE TITLE COMPANY

### **How to Prepare Your Home for Buyers**

#### Clean your home

Cleanliness signals to a buyer that the home has been well cared for and is most likely in good repair. A messy or dirty home may deter prospective buyers from making an offer.

#### Remove the clutter

Before you list your home, empty closets and drawers, have a garage sale and donate what you can't sell. The less "stuff" in and around a house, the roomier it will seem.

#### Let the light in

Raise the shades. Open the blinds. Pull back the curtains. Put brighter bulbs in all the lamps (but not bright enough to cause a glare). Bright, open rooms feel larger and more inviting. Dark rooms appear small and gloomy.

#### Freshen up your space

Get rid of odors that may be unfamiliar or unpleasant. People are most often offended by odors from tobacco, pets, cooking and musty or sour laundry. Fresh flowers and potpourri can be used to your advantage. Other smells that attract positive attention include fresh baked bread, vanilla and cinnamon.

#### **Repair broken items**

This includes plumbing, electrical systems and switches, windows, squeaky floorboards, TV antennas, screens, doors and fences. If it can't be fixed, replace it or get rid of it. A buyer might make a much lower offer if your house is in disrepair, or they may insist that everything be fixed before taking occupancy.

#### **Secure pets**

If possible, it's wise to move pets away from the house when prospective buyers are coming. Unfamiliar visitors might be fearful of or allergic to a pet. And your cat or dog might be frightened by newcomers and even try to escape.

#### **Paint**

A fresh coat of neutral paint can be a gamechanger for a property, potentially making it appear more valuable.

#### Noise

Silence is a soothing sound that offends no one. Turn off the TV and radio. Soft instrumental music is fine, but avoid vocals.

#### **Remember:**

A clean, neat, quiet and uncluttered home will show well.



#### Get your home ready to show with this checklist.

#### **EXTERIOR** Replace, repair and/or paint any damaged: ☐ Plaster ☐ Window frames ☐ Wood siding ☐ Glazing Screens ☐ Trim ☐ Rain gutters Hardware ☐ Fences/gates ☐ Shutters Doors ☐ Outdoor lighting Clean: Siding ☐ AC unit □ Windows ☐ Pool/spa ☐ Trash cans □ Screens Remember to: ☐ Haul away rubbish ☐ Clean up pet droppings ☐ Make sure doorbell works ☐ Ensure septic tank is odor free ☐ Clean oil stains from driveway/street ☐ Patch and reseal driveway

#### **LANDSCAPING** ☐ Mow and edge lawn regularly ☐ Water lawn regularly $\square$ Remove dead plants ☐ Prune overgrown/ diseased shrubs ☐ Stake any sagging trees ☐ Weed flowerbeds ☐ Repair or remove damaged landscape features such as: Fences □Walls Gazebos ☐ Fountains ☐ Trellises or planters ☐ Sprinkler system

#### **CLEAN ALL ROOMS** Wipe down or dust: □ Doors □Windows ☐ Light switches ☐ Baseboards ☐ Chair rails ☐ Wash curtains and drapes ☐ Clean and lubricate window slides ☐ Lubricate door hinges ☐ Clean ceiling light fixtures ☐ Clear cobwebs ☐ Buff out scratches on walls and floors ☐ Replace worn carpeting or area rugs ☐ Empty wastebaskets

☐ Make beds

☐ Fluff pillows





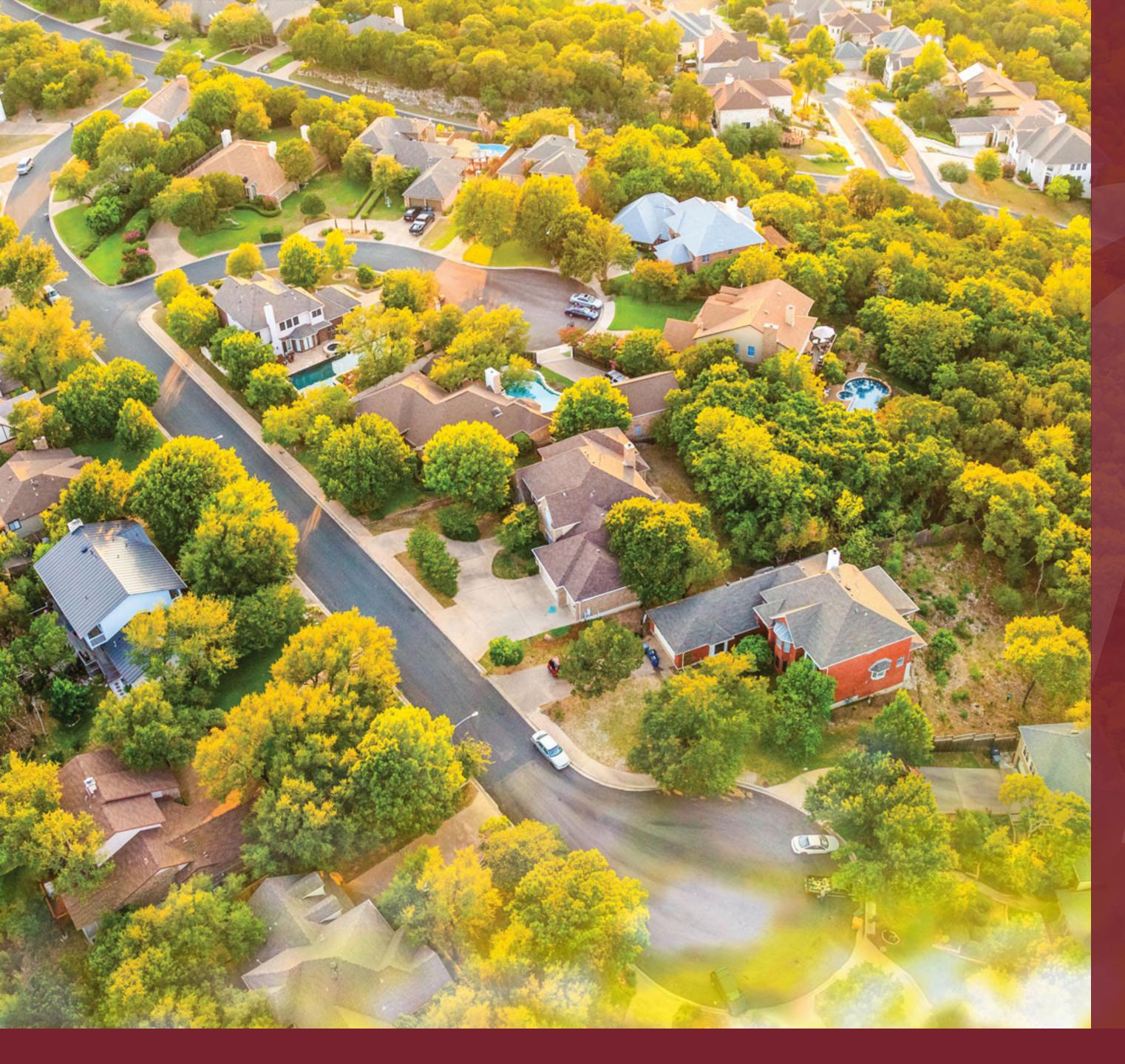
#### **KITCHEN** ☐ Clean appliances $\square$ Keep floors and counters clean ☐ Dust light fixtures ☐ Make sure all electrical outlets work ☐ Eliminate cooking odors ☐ Deodorize garbage disposal, dishwasher and refrigerator ☐ Clean and organize cabinets and drawers **BATHROOMS** ☐ Shine mirrors ☐ Empty wastebaskets ☐ Clean out cabinets and drawers ☐ Place fresh, clean towels on towel racks $\square$ Clean shower door and lubricate track if necessary ☐ Remove soap residue, stains, mildew and mold from sink/tub/shower/toilet ☐ Scrub tile grout ☐ Ensure toilet flushes properly; replace mechanism if necessary ☐ Clean exhaust fan and heater; replace if broken or noisy

☐ Clean area behind washer/dryer
☐ Eliminate mildew odors
BASEMENT
$\square$ Address any signs of dampness
$\square$ Check for and eliminate cracks
GARAGE/CARPORT/SHED
☐ Install 100-watt light bulbs
☐ Keep area clean/uncluttered
☐ Clear cobwebs
☐ Adjust tension rod to eliminate sag from overhead garage door
☐ Lubricate/adjust/repair garage door
☐ Paint walls if needed

**LAUNDRY AREA** 







APPRAISAL DISTRICTS



#### **Atascosa Central Appraisal District**

624 N. Main St. Pleasanton, TX 78064 830-569-8326 www.atascosacad.com

#### **Austin County Appraisal District**

906 E. Amelia St. Bellville, TX 77418 979-865-9124 www.austincad.org

#### **Bastrop Central Appraisal District**

212 Jackson St.
Bastrop, TX 78602
512-303-1930
www.bastropcad.org

#### **Bexar County Appraisal District**

411 N. Frio St.
San Antonio, TX 78207
210-224-2432

www.bcad.org

#### **Blanco County Appraisal District**

615 N. Nugent Ave. Johnson City, TX 78636 830-868-4013 www.blancocad.com

#### **Burnet Central Appraisal District**

223 S. Pierce St. Burnet, TX 78611 512-756-8291 **www.burnet-cad.org** 

#### **Caldwell County Appraisal District**

211 Bufkin Ln. Lockhart, TX 78644 512-398-5550 www.caldwellcad.org

#### **Comal County Appraisal District**

900 S. Seguin Ave. New Braunfels, TX 78130 830-625-8597 www.comalad.org

#### **Fayette County Appraisal District**

111 S. Vail St. La Grange, TX 78945 979-968-8383 www.fayettecad.org

#### **Guadalupe County Appraisal District**

3000 N. Austin St. Seguin, TX 78155 830-303-3313 www.guadalupead.org

#### **Hays County Appraisal District**

21001 N. IH-35 Kyle, TX 78640 512-268-2522 **www.hayscad.com** 

#### **Kendall County Appraisal District**

118 Market Ave. Boerne, TX 78006 830-249-8012 www.kendallad.org

#### **Medina County Appraisal District**

1410 Ave. K Hondo, TX 78861 830-741-3035 www.medinacad.org

#### **Travis Central Appraisal District**

850 E. Anderson Ln. Austin, TX 78752 512-834-9317 www.traviscad.org

#### **Williamson County Appraisal District**

625 FM 1460 Georgetown, TX 78626 512-930-3787 www.wcad.org





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TEXAS IS A HOMESTEAD STATE



### **Homestead Exemptions: What You Should Know**

#### Homestead, defined

A homestead can be a separate structure, condominium or a manufactured home located on owned or leased land, as long as the individual living in the home owns it. A homestead can include up to 20 acres if the land is owned by the homeowner and used as a yard or for another purpose related to the residential use of the homestead.

#### **Requirements**

Homestead exemptions remove part of your home's value from taxation. If you want to receive a homestead exemption for the taxes on your home, the property must first qualify as a residence homestead on January 1 of the year in which you are applying. There are two requirements:

- 1. You must own your home on January 1. (If you are over 65 and/or disabled, the January 1 ownership and residency are not required.)
- 2. You must use the home as your principal residence on January 1.

#### What homestead exemptions are available?

**School taxes:** All residence homestead owners may receive a \$15,000 homestead exemption from their home's value for school taxes.

**County taxes:** If a county collects a special tax for farm-to-market roads or flood control, a residence homestead owner may receive a \$3,000 exemption for this tax. If the county grants an optional exemption for homeowners age 65 or older or disabled, the owners will receive only the local-option exemption.

Age 65 or older and disabled exemptions: Individuals 65 and older and/or disabled residence homestead owners may qualify for a \$10,000 homestead exemption for school taxes, in addition to the \$15,000 exemption for all homeowners. If the owner qualifies for both the \$10,000 exemption for 65 and older homeowners and the \$10,000 exemption for disabled homeowners, the owner must choose one or the other for school taxes. The owner cannot receive both exemptions.

**Optional 65 or older or disabled exemptions:** Any taxing unit may offer an additional exemption amount of at least \$3,000 for taxpayers age 65 or older and/or disabled.

**Optional percentage exemptions:** Any taxing unit — including a city, county, school or special district — may offer an exemption of up to 20% of a home's value. But no matter what the percentage is, the amount of an optional exemption cannot be less than \$5,000. Each taxing unit decides if it will offer the exemption and at what percentage. This percentage exemption is added to any other home exemption for which an owner qualifies. The taxing unit must decide before July 1 of the tax year to offer this exemption.

Homestead exemptions remove part of your home's value from taxation.



#### Do I, as a homeowner, get a tax break from property taxes?

You may apply for homestead exemptions on your principal residence. Homestead exemptions remove part of your home's value from taxation, so they lower your taxes. For example, if your home is appraised at \$100,000 and you qualify for a \$15,000 exemption (this is the amount mandated for school districts), you will pay school taxes on the home as if it was worth only \$85,000. Taxing units have the option to offer a separate exemption of up to 20% of the total value.

#### Do all homes qualify for homestead exemptions?

No, only a homeowner's principal residence qualifies. To qualify, a home must meet the definition of a residence homestead: The home's owner must be an individual (for example: not a corporation or other business entity) and use the home as his or her principal residence on January 1 of the tax year. If you are age 65 or older, the January 1 ownership and residency are not required for the age 65 homestead exemption.

#### What documentation do I need to provide in order to obtain a homestead exemption?

A state law that took effect on September 1, 2011 has changed proof of residency requirements for homeowners applying for the property tax homestead exemption. It's vital that buyers update their address on their driver's license and with the tax assessor/collector in their area.

- 1. Application for residential homestead exemption (available on the websites of most county appraisal districts).
- 2. Copy of driver's license or identification card from the Texas Department of Public Safety at *dps.texas.gov*.
- 3. If you do not own a vehicle, you must complete the non-ownership of motor vehicle affidavit (found on the application for residential homestead exemption), sign it before a notary public and attach a copy of a utility bill showing the homestead address.
- 4. The homestead exemption will not be allowed unless all the required documents show the same homestead address. All three documents must have the same address.

It's vital that home buyers update their address on their driver's license.

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## HOMEBUYERS GUIDE AUSTIN MOVER'S CHECKLIST



#### ONE MONTH BEFORE THE MOVE ☐ Make arrangements to hire a mover or rent a truck. ☐ Make babysitting and/or pet care arrangements for moving day. $\square$ File a change of address form at the post office. ☐ Update all newspaper and magazine subscriptions. ☐ Arrange for the transfer of all medical, dental and school records. ☐ Transfer medical, property, fire and auto insurance. ☐ Organize all move-related documents in one place, such as a folder or binder. TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE MOVE ☐ Cancel or transfer all utilities (water, gas, electric, telephone, cable/internet service). ☐ Check with your provider about cell phone service in your new location. ☐ Transfer prescriptions to a pharmacy near your new location. ☐ Transfer bank accounts. ☐ Collect or purchase packing supplies (e.g., boxes, wrapping paper, bubble wrap, labels, markers, box cutters or scissors and packing tape). ☐ Pack up items in garage, attic and storage areas. ☐ Confirm arrangements with movers or truck rental. ONE WEEK BEFORE THE MOVE ☐ Begin packing and labeling boxes. ☐ Empty, defrost and clean refrigerator, freezer and stove. ☐ Pick up anything outstanding, such as dry cleaning, prescriptions, etc.

## THE DAY BEFORE THE MOVE ☐ Do a final check of closets, cabinets and drawers.

☐ Make sure you have enough cash on hand for the move.☐ Take out all trash.☐ Fully charge all cell phones.

 $\square$  Touch base with movers or truck rental for a final confirmation of arrangements.

#### THE DAY OF THE MOVE

- ☐ Exchange contact information with the movers in case you need to get in touch with them while en route. Include your old/new address, cell phone number and directions to new location.
- ☐ Keep jewelry and other valuables with you, in a box that you move yourself.
- □ Prepare a box of supplies that you will need right away on move-in day, such as: cleaning supplies, snacks and beverages, toiletries, bath and bedding items, trash bags, disposable dishes, pet food, cell phone chargers, prescriptions, eyeglasses, changes of clothing, etc.
- ☐ Do a final check before locking the doors. Confirm that you have turned off the furnace/air conditioner, lawn sprinklers and light switches.
- ☐ Hand off keys and garage door opener(s) to landlord or real estate agent.





