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Office of the Director

Dear Neighborhood Partner:

During the past year, you participated in the development of a Strategic Neighborhood Action Plan (SNAP) for your neighborhood cluster. Your hard work and input led to specific strategies and action steps to improve and maintain your neighborhood.

Your neighborhood priorities are now shaping the FY03 Budget process. In the first phase of the budget process, District agencies have reviewed your priorities and determined commitments to many of those priorities. These commitments have been included in Mayor Williams' proposed FY2003 budget. The next step is the review and refinement of the proposed FY2003 budget by the Council of the District of Columbia.

The enclosed **Citizen Budget Worksheet** and **FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities** highlights key commitments to your SNAP, as well as the Persistent Problem Areas that have been identified through the Neighborhood Services Initiative. We are providing you this information so that you can use it track how your priorities are faring throughout the budget process and to share with your neighbors.

Beginning the end of March and throughout April, the Executive Office of the Mayor Community Outreach will conduct outreach to neighborhoods across the city regarding their neighborhood priorities and the budget process. District agency officials will attend some of these meetings to discuss the proposed FY2003 budget and to hear from you. I will also attend some of these meetings, as some of the information that defined this year's proposed budget came directly from the SNAP. To learn when and where these meetings will be held, please call (202) 442-8150.

We commend you, your neighbors and stakeholders for the extraordinary level of involvement throughout the planning process. We look forward to working with you in implementing your SNAP and effecting livable, vibrant neighborhoods.

Sincerely,

Deborah Crain
Neighborhood Planning Coordinator, Ward 5

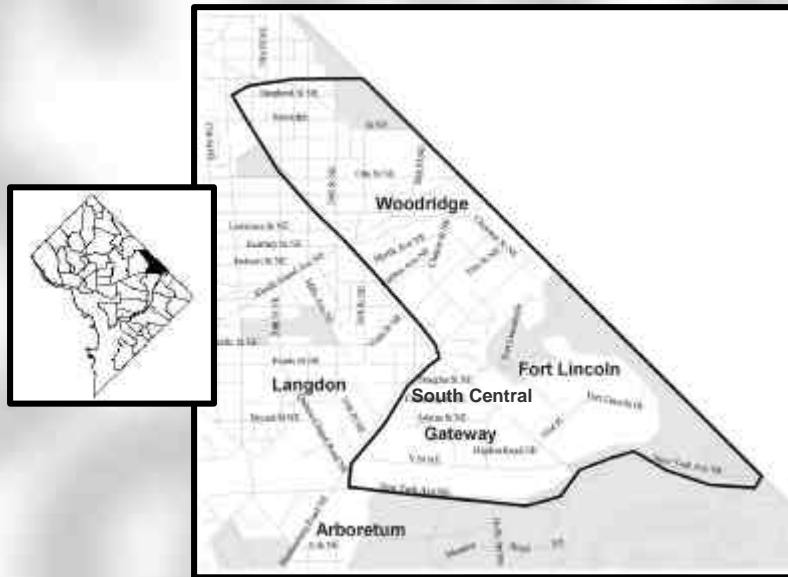
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Citizen's Guide To Mayor Anthony A. Williams' Proposed FY 2003 Budget

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District Agency Commitments to Neighborhood Priorities
Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives

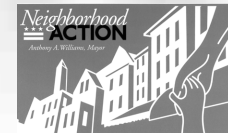


Cluster 24

Woodridge, Fort Lincoln, South Central, Gateway



Government of the District of Columbia, Anthony A. Williams, Mayor



I. Introduction:

Welcome to your ***Citizen's Guide to Mayor Anthony A. Williams' Fiscal Year 2003 Proposed Budget*** for Neighborhood Cluster 24. This document was prepared for residents, businesses, non-profits, and others, who are interested in learning how neighborhood issues and priorities helped define the proposed FY 2003 budget. In this document, you will find specific commitments District agencies have made from priorities identified through the Neighborhood Planning and Neighborhood Services Initiatives, which are now in the City-Wide Strategic Plan. The city-wide priorities were articulated during the Citizen Summit II and at the neighborhood level through Neighborhood Planning and Neighborhood Service activities.

