

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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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,

Venita Ray
Neighborhood Planning Coordinator, Ward 8

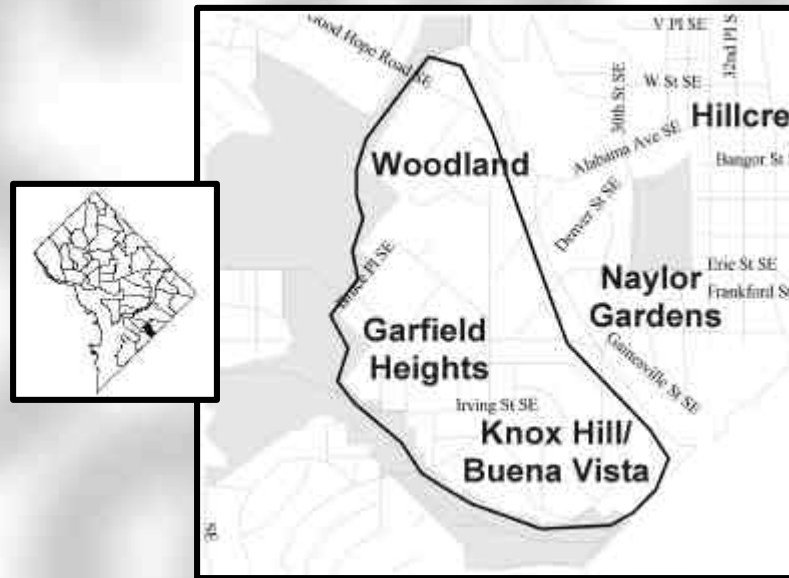
Enclosure

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

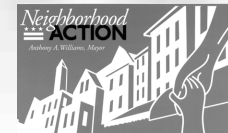


Cluster 36

Woodland, Garfield Heights, Knox Hill/Buena Vista



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*** in Neighborhood Cluster 36. 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.

In this Cluster, there is one PPA. The location and goal of this PPA is as follows:

Location:

Buena Vista/Knox Hill

Goals at Each Location:

Create a cleaner and safer neighborhood for residents by ensuring that the alleys and streets are cleaned, vacant buildings are properly secured; recreational activities for children are provided and assist the residents with rebuilding their apartment owners association.

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 focuses on having a clean and safe neighborhood, recreation for youth, and quality educational facilities and programs for youth and adults. One resident of Cluster 36 was quoted as saying *“I would like to see my neighborhood clean and less trash. I would like adequate street lighting. I would like a safe environment for my children to play and ride their bikes. I would like no drug trafficking. I would like a community recreation center, economical senior activities and monitored playgrounds.”*

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 the following essential ingredients as vital for a livable community.

1. Public safety
2. Improved Environment / Neighborhood Beautification
3. Quality education
4. Affordable housing
5. Supportive human services
6. Economic development
7. Recreation
8. Code enforcement
9. Community Support & Unity

Citizens worked with their Neighborhood Planner (and Service Coordinator, where appropriate to mention) to prioritize the top three essential ingredients that were critical to begin addressing in fiscal years 2002-03. Citizens in your neighborhood Cluster identified the following priority ingredients.

1. Public safety
2. Improved Environment / Neighborhood Beautification
3. Quality education

Over the summer 2001, in Phase II, 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 36 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 three priority areas that are critical to improving the quality of life in their neighborhood Cluster. The three priorities identified for Cluster 36 are:

- **Public Safety**
- **Improved Environment / Neighborhood Beautification**
- **Quality Education**

Public Safety: Public safety issues surfaced as the top priority for Cluster 36. First and foremost, residents shared their long held desire for a peaceful, clean, and safe community where families can thrive and where children are free to play without fear. Areas of specific concern include: drug related crimes, loitering, poor lighting, poor traffic enforcement, lack of police presence, and overall quality of life related issues. Lastly, residents articulated the need for improved city services related to housing, vacant lots, and maintenance of public space.

Improved Environment / Neighborhood Beautification: Residents emphasized the need to improve the overall physical appearance of their neighborhoods. Areas of specific concern included: regular street sweeping, regular tree trimming, and the lack of trees and flowers. Residents suggested starting a neighborhood beautification office focused on planting flowers and neighborhood clean-ups. Lastly, residents expressed environmental concerns related to maintaining open spaces in good condition and issues about the effects of standing water.