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UTILITIES
AND MORE



#### **CITY OF AUSTIN**

#### **City Hall**

301 W. 2nd St., Austin, TX 78701 512-974-2000 | *austintexas.gov* 

#### STATE OF TEXAS

#### Office of the Texas Governor

P.O. Box 12428, Austin, TX 78711 512-463-2000 | *gov.texas.gov* 

#### **HUNTING/FISHING LICENSES**

#### **Texas Parks and Wildlife Department**

4200 Smith School Rd., Austin, TX 78744 512-389-4800 | *tpwd.texas.gov* 

#### **LEGAL SERVICES**

#### **Lawyer Referral Service of Central Texas**

512-472-8303 | *austinIrs.com* 

#### **Volunteer Legal Services of Central Texas**

512-476-5550 | *vlsoct.org* 

#### **State Bar of Texas**

512-427-1463 | *texasbar.com* 

#### UTILITIES

#### Cable

#### **AT&T U-verse**

800-288-2020 | att.com/local/texas/Austin

#### **Astound Broadband**

512-220-4600 | *astound.com/texas/tv* 

#### Spectrum

855-243-8892 | spectrum.com/services/texas/Austin

#### Electricity

#### **Austin Energy**

512-494-9400 | *austinenergy.com* 

Serves Austin and several other smaller municipalities in Travis and Williamson counties

#### **Bastrop Power & Light**

512-332-8900 | *cityofbastrop.org* 

Serves Bastrop in Bastrop County

#### **Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative**

800-842-7708 | bluebonnetelectric.coop

Serves parts of Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Travis and Williamson counties

#### **City of Lockhart**

512-376-2475 | *lockhart-tx.org* 

Serves Lockhart in Caldwell County

#### **Georgetown Utilities Systems**

512-930-3640 | *gus.georgetown.org* 

Serves Georgetown in Williamson County

#### **Pedernales Electric Cooperative**

888-554-4732 | *pec.coop* 

Serves parts of Hays, Williamson and Travis counties as well as a small part of Caldwell County

#### **San Marcos Electric Utility**

512-393-8000 | *sanmarcostx.gov* 

Serves San Marcos in Hays County

#### **TXU Energy**

855-750-0899 | *txu.com* 

Serves customers in Round Rock, Taylor, and Elgin in Williamson County, Pflugerville in Travis County and parts of North Austin

#### Gas

#### **Atmos Energy**

888-286-6700 | *atmosenergy.com* 

Serves Round Rock, Georgetown, Leander and Taylor in Williamson County, Pflugerville in Travis County and additional areas within these two counties

#### **CenterPoint Energy**

800-376-9663 | centerpointenergy.com

Serves Buda, Kyle, and San Marcos in Hays County and Bastrop, Smithville and Elgin in Bastrop County

#### **Texas Gas Service**

800-700-2443 | *texasgasservice.com* 

Serves Austin, Cedar Park, West Lake Hills and parts of Williamson and Travis counties

#### Telephone

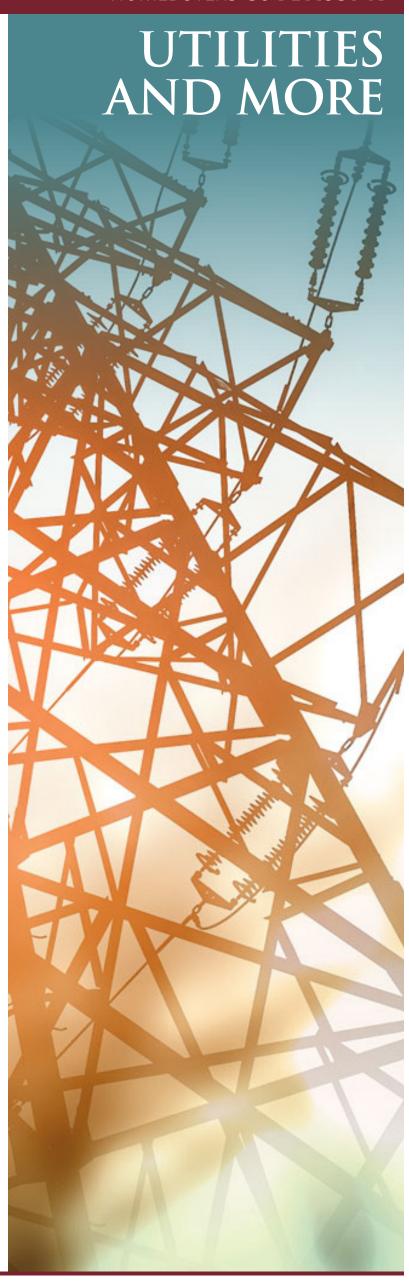
**AT&T** — 800-288-2020

**Astound Broadband** — 800-427-8686

**Spectrum** — 855-243-8892

#### Water/Wastewater

City of Austin — 512-494-9400 | *austintexas.gov* 





SERVICE TRANSFER CHECKLIST



NAME	PHONE/WEBSITE	DATE CONNECTED	DATE DISCONNECTED	NOTES
	OLD HOME			
ALARM MONITORING	NEW HOME			
	OLD HOME			
CLEANING SERVICE	NEW HOME			
	OLD HOME			
ELECTRIC	NEW HOME			
	OLD HOME			
GAS	NEW HOME			
	OLD HOME			
INTERNET	NEW HOME			
	OLD HOME			
LAWN SERVICES	NEW HOME			
	OLD HOME			
PHONE SERVICE	NEW HOME			
	OLD HOME			
POOL SERVICE	NEW HOME			





CLOSING COST DEFINITIONS



#### **Appraisal Fee**

Cost for a professional evaluation of the property's market value based on comparable sales, improvements on the property and location. (Fee usually set by the Appraiser.)

#### **Assumption Transfer Fee**

A fee charged to the buyer and assessed by the lender for the buyer to assume the present loan.

#### **Credit Report**

A report of your credit history.

#### **Discount Points**

Points lenders may charge to increase the investor's yield. May be paid by either buyer or seller. The number of discount points depends on the rate quoted and the current market rates.

#### **Escrow Fee**

The title company's service fee for acting as an escrow agent, carrying out contract instructions, obtaining execution and recording of necessary documents and disbursing sale proceeds; usually split between buyer and seller.

#### **Filing Fees/Recording Fees**

Fees for recording documents in the appropriate county; and determined by the number of pages per document.

#### **Hazard Insurance**

Fire and extended coverage casualty insurance protects property and contents in case of loss; required by the lender for at least the loan amount.

#### **Inspections**

An examination of the property for various reasons such as termite inspections, mechanical inspections, and roof inspections; parties may also require follow-up inspections after required repairs are completed.

#### **Interest or Per Diem**

Interest due on the seller's existing mortgage through the date of pay-off received. Interest is usually paid in arrears. Interest also includes prepaid interest on the buyer's loan for the remainder of the month in which closing occurs.

#### **Loan Application Fee**

Fee paid to the lender at the time of application; check with your lender.

#### **Miscellaneous Lender Fees**

May include fees for underwriting, processing, tax services fee, warehousing, etc.; varies with each lender. Check your lender's GFE (Good Faith Estimate) for disclosure and explanation.

#### **Mortgagee's Policy**

A policy insuring lender of validity and priority of its lien.

#### **Origination Fee**

The Lender may charge the purchaser a fee to originate a new loan.

#### **Owners Title Policy**

A policy that indemnifies the buyer against losses for covered defects in title. (Premium is set by the State Board of Insurance.)

#### **Prepayment Penalty**

A fee charged for early payoff of the seller's existing mortgage loan. If the penalty applies, it will be stated in the existing mortgage instruments of record.

#### **PMI Premium/MIP Premium**

Insures the lender against loss in the event of default by the borrower. (PMI-private mortgage insurance — conventional loans, MIP-mortgage insurance protection — FHA loans)

#### **Prorated Taxes**

Taxes are prorated with the seller paying taxes from January 1st through the closing date and the buyer paying the remainder. Figures are usually based on actual taxes charged from the previous year. Any shortages or overages due at the end of the existing year are between the buyer and seller.

#### **Realtor Fee**

An amount paid to the brokerage firm representing the consumer (buyer or seller) for real estate services agreed upon in the property listing agreement or buyer representation agreement.

#### Restrictions

Recorded documents that restrict and limit the use of the defined property.

#### Survey

A statement (drawing) showing the corners, distances and directions of the boundaries of a tract of land along with easements, encroachments, etc. as may be required in the contract.

#### **Tax Search Certificates**

Certificates obtained to determine any unpaid property taxes or assessments that may constitute liens against the property.





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EVENTS



#### **Austin is a 24-Hour Town**

populated by an upstart mix of musicians, tech experts, filmmakers, athletes and foodies, and our annual events calendar is proof. For a more comprehensive event list of the variety of things happening in Austin, visit **www.visitaustin.org/visit/events**.

#### **JANUARY**

#### Free Week

#### Red River Cultural District

The first week of January might be the best time for a music fan to visit Austin. Why? Hundreds of local bands participate in this annual event that encompasses multiple venues all over Austin.

#### **MLK Festival**

#### Huston-Tillotson University

Join the march from the MLK statue at the University of Texas campus to historic Huston-Tillotson University to celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s legacy.

#### **FEBRUARY**

#### Austin Marathon & Half Marathon & 5K

#### Downtown Austin

Austin will welcome nearly 20,000 participants from around the world for the Annual Austin Marathon & Half Marathon. This exciting event showcases Austin's scenic urban landscape for both runners and spectators alike.

#### **Black History Month**

#### Various Venues

To commemorate Black History Month, events, including film screenings and ceremonies, will take place throughout the city celebrating important people and moments in African-American history.

#### Carnaval Brasileiro

#### Palmer Events Center

Austin's Carnaval is one of the biggest Brazilian Carnaval celebrations outside of Brazil. Brasileiro-style samba, costumes and wild abandon can all be seen in the heart of Texas.

#### **MARCH**

#### Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays

#### The University of Texas

This premier track and field event brings together the best high school, college and professional athletes from across Texas, the U.S. and the world.



#### Rodeo Austin

Travis County Exposition Center
Since its inception in 1938,
this local event has grown

from a simple stock show featuring 16 animals into one of the state's premier rodeos. Over the course of two weeks, the Rodeo features 10 ProRodeo events, a family-friendly fair, daily concerts and more.



## **St. Patrick's Day Festival**Jourdan-Bachman

Pioneer Farms

This family-friendly St. Patrick's Day fest celebrates all things Irish. Come enjoy authentic Celtic music and dancers, Irish language workshops, the finest Irish imports and plenty of good craic!

#### SXSW<sup>®</sup> Music, Film and Interactive Conferences and Festivals

#### Various Venues

Austin Convention Center and more than 50 venues host noted filmmakers, musicians and multimedia artists from around the world, as they converge to showcase music, film and interactive media during this internationally-recognized event.

#### **APRIL**

#### ABC Kite Fest

#### Zilker Park

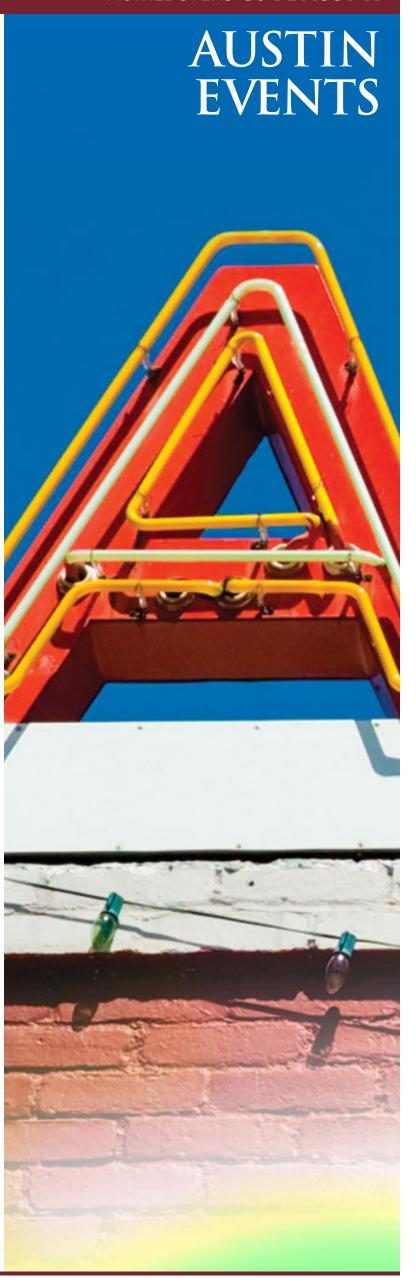
The nation's oldest kite festival features hundreds of kites in the air and is free to attend for people of all ages, complete with kite flying contests, food, games and more.



#### Art City Austin

Palmer Event Center
Austin's original fine arts
festival and national juried

art show of 200 locally and nationally recognized artists and galleries is a family-friendly event featuring local food trucks, beer, cocktails and interactive projects for kids of all ages.



#### Austin Reggae Fest

#### *Auditorium Shores*

A fundraiser for the Capital Area Food Bank, Reggae Fest features three days of reggae, world and dub talent, along with more than 50 vendors selling food and arts & crafts.

#### **Austin Urban Cultural Fest**

#### *Auditorium Shores*

More than 15,000 music revelers converge on Lady Bird Lake's Auditorium Shores to enjoy Austin's only music festival focused on R&B, neo-soul and hip-hop music.

#### **Eeyore's Annual Birthday Party**

#### Pease Park

Live music, beer, food, acrobats and costume contests surround this annual gathering of Austin's most eclectic locals. Eeyore's Birthday serves as a fundraiser to benefit many local, Austin nonprofits.

#### Moontower Just For Laughs Comedy Festival

#### The Paramount Theatre and other locations

The festival brings to Austin, TX some of the funniest, wittiest and oddest world-class comics from around the globe. National headliners, up-and-comers and local Austin-based comedians ensure a hilarious night of fun.

#### MOTOGP™ Red Bull Grand Prix

#### Circuit of The Americas™

MotoGP™, the pinnacle of all motorcycle World Championships, joins the roster of racing events at the Circuit of The Americas™ track with a three-day series at the purpose-built Grand Prix venue. With the addition of this race, the new circuit is the first North American racing venue to host both two-and four-wheeled World Championship events.

#### Old Settler's Music Festival

#### Dale, TX

Central Texas' signature music event features Grammy-winning Americana, arts and crafts, camping, food and libations. Acoustic jazz, blues and bluegrass are all performed by old-time local faves and award-winning artists from around the world.

#### Statesman Capitol 10K

#### Downtown Austin

Texas' largest 10K race and one of the nation's top runs draws some 18,000 serious and not-so-serious runners.

#### The Surreal Garden Exhibition

#### Zilker Botanical Gardens

Experience this neon phenomenon as it enchants the Garden during this two weekend event. Support local artists while also supporting the Zilker Botanical Garden Conservancy.

#### **MAY**

#### **ATX Television Festival**

#### Downtown Austin

The first festival devoted to Television's history and future. It functions like a traditional film festival with premieres of new series, current hits and cult favorites. ATX Television Festival also offers access to the industry's leading professionals with cast and creator Q&As and panels focusing on innovation in both production and content delivery.

#### CapTex Triathlon

#### Lady Bird Lake, Downtown Austin

The Life Time triathlon attracts all levels of athletes from top-ranked professionals to first-time triathletes. The event includes the USA Paratriathlon National Championship, sprint and international distances, First Tri distance and sprint and international distance relays.

#### Latino Music Month

#### Various Venues

The many Latino music genres are showcased during performances on the Plaza at Austin City Hall each Friday at noon. Other special events throughout the month are presented as well.



## **Pecan Street Spring Arts Festival**East Sixth Street

A free, family event, this festival is the oldest and largest art festival in Central Texas. Musicians, food vendors, artists and craftspeople turn Sixth Street — historically called Pecan Street — into a lively street fair with something for people of all ages.

#### Republic of Texas Biker Rally

Travis County Exposition Center & Downtown Austin

The state's largest motorcycle gathering attracts thousands of bikers for rides, parades and music.