Linking neighborhood priorities to the District budget was one of the primary goals Mayor Williams' established when he developed the Neighborhood *Action* Initiative. Neighborhood *Action* is designed to give voice to our shared vision for the city and to empower citizens to improve their communities. Neighborhood *Action* coordinates the resources of government, businesses, faith-based organizations, community organizations and residents to shape the future of our city and neighborhoods.

Neighborhood *Action* plays a critical role in the District's strategic management cycle. The two-year cycle enables residents to influence the budget and hold government accountable to public priorities.

How did Neighborhood Priorities Become Linked to the Proposed FY 2003 Budget?

This administration developed a two-step process, which took approximately two years to complete:

Step 1: Mayor Williams' created two neighborhood initiatives under the umbrella of Neighborhood *Action* – Neighborhood Planning and Neighborhood Services.

Neighborhood Planning's first task was to work with every neighborhood in the city to develop draft Strategic Neighborhood Action Plans (SNAP). Planning was based on Neighborhood Clusters – two to three adjacent neighborhoods grouped together for planning purposes. There are a total of 39 Neighborhood Clusters in the District. With the help of a Neighborhood Planner from the Office of Planning, each Neighborhood Cluster went through a process to develop their own SNAP. The goal of this planning was to identify the elements (such as recreational opportunities or economic development) that contribute to a successful, healthy neighborhood and then identify which elements each Cluster needed work to strengthen. The SNAPs were crafted through a community-driven process, where residents that participated almost completely defined its content.

Neighborhood Services strives to find permanent cures - not just quick fixes – for persistent problems in every Ward across the District. To this end, the NSI, in partnership with residents and 13 District agencies, has identified Persistent Problem Areas (PPAs) in the community. Whenever the Metropolitan Police Department has an active Police Servicing Area Plan (PSA Plan) or a Capital Community Plan, a PPA workplan was developed. These areas have recurring problems that need the cooperation and coordination of many government agencies to ensure that they become clean, safe and healthy neighborhoods. Through a Core Team approach, 13 government agency representatives come together weekly in each Ward to develop and implement Work Plans in an effort to mobilize, reclaim, revitalize and sustain abatement of the problems in PPAs.

As a result of citizen input and the Neighborhood Action initiative, the government has received direction on how to improve the quality of life in neighborhoods across the city – neighborhood by neighborhood.

Step 2: The administration focused on how District government addresses those issues, which would require changes in policy, a reallocation of staffing resources, and funding. District agencies (and even some non-District agencies) reviewed the neighborhood priorities as they developed their proposed FY 2003 budget. Beginning in October of 2001, over 40 agencies reviewed, recommended actions and developed responses to address neighborhood priorities. They participated in this process four times in an attempt to hone their commitments.

Although resources are limited, agencies used neighborhood priorities as one of the inputs to help define what they should do next year, how they should be doing it, and where they should begin. While not all priority actions can be implemented in this budget cycle, District agencies worked to address as many as possible.

This document provides a line by line detailed list of commitments District agencies have made to your neighborhood – even with the existing financial budget pressures the District faces.

Why Do I Have this Document Now?

This is a very crucial time. Finalizing the District’s annual budget is a two-step process. In step one, Mayor Williams presented his proposed budget to the Council of the District of Columbia on March 18th. In step two, the Council will hold a series of hearings with agency directors to review, revise, and ultimately approve the budget. This document allows you to track changes in the budget between the two steps before the budget becomes final.

To inform you of what commitments will be implemented, two sets of documents will be released this Summer:

Agency Commitment Highlights: Enclosed with this document is a one-page summary that highlights some of the key commitments to your neighborhood. This one-pager will be updated and posted on the District website at www.dc.gov. Please look for the update in Summer 2002.

Final Strategic Neighborhood Action Plan (SNAP): Pending the outcome of our work with the Council, the Office of Planning will work with agencies to review and possibly revise their commitments. The Office of Planning will then finalize and distribute the SNAP. The release of this final SNAP will also be Summer 2002.

We look forward to updating you on the progress of our commitments to your priorities.

