

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## HACA awarded \$750,000 St. David's Foundation grant to advance "Housing + Health: ¡Adelante! Santa Rita Courts" initiative

**AUSTIN, TEXAS** – The Housing Authority of the City of Austin (HACA) has been awarded a \$750,000 grant from St. David's Foundation to support the "Housing + Health: ¡Adelante! Santa Rita Courts" initiative. Over the next 12 months, this funding will help expand access to healthy, affordable housing options and related health services for low-to-moderate income families.

Building on HACA's long-standing commitment to delivering quality affordable housing, this initiative aligns with the agency's plans to modernize Santa Rita Courts, an 84-yearold property that holds a unique place in Austin's history. By pairing the redevelopment of this historically significant community with enhanced health programming, HACA aims to create lasting, positive outcomes for families, ensuring they have both a safe place to call home and the resources they need to thrive.

"HACA is always looking for opportunities to advance the transformative programs that improve health and self-sufficiency for the families we serve," said HACA President and CEO Michael Gerber. "The support from St. David's Foundation will help ensure that our families not only have a safe place to call home, but also the tools and resources they need to lead healthier, more fulfilling lives. We're grateful for this partnership and look forward to working together to uplift our neighbors and build a stronger, healthier community."

## ABOUT THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN

Established in 1937, the Housing Authority of the City of Austin works to cultivate sustainable, affordable housing communities that inspire self-reliance, growth, and optimism for those it serves: families, seniors, persons with disabilities, and persons experiencing homelessness. HACA envisions neighborhoods where poverty is alleviated, residents are healthy and safe, and all people have the opportunity to achieve their full potential. The agency serves nearly 37,000 Austinites through 21 Project-Based Rental Assistance Properties, Voucher Programs, and the Austin Affordable Housing Corporation.