#### JUNE

## Austin Asian American Film Festival AFS Cinema

The Austin Asian-American Film
Festival (AAAFF) promotes Asian and
Asian-American cultures and experiences
through the media arts, showcasing
top quality cinema and supporting the
creative talents of Asian-American artists.

#### African American Book Festival

George Washington Carver Museum

This free, annual literary event showcases new works by and about African Americans. Notable speakers and authors will discuss their works and facilitate conversations.

#### Central Texas Juneteenth Celebration

Historic East Austin and Rosewood Park

Juneteenth, also known as "Freedom Day" or "Emancipation Day," is the oldest known African American celebration commemorating the end of slavery. This annual event features a 2K walk/run, parade floats, entertainment and celebration at Rosewood Park.

## Cine Las Americas International Film Festival

Various Venues

The festival showcases contemporary films and videos from Latin America (North, Central, South America and the Caribbean) and the Iberian Peninsula. Films and videos made by or about Latinos in the U.S. or the rest of the world, as well as films and videos by or about indigenous groups of the Americas are also invited to participate.

#### Fun Stop 5k & Fest

Long Center for the Performing Arts

Anything is possible at this decade-old Austin extravaganza! Run, skip or race through the streets of downtown Austin wearing the wackiest costume. Unofficially known as "the slowest 5K you will ever run," this race is designed for amusement and fun.

#### **JULY**

## H-E-B Austin Symphony July 4th Concert & Fireworks

*Vic Mathias Shores* 

The Austin Symphony hosts an annual concert of patriotic music culminating in a spectacular firework display over Lady Bird Lake.

## Hill Country Galleria Independence Day Festival

Hill Country Galleria

A free celebration of Independence, featuring fabulous art, live entertainment and a fireworks display.

#### **AUGUST**

## aGLIFF (All Genders, Lifestyles and Identities Film Festival)

**Around Town** 

aGLIFF is the oldest and largest gay and lesbian film fest in the Southwest and the largest LGBTQ cultural event in Austin. Experience the festival and watch for monthly screenings around town.

#### ATX Black Food Week

Local Restaurants & Food Trucks

Hosted by the Austin Justice Coalition, support local, Black-owned restaurants for two weeks, plus a full week dedicated to food trucks. Learn about the history of Austin while supporting the businesses that make this city feel like home.



#### Austin Pride Festival & 5K

#### Fiesta Gardens along the shores of Lady Bird Lake

The PRIDE Festival is the largest annual LGBTQ advocacy and fundraising event in Central Texas. Dozens of non-profit organizations and social clubs use the Festival as a platform to inform and interact with thousands of attendees. Each year, countless people find new organizations to join, causes to support and opportunities to volunteer.

#### **Zilker Summer Musical**

#### Zilker Hillside Theater

Pack a picnic and come enjoy this free, annual musical. The outdoor theatre troupe will host live performances Thursdays through Sundays.

#### **SEPTEMBER**

#### Austin Chronicle Hot Sauce Festival

#### Far Out Lounge and Stage

If you want to beat the heat this summer then you have to eat the heat! Join the Austin Chronicle for one of the world's largest hot sauce festivals with as many as 10,000 spectators each year.

#### Austin Museum Day

#### Museums Across Austin

Organized by the Austin Museum Partnership, this special day features free exhibitions and activities at participating Austin-area museums and cultural sites.

#### **Bat Fest**

#### Congress Avenue Bridge

the world's largest urban bat colony (two million Mexican free tail bats

Celebrate this batty event as

which take up seasonal residence beneath Ann Richard's Congress Street Bridge) take to the skies for their nightly flight. Enjoy live music, children activities and costume contests.

#### Fantastic Fest

#### Alamo Drafthouse

Fantastic Fest is the largest genre film festival in the U.S., specializing in horror, fantasy, sci-fi, action and just plain fantastic movies from around the world.

#### Free Day of Yoga

#### Across Austin

All day long, participating studios across the Austin area offer free classes as an opportunity for every age and fitness level.

#### Pecan Street Festival (Fall)

#### Historic Sixth Street

A free, family event, this festival is the oldest and largest art festival in Central Texas. Musicians, food vendors, artists and craftspeople turn Sixth Street — historically called Pecan Street — into a lively street fair with something for people of all ages.

#### Texas Craft Brewers Festival

#### Fiesta Gardens

The largest beer festival for and by Texas Brewers. This annual event features the best of Texas craft beer and displays the thriving beer community across the Lone Star State.

#### Zilker Relays

#### Zilker Park

The Zilker Relays is a 10-mile team race. Each participant runs a 2.5 mile loop from one central festival/transition area. The team concept of the race is not unique, but the combination of a relay, festival home base, drinks and music, make this experience a favorite for runners of all calibers and ages.

#### **OCTOBER**



**Austin City Limits Music Festival** 

Zilker Park

One of the country's

largest celebrations of live music, this two-weekend, six-day festival brings the magic of the famed public TV series "Austin City Limits" outside the studio and into Austin's most beloved park. More than 150 musical acts will take over eight stages along with local food vendors, brewers, pop-up shops and artists.



#### Austin Film Festival

#### Paramount Theatre and Various Venues

Recognized as one of the top film festivals in the country, this cinematic event shines the spotlight on top-billed films and Indies alike.



## **Dia de Los Muertos Music Festival**Mexic-Arte Museum

The cultural celebration

features renowned recording artists in the Latin and Texas music industries. The family-friendly festival offers local food and beverages, cultural performances, Kids Zone activities and more.

#### Formula 1 United States Grand Prix

#### Circuit of The Americas™

Drivers will be in Austin competing in the Formula 1 United States Grand Prix this fall. Built around a state-of-the-art 3.4 mile circuit track with a capacity for 120,000 fans and an elevation change of 133 feet, the facility is designed for any and all classes of racing — from motor power to human power.

#### **Levitation Fest**

#### Carson Creek Ranch

A weekend full of live music, psychedelic light shows, on-site camping and more.

#### Oktoberfest

#### German Free School

The German-Texan Heritage Society holds this annual festival, featuring live music, food, a biergarten, kid's activities and more.

#### Texas Book Festival

#### Downtown Austin

The Texas Teen Book Festival has evolved into one of the premier literary events in the country and hosts about 50 authors each year. Book lovers of all ages attend the Festival annually, enjoying readings, panel discussions, signings, cooking demonstrations, live music, local food, YA authors, children's activities and exhibiting vendors from across the state.

#### **NOVEMBER**

#### **Austin Celtic Festival**

#### Pioneer Farms

This annual festival is the largest gathering of Celts in Central Texas.

The event is home to four stages of Irish,
Scottish and Breton music, dance, sports,
storytelling, workshops and more.

#### **Austin Fashion Week**

#### Various Venues

Austin Fashion Week showcases the work of fashion designers, photographers, hair stylists, makeup artists and models from around the state of Texas with runway shows, designer meet-and-greets, themed parties and benefits for Austin non-profits.

#### **Austin Food & Wine Festival**

#### **Auditorium Shores**

Join top chef talent, sommeliers and winemakers from across the nation and Austin's own acclaimed gourmet scene for an indulgent, three-day epicurean adventure unlike any other, topped off with live musical performances.

#### **Austin Powwow**

#### Travis County Exposition Center

For more than 25 years, the Austin Powwow features music, dancing, food and arts & crafts in celebration of American Indian Heritage.

#### **Austin Studio Tour**

#### Various Venues

The Austin Studio Tour is a free, self-guided art event that takes place over three weekends and combines the West Austin Studio Tour and East Austin Studio Tour. The tour provides opportunities for artists all over Austin to connect with each other and for the public to experience art in person.

#### Blue Genie Art Bazaar

#### 6100 Airport Blvd.

The Blue Genie Art Bazaar is a unique holiday art show held in Austin, Texas.

The Bazaar features handmade artwork and gifts from over 200 local and regional artists — with a portion of proceeds going to the Make-A-Wish® Foundation.

#### Christmas at the Caswell House

#### Caswell House Austin

Christmas at the Caswell House has been an Austin community

tradition since 1983. The Austin Junior Forum transforms this historic home into a winter wonderland.



#### Texas Book Festival

#### Texas State Capitol

The Texas Book Festival has evolved into one of the premier literary events in the country and hosts about 250 authors each year. More than 40,000 book lovers of all ages attend the Festival annually, enjoying readings, panel discussions, signings, cooking demonstrations, live music, local food, YA authors, children's activities and exhibiting vendors from across the state.

#### Texas Monthly BBQ Festival

#### City Terrace at The Long Center

This tasty festival only has four rules: muster as many of Texas' best BBQ joints as possible; have them serve up their specialties side-by-side; let smoke and sauce fly for five intoxicating hours; and finally, let "The People" decide who made the best goods.

#### Turkey Trot

#### The Long Center

ThunderCloud Subs' 5-mile run/1-mile walk is a good way to work up a Thanksgiving appetite.

#### Zilker Tree Lighting

#### Zilker Park

This Austin tradition continues its 50+ year run of light displays, interactive shows and holiday-themed walkthroughs.

#### **DECEMBER**

#### Armadillo Christmas Bazaar

#### Palmer Events Center

Shades of old Austin are reflected at this market with eclectic gifts and local entertainment from more than 160 artists and merchants.

#### **Austin's New Year**

#### **Auditorium Shores**

This alcohol-free, family-friendly event celebrates the diversity and creativity of the city with visual art installations, jugglers, storytellers, fire dancers and other festive performances.

#### **Downtown Holiday Stroll**

#### Texas State Capitol

Join hundreds caroling in front of the Capitol as the tree is lit before heading down Congress Avenue for live music, shopping, art and much more.



## German-Texan Heritage Society Christmas Market

German Free School

The German-Texan Heritage Society's annual market offers shoppers handmade and imported crafts, decorations, ornaments and more. Browse the market, visit Sankt Nikolaus, listen to traditional German Christmas music and enjoy a cup of Glühwein (hot spiced wine), gingerbread cookies and other sweet baked treats.

#### **Luminations at the Wildflower Center**

#### Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center

Thousands of luminaries and twinkling lights turn the center into a holiday wonderland during Luminations, an Austin holiday tradition.

#### **Peppermint Parkway**

#### Circuit of the Americas

Peppermint Parkway is a magical experience at Austin's Circuit of The Americas. This year, the holiday spectacular will be transformed into a one-mile driving attraction that immerses visitors in millions of holiday lights synchronized to joyful holiday classics.



#### Trail of Lights

#### Zilker Park

The Austin Trail of Lights is part of the Austin experience,

lighting up the season with a celebration of community, memories and fun. With a beautiful array of lights, the tree is lit following a 5k run, which allows the Trail of Lights to be lit and showcased.





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#### **Visit Austin**

Visit Austin is the official destination marketing and sales organization for the city of Austin. An accredited member of Destinations International, Visit Austin is contracted by the city to market Austin nationally and internationally as a premier convention and leisure destination. Visit Austin houses the Austin Film Commission, Music Office and Sports Commission. The organization is a private, nonprofit 501(c)(6) corporation operating as an independent agency for more than 20 years. Locally, tourism and hospitality supports an estimated 146,000 jobs and pumps an estimated \$10.2 billion into Austin's economy. The hotel bed tax contributes 32% of it's collections to support local arts, entertainment and recreation (including music), and tourism generates \$1.04 billion in state and local taxes.

#### **Population**

2+ million in the metropolitan area an estimated 964,117 within Austin city limits, making Austin the 11th largest city in America. It is the second fastest-growing city in the nation.

#### Area

Austin envelops a 2,705 square-mile metro area, with 232 square miles within the city limits.

#### **Elevation**

Elevation varies from 425 feet to approximately 1,000 feet above sea level. One of its highest points, at 780 feet, is Mount Bonnell.

#### Weather

Nearly 300 days of sunshine annually with an average temperature in the fall/winter in the 50–60s °F and for spring/summer in the 80–90s °F.

#### **History**

Founded as "Waterloo" in 1839 by Jacob Harrell, the city was renamed for Texas colonist Stephen F. Austin.

#### **Taxes**

8.25% sales tax; 15% total hotel tax (9% city tax, 6% state sales tax).

#### Airport

Austin-Bergstrom International Airport is 7.5 miles from downtown with nonstop service to 80 destinations, with flights to international destinations including London, Cancun, Mexico City, San Jose Del Cabo, Toronto, Punta Cana, Amsterdam and seasonal summer flights to Frankfurt, Germany.

#### **State Capitol**

Built from 1882-88 out of "Sunset Red" granite and measuring 302 feet high, the Texas Capitol is 14 feet higher than the nation's capital in Washington, D.C. Legislators meet every other year.

#### The University of Texas at Austin®

Located just north of downtown, UT is one of America's largest public universities with 342 undergraduate and graduate degree programs, about 3,090 faculty and more than 50,000 students. Hook 'em Horns!

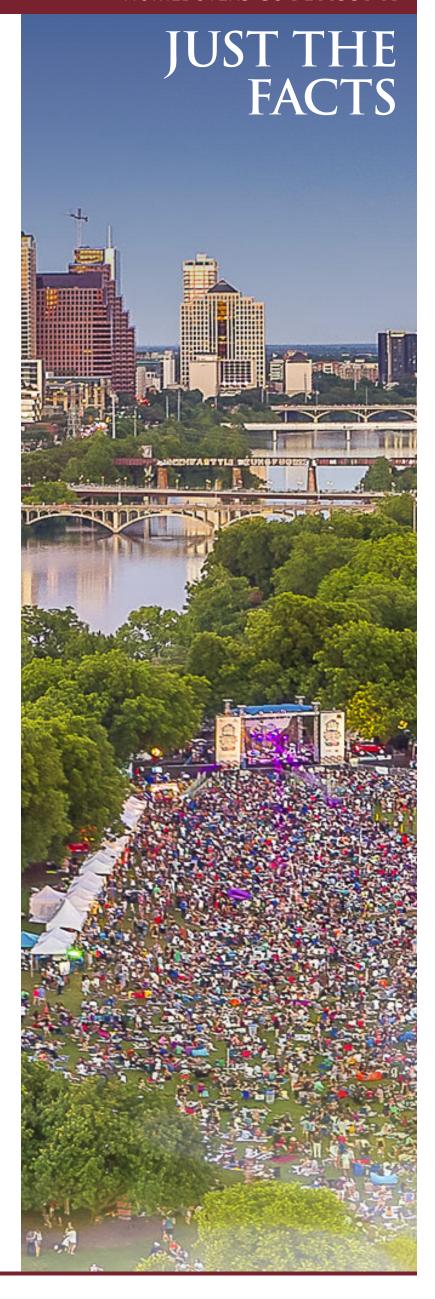
#### Film Capital

Moviemaker Magazine named Austin as the #8 best place to live and work as a moviemaker in 2022. Austin film is home to the likes of directors Robert Rodriguez, Mike Judge and Richard Linklater.

#### **A Little Batty**

Austin is home to North America's largest urban bat population, with anywhere from 750,000 to 1.5 million Mexican free-tailed bats roosting under the Congress Avenue Bridge from late March through early fall.





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#### **Outdoors**

Austin is home to more than 300 parks, including 360-acre Zilker Park. The Anne and Roy Butler Hike and Bike Trail follows the edge of Lady Bird Lake for ten miles and historic Barton Springs Pool welcomes swimmers to 68-degree, spring-fed waters year-round.

#### **Live Music Capital of the World®**

Live music can be enjoyed at more than 250 venues throughout Austin. The city is also home to more than 2,300 recording artists including such famed personalities as Willie Nelson, Asleep at the Wheel, Bob Schneider, Gary Clark Jr., Spoon, Shinyribs and more.

#### **Entertainment Districts**

The Historic Sixth Street, South Congress, West Sixth Street, Red River Cultural District, Warehouse, 2nd Street, South Austin, East Austin, Central Austin and Rainey Street Historic District are among the "hot spots" for listening to live music, dining and taking in the nightlife scene.