II. Neighborhood Priorities:

The work of the Neighborhood Service Coordinators and the Neighborhood Planners over the past two years, helped surface priorities specific to each neighborhood cluster. The following section is a description of the processes used to identify these priorities.

Process for Identifying Persistent Problem Areas

Neighborhood Services, in partnership with ANCs, community associations and citizens prioritized Persistent Problem Areas (PPAs) using the following criteria: Level of community concern; synergy with police initiatives and other government initiatives; proximity to schools or senior facilities; and the level of health or safety concern.

During the community-driven assessment process, a number of PPAs were identified in each Ward. To ensure that Neighborhood Services addressed the most immediate needs in each Ward, the community helped prioritize the PPAs. Presently there are 51 active PPAs across the city. In these PPAs, work plans have been developed to solve the root cause of problems identified in these areas.

A number of actions on the following pages focus on addressing these service delivery challenges.

Process for Developing Your SNAP

Developing your Strategic Neighborhood Action Plan (SNAP) was a citizen-driven process that involved three phases: Visioning & Establishing Neighborhood Essential Ingredients; Action Planning; and Validation. In Phase I, between January and June of 2001, a Visioning and Essential Ingredients Workshop was held in each Neighborhood Cluster. Citizens participated in interactive exercises to establish a Cluster Vision Statement that best described the aspirations and values of its citizens. Vision Statements in this Cluster focus on having a safe neighborhood, recreation for youth and senior adults, and world class schools that adequately prepare our students for the future. One resident of Cluster 24 was quoted as saying, "I see my neighborhood as a model, representative residential community, as a gateway to the city with its original peace and tranquility and buffered from the surrounding commercial environment."

Also at this workshop, citizens were asked to create a list of Essential Ingredients for their Cluster. Essential Ingredients are characteristics vital to making a neighborhood a place where people and families can live and thrive. Your Cluster identified and ranked eleven the following essential ingredients as vital for a livable community:

1. Public Safety
2. Community Pride and Neighborhood Character
3. Recreation
4. Commercial Areas and Economic Development
5. Residential Development Protection
6. Transportation
7. Government Accountability
8. Clean
9. Environmental Quality
10. Schools
11. Jobs and Training

Citizens worked with their Neighborhood Planner, Service Coordinator, and Outreach Coordinator to prioritize the top essential ingredients that were critical to begin addressing in fiscal years 2002-03. Citizens in your Neighborhood Cluster identified four priority ingredients:

1. Public Safety
2. Community Pride and Neighborhood Character
3. Recreation
4. Commercial Areas and Economic Development

During Phase II over the summer of 2001, several Action Planning Work sessions were conducted in your Cluster to identify specific actions, or recommendations, for addressing these priorities. In these sessions, detailed priorities, objectives, locations, recommended actions for government, citizens, nonprofits and others were developed. Recognizing that limited resources exist, citizens had to make tough choices about which actions were truly priorities.

And finally in Phase III, Validation Meetings were held in the Cluster where citizens confirmed the recommended actions. Below is a snapshot of Cluster 24 priority issues. In the Mayor's Budget Commitments section of this document, you will be able to see how agencies have responded to these issues.

Summary of Priorities

Participants in the SNAP process were asked to identify the top four priority areas that are critical to improving the quality of life in their Neighborhood Cluster. The four priorities identified for Cluster 24 are:

- **Public Safety**
- **Community Pride/Neighborhood Character**
- **Recreation**
- **Commercial Areas and Economic Development**

Public Safety was rated the number one priority for Cluster 24. Residents shared that enhanced law enforcement, including community policing, would reduce the level of illegal activity in their neighborhoods. Citizen's identified prostitution, drug activity, and the need for more visible police presence as major issues. Residents specifically recommended Orange Hat Patrols, neighborhood watch programs, and MPD's Partnerships for Problem Solving program to develop strategies for improving public safety.

Community Pride/Neighborhood Character is the second priority for Cluster 24. Residents want to preserve the historic nature of the community while making necessary improvements. They shared that one of the keys to improving community character would come through the cleaning and repairing of the neighborhood. This included: increased maintenance of public and private property, removal of abandoned cars, maintenance and repairs of trees, sidewalks, streets and alleys and improved street lighting.