Quality Education: Residents identified a need to expand educational options by using both traditional and non-traditional alternatives to educate communities. Suggestions focused on maximizing existing resources, creating new teaching models for increasing parental involvement, and reaching children with behavioral problems. Resident recommendations included: teaching youth about civic responsibility, partnering youth with seniors in mentoring and coaching relationships, providing more early childhood development, and increasing technology in the classroom.

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 or PPA work), the responsible or implementing District agency, and the agency commitment to the action.

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Cluster 36

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



Cluster Priority: PUBLIC SAFETY
Objective: Safer Neighborhoods

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Increase MPD foot patrol between 6pm and 2am.	PSA 702	MPD	The Seventh District will increase the patrols by utilizing Patrol Service Area 702 members who are assigned to the powershift. The officers will work the 7:30 pm to 4:00 am shift. The officers will be given specific instructions to address order maintenance concerns.	624
Conduct survey to determine if street lights are at maximum voltage and increase brightness where possible.	PSA 702	DDOT	Investigate and survey current conditions, then take appropriate actions based on results.	626
		NSI	DDOT has completed an assessment of this area and streets lights will be placed in the 2800 Block of Knox Terrace this fiscal year.	626
Increase enforcement of traffic laws.	PSA 702	MPD	MPD has new radar equipment city-wide and has received additional training for officers. Visible speed limit signs and MPD presence will increase enforcement capability.	627
Increase police presence in all PPA's between the hours of 9pm - 6 am.		MPD	The Seventh District currently has a power shift that works the 8 pm to 4 am shift. As more personnel are assigned to the Seventh District, more officers will be assigned to staff in Patrol Service Areas (PSA) and power shift. 7D has assigned additional patrol officers in PSAs 702, 703, 708 and 710.	3210

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Cluster Priority: PUBLIC SAFETY
Objective: Safer Neighborhoods

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Assess whether the Fire Department and MPD have capacity to deal with increased demands due to new housing construction.	Cluster-wide	FEMS	FEMS is seeking 150 additional FTEs to meet the increase in population and to address specialized equipment including 10 FTEs for a full-time Hazardous Materials Unit and a Hazardous Materials Recon Unit.	3212
Focus prosecutorial efforts on drug users who come into the community to buy drugs.	Cluster-wide	OCC	OCC through its major case unit will work with MPD and USAO to develop a joint project to help identify drug users and dealers and will enforce the law on those crimes within its jurisdiction.	3213
		MPD	The Seventh District's Focus Mission Unit will continue to target the drug infested areas within the Seventh District. Under the command of Lt. Thomas Rodman, the unit will continue to work with the Strike Force to eliminate the drug markets. US Attorney for the District of Columbia has existing program targeting drug users and dealers. Targeting also conducted by Narcotics Strike Force and District Vice Units to address and reduce open air markets.	3213
		NSI	We are working with the Re-entry program to ensure that men returning into the communities are monitored.	3213
Enact loitering laws.	City-wide	OCC	OCC will work with EOM and Deputy Mayors regarding this issue and will draft appropriate legislation as directed.	3214

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Cluster Priority: PUBLIC SAFETY
Objective: Safer Neighborhoods

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Start citizen watch groups (orange hat or neighborhood watch).	Cluster-wide	MPD	The Policing for Prevention group will provide technical assistance to working groups of residents and police officers, in the Patrol Service Areas where residents are interested in setting up a citizen patrol. Development of training and outreach will begin in 3rd quarter of FY2002, and actual training of groups will begin in 4th quarter of FY2002.	3215
		NSI	We support starting Orange hat patrols and we will support residents and provide guidance to residents who wish to start Orange Hat patrols.	3215
Prevent police cars from being double parked behind 7th District police station.	7th District Police Station	MPD	A sergeant will be assigned to monitor parking around the Seventh District during each shift. This policy can be implemented immediately and presented to the community at both Patrol Service Area meetings and the monthly Citizen Advisory Council meeting.	3216
Create listing of PSA's and ANC's meeting schedules and make available at police stations and libraries.	Ward-wide	MPD	Seventh District in process of creating standardized meeting schedule with location and dates and will be available at mpdc.dc.gov. The Seventh District will implement this program in March 2002. Meetings will be held with the director of the policing and clergy partnership.	3217
Open DCPS gymnasiums during summer months.	Ward-wide	DCPS	Gymnasiums will be open in those schools which provide programs during summer 2002.	3218

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Cluster Priority: PUBLIC SAFETY
Objective: Safer Neighborhoods

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Provide security monitors at recreation centers.	Ward-wide	DPR	The Urban Park Ranger Corps will be enhanced as funding permits. Individual site managers will coordinate more closely with Patrol Service Areas.	3219

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**Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities
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Cluster Priority: PUBLIC SAFETY
Objective: Cleaner Neighborhoods.