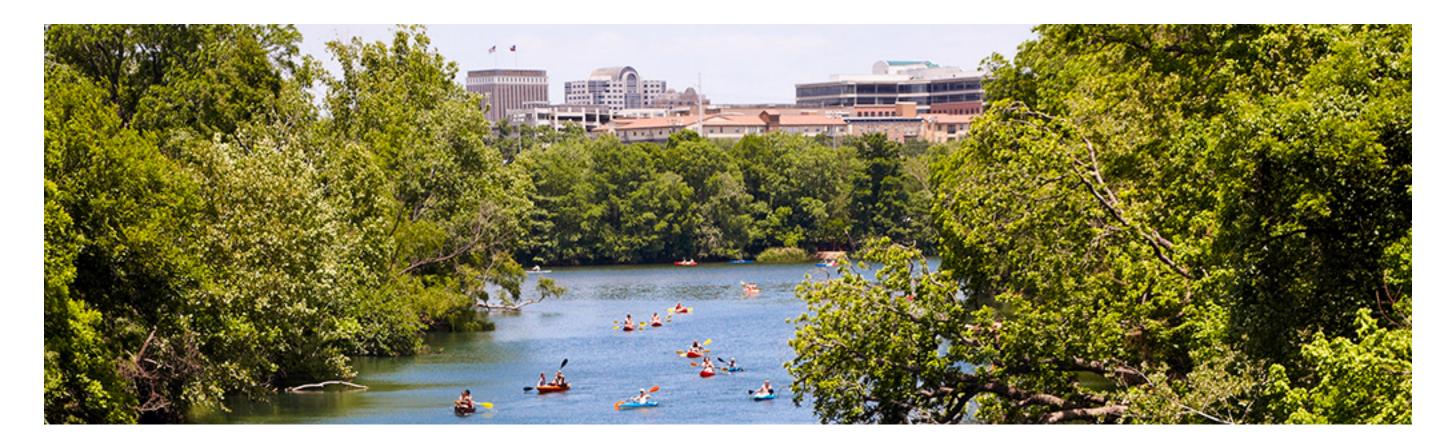
#### **Austin City Limits™ Music Festival**

The longest running music show on television, Austin City Limits spawned the Austin City Limits Music Festival (ACL Festival), which draws 450,000 people and takes place for two weekends each October. It generates an economic impact of nearly \$450 million (2022).

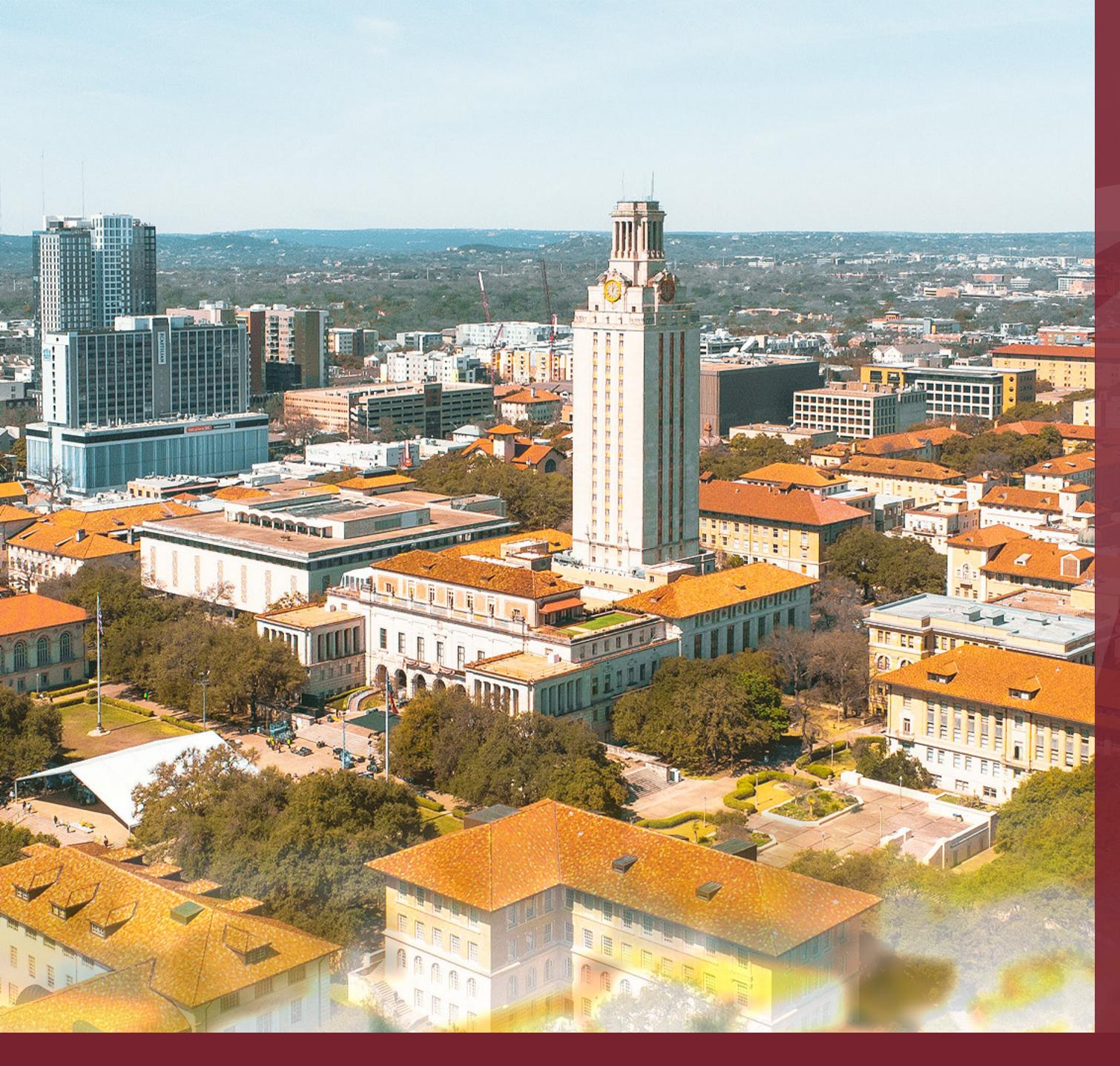
- The ACL Festival's first year was 2001.
- The festival expanded to include two weekends in October 2013.

#### SXSW<sup>®</sup> Music, Film and Interactive Conference and Festivals

Each March, SXSW attracts the world's leading creative professionals to Austin, Texas for a singular mix of industry conferences, trade shows and festival. SXSW also injects hundreds of millions of dollars into the local economy, including more than \$348.6 million in economic impact and 440,000 in attendance (2017).

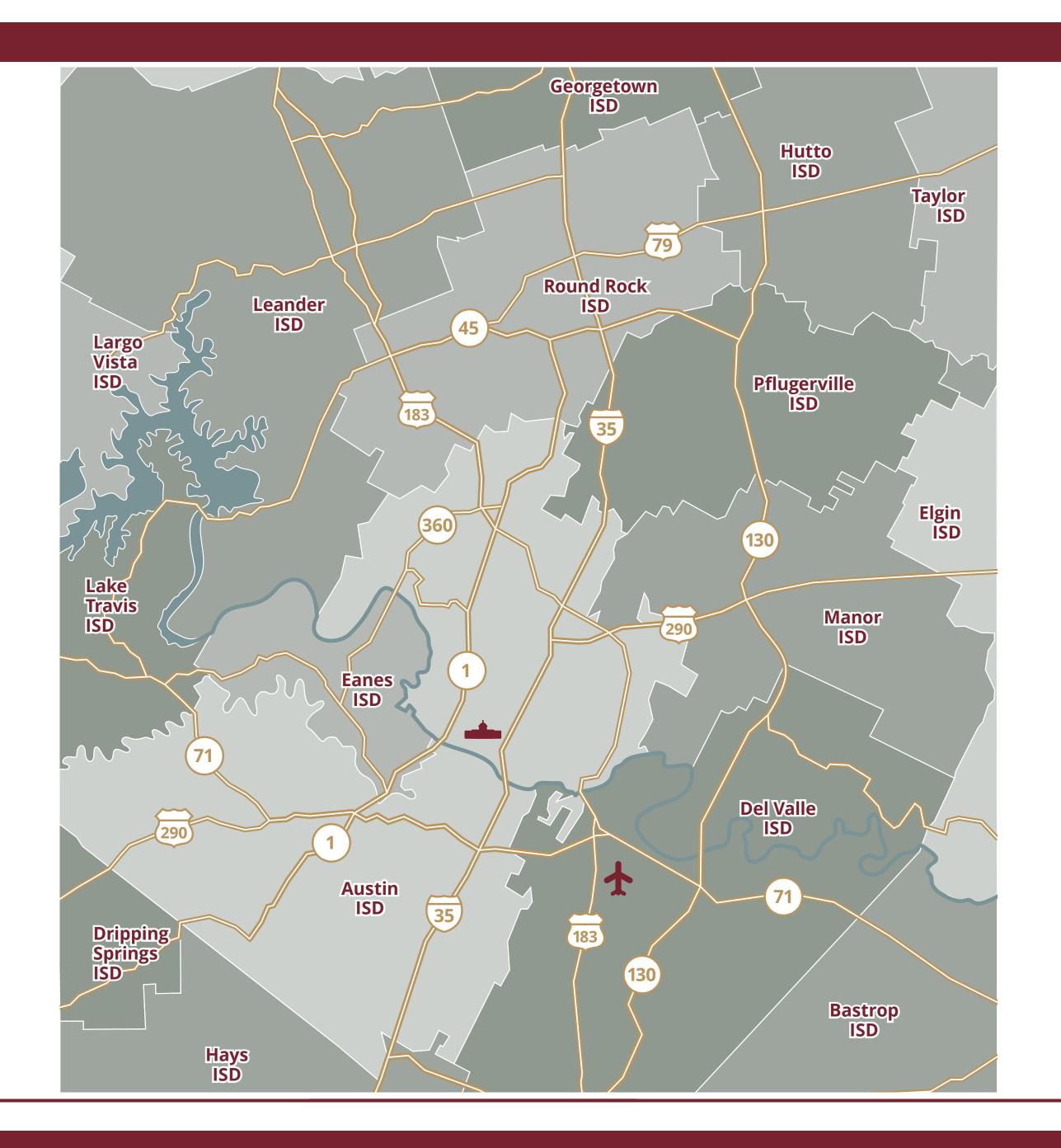


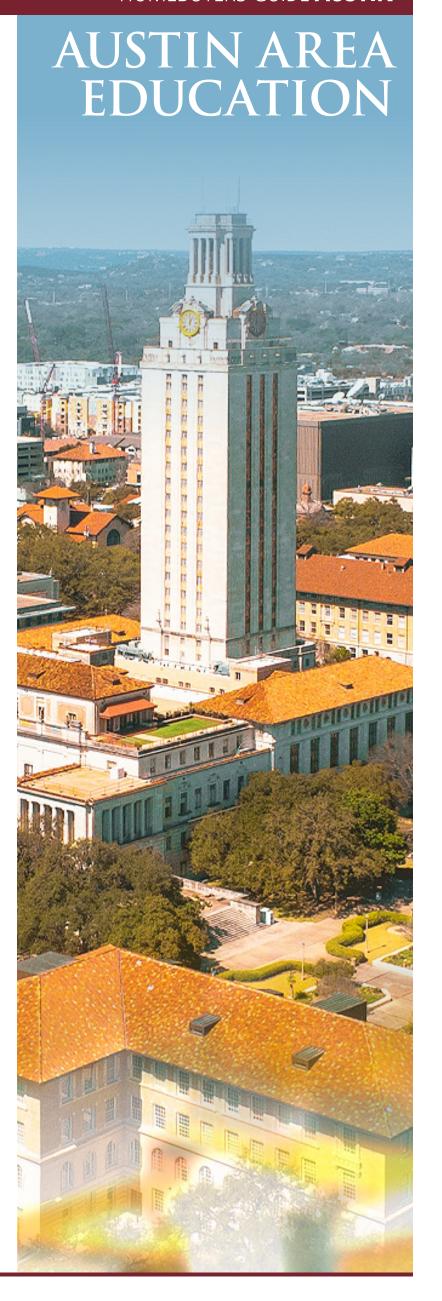




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#### **PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Austin ISD

512-414-1700 | *austinisd.org* 

Del Valle ISD

512-386-3000 | *dvisd.net* 

Eanes ISD

512-732-9000 | *eanesisd.net* 

Elgin ISD

512-281-3434 | *elginisd.net* 

Hays Consolidated ISD

512-268-2141 | *hayscisd.net* 

**Hutto ISD** 

512-759-3771 | *hipponation.org* 

Lake Travis ISD

512-533-6000 | *Itisdschools.org* 

Leander ISD

512-570-0000 | *leanderisd.org* 

Liberty Hill ISD

512-260-5580 | *libertyhill.txed.net* 

Lockhart ISD

512-398-0000 | *lockhartisd.org* 

Manor ISD

512-278-4000 | *manorisd.net* 

Pflugerville ISD

512-594-0000 | *pfisd.net* 

Round Rock ISD

512-464-5000 | *roundrockisd.org* 

**San Marcos Consolidated ISD** 512-393-6700 | **smcisd.net** 

#### **CHARTER SCHOOLS**

Austin Achieve Public School 512-522-4190 austinachieve.org

Harmony Public Schools
512-386-1903 | harmonytx.org

Wayside Schools Charter District

512-220-9184

waysideschools.org

The Goodwill Excel Center

512-531-5500

excelcenterhighschool.org

**Responsive Education Solutions** 972-316-3663

responsiveed.com

KIPP Austin Public Schools

512-953-7107 | *kipptexas.org* 

#### **PRIVATE SCHOOLS**

ACE Academy

3901 Shoal Creek Blvd., 78756 512-206-4070 austingifted.org

All Saints' Episcopal School

209 W. 27th St., 78705 512-472-8866

allsaintseds.org

Austin Christian Academy 1010 FM 1626 W., 78748

512-292-7848

austinchristianacademy.org

**Austin International School** 

4001 Adelphi Ln., 78727 512-331-7806

austininternationalschool.org

Austin Jewish Academy

7300 Hart Ln., 78731 512-735-8350

austinjewishacademy.org

Austin Montessori School

5006 Sunset Trl., 78745 512-892-0253

austinmontessori.org

Austin Peace Academy

5110 Manor Rd., 78723 512-926-1737

apacademy.org

Austin School for the Performing & Visual Arts

1110 Guadalupe St., 78701 512-522-7782

theaustinschool.org

**Austin Waldorf School** 

8700 S. View Rd., 78737 512-288-5942

austinwaldorf.org

**Brentwood Christian School** 

11908 N. Lamar Blvd., 78753 512-835-5983

brentwoodchristian.org

Calvary Episcopal School

603 Spring St., Bastrop, 78602 512-321-1610

calvaryschool.net

Casa Montessori Childhood Development Center

404 Atlanta St., #B, 78703

512-474-4119

casa-montessori.org

Casner Christian Academy

3838 Steck Ave., 78759 512-453-6605

casnerchristian.org

Cathedral School of St. Mary

910 San Jacinto Blvd., 78701 512-476-1480

smcschoolaustin.org

Cedar Park Montessori School

400 E. Whitestone Blvd., Cedar Park, 78613

512-259-8495

cedarparkmontessori.com

Cedars Montessori School

9704 Circle Dr., 78736 512-288-1245

cedarsmontessori.com

City School

1844 Teri Rd., 78744

512-416-7744

cityschooltexas.org

Community Montessori School

500 Pleasant Valley Dr., Georgetown, 78626

512-863-7920 *community-montessori.org* 

Concordia High School

1201 S. Heatherwilde Blvd.,

Pflugerville, 78660 512-248-2547

chsaustin.org

Girls' School of Austin

2007 McCall Rd., 78703

512-478-7827 *thegirlsschool.org* 

Good Shepherd Episcopal School

3201-B Windsor Rd., 78703 512-476-4393

gsesaustin.org

**Grace Academy** 

225 Grace Blvd., Georgetown, 78633

512-864-9500

gracetx.org

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## **Headwaters**

Elementary School: 9607 Brodie Ln., 78748 Middle and High School: 807 Rio Grande St., 78701 512-623-5406 headwaters.org