Recreation is a major component to improving the quality of life for residents in Cluster 24. Citizens recommended that the Department of Parks and Recreation conduct an inventory of recreation facilities and programs, increase safety at recreation centers and parks and provide renovations of the Theodore Hagen Cultural Center in Ft. Lincoln. Residents identified the need for additional recreation programs for youth and senior citizens.

Commercial Areas and Economic Development was identified as the fourth priority area for Cluster 24. To bolster the economic development potential of this area, residents suggested Rhode Island Avenue becoming a sophisticated gateway like other major roads leading into the city. Residents also recommended a reduction of liquor stores and used car lots on the avenue, tougher enforcement of illegal signage, and improved design standards for storefronts. Lastly, citizens requested reviews of the current urban renewal amendments for Ft. Lincoln and the zoning Rhode Island Avenue.

A number of the actions on the following pages, came directly from this SNAP planning process.

III. Mayor's Budget Commitments

This section on the following pages includes agency commitments for your cluster. Note that even actions that start or have started in FY 2002, they may have budget implications in FY 2003. The information is organized to include the action (which came from SNAP planning or PPA work), the responsible or implementing District agency, and the agency commitment to the action.

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Cluster 24

**Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities
Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives**



Cluster Priority: PUBLIC SAFETY
Objective: Better coordination of existing law enforcement resources.

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
MPD abate violence at nightclubs in partnership with Roving Leaders.	Cluster 24; specifically the Tunnel Night Club	MPD	5D is ready to work in partnership with the Roving Leaders to address the violence at local night clubs. Patrol Service Area (PSA) Lieutenants will contact club owners in their areas and inform them of these actions. DCRA and DCFD Fire Marshal should also be notified to assist in enforcing laws specialized in their areas.	353
		DPR	DPR and the Roving Leaders are ready to work with MPD to address the violence at local night clubs. We will give what staffing and resources we have available.	353

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**Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities
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Cluster Priority: PUBLIC SAFETY
Objective: Better coordination of existing law enforcement resources.

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Use environmental crimes unit to address illegal dumping, disposal of gas and oil and nuisance properties.	Monroe and Clinton Streets and the CSX Railroad embankment	MPD	MPD's Environmental Crimes Unit will monitor and take enforcement action at this location. Begin 2002 and reevaluate in July 2002 for effectiveness.	343
Target enforcement in hot spots known for prostitution and drugs via foot patrols and surveillance with coordinated strategy to eliminate these problems.	Bladensburg Road and 30th Street, Bladensburg Rd, New York ave. to Montana Ave., J and Z Motel at South Dakota and Rhode Island Ave., (also in the park across the street) Eastern Ave. towards Bladensburg Rd. and Rhode Island to Eastern Ave, including Sunny's Carry-out (drugs are being sold in the alley), Kirks Motel on Rhode Island Ave., Stop and Shop on Rhode Island Ave (drugs are being sold from a Yellow Cab in the parking lot), at Eastern and Monroe in the woods and on the embankment owned by CSX railroad.	MPD	Targeting will be conducted by Narcotics Strike Force and District Focused Mission Team Units to address and reduce open air markets and prostitution.	344

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**Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities
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Cluster Priority: PUBLIC SAFETY
Objective: Better coordination of existing law enforcement resources.

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Work with USAO, OCC, FBI, ATF and other agencies to form coordinated effort to stem drug activity on targeted areas.	Woodridge, Bladensburg Road	MPD	MPD participates in joint enforcement and investigative task forces with the FBI, ATF, DEA and neighboring jurisdictions. In addition, the MPD will seek to reduce open-air drug markets in FY '03 by making street and mid-level drug trafficking the primary focus of MPD's Major Narcotics Branch, while referring long-term drug investigations to the federal Drug Enforcement Agency task force.	2465
		OCC	5D issue OCC will provide enforcement assistance with-in its jurisdiction OCC will provide legal service support within client agency's time frame.	2465
Prevent vandalism of street lights in targeted neighborhoods.	Woodridge, Bladensburg Road	DDOT	DDOT will replace broken lights as they occur. There is no program to prevent vandalism in DDOT. Prevention of vandalism is under the purview of MPD.	2467
		MPD	MPD will report vandalism and graffiti when noticed. MPD will report street lights that are out to DPW.	2467

