

Austin Blessings Co-op Opens New Outreach Center to Expand Community Services and Unite Local Partners

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-- [Austin Blessings Co-op](#), a vision founded by [Riverbend Church](#), is proud to announce the opening of the Austin Blessings Outreach Center, a new collaborative facility created to expand essential community services while bringing churches, nonprofits, businesses, ministries, volunteers, and community organizations together to better serve Central Texas.

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The Outreach Center, located at 4403 Russell Drive, Austin, TX 78704, marks a significant expansion of Austin Blessings' existing outreach efforts, providing additional space for its established food, clothing, and diaper distribution programs while creating new opportunities for organizations across the community to offer services under one roof. Austin Blessings assumed the facility's previous lease in early 2026, realizing the unique opportunity to build a collaborative hub where partners can work together to address the practical, emotional, and

spiritual needs of individuals and families throughout the Austin area.

"Our vision has never been simply to operate another nonprofit facility," said Bailey Huffman, Director of Austin Blessings Outreach Center. "We want to create a place where organizations can come together, combine their strengths, and serve our neighbors with compassion, dignity, and hope. When we work together, our community becomes stronger."

The Center will continue Austin Blessings' core outreach programs while also serving as a home for a growing variety of community initiatives, including:

- Health screenings and wellness services
- Christian small groups and worship gatherings
- English as a Second Language (ESL) classes
- Technology and digital literacy training
- Job readiness, résumé building, and workforce development

- Elder caregiving education
- Veterinary clinics
- Additional community programs developed through future partnerships

Unlike traditional service organizations that operate independently, the Austin Blessings Outreach Center is designed as a shared community resource, believing that meaningful community transformation happens when organizations work together rather than in isolation. The Center welcomes churches, nonprofits, ministries, businesses, healthcare providers, educators, and volunteers who share a common desire to embrace vulnerable neighbors, strengthen the community, and transform lives across the region.



Mural by artist Bill Tavis at new Austin Blessings Outreach Center (South)

"Our goal isn't recognition for Austin Blessings," said Riverbend Missions Pastor Brian Rawson. "Our goal is to create a community of kindness where every person who walks through our doors knows they are seen, valued, respected, and loved. We celebrate the unique gifts that every partner brings because those differences allow us to serve our community more effectively."

The long-term vision for the Austin Blessings Outreach Center is to become a beacon of hope for the Austin region—a place where people from every background can find practical assistance, compassionate support, meaningful relationships, and opportunities to move toward greater stability and hope. Whether someone needs groceries, clothing, healthcare resources, job skills, community, or simply a welcoming place to be known, the Center exists to meet people where they are and connect them with the care they need.

Austin Blessings is actively seeking additional community partners, churches, nonprofits, businesses, ministries, volunteers, and service providers who share the vision of embracing vulnerable neighbors, unifying the community, and transforming lives together. Organizations interested in hosting programs, offering services, or partnering with the Outreach Center are encouraged to connect with Austin Blessings to explore opportunities for collaboration.

About Austin Blessings Co-op

Austin Blessings Co-op is a collaborative nonprofit organization born out of Riverbend Church, that is dedicated to bringing churches, nonprofits, businesses, ministries, and community

partners together to better serve vulnerable neighbors throughout Central Texas. Through practical assistance, compassionate relationships, and collaborative partnerships, Austin Blessings works to build a stronger, more connected community where every person is treated with dignity, respect, and hope.

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