

Help us Reduce Blight in Austin to Create Safer Residential Commutes and Reduce Crime

Petition Led by: The Utopia Connect Foundation, Inc.

We've done the research and it's resoundingly clear. The data show that the crime rates in Austin are significantly higher in boarded up or run-down and isolated areas of the neighborhood. The crime rate in Austin is also 4-times higher than what is reported in other neighboring areas with less blighted properties.

On July 17, 2015, two young women were dragged into a dilapidated building and sexually molested as they walked home from school. It is no longer a given that our kids can safely walk our streets and get to and from school without becoming victims to violent crimes. Blighted properties provide these perpetrators with a safe haven for committing these crimes. Those two young women...they were my daughter's friends; and just as easily, they could have been my daughter or yours!

We must take a stand for our safety and that of our loved ones and friends. I am asking you to attach your name to this petition asking Alderman James Jules to act swiftly in the best interest of this community and in support of creating safer neighborhoods for all families in America. We have a plan and a committee ready to work alongside the Alderman to effectively identify these properties and address the problem.

It is only when us- the people, most impacted, speak up and take action that change can come about. Please take that stand with us now and help us lead change.

Sincerely,

Julie Green, Operations Manager
Utopia Connect Foundation, Inc.

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