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**Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities
Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives**



Cluster Priority: PUBLIC SAFETY
Objective: Implement community oriented policing

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Work with ANCs and other community leadership to establish Orange Hat patrols in target neighborhoods.	Woodridge, Bladensburg Road	MPD	The Policing for Prevention group will provide technical assistance to working groups of residents and police officers, in the Patrol Service Areas (PSAs) where residents are interested in setting up a citizen patrol. Development of training an outreach will begin in 3rd quarter of FY2002, and actual training of groups will begin in 4th quarter of FY2002.	2468
Work with ANCs and other community leadership to establish neighborhood watch programs in target neighborhoods.	Woodridge, Bladensburg Road	MPD	The Policing for Prevention group will provide technical assistance to working groups of residents and police officers, in the Patrol Service Areas (PSAs) where residents are interested in setting up a citizen patrol. Development of training an outreach will begin in 3rd quarter of FY2002, and actual training of groups will begin in 4th quarter of FY2002.	2469

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**Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities
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Cluster Priority: COMMUNITY PRIDE/NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTER
Objective: Quieter, safer residential streets

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Address infrastructure on 3000 block of V Street so as to prohibit drag racing in this area	3000 block of V Street	DDOT	DDOT will begin formulating neighborhood transportation plans to include this area.	352
		MPD	The MPD Mobile Crime Unit is currently being housed here giving higher police presence in the area which deters racing.	352
Install Red Light Cameras	Intersection of Bladensburg & South Dakota Ave.	DDOT	DDOT will provide information to MPD for its Red Light Running Camera Program.	2464

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**Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities
Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives**



Cluster Priority: COMMUNITY PRIDE/NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTER
Objective: Improve maintenance and service delivery

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Conduct an assessment of existing streetlights, in order to provide better maintenance and lighting in the neighborhoods.	Cluster-wide	DDOT	DDOT will work with the Neighborhood Services Coordinator to identify streetlights in need of repair. Once items are identified, then they will be repaired as a service request.	346
Enforce laws and regulations regarding property upkeep including the removal of abandoned cars on public and private property.	2900 Central Ave., 2827 30th Street, NE	DCRA	DCRA will assist DPW in identifying abandoned vehicles.	347
		DPW	DPW has opened an additional impound lot and new tow cranes have been ordered which will be deployed in FY02. Time Frame: After receiving a service request from the Call Center regarding an abandoned car or observing that a vehicle has been left parked in public space, for more than 72 hours, a DPW investigator posts a notice on the vehicle stating that the owner must remove it within the next 72 hours. Before a vehicle is towed, DPW gives the owner a minimum of six days to claim the vehicle during the notification process. A vehicle on private property cannot be legally removed before 90 days without the property owner's permission, although when the owner is located, removal of the vehicle can generally be expedited.	347

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**Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities
Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives**



Cluster Priority: COMMUNITY PRIDE/NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTER
Objective: Improve maintenance and service delivery

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Improve DPW's capacity to regulate and promptly remove abandoned autos.	Throughout Cluster 24 and Ward 5	DPW	Abandoned and junk vehicles will be removed in a more timely manner following the opening of DPW's new impoundment lot in early FY '02. By mid-FY '02, additional tow cranes will be deployed. DPW's abandoned auto investigations have been centralized which has improved capacity to regulate abandoned and junk vehicles.	2457
Inform residents of ongoing leaf collection work	Throughout Cluster 24 and Ward 5	DPW	Each year, DPW mails a brochure detailing leaf collection. In addition, this information is available on DPW's website, http://dpw.dc.gov .	2458
Plant and/or replace trees	Throughout Cluster 20 and Ward 5	DDOT	DDOT's tree planting and replacement program runs October through April of each year. DDOT will publicize tree planting, trimming and removal activities by issuing press releases in newspapers, internet and other outreach methods.	2459
Inform residents of ongoing tree trimming work	Throughout Cluster 24 and Ward 5	DDOT	DDOT's tree planting and replacement program runs October through April of each year. DDOT will publicize tree planting, trimming and removal activities by issuing press releases in newspapers, internet and other outreach methods.	2460