## Hill Country Christian School of Austin

12124 RR 620 N., 78750 512-331-7036 *hillcountrychristianschool.org* 

## Hill Country Christian School

1401 Davis Ln., San Marcos, 78666 512-353-8976 hillcountryschool.net

## Holy Family Catholic School

9400 Neenah Ave., 78717 512-246-4455 *holyfamilycs.org* 

## Hyde Park Schools

High School: 11400 N. Mopac Expy., 78759 512-465-8333

Elementary and Middle School: 3901 Speedway, 78751 512-465-8338 *hp-schools.org* 

## Kids R Kids Learning Academy

15111 Avery Ranch Blvd., 78717 512-218-9669 *krkaustin.com* 

## Kirby Hall School

306 W. 29th St., 78705 512-474-1770 *kirbyhallschool.org* 

## Lake Hills Montessori Austin 600 N. Cuernavaca Dr., 78733 512-263-9342

lakehillsmontessori.com

## Lake Hills Montessori Bee Cave 3930 RR 620 S., 78738 512-263-5585 lakehillsmontessori.com

## Magellan International School

- -Main campus: 7501 N. Capital of Texas Hwy., 78731
- -Preschool campus: 7130 Chimney Corners, 78731
- -Anderson Lane campus: 7938 Great Northern Blvd., 78757

512-782-2327 *magellanschool.org* 

## Mariposa Montessori School

3338 Paisano Trl., 78745 512-428-4280 *mariposamontessori.com* 

## Paragon Preparatory School

5206 Balcones Dr., 78731 513-654-9100 paragonprep.com

## Parkside Community School

3207 W. Slaughter Ln., 78748 512-472-2559

## parksidecommunityschool.org

## Primrose School of Austin at Mueller

2200 Aldrich St., Ste. 130, 78723 5512-668-1010 *primroseschools.com* 

## **Primrose School of Four Points**

6606 Sitio Del Rio Blvd., 78730 512-795-9101 primroseschools.com

## Primrose School of Shady Hollow

12341 Brodie Ln., 78748 512-282-2341 *primroseschools.com* 

## Primrose School of Southwest Austin

4920 Davis Ln., 78749 512-292-7792

primroseschools.com

## Rawson-Saunders School

2614-A Exposition Blvd., 78703 512-476-8382

## rawsonsaunders.org

## **Redeemer Lutheran School** 1500 W. Anderson Ln., 78757

512-451-6478 redeemerschool.net

## Regents School of Austin

3230 Travis Country Cir., 78735 512-899-8095 *regentsaustin.org* 

## Renaissance Academy

14401 Owen-Tech Blvd., 78728 512-252-2277 *racademy.org* 

## Round Rock Christian Academy

800 Westwood Dr., Round Rock, 78681 512-255-4491 **rrca-tx.org** 

## San Juan Diego Catholic High School

2512 S. 1st St., 78704 512-804-1935 *sjdchs.org* 

## San Marcos Academy

2801 RR 12, San Marcos, 78666 512-753-8000 **smabears.org** 

## **Santa Cruz Catholic School** 1100 Main St., Buda, 78610 512-312-2137

sccstx.org

## Sapientia Montessori School

1220 Cottonwood Creek Trl., Cedar Park, 78613 512-260-2261 sapientiamontessori.com

## Shoreline Learning Center

15201 Burnet Rd., 78728 512-599-9287 **shorelinelearningcenter.com** 

## St. Andrews Episcopal School

5901 Southwest Pkwy., 78735 512-299-9700 *sasaustin.org* 

## St. Austin Catholic School

2026 Guadalupe St., 78705 512-477-3751 **staustinschool.org** 

## St. Dominic Savio Catholic High School

9300 Neenah Ave., 78717 512-388-8846 *saviochs.org* 

## St. Francis School

300 E. Huntland Dr., 78752 512-454-0848 *stfrancis-school.org* 

## St. Gabriel's Catholic School

2500 Wimberly Ln., 78735 512-327-7755 **sgs-austin.org** 

## St. Helen Catholic School

2700 E. University Ave., Georgetown, 78626 512-868-0744 shcslions.org

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512-442-8547
school.st-ignatius.org

St. Louis Catholic School
2114 St. Joseph Blvd., 78757
512-614-6622
slcsaustin.org

St. Mary's Catholic School
520 Washburn St., Taylor, 76574
512-352-2313
stmarystaylor.org

St. Matthew's Episcopal School 8134 Mesa Dr., 78759 512-345-8314 stmattsaustin.org

St. Paul Lutheran School
3501 Red River St., 78705
512-472-8301
stpaulaustin.org

St. Theresa's Catholic School
4311 Small Dr., 78731
512-451-7105
st-theresa.org

St. Stephen's Episcopal School 6500 St. Stephens Dr., 78746 512-327-1213 sstx.org

Sterling Classical School
12800 Angel Side Dr.,
Leander, 78641
512-259-2722
sterlingclassicalschool.com

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Tamim Academy Hebrew Preparatory School
3500 Hyridge Dr., 78759
512-977-0770
tamimaustin.org

Trinity Episcopal School
3901 Bee Caves Rd., 78746
512-472-9525
austintrinity.org

Veritas Academy
13401 Escarpment Blvd., 78739
512-891-1673
veritasacademy.net

Wonderland School
302 Country Estates Dr.,
San Marcos, 78666
512-392-9404
thewonderlandschool.com

Zion Lutheran School 6001 FM 1105, Georgetown, 78626 512-863-3065 zionwalburg.org

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5930 Middle Fiskville Rd., 78752
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austincc.edu

Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary 100 E. 27th St., 78705 512-404-4800 austinseminary.edu Concordia University Texas
11400 Concordia University Dr.,
78726
512-313-3000
concordia.edu

Huston-Tillotson University
900 Chicon St., 78702
512-505-3028
htu.edu

Park University
10415 Morado Cir., 78759
512-385-7275
park.edu/Austin

**Seminary of the Southwest** 501 E. 32nd St., 78705 512-472-4133 **ssw.edu** 

St. Edward's University
3001 S. Congress Ave., 78704
512-448-8400
stedwards.edu

Southwestern University
1001 E. University Ave.,
Georgetown 78626
512-863-6511
southwestern.edu

*Temple College — Taylor Center* 516 N. Main St., Taylor, 76574 512-365-7242 *templejc.edu* 

Education Center
1555 University Blvd.
Round Rock, 78665
512-716-4001
rrc.txstate.edu

Texas State Round Rock Higher

Texas State Technical College
1304 San Antonio St., #106b,
78701
800-792-8784
tstc.edu

Texas State University
601 University Dr.
San Marcos, 78666
512-245-2111
txstate.edu

The University of Texas at Austin 110 Inner Campus Dr., 78712 512-471-3434 utexas.edu

Western Governors
University — Texas
12515-8 Research Blvd.,
Ste. 250, 78759
877-214-7011
texas.wgu.edu

AOMA Graduate School of Integrative Medicine
4701 W. Gate Blvd., 78745
512-454-1188
aoma.edu

Auguste Escoffier School of Culinary Arts
6020-B Dillard Cir., 78752
855-955-7555
escoffier.edu/locations/Austin

The College of Health
Care Professions
6330 E. Hwy. 290, Ste. 180, 78723
512-617-5700
chcp.edu

**DeVry University — Austin**316 W. 12th St., 78701
512-231-2500 **devry.edu** 

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## National American University

6836 Austin Center Blvd., Ste. 270, 78731 512-813-2300 national.edu/locations/ campuses/Austin

## **South University**

1220 W. Louis Henna Blvd., Round Rock, 78681 512-516-8800 **southuniversity.edu/Austin** 

## Southern Careers Institute

1701 W. Ben White Blvd., Ste. 100, 78704 844-783-6569 **scitexas.edu** 

## Texas Health and Science University

4005 Menchaca Rd., 78704 512-444-8082

thsu.edu

## University of St. Augustine for Health Services

5401 La Crosse Ave., 78739 800-241-1027 *usa.edu* 

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arisemedicalcenter.com

Austin Oaks Hospital
1407 W. Stassney Ln., 78745
512-798-4899
austinoakshospital.com

Austin State Hospital
4110 Guadalupe St., 78751
512-452-0381
hhs.texas.gov

**Baylor Scott & White Medical Center**Various locations
1-844-279-3627

bswhealth.com

Cedar Park Regional
Medical Center
1401 Medical Pkwy., Cedar Park,
78613
512-528-7000

CHRISTUS Santa Rosa Hospital — San Marcos 1301 Wonder World Dr.,

cedarparkregional.com

San Marcos, 78666 512-353-8979

christushealth.org

Central Texas
Rehabilitation Hospital
700 W. 45th St., 78751
512-407-2111
centraltexasrehabhospital.com

**Cornerstone Hospital** 

-4207 Burnet Rd., 78756 512-706-1900

-4681 College Park Dr., Round Rock, 78665 512-671-1100

chghospitals.com

Cross Creek Hospital

8402 Cross Park Dr., 78754 512-823-0570 *crosscreekhospital.com* 

Georgetown Behavioral Health Institute

3101 S. Austin Ave., Georgetown, 78626 512-942-5365

georgetownbehavioral.com

Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Austin 330 W. Ben White Blvd., 78704

512-730-4800 encompasshealth.com/ austinrehab

Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Round Rock

1400 Hester's Crossing Rd., Round Rock, 78681 512-244-4400 encompasshealth.com/ roundrockrehab

Hospital at Westlake Medical Center

5656 Bee Caves Rd., 78746 512-327-0000

westlakemedical.com

Northwest Hills Surgical Hospital
6818 Austin Center Blvd.,
Ste. 100, 78731

512-346-1994 *northwesthillssurgical.com* 

PAM Specialty Hospital

200 Memorial Dr., Luling, 78648 830-875-8400 pamhealth.com

**Rock Springs** 

127 E. Riverside Dr., Ste. 104, 78704 737-241-2353 *rockspringshealth.com*  St. David's Healthcare
-Heart Hospital of Austin

3801 N. Lamar Blvd., 512-407-7000

-St. David's Georgetown Hospital 2000 Scenic Dr., Georgetown, 78626 512-943-3000

**-St. David's Medical Center** 919 E. 32nd St., 78705 512-476-7111

-St. David's North Austin Medical Center 12221 N. Mopac Expy., 78758 512-901-1000

-St. David's Round Rock Medical Center 2400 Round Rock Ave., Round Rock, 78681 512-341-1000

-St. David's South Austin Medical Center 901 W. Ben White Blvd., 78704 512-447-2211

**-St. David's Surgical Hospital** 1201 W. Louis Henna Blvd., 78681 512-248-7000

stdavids.com

Ascension Seton
Healthcare Family

-Dell Children's Medical Centerof Central Texas4900 Mueller Blvd., 78723512-324-0000

-Ascension Seton Edgar B.
Davis Hospital
130 Hays St., Luling, 78648
830-875-7000

-Ascension Dell Seton Medical Center at the University of Texas 1500 Red River St., 78701 512-324-7000

-Ascension Seton Medical Center Austin 1201 W. 38th St., 78705 512-324-1000

-Ascension Seton Medical Center Hays 6001 Kyle Pkwy., Kyle 512-504-5000

-Ascension Seton Medical Center Williamson201 Seton Pkwy., Round Rock, 78665512-324-4000

-Ascension Seton
Northwest Hospital
11113 Research Blvd., 78759
512-324-6000

-Ascension Seton Shoal Creek Hospital 3501 Mills Ave., 78731 512-324-2000

**-Ascension Seton Southwest Hospital**7900 FM 1826, 78737
512-324-9000

-Ascension Seton Smithville Hospital 1201 Hill Rd., Smithville, 78957 512-237-3214

healthcare.ascension.org

## HOSPITALS AND MEDICAL CENTERS

Texas Neuro-Rehab Center 1106 W. Dittmar Rd., 78745 512-444-4835 texasneurorehab.com

Warm Springs Rehab Hospital
5980 Kyle Pkwy., Kyle, 78640
512-262-0821
postacutemedical.com





## **Family Friendly**

With so many great activities for kids, it's easy to see why the Live Music Capital of the World® might be the capital of family fun, too. From museums and outdoor activities, below are just a few highlights.

## **Austin Nature and Science Center**

2389 Stratford Dr. 512-974-3888

Located inside Austin's famed Zilker
Park, the ANSC is a beautiful and exciting
outdoor park for children and families.
Kids can see live wildlife, dig for fossils at
the Dino Pit and discover hidden gems of
the landscape at the Naturalist Workshop.
The ANSC offers multiple programs for
adults as well, such as rock climbing,
caving and night canoeing. The park is
free and open until 5 p.m. daily.

## **Zilker Park/Barton Springs Pool**

2201 Barton Springs Rd. 512-974-6700

Austin's 361-acre park is home to picnic facilities, a disc golf course, a large playground for children, the Zilker Zephyr train (great for kids/families) and Barton Springs Pool, an urban oasis where swimmers plunge into 68-degree, spring-fed waters. Parking: \$3. Free picnic facilities and playground.

## **Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center**

4801 La Crosse Ave. 512-232-0100

Founded in 1982, the center commemorates Lady Bird Johnson's

contributions to the Hill Country environment and landscape, as well as introduces locals and visitors alike to native plants and flowers. Throughout the year, the center also welcomes families and gardening enthusiasts for events and educational sessions. Admission is \$15 for adults and free for children 4 years and under.

## **LBJ Presidential Library**

2313 Red River St. 512-721-0200

Situated on a 30-acre site on
The University of Texas campus, the
library houses 45 million pages of
historical documents, photos and
recordings from America's 36th President,
Lyndon B. Johnson's political career.

## **Texas State Capitol**

1100 Congress Ave. 512-463-4630

This sunset red edifice is the largest of America's 50 statehouses and stands 14 feet taller than the U.S. Capitol. Parking garage is located at 1201 San Jacinto Blvd. Free guided tours depart every 15 minutes from the south lobby.



## **ICONIC MUSIC VENUES**

With more than 250 Austin establishments showcasing live music, it's hard to know where to turn. Check out a few iconic venues found below.

## **Austin City Limits Live at The Moody Theater (ACL Live)**

310 W. Willie Nelson Blvd. 512-404-1300

Austin City Limits Live at The Moody
Theater is a state-of-the-art, 2,700+
person capacity live music venue that also
serves as the new home of the KLRU-TV
produced PBS program "Austin City
Limits," the longest running music series
in American television history. The Moody
Theater is one of two dedicated live
music venues in the country built to the
U.S. Green Building Council's LEED rated
standards of sustainability.

## **Antone's Nightclub**

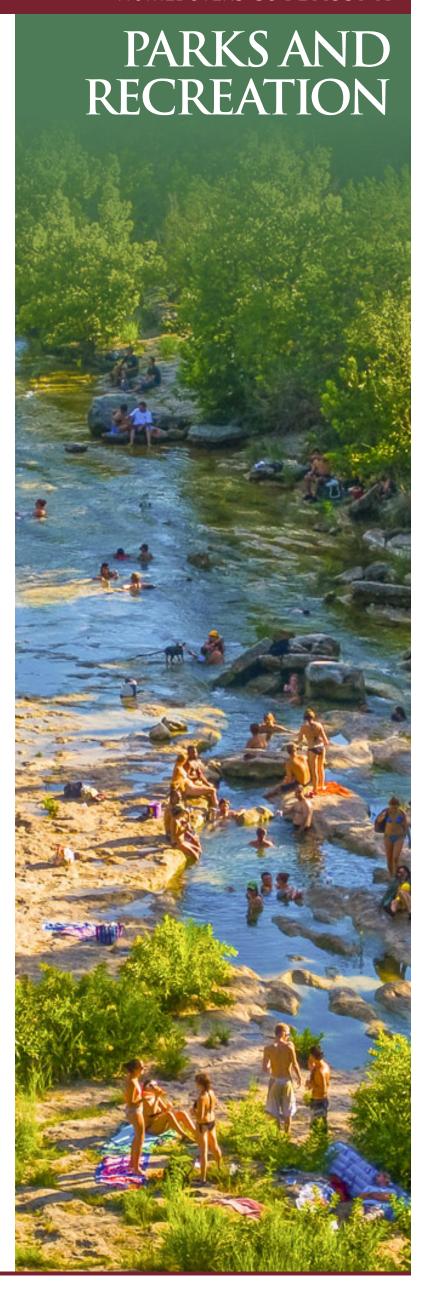
305 E. 5th St. 512-814-0361

Since first opening on Sixth Street in 1975, this club has hosted the likes of B.B. King, Buddy Guy, Eric Clapton and Stevie Ray Vaughan. Now the legendary club has moved to the corner of Fifth and Lavaca streets, but it remains the home of the blues in Austin.