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Hire more abandoned vehicles inspectors and purchase more cranes to more quickly remove abandoned and junk vehicles from the streets.	Ward wide	DPW	DPW has opened an additional impound lot and new tow cranes have been ordered which will be deployed in FY02. There are currently no plans to increase the number of abandoned vehicle investigators from its current complement of 8.	623
Eliminate trash and dirt on streets, sidewalks, and tree boxes.	PSA 702	DPW	DPW's Solid Waste Education and Enforcement Program will continue to address the conditions within the Persistent Problem Area in order to maintain the level of cleanliness achieved in FY01 as part of the Neighborhood Services workplan. Additional focused education and enforcement action will be implemented in the Persistent Problem Area by Solid Waste Education and Enforcement Program in conjunction with community outreach of Neighborhood Services.	628
		OCCC	Continue Office of the Clean City Coordinator conducting of cleanliness assessments of streets and alleys	628
		NSI	With the Neighborhood Services workplan for Buena Vista / Knox Hill Persistent Problem Area, we will ensure that the actions are addressed for each agency. Work on the workplan should be completed for this area in the Spring of 2002.	628
Have a city sponsored neighborhood spring clean-up (give out seeds and flowers for citizens to beautify the neighborhood).	Cluster-wide	OCCC	Working Keep Washington, DC Beautiful, Inc and DPW coordinate conducting of Great American Cleanup KAB program in the District of Columbia.	629

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Cluster Priority: PUBLIC SAFETY
Objective: Cleaner Neighborhoods.

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Have a city sponsored neighborhood spring clean-up (give out seeds and flowers for citizens to beautify the neighborhood).	Cluster-wide	DPW	While DPW does not lead neighborhood cleanups, DPW can support them with supplies and equipment. Through DPW's Helping Hand program, tools and trash bags are available.	629
		OCA	All of the workplans for Ward 8 include a clean-up for the community. This clean up does not include giving out seeds for planting. However, we could connect the community with resources that can supply them with seeds.	629
		NSI	This issue will be rased with the Community Outreach Coordinator in Ward 8 and the Clean city Coodinator to see if there are plans to have a spring clean up through out the city.	629
Attach litter cans to sidewalks, bus stops, and on major streets.	Cluster-wide	DPW	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.	630
		NSI	The city is waiting to receive new liter cans from DPW this year. However, the new liter cans will first replace the old blue liter cans and then the remaining cans will go in identified persistent problems areas they are in the core team work plans.	630

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Cluster Priority: PUBLIC SAFETY
Objective: Cleaner Neighborhoods.

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Clean up Naylor Road Shopping Center		NSI	We are currently working with the owner of the Naylor Road Shopping Center to increase the level of maintenance currently being provided. Wd 8 CT has a persistent problem area workplan for Naylor Road Shopping Center and have addressed many of the issues raised in the workplan.	644
		DHCD	The Neighborhood Services Core Team should approach the owner to determine the owner's obligation to maintain the property. If the project is Community Development Block Grant-eligible, the owner may apply to DHCD for building rehabilitation funding. The timeframe will be dependent on the Core Team's implementation of its plan. Funding is available for such a project in FY 2003.	644
Initiate petition for regular street cleaning.	Cluster-wide	DPW	OP distributed petitions to residents on 9/18/01.	3221
		NSI	The residents are responsible for petitioning DPW for routine street cleaning however, the Neighborhood Service Coordinator of Ward 8 can provide the residents with the petition.	3221
Solicit input from ANCs on locations where old tires need to be removed to eliminate problems caused by standing water.	Cluster-wide	DPW	DPW's Solid Waste Education and Enforcement Program inspectors will obtain information from ANCs on places where illegal dumping of tires occurs.	3224