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**Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities
Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives**



Cluster Priority: COMMUNITY PRIDE/NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTER
Objective: Improve maintenance and service delivery

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Conduct a survey to determine the existing condition of trees, sidewalks, streets and alleys in the neighborhoods. Schedule the appropriate priority schedule for repair and maintenance.	Ft. Lincoln Retaining wall at South Dakota and Bladensburg Rd., 28th Street between Evarts and Douglas (trees need to be trimmed cluster-wide)	DDOT	DDOT will determine pavement conditions of the locations and repair where necessary. Survey is ongoing, any design will occur in the 4th quarter of FY '03 and construction in following years.	2476

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**Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities
Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives**



Cluster Priority: RECREATION
Objective: Improved Recreation Facilities

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Conduct an inventory of recreation facilities, recreation center programs and parks in the cluster.	Cluster-wide	DPR	DPR is currently conducting an inventory of facilities. Development of a master plan, which will include an assessment of programs and parks is in process.	2477
Request a meeting with the director of DC Parks and Recreation to develop a strategy for making the necessary improvements at the Theodore Hagen Cultural Center.	Theodore Hagen Cultural Center	DPR	The Hagen Center is on the priority listing for capital improvements in the coming fiscal year, FY '03. DPR is planning to improve the lighting and bathroom facilities there.	2478

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**Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities
Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives**



Cluster Priority: RECREATION
Objective: Enhance Recreation Programming

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Partner with underrepresented communities in other parts of Ward 5 and the city to provide more youth, family and school intramural programs, projects and activities.	Rec. Ctrs., Senior Ctrs., Youth Exchange Programs	DPR	DPR has very recently hired a new Associate Director for Programs. She is in the process of assessing our current situation (by reading these plans and visiting sites) and is excited to work with the community to develop future programs. She will take your comments very seriously. She can be reached through the main number: 673-7665. We are also in the process of hiring a development/outreach officer. Interviews are occurring currently.	2463
		DCPS	DCPS provides out-of-school time programs in all Ward 5 elementary and middle/junior high schools that have elected to participate.	2463
		DCOA	DCOA will work with members of the Senior Service Network to conduct "Family Day" in senior centers and senior day care centers around the City.	2463
Identify ways in which additional space can be created at the Ft. Lincoln Recreation Center for programs for senior citizens.	Ft. Lincoln Recreation Center	DPR	DPR has hired a new Associate Director for Programs. This person will assess our current situation (by reading these plans and visiting sites) and work with the community (including seniors and schools) to develop future programs.	2479
Develop or improve multi-generational recreation programs targeting senior citizens and youth.	Start with Ft. Lincoln Recreation Center	DPR	DPR has hired a new Associate Director for Programs. This person will assess our current situation (by reading these plans and visiting sites) and work with the community (and schools) to develop future programs.	2480

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**Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities
Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives**



Cluster Priority: RECREATION
Objective: Enhance Recreation Programming

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Improve recreation programs for youth at the Ft. Lincoln Recreation Center.	Ft. Lincoln Recreation Center	DPR	DPR has hired a new Associate Director for Programs. This person will assess our current situation (by reading these plans and visiting sites) and work with the community (and schools) to develop future programs.	2481
Identify and promote recreation programs that target school aged children.		DPR	DPR has hired a new Associate Director for Programs. This person will assess our current situation (by reading these plans and visiting sites) and work with the community (and schools) to develop future programs.	2482
Distribute a directory of recreation facilities and program descriptions to residents.		DPR	The semi-annual program guide has a directory of recreation centers; this information is also available on the Internet web site: www.dpr.dc.gov	2483

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**Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities
Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives**



Cluster Priority: COMMERCIAL AREAS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Objective: Enhance and improve commercial corridor