## The Continental Club

1315 S. Congress Ave. 512-441-2444

This is one of the city's favorite historic venues since 1957. After a short stint as a burlesque club, the Continental Club



became a favorite performance spot of such legends as Stevie Ray Vaughan, Joe Ely, Kinky Friedman and WC Clark. Upstairs, the Continental Gallery features mellow music and jazz.

## **Emo's Austin**

2015 E. Riverside Dr. 210-780-3608

Alternative, underground, punk and indie bands have been calling this intimate venue home since 1990. With one stage inside and one in the outdoor beer garden, there's a chance to see two shows simultaneously. The walls are covered with murals, and the stool Johnny Cash perched on during his performance here is mounted on the ceiling.

## The Mohawk

912 Red River St. 512-666-0877

Great indoor/outdoor venue with a large patio overlooking the main stage. This is the new hub of the Red River District; the lineup includes indie rock, electronica, metal, punk and hip hop music.

## The Saxon Pub

1320 S. Lamar Blvd. 512-448-2552

This is one of the coolest venues in town. It has a "dive" atmosphere, but offers great blues, rock and country acts.

## Stubb's BBQ

801 Red River St. 512-480-8341

Stubb's combines two of Austin's best features: live music and barbecue.
Sit down for a tasty dinner, and then stick around for a local band on the indoor stage or a touring band outdoors. The Sunday Gospel Brunch is also popular.

## **SPORTS & OUTDOORS**

There's a reason Austin is often ranked one of the fittest cities in the country.

From cycling to stand-up paddle boarding, water-biking to leisurely canoe-paddling,

Austin offers an abundance of outdoor activities and sports.

Take a look at a few select locations below, and learn more about what our Sports Commission has to offer here.

### **Barton Creek Greenbelt**

3755-B Capital of Texas Hwy. 512-974-6700

Barton Creek Greenbelt is an urban oasis. Its trails provide opportunity for biking, running, rock climbing, swimming and hiking.

## **Austin Golf Trail**

11612 Bee Caves Rd., Bldg. 1, Ste. 230 512-421-2692

Texas' capital city is one of the country's premier golf destinations, and the Austin Golf Trail provides full-service concierge support in booking golf rounds at dozens of local courses, as well as

booking hotel accommodations and other Austin-centric activities. The one-stop golf-shop program allows golfers to book exclusive golf packages or design their own.

## **Barton Springs Bike Rental**

1707 Barton Springs Rd. 512-480-0200

Barton Springs Bike Rental offers bike tours around Austin, including the Austin in a Nut Shell tour, The Peace Love & Zilker tour and the Let it Ride! Austin Electric Bike Tour.

## **Congress Avenue Bridge Bats**

100 S. Congress Ave.

Seasonal (April through October)

Austin is home to North America's largest urban bat colony; between 750,000 and 1.5 million Mexican free-tailed bats.
These nocturnal wonders emerge from under the Congress Avenue Bridge in search of insects. People watch from the top of the bridge, boats on Lady Bird Lake and local restaurants and hotels as the mammals roll out at dusk and shadow the Austin sky. This free event has become one of the most spectacular and unusual tourist attractions.



## **Congress Avenue Kayaks**

74 Trinity St. 512-809-8916

This location caters to first-timer kayakers. Let the pros show you how! Congress Avenue Kayaks offers easy to paddle, kayaks and stand up paddle boards for rent by the hour or by the half-day on Lady Bird Lake, next to the Congress Avenue Bridge.

## Lady Bird Lake/Canoe and Paddle Board Rentals

Rowing Dock, 2418 Stratford Dr. 512-459-0999

Kayak, canoe or paddle board on the clear, calm waters of Lady Bird Lake, and catch a great view of the skyline.

## Lady Bird Lake Hike & Bike Trail/Stevie Ray Vaughan Memorial

Downtown, from MoPac Expressway to Pleasant Valley Road

At the south end of the Ann Richards
Congress Avenue Bridge, find access to
the Hike & Bike Trail, which winds around
Lady Bird Lake for 10 miles in the heart of
downtown. It's great for a morning walk
and is usually packed with locals, visitors
and celebrities alike. The Stevie Ray
Vaughan memorial is on the south bank
of the lake, just west of the South First
Street Bridge.

## **PARKS/CENTRAL**

Hancock Recreation Center 811 E. 41st St.

Lady Bird Lake — Lamar Beach Metro Park

1200 W. César Chávez St.

**Pease District Park** 1100 Kingsbury St.

**Shoal Creek Greenbelt** 2600 N. Lamar Blvd.

Lady Bird Lake — Waller Beach Metro Park 30 E. Ave.

## **PARKS/WEST**

**Big Walnut Creek Nature Preserve** 9221 E. U.S. Hwy. 290

Commons Ford Ranch
Metropolitan Park
614 N. Commons Ford Rd.

**Emma Long Metropolitan Park** 1600 City Park Rd.

**Hielscher Tract Greenbelt** 6801 La Crosse Ave.

**Lions Municipal Golf Course** 2901 Enfield Rd.

**Mayfield Park and Nature Preserve** 3505 W. 35th St.

**Vireo Nature Preserve** 1403 N. Capital of Texas Hwy.

## **PARKS/SOUTH**

Auditorium Shores at Town Lake Metropolitan Park

900 W. Riverside Dr.

**Barton Creek Greenbelt** 3755 S. Capital of Texas Hwy.

Bauerle Ranch Metropolitan Park (Slaughter Creek Greenbelt) 2715 Lynnbrook Dr.

**Blowing Sink Preserve** 3705 Deer Ln.

**Blunn Creek Nature Preserve** 1200 St. Edwards Dr.

**Butler Metro Park** 1000 Barton Springs Rd.

**Lady Bird Lake — Butler Shores** 200 S. Lamar Blvd.

Circle C Ranch Metropolitan Park on Slaughter Creek 6301 W. Slaughter Ln.

**Deer Park at Maple Run Preserve** 4929 Davis Ln.

**Dick Nichols District Park** 8011 Beckett Rd.

**Dittmar District Park** 1009 W. Dittmar Rd.

**Gaines Park at Barton Creek Greenbelt** 3918 S. Mopac Expy.

**Garrison District Park** 6001 Menchaca Rd.

**George Morales Dove Springs Recreation Center**5801 Ainez Dr.



## Goat Cave Karst Nature Preserve 3900 Deer Ln.

7910 Beckett Rd.

Latta Branch Greenbelt

**Mabel Davis District Park** 3427 Parker Ln.

Mary Moore Searight Metropolitan Park 907 W. Slaughter Ln.

**Onion Creek Greenbelt** 7002 Onion Creek Dr.

Onion Creek Metropolitan Park 8652 Nuckols Crossing Rd.

Onion Creek Soccer Complex 5600 E. William Cannon St.

Onion Creek Wildlife Sanctuary Nature Preserve 4435 E. SH 71

**Stephenson Nature Preserve and Outdoor Education Center** 7501 Longview Rd.

Williamson Creek Central Greenbelt 5120 S. 1st St.

Williamson Creek
East Greenbelt
4618 E. William Cannon Dr.

Williamson Creek West Greenbelt 6310 Brush Country Rd.

## **Zilker Metropolitan Park** 2100 Baton Springs Rd.

**Zilker Nature Preserve** 301 Nature Center Dr.

## **PARKS/EAST**

**Bartholomew District Park** 5201 Berkman Dr.

**Boggy Creek Greenbelt** 1114 Nile St.

**Colony District Park** 7201 Colony Loop Dr.

Colorado River Wildlife Sanctuary 5827 Levander Loop





HOMEBUYERS GUIDE AUSTIN
DINING &
ENTERTAINMENT



## **POPULAR CUISINE**

Tex-Mex has only been a household word in Texas since the mid-1900s, but this cuisine took shape many years ago as Anglo settlers and Texas ranchers attempted to recreate northern Mexican cuisine with their ingredients of choice. Dishes are heavy on the starch but provide pure bliss with a heavy mix of shredded cheeses, meat (vegetarian options too), beans, peppers, spices and flour tortillas. Austin has no shortage of Tex-Mex restaurants, and a crowd favorite dish is queso — melted cheese, seasoned and served warm as a dip for tortilla chips.



Traditionally, Texas barbecue (BBQ) involves slow cooking various meats for extended periods of time. Here in central Texas, the typical style of preparation is to rub the preferred meat with spices, then cook over indirect heat with pecan or oak wood

in a pit. Annual competitions determine the top barbeque here in Texas, and many award-winning pit masters can be found right here in Austin. In fact, in 2015, Aaron Franklin of Franklin Barbecue broke ground as the first ever pit master awarded a James Beard Award. At many of these restaurants, visitors will experience laid back, cafeteria-style vibes and should expect to get a little messy. Locals seem to know what's best.



Explore Austin's vibrant mobile food vendor scene (food trucks) — an inexpensive, popular way to dine with locals. Many food trucks and trailers have stationary locations around the city, but be sure to check each truck's calendar for special pop-up dates

and places. All over town, chefs are eschewing brick-and-mortar establishments and instead serving inexpensive, unpretentious cuisine whipped up in the back of refurbished Airstreams and concession trailers. The trend is so hot that officials estimate more than 1,200 mobile food vendors are in Austin. For more info, check out: www.austintexas.org/visit/food-and-drink/food-trucks.

## **CHEFS TO WATCH**

- Barley Swine's Bryce Gilmore
- Emmer & Rye's Kevin Fink
- Olamaie's Michael Fojtasek
- Snow's BBQ Pitmaster Tootsie Tomanetz
- Oseyo's Laura Sawicki

## **FOOD TOURS**

For a fun and unique dining experience, check out a food tour from one of Austin's many local tour companies, such as Austin Eats Food Tours or Secret Food Tour: Austin. Both companies showcase the best of Austin's culinary scene and are guided by knowledgeable foodies.

## **FOOD RESOURCES**

The city is home to a variety of other excellent dining guide resources, such as below:

- Austin Monthly's Best New Restaurants
- Austin American-Statesman's Best New Restaurants in Austin
- Austin Chronicle's First Plates
- Do512's Best Food Trucks in Austin
- Eater Austin
- Austin Food Blogger Alliance



## **THE PIT**

**La Barbecue** 2401 E. César Chávez *labarbecue.com* 

Louie Mueller Barbecue 206 W. 2nd St., Taylor *louiemuellerbarbecue.com* 

Stiles Switch BBQ & Brew 6610 N. Lamar Blvd. stilesswitchbbq.com

**Stubb's Bar-B-Q** 801 Red River **stubbsaustin.com** 

## **FANCY FARE**

Jacoby's Mercantile 3235 E. César Chávez St. jacobysaustin.com

**Lenoir** 1807 S. 1st St. **lenoirrestaurant.com** 

**Parkside**301 E. 6th St.

parkside-austin.com

**Vespaio**1610 S. Congress Ave. *austinvespaio.com* 

## **MEXICAN WITH A TWIST**

**Chuy's**Various locations **chuys.com** 

Maudie's
Various locations
maudies.com

El Arroyo 1624 W. 5th St. elarroyo.com

## El Mercado

Various locations *elmercadorestaurant.com* 

**Trudy's**Various locations *trudys.com* 

Matt's El Rancho 2613 S. Lamar Blvd. mattselrancho.com

**Fonda San Miguel** 2330 W. N. Loop Blvd. **fondasanmiguel.com** 

**Curra's Grill** 614 E. Oltorf St. *currasgrill.com* 

**El Chile Café y Cantina** 1900 Manor Rd. **elchilecafe.com** 

Juan in a Million 2300 E. César Chávez St. juaninamillion.com

**La Condesa** 400A W. 2nd St. *lacondesa.com* 

**Polvos**Various locations

polvosaustin.com

## **ASIAN-INSPIRED EATERIES**

Top Chef: Texas winner chef
Paul Qui owns the popular East
Side King (eastsideking.com), with
trailers around East Austin and
brick-and-mortar locations near
The University of Texas campus
and on South Lamar.

**Elizabeth Street Café** 1501 S. 1st St. **elizabethstreetcafe.com** 

Ramen Tatsu-Ya
Various locations
ramen-tatsuya.com

## Komé

5301 Airport Blvd. #100 *kome-austin.com* 

**Shanghai Chinese Restaurant** 6718 Middle Fiskville Rd. *dimsumshanghai.com* 

**Sway** 3437 Bee Cave Rd., West Lake Hills **swaythai.com** 

**The Clay Pit (Indian)** 1601 Guadalupe St. *claypit.com* 

Koriente
621 E. 7th St.
koriente.com

**Korea House Restaurant & Sushi Bar**2700 W. Anderson Ln., Ste. 501 *koreahouseaustin.com* 

**Pho Van** 8557 Research Blvd., Ste. 120 Uchiko

4200 N. Lamar Blvd. *uchikoaustin.com* 

## **PIZZA PIES**

**Home Slice Pizza**Various locations *homeslicepizza.com* 

**Bufalina** 2215 E. César Chávez St. **bufalinapizza.com** 

**East Side Pies**Various locations *eastsidepies.com* 

The Backspace
Various locations
thebackspace-austin.com

**Pieous**166 Hargraves Dr., Bldg. H **Pieous.com** 

Various locations *littledeliandpizza.com* 

Mangia 12001 Burnet Rd., Ste. D mangiapizza.com

**Southside Flying Pizza**Various locations **southsideflyingpizza.com** 

Via 313 Pizza Various locations via313.com

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## **UNBEATABLE BURGERS**

Hopdoddy Burger Bar Various locations hopdoddy.com

**Casino El Camino** 517 E. 6th St. **casinoelcamino.net** 

**Sandy's** 603 Barton Springs Rd. **sandysaustin.com** 

P. Terry's Burger Stand
Various locations
pterrys.com

Counter Café
Various locations
countercafe.com

24 Diner600 N. Lamar Blvd.24diner.com

Gourdough's Public House
Various locations
gourdoughs.com

**Dan's Hamburgers**Various locations

dans-hamburgers.com

**Dirty Martin's** 2808 Guadalupe St. **dirtymartins.com** 

**Top Notch Hamburgers** 7525 Burnet Rd. **topnotchaustin.com** 

Hat Creek Burger Co.
Various locations
hatcreekburgers.com

## ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICTS

Across Austin there are many neighborhoods and entertainment districts, each with their own unique character and filled with many things to do, eat and drink.

South Congress (SoCo) District
Just south of Lady Bird Lake,
"SoCo" is a vibrant and walkable
Austin neighborhood packed
with eclectic boutiques, murals,
eateries and music venues. Pick
up a pair of boots at Allens,
or discover something new at

## **Sixth Street District**

Parts & Labour.

For nightlife stroll down Austin's most famous street for more than a dozen blocks of restaurants, bars and live music venues including Maggie Mae's, Parish, Midnight Cowboy and Shakespeare's Pub.

## West Sixth Street Entertainment District

Head west on Sixth Street from Lavaca to Lamar to shop and dine at Austin's most iconic home-grown retailers, eateries and dives including the flagship Whole Foods Market, Waterloo Records, Ranch 616, Dirty Bill's, BookPeople and more.

## **Red River Cultural District**

From big-name acts to local icons, Red River Street rocks with the sounds of the Live Music Capital of the World®. Stroll from venue to venue to tune into a diverse showcase of sounds. Dance the night away at Empire Control Room, dive into the local scene at the Swan Dive, see your favorite touring band at Mohawk or party it up at Cheer Up Charlies.

## **Rainey Street Historic District**

Rainey Street has a laid-back vibe and is home to a row of converted bungalows that provide an only-in-Austin live music and bar experience. Roam the district to find local craft beers at Craft Pride, top shelf cocktails at Half Step, award-winning cuisine at Emmer & Rye, artisan sausages at Banger's and food trucks of every flavor.