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Cluster Priority: PUBLIC SAFETY
Objective: Consumer Education

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Develop and distribute educational packets for residential and commercial property owners on responsibility for maintaining abutting property, property managers, trash, etc.	PSA 702	DPW	Solid Waste Education and Enforcement Program will continue to address the conditions within the Persistent Problem Areas in order to maintain the level of cleanliness achieved in FY01 as part of the Neighborhood Services workplan. Additional focused education and enforcement action will be implemented in the Persistent Problem Areas by Solid Waste Education and Enforcement Program in conjunction with community outreach of Neighborhood Services	631
		OCCC	OCCC will provide educational material on quality of life infractions enforcement and citizen responsibility	631
		NSI	This is being done by the Ward 8 Neighborhood Services core team during all of its neighborhood walks.	631
		DHCD	DHCD will provide information about rehabilitation programs under the direction of the Neighborhood Services Coordinator. Code violations are under DCRA, and property maintenance problems should be coordinated through DPW and the Clean Streets Initiative.	631
Educate public on government services.	Cluster-wide	NSI	This task was done in the Buena Vista/ Knox Hill area and we educated residents on city services each time we are in a neighborhood but will inform residents that any information or questions can be answered through the ward Neighborhood Service office.	3226

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**Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities
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Cluster Priority: PUBLIC SAFETY
Objective: Transportation

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Conduct traffic study to determine types of traffic calming options needed in Knox Hill area including Alabama Avenue, Jasper, and Hartford.	PSA 702	DDOT	Area will be included in traffic study budgeted for Suitland Parkway / Howard Road / Alabama Avenue to survey conditions and study for more traffic calming devices in FY2003. DDOT is partnership with Howard University is developing criteria to be used for implementing traffic calming measures. Criteria will be developed in Q3-02. Implementation in Q2-03. DDOT will work with the community to develop a plan in Q2-03 based on traffic calming measures.	632
Review discriminatory practices of taxi cab services in Ward 8 (better accountability of Taxi Cab Commissioners).	Ward-wide	TCC	Since September 11, 2001, radio cab company service in Ward 8 has improved drastically. Presently, residents of Ward 8 account for a significant portion of radio cab company business. In FY 2002, the Commission will implement legislation to hold taxicab drivers accountable for providing service to all wards. Also, the Commission will continue to streamline the adjudication process for Commissioners so that they may act upon cases in an expeditious manner.	3230

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Cluster Priority: IMPROVED ENVIRONMENT/ BEAUTIFICATION
Objective: Beautification

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Establish a Cluster/Neighborhood Beautification office.	PSA 702	OCCC	Work w/local ANC's to establish an Adopt-A-Block program.	633
		NSI	We will work with the Clean City Office to distribute information on the Adopt-A-Block program.	633
Partner with private entities such as Garden Resources of Washington to establish citizen led garden club.	Cluster-wide	DPR	DPR is in the process of hiring a Development Officer and outreach person who will focus on these partnerships.	3231
		DPW	DPW can provide mulch to community gardens upon request. Please call Thomas Day at 645-7190 or go to our website at www.cleancity.dc.gov	3231
		OCCC	Introduce A-A-Block program to local ANCs	3231

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**Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities
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Cluster Priority: IMPROVED ENVIRONMENT/ BEAUTIFICATION
Objective: Improvement of Problem Properties

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Increase number of housing inspectors.	Cluster-wide	DCRA	DCRA has hired 39 Neighborhood Stabilization Officers (NSO). There will be one NSO for each Cluster in the city who will be responsible for inspection activities at the neighborhood level.	634
		OP	The Office of Planning's Historic Preservation Office will hire one more staff person to review constructio in historic districts.	634
Clean up trash and debris on 2800 block of Jasper and surrounding areas.	2800 Jasper	DPW	DPW's Solid Waste Education and Enforcement Program (SWEEP) will continue to address the conditions within the Persistent Problem Area (PPA) in order to maintain the level of cleanliness achieved in FY01 as part of the Neighborhood Services (NS) workplan. Additional focused education and enforcement action will be implemented in the PPA by SWEEP in conjunction with community outreach of NS.	635
		DCRA	To be more responsive to the citizens, DCRA has expanded it's neighborhood survey processes. DCRA will have one Neighborhood Stabilization Officer (NSO) for each of the 39 Clusters in the city who will be responsible for inspection activities. These NSOs work closely with other agencies to insure improved services to the community. This area has been identified as a problem area and the agencies are collaborating to address these issues. The NSO assigned to this Cluster is Frank Brown (645-8293).	635
		MPD	The Patrol Service Area 704 Lieutenant will implement a program with DPW to target the violators who are depositing the trash and debris. Some of the enforcement may involve the "clean it or lien it" act.	635