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Develop a strategic plan for the Bladensburg Rd. and the Rhode Island Avenue commercial corridors that focuses on urban design and historical elements including street scape, signage, banners, treeboxes and façade improvements.	Rhode Island From 22nd to 30th, Hayes Motel, storefronts under the Solar Eclipse, Bladensburg Rd. across from Ft. Lincoln.	DDOT	DDOT will begin formulating neighborhood transportation plans to include this area.	351
		OP	OP will work with DHCD and the NDAP program to secure funding for targeted community development corporation (CDC)/community-based organization (CBO) technical assistance programs.	351
Create targeted neighborhood strategies and development projects along Bladensburg Road corridor.	Bladensburg & South Dakota to New York Ave.	OP	Local community based organizations and community development corporations should apply for technical assistance from DC Restore in partnership with universities for planning grants to develop an economic development strategy.	2461
Create targeted neighborhood strategies and development projects.	Bladensburg & South Dakota to DC/MD boundary	OP	Local community based organizations and community development corporations should apply for technical assistance from DC Restore in partnership with universities to for planning grants to develop an economic development strategy.	2462

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**Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities
Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives**



Cluster Priority: COMMERCIAL AREAS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Objective: Enhance and improve commercial corridor

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Create a standard for signage for the commercial areas.	Rhode Island From 22nd to 30th, Hayes Motel, storefronts under the Solar Eclipse, Bladensburg Rd. across from Ft. Lincoln.	DDOT	DDOT will begin formulating neighborhood transportation plans to include this area. Neighborhood plans will include signage and other streetscape improvements.	2487
Implement a policy that limits or bans posting of bills or posters in commercial and residential areas.	Rhode Island From 22nd to 30th, Hayes Motel, storefronts under the Solar Eclipse, Bladensburg Rd. across from Ft. Lincoln.	DPW	Police can now issue tickets for illegal posting of bills.	2490

Agency Abbreviations Guide

Abbreviation	Agency
ABRA	Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration
CAH	Commission on Arts and Humanities
CBO	Community Based Organizations
CFSA	Child and Family Services Administration
DBFI	Department of Banking & Financial Institutions
DCHA	D.C. Housing Administration
DCHFA	D.C. Housing Finance Authority
DCOA	D.C. Office of Aging
DCOP	D.C. Office of Personnel
DCPL	D.C. Public Libraries
DCPS	D.C. Public Schools
DCRA	Dept. of Consumer & Regulatory Affairs
DDOT	District Division of Transportation
DHCD	Dept. of Housing and Community Development
DHS	Dept. of Human Services
DISR	Department of Insurance and Securities Regulation
DMCYF	Deputy Mayor, Children Youth & Families
DMH	Dept. of Mental Health
DMPED	Deputy Mayor, Planning & Economic Development
DMPSJ	Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice
DMV	Dept. of Motor Vehicles
DOC	Dept. of Corrections
DOES	Dept. of Employment Services

Abbreviation	Agency
DOH	Dept. of Health
DPR	Dept. of Parks and Recreation
DPW	Dept. of Public Works
EMA	Emergency Management Agency
EOM	Executive Office of the Mayor
FEMS	Fire and Emergency Medical Services
IGO	Inspector General's Office
MPD	Metropolitan Police Dept.
NCRC	National Capital Revitalization Corporation
NSI	Neighborhood Services Initiative
NTHP	National Trust for Historic Preservation
OCA	Office of the City Administrator
OCC	Office of Corporation Counsel
OSCC	Office of the Clean City Coordinator
OCFO	Chief Financial Officer
OCP	Office of Contracting and Procurement
OCTO	Office of the Chief Technology Officer
OLBD	Office of Local Business Development
OP	Office of Planning
OPM	Office of Property Management
OTR	Office of Tax and Revenue
OZ	Office of Zoning
TCC	Taxi Cab Commission
UDC	University of the District of Columbia
WASA	DC Water and Sewer Authority
WCCA	Washington Convention Center Authority
WMATA	Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority



