### **Overview of Austin C.A.R.E. Project**

- Austin Care is a group convened by Pastor Robbie Wilkerson & Pastor Steve Epting to address several issues affecting the neighborhoods of the 15th district.
- The Collaborative is proposing a plan that will be supported by **4** of subcommittees:
  - Public Safety
  - Economic Development
  - Health and Wellness
  - Education
  - Youth and Faith Based(integrated into all 4 areas)

## **Collaborative Participants**

#### **Education**

James Dean, CPS
Father Chris Devron, Christ the King
Shawn Jackson, Principal Spencer
Lavanda Scott, Chair

### **Public Safety**

Karl Bell, Austin
Ceasefire, Chair
Chicago Police Department
John Bitoy, States
Attorneys Office

## **Collaborative Participants**

### Health and Wellness

Bob Vondresk, SACC
Athena Williams, Building a Better Austin,Chair
Lynn Hopkins, Threshold

### Economic Development

Sheri Adams, Austin Chamber of Commerce
Malcolm Crawford, AABNA, Chair
James Spearman, Business Owner
Amarachuku Eniya, A.C.T

#### Youth

Steve Hartley, Peace Corner Rosiland Blasingame, Build
Morris Reed, WHA
Jamie Noto, SRHAC, Homelessness
Michael Scott Jr. Park District
Patrick Mabes, Peer Jury

# **Key Accomplishments**

#### **Milestones Achieved**

- Review and clarify the objectives of each subcommittee and map how those goals logically reflect the overall Care project goal.
- Identify themes
- Identify a maximum of six objectives from themes and priorities that can be implemented now

#### **Upcoming activities/events**

- Clean up vacant lots and play lots in the community (create jobs for the youth community cleanup teams)
- Solicit each business in the Community to support the Austin CARES Community Violence Prevention Campaign, with a monetary donation toward programming (and job for youth-economic development

# Upcoming activities/events

- \* Participate In Juneteenth Celebration and parade
- Austin Sports League, Basketball, Double Dutch Softball
- Austin Block Club Association
- Coalition of Parents of School aged Kids (C.O.P.O.S.A.K)