



## DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

### How to Check a Property for Austin City Limits

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For a property to be eligible for Down Payment Assistance from the Austin Housing Finance Corporation, it must be inside the “Austin City Limits.” To check whether an address falls within city limits, you can contact the DPA Program administrator at 512-974-3863.

Or, you may check an address online using the link and directions below:

[http://coagis1.ci.austin.tx.us/website/COAViewer\\_dev/devviewer\\_disclaimer.htm](http://coagis1.ci.austin.tx.us/website/COAViewer_dev/devviewer_disclaimer.htm)

1. Acknowledge the disclaimer
2. When the GIS viewer finishes loading, select the “Address” button on the blue menu on the left side (located right under “Viewer Tools”)
3. Enter the street number and name (no need to put city or zip) in the blank address box that appears, then click “Locate”
4. When the map finishes loading, the property will be displayed with a red dot. Scroll down to the bottom of the beige menu on the right side (the “Layers” tool bar)
5. Look for “Jurisdiction” towards the bottom of the list and make sure the box next to “Jurisdiction” has a checkmark in it AND the circle has a dot in it
6. Click the “Refresh Map” button near the top right to refresh the map with the “Jurisdiction” selections
7. The map may change color but your property will still be displayed with the red dot
8. Click the “Legend” tab (located next to the “Layers” tab near the middle right) to see what the colors mean
9. It is difficult to tell one color from another. Select the “Zoom Out” button in the blue menu on the left so that it is hi-lited in green, then click the red dot once or twice to zoom out to see the area more clearly
10. If the street for the property is considered "AUSTIN FULL PURPOSE" (in a light yellow shade) then it should be **eligible** for City of Austin DPA funds
11. If a property is in any ETJ or “Limited Purpose” areas, it is **not** eligible for City of Austin DPA. However, the Travis County Housing Finance Corporation (tel: 512-854-4743) may be an option. Their website is:  
[http://www.co.travis.tx.us/housing\\_finance/](http://www.co.travis.tx.us/housing_finance/)