Cluster 24 Woodridge, Fort Lincoln, South Ward 5 Central, Gateway

March 18, 2002

Citizen Budget Worksheet

For the last two years, the Williams' administration has been working with residents to identify the top issues or projects that are most important in their neighborhoods and across the city. This worksheet is a snapshot of key commitments to neighborhoods that are funded in Mayor Williams' proposed FY 2003 budget. Mayor Williams will deliver this budget to the Council of the District of Columbia on March 18th. Citizens may use this worksheet to track how District agencies' commitments to neighborhood priorities are faring in the budget process. In order to execute these commitments, agency budgets must be fully funded. Agency budget hearings begin on March 20th and testimony from the public is part of the hearings. To learn when specific agencies are before the Council, please visit the Council website at www.dccouncil.washington.dc.us. Finalizing the FY 2003 budget is a several month process. We encourage you to review the outcome of these commitments at www.dc.gov in Summer 2002.

If you are interested in reviewing the complete list of commitments for this cluster, which include responses to recommendations made by citizens through the Strategic Neighborhood Action Planning process, please call 202-727-0882 to have a copy mailed to you.

Highlights of Key Commitments In Mayor's Budget

	<u>Mayoral Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>
Increase Public Safety in Neighborhoods		
▪ The Metropolitan Police Department's (MPD) Environmental Crimes Unit will monitor and take enforcement action at the site of the CSX Railroad embankment in this cluster.	✓	
▪ MPD's Narcotics Strike Force and District Focus Mission Team Units will target areas to address and reduce open air markets and prostitution.	✓	
▪ MPD will seek to reduce open-air drug markets by making street and mid-level drug trafficking the primary focus of the Major Narcotics Branch.	✓	
▪ MPD's Policing for Prevention group will provide technical assistance to working groups of residents.	✓	
▪ MPD 5D will partner with the Department of Parks and Recreation's DPR) Roving Leaders to address the violence at local night clubs.	✓	
Increase Commercial and Economic Development in Neighborhoods		
▪ The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) will support qualified non-profit organizations' delivery of neighborhood business development and job creation programs through the Neighborhood Development Assistance Program.	✓	
▪ The Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (DMPED) has budgeted \$7 million in local funds for the <i>Restore DC</i> neighborhood revitalization program. A multi-year package of grants and technical assistance will be awarded on a competitive basis to approximately 5 neighborhood business districts per year. Other business districts can apply on a competitive basis for matching grants for short term, specific projects such as a market study. Funding will also be provided to support business resource centers.	✓	



Highlights of Key Commitments, cont. for Cluster 24

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Improve the Quality of Life in Neighborhoods

- The District Division of Transportation (DDOT) will work with the Neighborhood Services Coordinator to identify streetlights in need of repair. ✓
- The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) will examine and propose improvements to the Bladensburg Road facility. ✓
- The Department of Public Works (DPW) will place 180 litter cans in selected areas across the city, in areas that meet certain criteria. Given the high demand for litter cans, additional funds have been allocated in FY 2003 to install more than 600 litter cans. DPW will give strong consideration to locations identified through the Neighborhood Planning process. ✓
- DPW's abandoned auto investigations have been centralized, which will improve their capacity to regulate abandoned and junk vehicles. ✓
- DDOT will begin formulating neighborhood transportation plans that address traffic calming needs to include this area. DDOT will deploy additional parking control officers in residential neighborhoods. ✓
- MPD will step up enforcement against the posting of illegal bills and posters. ✓

Increase Recreation in Neighborhoods

- The Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) has increased the number of staff, programs and maintenance at recreation centers, which improves its ability to develop partnerships with colleges, universities, non-profits and churches. ✓
- The District of Columbia Office on Aging (DCOA) will work with members of the Senior Service Network to conduct "Family Day" in senior centers and senior day care centers around the city. ✓
- DPR will be implementing a new citywide initiative that will improve/replace all site amenities (benches, trash cans, etc.). ✓
- The Hagen Multi-cultural Center is on the priority listing for capital improvements to improve the lighting and bathroom facilities. ✓
- DPR will develop a master plan, which will include an assessment of programs and parks. New projects will be considered as this plan takes shape. ✓
- DPR's Urban Park Rangers are working the Metropolitan Police Department to improve public safety at parks and recreation centers. ✓

