

## OUR PARTNERS

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Caritas of Austin

Downtown Cluster of Congregations

Salvation Army

Austin Convention and Visitors Bureau

Austin Hotel and Lodging Association

Building Owners and Managers Association

Downtown Austin Alliance

Downtown Austin Neighborhood Association

Old Pecan Street Association

Sixth Street Austin Association

Texas Association of Realtors

## DID YOU KNOW?

Panhandling can create a negative perception of public safety and undercut social services' efforts to help those in need.

[KnowBeforeYouGive.org](http://KnowBeforeYouGive.org)

Giving to Austin's social services is more effective in making real change.

DEEP DOWN WE ALL WANT TO HELP TO THOSE IN NEED. 

THE QUESTION IS, "HOW CAN I GIVE IN A WAY THAT WILL TRULY HELP?"

**know before you give**

support social services not panhandling

## TIPS FOR RESPONDING TO PANHANDLERS

- Politely say “No” or “Sorry” and continue on your way.
- Do not give money directly to someone who is panhandling, but do acknowledge them and respond politely.
- Aggressive panhandling is illegal. If you feel threatened, call 911.
- Be compassionate. Donate to any of the organizations listed in this pamphlet, or visit [www.knowbeforeyougive.org](http://www.knowbeforeyougive.org) to learn more.

### Downtown Social Service Providers

#### **Caritas of Austin**

611 Neches Street  
Austin, Texas 78701  
(512) 479-4610  
[caritasofaustin.org](http://caritasofaustin.org)

#### **ARCH/Front Steps**

500 E. 7th Street  
Austin, TX, 78701  
(512) 305-4100  
[frontsteps.org](http://frontsteps.org)

#### **Salvation Army**

501 East 8th Street  
Austin, TX 78701-3322  
(512) 476-1111  
[salvationarmyusa.org](http://salvationarmyusa.org)

#### **Trinity Center**

304 E. 7th Street  
Austin Tx 78701  
(512) 610-3515  
[trinitycenteraustin.org](http://trinitycenteraustin.org)

#### **Foundation for the Homeless**

*Rotating locations for downtown services*  
(512) 453-6570  
[www.foundationhomeless.org](http://www.foundationhomeless.org)

Many more Austin-wide social service providers can be found online at [www.knowbeforeyougive.org](http://www.knowbeforeyougive.org)



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