### **Warehouse District**

The industrial Warehouse District rests in the heart of downtown Austin. Sip on craft cocktails at upscale bars such as Péché and Garage, dance the night away on Rainbow Row at Oilcan Harry's or Rain, and relax with some local music at Cedar Street Courtyard or Speakeasy.

## **2nd Street District**

Keep things local at some of Austin's newest retail shops and boutiques in the 2nd Street District. Upscale coffee-houses, wine bars and restaurants rest between favorites including Violet Crown Cinema, Eliza Page and Luxe Apothetique.

## **South Austin**

South Austin is a fresh taste of old Waterloo. A mix of quaint and contemporary houses, long-running vintage shops and eateries by some of the city's top up-and-comers populate this lively nook of town. Visit expansive Zilker Park, stop by the Long Center or ZACH Theatre for a performance or explore everything from coffee shops to art galleries on South First Street.

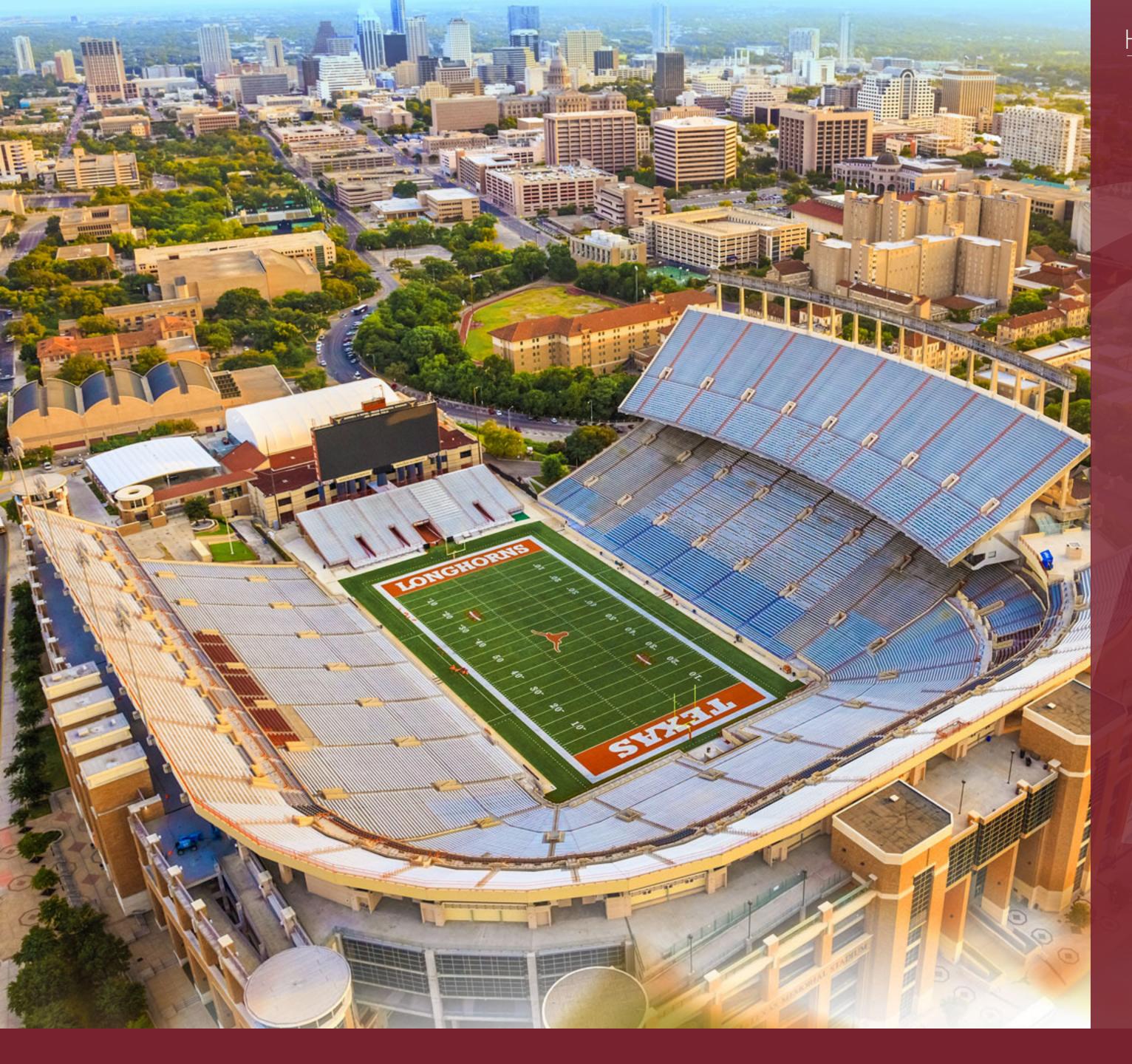
## **East Austin**

Head to East Austin to experience one of the fastest-growing and most alternative areas in town.
Roam East Sixth Street for quirky bars and graffiti-style murals, taste some of the biggest flavors in town on East César Chávez and don't miss Six Square, the city's African American Cultural District, for a tour of the city's most historic cultural attractions.

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## **Central Austin**

Just ten minutes north of downtown, near the sprawling University of Texas at Austin campus, Central Austin is quickly becoming home to some of Austin's best local eateries and shops. Cafes and vintage thrift stores rest comfortably between quaint neighborhood homes and bars along the North Loop and Burnet Road.



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## Ask any Austinite about their favorite sport and you'll hear anything from football to cycling.

It's no secret that this is a sports town, and we have the world-class facilities to prove it. Austin has hosted events for almost every sport you can think of, including Formula 1 United States Grand Prix, World Golf Championships — Dell Technologies Match Play, X Games, Red Bull MotoGP Grand Prix of the Americas, AVP Beach Volleyball, IronMan 70.3, USA Volleyball Boys National Championships, NCAA Women's Swimming and Diving National Championships, the Davis Cup and so many more. For more information, please visit www.visitaustin.org/sports-commission.

## **AUSTIN REVS ITS ENGINE**

Circuit of The Americas™ is a multi-purpose facility that hosts the most prestigious racing events in the world, including the Formula 1 United States Grand Prix. It is the first purpose-built Grand Prix facility in the U.S. With a 3.4-mile circuit track, capacity for 120,000 fans and an elevation change of 133 feet, the facility is designed for any and all classes of racing — from motor power to human power. Visitor attractions include an expansive live entertainment amphitheater space that holds 14,000, a 40,000-sq. ft. state-of-the-art conference and media center and more.

## Annual Events at Circuit of The Americas™

- Formula 1 United States Grand Prix
- MotoGP™ Red Bull Grand Prix of the Americas
- U.S. Vintage National Championship
- FIA World Rallycross Championship

## **NOTABLE SPORTING VENUES**

### **Austin Convention Center**

The Center offers 247,052 square feet of column-free exhibit space.

## H-E-B Center at Cedar Park

Home of the Texas Stars and Austin Spurs. Capacity: 8,000

### **Circuit of The Americas**™

Home of the F1 Race, Moto GP, concerts and much more. Capacity: 120,000

## **Darrell K. Royal Texas Memorial Stadium**

at The University of Texas at Austin. Capacity: 100,119

### **Dell Diamond**

Home of the Round Rock Express minor league baseball team. Capacity: 11,631

## Lee & Joe Jamail Texas Swimming Center

at The University of Texas at Austin, offers a 50-meter pool and 18-foot diving well. Capacity: 2,600

## Mike A. Myers Stadium

at The University of Texas at Austin. Capacity: 20,000

## **Moody Center**

at the University of Texas at Austin. Capacity: 15,000+

### **UFCU Disch-Falk Field**

at The University of Texas at Austin. Capacity: 6,985

## **NOTABLE SPORTING EVENTS**

- Austin Marathon
- Labor Day Cup (Lonestar Soccer Club)
- The University of Texas at Austin Football
- Rodeo Austin
- World Golf Championships Dell Technologies Match Play
- Texas Relays
- 3M Half Marathon
- Professional Bull Riders Wrangler's Long Live Cowboys Classic
- Statesman Cap10K





TOP COUNTRY
CLUBS & GOLF
COURSES



## PRIVATE CLUBS

## **Austin Country Club**

4408 Long Champ Dr. Austin, TX 78746

## **Balcones Country Club**

8600 Balcones Club Dr. Austin, TX 78750

## **Barton Creek Country Club** at the Omni Resort

8212 Barton Club Dr. Austin, TX 78735

## **Great Hills Country Club**

5914 Lost Horizon Dr. Austin, TX 78759

## **The Hills Country Club**

26 Club Estates Pkwy. Austin, TX 78738

## **Onion Creek Club**

2510 Onion Creek Pkwy. Austin, TX 78747

## **River Place Country Club**

4207 River Place Blvd. Austin, TX 78730

## **Twin Creeks Country Club**

3201 Twin Creeks Club Dr. Cedar Park, TX 78613

## **University of Texas Golf Club**

2200 University Club Dr. Austin, TX 78732

## **Westlake Country Club**

2612 Lost Creek Blvd. Austin, TX 78746

## **Westwood Country Club**

3808 W. 35th Austin, TX 78703

## **PUBLIC COURSES**

## **Avery Ranch Golf Club**

10500 Avery Club Dr. Austin, TX 78717

## **Butler Pitch & Putt**

201 Lee Barton Dr. Austin, TX 78704

## **Falconhead Golf Club**

15201 Falconhead Blvd. Austin, TX 78738

## **Grey Rock Golf Club**

7401 State Highway 45 Austin, TX 78739

## **Hancock Golf Course**

811 E. 41st St. Austin, TX 78751

## **Harvey Penick Golf Campus**

5501 Ed Bluestein Blvd. Austin, TX 78723

## Jimmy Clay-Roy Kizer Municipal Golf Courses

5400 Jimmy Clay Dr. Austin, TX 78744

## **Lions Municipal Golf Course**

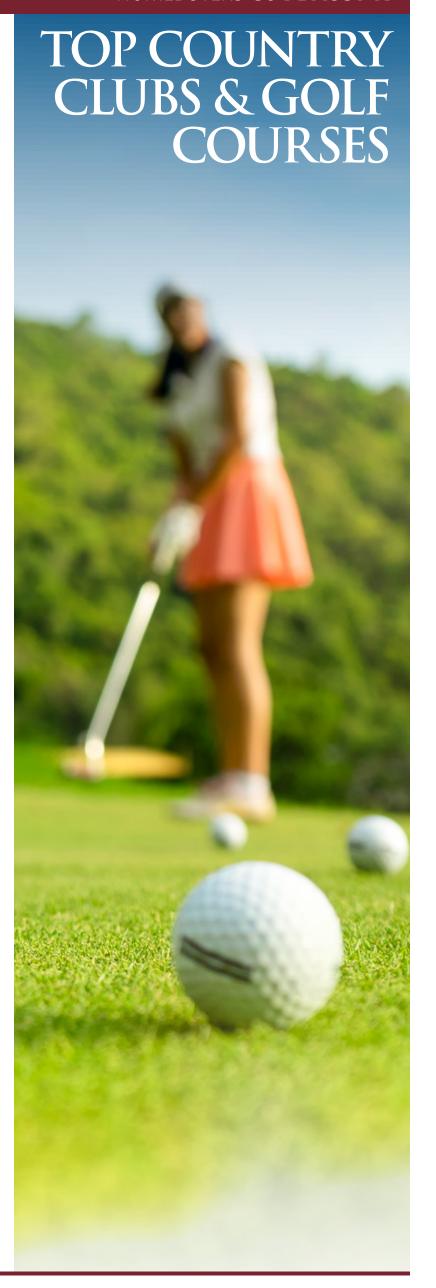
2901 Enfield Rd. Austin, TX 78703

## **Morris Williams Golf Course**

3851 Manor Rd. Austin, TX 78723

## **Riverside Golf Course**

1020 Grove Blvd. Austin, TX 78741





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SHOPPING



Austin has a retail scene that satiates everything from high-end luxury needs to local, authentic cowboy boots and eclectic finds. For a full listing of local Austin shops and districts, check out our shopping roundup.

## **2nd Street District**

Second to Fourth Street, between Colorado and Guadalupe Street. This is Austin's first downtown, pedestrian retail shopping area. Highlights include Jo's Coffee, Rae Cosmetics, Milk + Honey Spa and Eliza Page.

## **The Domain**

11410 Century Oaks Terrace

In a town square atmosphere, the north Austin retail development offers 700,000-square feet of restaurants and luxury fashion, including Austin's first Neiman Marcus, Tiffany & Co. and Louis Vuitton.

### **Lamar and Fifth Street**

Intersection of Lamar Boulevard and Fifth Street

The strip of Lamar just north of Lady Bird Lake is home to Whole Foods' 80,000-square-foot flagship store as well as famed independent stores such as BookPeople and Waterloo Records. Take a stroll down Lamar and discover local storefronts intermixed with quirky retailers.

### **South First Street**

South First Street between Barton Springs and Oltorf

Come explore the best of Austin's vintage and off-the-beaten path retailers. Not limited to retail, South First is home to multiple food trailer lots as well as brick-and-mortar restaurants. From designer vintage to neon art, South First is the heart of local shopping.

## **South Congress Avenue**

Congress Avenue between Academy and Oltorf

The strip of South Congress just below Lady Bird Lake sees politicos, hipsters and students come together to visit antique shops, eclectic restaurants and vintage retailers. This has become the essential "hip strip" of the city.

## **Austin Area Malls**

The Arboretum

10000 Research Blvd. *thearboretum.com* 

**Barton Creek Square** 

2901 S. Capital of Texas Hwy. simon.com/mall/barton-creek-square

**Chinatown Center** 

10901 N. Lamar Blvd. *chinatownaustin.com* 

The Domain®

11410 Century Oaks Terrace *simon.com/mall/the-domain* 

**Domain Northside** 

11821 Rock Rose Ave. **domainnorthside.com** 

**Hill Country Galleria** 

12700 Hill Country Blvd., Bee Cave *hillcountrygalleria.com* 

Lakeline® Mall

11200 Lakeline Mall Dr., Cedar Park simon.com/mall/lakeline-mall

**Round Rock Premium Outlets®** 

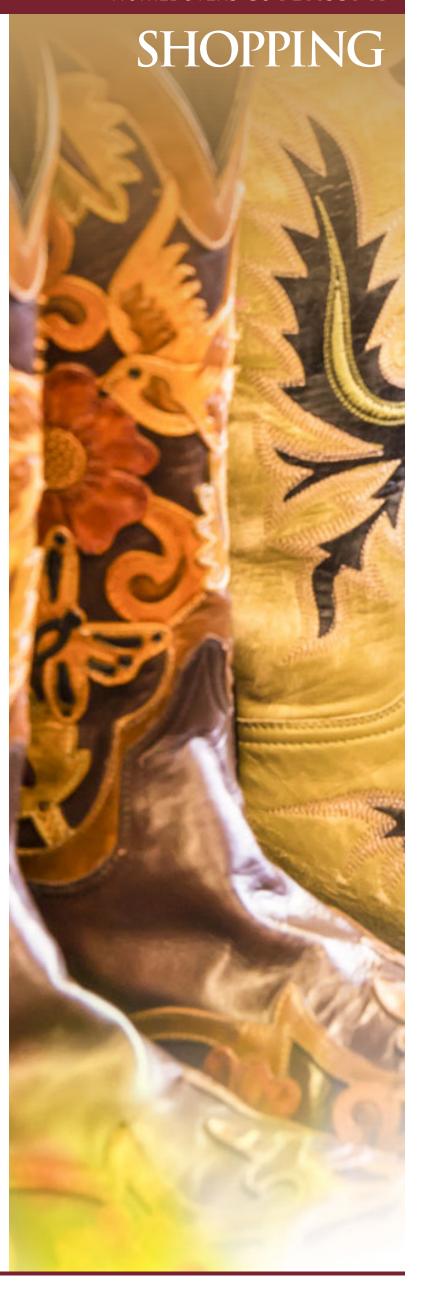
4401 I-35 N., Round Rock *premiumoutlets.com/outlet/round-rock* 

San Marcos Premium Outlets®

3939 I-35 S., San Marcos *premiumoutlets.com/outlet/san-marcos* 

The Shops at Arbor Trails

4301 W. William Cannon Dr. *shopsatarbortrails.com* 





HOMEBUYERS GUIDE AUSTIN MUSEUMS



# Austin boasts a variety of fine arts, museums and galleries for the local artist.

Asian American Resource Center 8401 Cameron Rd. 512-974-1700 austintexas.gov/aarc

Blanton Museum of Art 200 E. MLK Jr. Blvd. 512-471-5482 blantonmuseum.org

The Contemporary
Austin — The Jones Center
700 Congress Ave.
512-453-5312
thecontemporaryaustin.org

The Contemporary
Austin — Laguna Gloria
3809 W. 35th St.
512-458-8191
thecontemporaryaustin.org

Austin History Center 810 Guadalupe St. 512-974-7480 *library.austintexas.gov/ahc* 

Austin Nature and Science Center 2389 Stratford Dr. 512-974-3888 austintexas.gov/department/austin-nature-and-science-center

**Bullock Museum** 

1800 Congress Ave. 512-936-8746 *thestoryoftexas.com* 

**Briscoe Center for American History** 

2300 Red River St. 512-495-4515 *cah.utexas.edu* 

Dougherty Arts Center 1110 Barton Springs Rd. 512-974-4000 austintexas.gov/dac

Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center 600 River St.

