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Message:

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Kara Felske

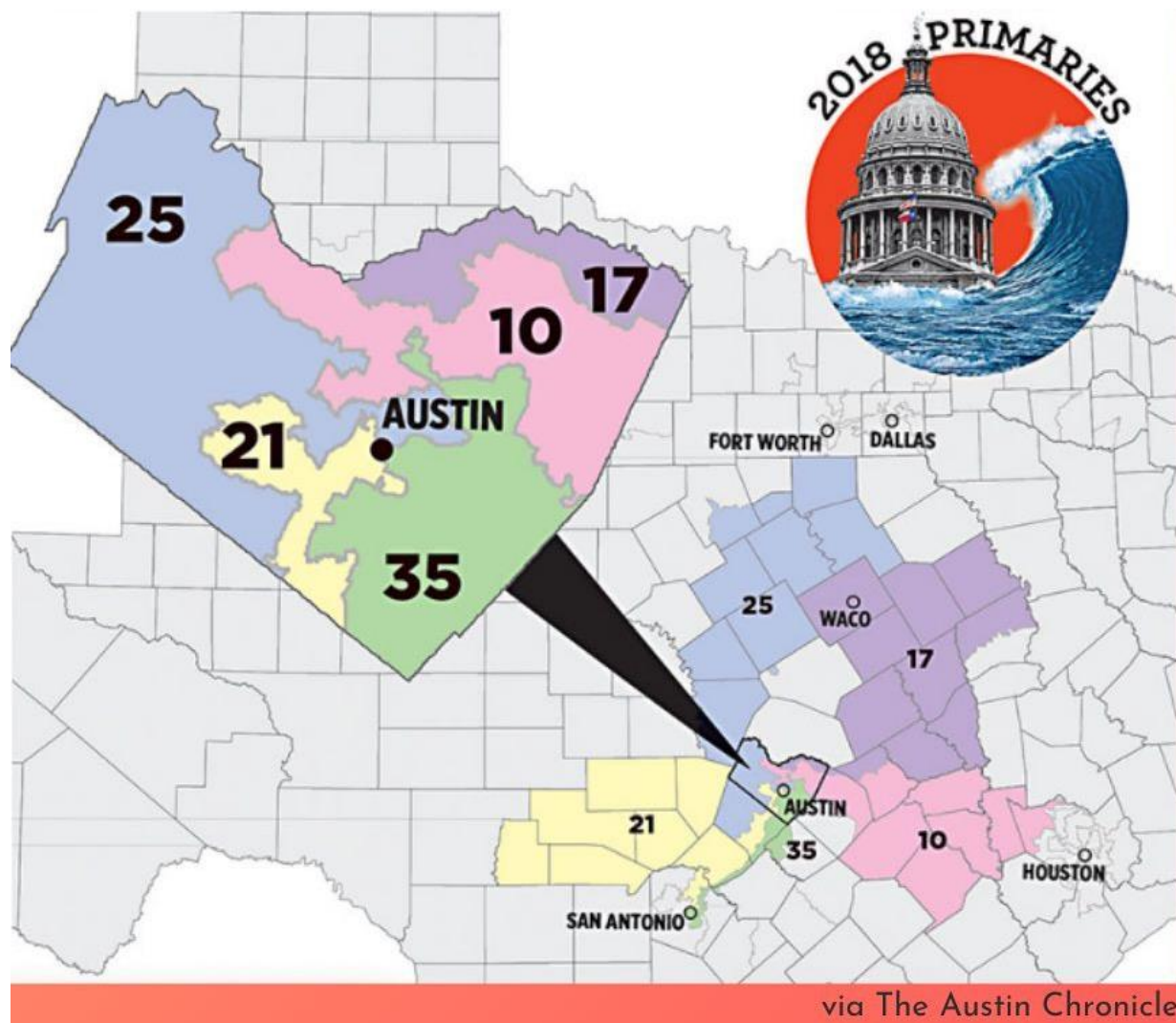
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Here's a map of Austin's congressional districts:



**Here are some resources my congressman shared during the Texas Blackouts. None of these resources applied to me or my neighbors in North Austin:**



**Pete Sessions** ✓ @PeteSessions · Feb 19

Pass it back Ags! Aggieland Relief drive today from 10-3 at Reed Arena parking lot (WCG side). @TAMU

- ➔ bottled water
- ➔ non-perishable food
- ➔ warm clothing (adult & child)

All donations will go to families who have been affected by the winter storm.



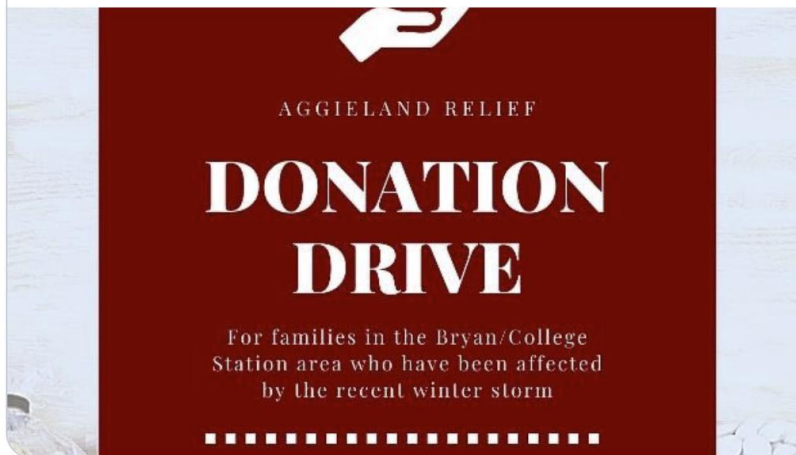
**Staci Rende** @stacirende · Feb 18

!!! PASS IT BACK AGS !!!

All donations will go to families in the area who have been affected by the recent winter storm. Times are tough and scary right now, but we can get through anything if we stand together!!

@TAMU

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**WacoPolice** ✓ @WacoPolice · Feb 19

We are gonna make it through this Waco! Thank you to @CocaCola for stepping up and helping our citizens in need! #wacostrong



**City of Waco, Texas** ✓ @cityofwaco · Feb 19

Thank you! Coca-Cola Bottling Company stepped up & donated 100 pallets of bottled water (six 18-wheelers full) shipped to Waco from out of town. Water is being distributed to residents in anticipation of having water cut off for major leak repairs. [ow.ly/nPZz50DELsb](https://ow.ly/nPZz50DELsb)

