# **TEXAS CARE MAP**

A map that amplifies affordable, lesser known healthcare resources to support uninsured Texans, starting with the Austin area.

# Why Now?

In Texas, more than **5 million people** lack health insurance. For many families, this means that even basic medical care is *delayed* or *avoided* because of **cost**. People often don't know where to find affordable providers, clinics, or resources that could ease the financial burden.

Our solution is a website designed to **bridge the gap** between Texans and affordable healthcare resources. The website will *connect* users to nearby *low-cost* and *free* clinics, urgent care centers, and community health programs.

## **Project overview**

We conducted a survey to understand how uninsured individuals and people around us choose clinics. The responses showed many people consider:

- How easy it is to get to the clinic
- The **price** of the services.

Based on our survey responses, we created a map that highlights what people value – **convenience** and **cost** – in a format that is *clear* and *easy* to navigate.

Our map clearly shows the distance from a user's home to each clinic and the price levels in a restaurant-review-style format.



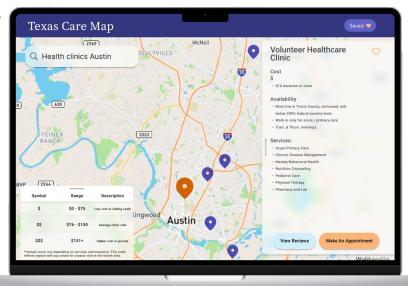
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#### **Potential Impact**

Increased *access* to affordable healthcare

Reduced *delays* in seeking care

Increased price transparency



# Outcomes & Metrics:

10+ respondents between ages 19-30 ( target demographic) highlighted core values when it comes to seeking care

Most respondents reported they would use this map to find affordable care

\*\*image shown is a prototype\*\*

## **Strategic Goals**

- Start by pinpointing low-cost clinics in the Austin area on map
- **Refine** map features to include *accurate*, *frequently-updated* information
- Create a sustainable, live map with low-cost/free clinics for all of Texas
- Increase *user engagement* with map to finetune resource information