512-974-3772 austintexas.gov/esbmacc

Elisabet Ney Museum
304 E. 44th St.
512-974-1625
austintexas.gov/elisabetney

French Legation Museum
802 San Marcos St.
737-226-1454
thc.texas.gov/historic-sites/
french-legation-state-historic-site

**George Washington Carver Museum** 1165 Angelina St. 512-974-4926 *austintexas.gov/carvermuseum* 

Harry Ransom Center 300 W. 21st St. 512-471-8944 hrc.utexas.edu

Lester E. Palmer Events Center 900 Barton Springs Rd. 512-404-4500 palmereventscenter.com Lyndon Baines Johnson Library and Museum

2313 Red River St. 512-721-0200 *Ibjlibrary.org* 

**Mexic-Arte Museum** 

419 Congress Ave. 512-200-7278 *mexic-artemuseum.org* 

O. Henry Museum
409 E. 5th St.
512-974-1398
austintexas.gov/department/
o-henry-museum

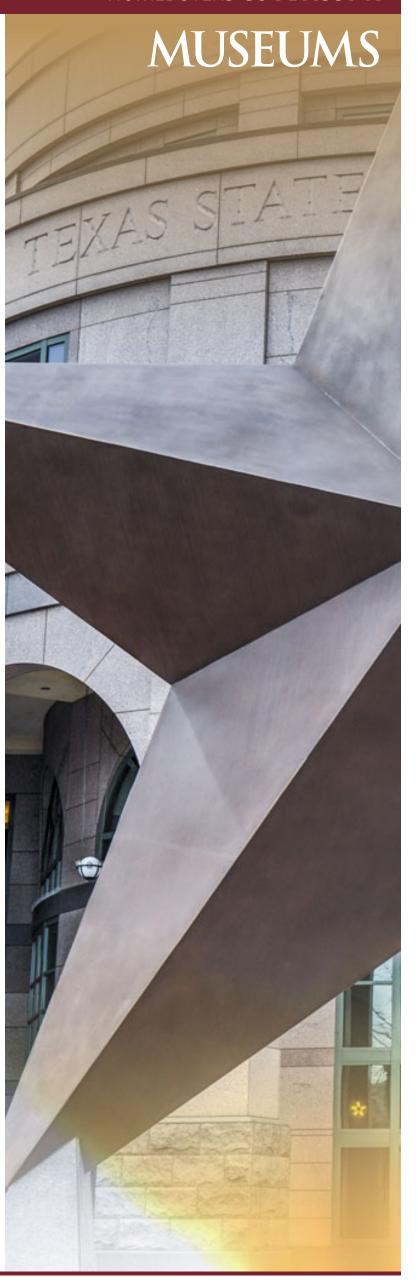
Republic of Texas Museum 810 San Marcos St. 512-339-1997 drtinfo.org

Texas Science & Natural History Museum 2400 Trinity St. 512-471-1604 tmm.utexas.edu

**Texas Military Forces Museum** 2200 W. 35th St., Bldg. 6 512-782-5659 **texasmilitary forces museum.org** 

The Thinkery
1830 Simond Ave.
512-469-6200
thinkeryaustin.org

Umlauf Sculpture Garden and Museum 605 Azie Morton Rd. 512-445-5582 umlaufsculpture.org





## HOMEBUYERS GUIDE AUSTIN THEATRE



## Austin has a vibrant performing arts scene showcasing award-winning productions and venues.

## **Bass Concert Hall Performing Arts Center**

2350 Robert Dedman Dr. 512-471-2787

texasperformingarts.org/visit/venues/bass-concert-hall

## Mary Moody Northen Theatre at St. Edward's University

3001 S. Congress Ave. 512-448-8484

stedwards.edu/mary-moody-northen-theatre

## **The Hideout Theatre**

617 Congress Ave. 512-443-3688 hideouttheatre.com

## **Hyde Park Theatre**

511 W. 43rd St. 512-479-7529 **hydeparktheatre.org** 

## **The Long Center for the Performing Arts**

701 W. Riverside Dr. 512-457-5100 *thelongcenter.org* 

## **The Paramount Theatre**

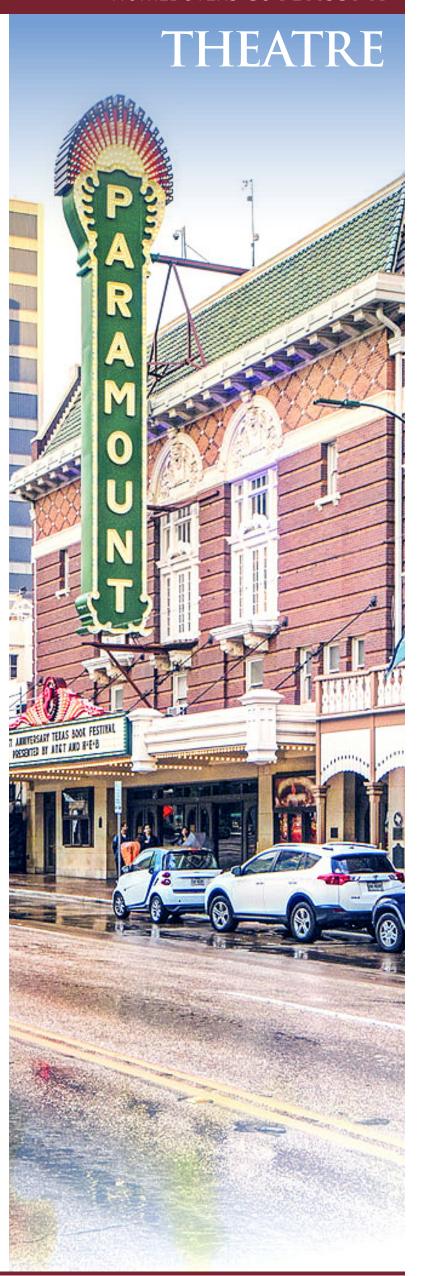
713 Congress Ave. 512-472-5470 *austintheatre.org* 

## **UT's Bates Recital Hall**

2406 Robert Dedman Dr. 512-471-2787 *music.utexas.edu/concerts* 

## **Topfer Theatre at ZACH**

202 S. Lamar Blvd. 512-476-0541 **zachtheatre.org** 





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COFFEE,
BAKERIES AND
DESSERTS



Austin is home to an eclectic mix of coffee shops, trailers and hipster bakeries as unique as the city.

**85°C Bakery Café**Various locations
6929 Airport Blvd., #197

85cbakerycafe.com

**Amy's Ice Creams** 

Various locations 1301 S. Congress Ave. *amysicecreams.com* 

**Bakery Lorraine** 

11600 Rock Rose Ave., #100 **bakerylorraine.com** 

Baguette et Chocolat 12101 FM 2244, Bldg. 6 baguetteetchocolat.com

Brentwood Social House 1601 W. Koenig Ln. brentwoodsocial.com

Caffé Medici

Various locations 1100 S. Lamar Blvd., #2125 *caffemedici.com* 

**Capital City Bakery** 2211 E. César Chávez St. *capitalcitybakery.com* 

Cenote

1010 E. César Chávez St. *cenoteaustin.com* 

Cherrywood Coffeehouse 1400 E. 38th-1/2 St. cherrywoodcoffeehouse.com **Epoch Coffee** 

Various locations 221 W. N. Loop Blvd. **epochcoffee.com** 

Fleet Coffee Co. 2427 Webberville Rd. fleetcoffee.com

Flightpath Coffee House
5011 Duval St.
flightpathcoffeehouse.com

Hank's

5811 Berkman Dr., #100 *hanksaustin.com* 

**Houndstooth Coffee** 

Various locations 4200 N. Lamar Blvd., Ste. 120 houndstoothcoffee.com

Jo's Coffee

Various locations 1300 S. Congress Ave. **joscoffee.com** 

**Lick Honest Ice Creams** 

Various locations 1100 S. Lamar, #1135 *ilikelick.com* 

La Patisserie

Various locations 602 W. Annie St. *Ipaustin.com* 

Mozart's Coffee Roasters 3825 Lake Austin Blvd. mozartscoffee.com

Nate's Baked Goods & Coffee 401 Orchard St. natesbakedaustin.com **Patika** 

Various locations 2159 S. Lamar Blvd. patikacoffee.com

Quack's 43rd Street Bakery 411 E. 43rd St. quacksbakery.com

Radio Coffee & Beer 4204 Menchaca Rd. radiocoffeeandbeer.com

Summer Moon Coffee Bar Various locations 3115 S. 1st St., Ste. 1B woodfiredcoffee.com

Swedish Hill Bakery Café & Deli 1120 W. 6th St. swedishhillaustin.com

**Tiff's Treats** 

Various locations 1806 Nueces St. **cookiedelivery.com** 

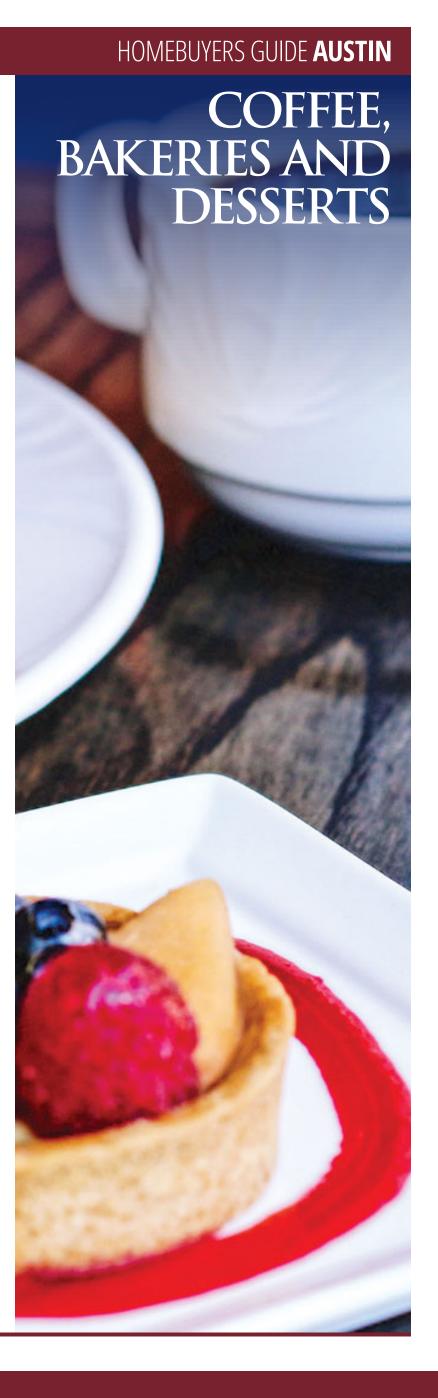
**Tiny Pies** 

Various locations 5035 Burnet Rd. *tinypies.com* 

**Tous Les Jours** 6808 N. Lamar Blvd., B-115 *tljus.com* 

**Upper Crust Bakery** 4508 Burnet Rd. **uppercrustbakery.com** 

Whipped Bakery & Cafe 15609 Ronald Reagan Blvd., Ste. B220 whippedatx.com **Zucchini Kill Bakery** 701 E. 53rd St., Ste. C **zucchinikill.com** 





HOMEBUYERS GUIDE AUSTIN
PUBLIC
LIBRARIES



## Austin's renowned Central Library features scenic reading porches.

## **Central Library**

710 W. César Chávez St., 78701 512-974-7400

## **Austin History Center**

810 Guadalupe St., 78701 512-974-7480

## **Carver Branch**

1161 Angelina St., 78702 512-974-1010

## **Cepeda Branch**

651 N. Pleasant Valley Rd., 78702 512-974-7372

## **Hampton Branch at Oak Hill**

5125 Convict Hill Rd., 78749 512-974-9900

### **Howson Branch**

2500 Exposition Blvd., 78703 512-974-8800

## **Little Walnut Creek Branch**

835 W. Rundberg Ln., 78758 512-974-9860

## **Menchaca Road Branch**

5500 Menchaca Rd., 78745 512-974-8700

## **Milwood Branch**

12500 Amherst Dr., 78727 512-974-9880

## **North Village Branch**

2505 Steck Ave., 78757 512-974-9960

## **Old Quarry Branch**

7051 Village Center Dr., 78731 512-974-8860

## **Pleasant Hill Branch**

211 E. William Cannon Dr., 78745 512-974-3940

## **Recycled Reads Bookstore**

5335 Burnet Rd., 78756 512-974-7460

## **Recycled Reads Gift Shop**

710 W. César Chávez St., 2nd Floor, 78701 512-974-9676

## **Ruiz Branch**

1600 Grove Blvd., 78741 512-974-7500

## St. John Branch

7500 Blessing Ave., 78752 512-974-7570

## **Southeast Branch**

5803 Nuckols Crossing Rd., 78744 512-974-8840

## **Spicewood Springs Branch**

8637 Spicewood Springs Rd., 78759 512-974-3800

### **Terrazas Branch**

1105 E. César Chávez St., 78702 512-974-3625

### **Twin Oaks Branch**

1800 S. Fifth St., 78704 512-974-9980

## **University Hills Branch**

4721 Loyola Ln., 78723 512-974-9940

## Willie Mae Kirk Branch

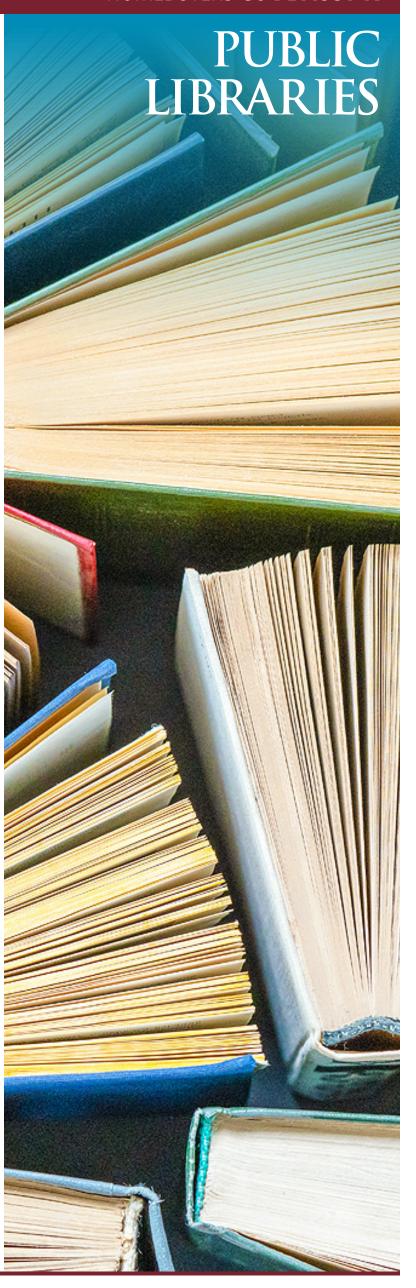
3101 Oak Springs Dr., 78702 512-974-9920

### **Windsor Park Branch**

5833 Westminster Dr., 78723 512-974-9840

## **Yarborough Branch**

2200 Hancock Dr., 78756 512-974-8820



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