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Cluster Priority: IMPROVED ENVIRONMENT/ BEAUTIFICATION
Objective: Improvement of Problem Properties

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Clean up trash and debris on 2800 block of Jasper and surrounding areas.	2800 Jasper	NSI	The area was identified by the Ward 8 Neighborhood Services Office and Core Team and have assigned tasks to the appropriate agency.	635

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Cluster Priority: IMPROVED ENVIRONMENT/ BEAUTIFICATION
Objective: Improvement of Problem Properties

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Create inventory of all abandoned and/or vacant housing with conditions assessments and potential for redevelopment.	Valley Avenue & Wheeler Rd (Old Welfare Building), 4010/4020 3rd St. SE, 422 Chesapeake St. SE, 4373, 4265, 4242, 4236 & 4232 6th St. SE, 209 Atlantic St. SE, 2560 Martin Luther King, Jr., Ave, SE, 1216 Savannah Pl. SE, 3018 7th St. SE, 741 Alabama Ave, SE, 3212 11th Place SE, 1224 Savannah Pl., SE, 1211 Alabama Ave., SE, 3321, 3323 & 3325 13th St. SE, 3200 13th St. SE, 1444 Alabama Ave. SE, 3330 & 3332 15th St. SE, 1454 Alabama Ave, SE, 3400 & 3402 15th St. SE, 1500 & 1502 Savannah St. SE, 1300 & 1302 Congress St. SE, 1211 Savannah Place, SE, 3401 12th St. SE, 3333 10th Pl. SE, Corner of Maplevue & MLK, corner of Mt View & MLK	DCRA	*** DCRA is currently identifying and cataloging all vacant property in DC. Upon completion, all vacant properties will be registered and brought into compliance with the new Vacant Property Maintenance Code. To learn more about the Maintenance Code, please go to our website, www.dkra.dc.gov . or call James Diggs at 645-8285.	3208

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Cluster Priority: IMPROVED ENVIRONMENT/ BEAUTIFICATION

Objective: Improvement of Problem Properties

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
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Cluster Priority: IMPROVED ENVIRONMENT/ BEAUTIFICATION
Objective: Promote positive development

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Develop a monitoring system to monitor the non-governmental agencies who are required to provide access to low income housing.	Ward wide	DHCD	The Office of Program Monitoring will develop a subrecipient monitoring training program to improve DHCD's grantee monitoring system and will augment the review team once it is fully staffed. (DHCD)	3211
Better publicize development projects in area.	Cluster-wide	DCRA	*** The Department of Consumer of Regulatory Affairs now post all pending building permits on its website at www.dcrd.dc.gov .	3233
		OP	OP will work to keep the website up to date that list projects being reviewed by OP. Other websites such as DCRA already list development projects (http://dc.gov/)	3233
Ensure that developers balance new projects with green space (tot lots).	Cluster-wide	OP	Through the project review process, OP works to recommend open space and preservation of required recreation space for residents. OP will support DPR as needed to determine neighborhood needs and opportunities.	3234

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Cluster Priority: INCREASED QUALITY AND VARIETY OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES
Objective: Encourage parental involvement

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Assess availability of current parenting classes and provide additional programs where needed.	Cluster-wide	DMCYF	The CYITC distributes funding to support the development of parent developing/early childhood development classes and programs. A new round of funding has just ended and awards will be made in early February 2002.	3236
Create tutoring program at a local library or school.	Cluster-wide	DMCYF	Turner Elementary is one of the Transforming Schools we are working with in partnership with DCPS. We will conduct a community needs assessment to determine the array of programs established to support this school and the surrounding community. The Children and Youth Investment Trust Corporation will award new grants to Community Baseds Organizations in early February, each designed to support one of the Transformation 9 schools which includes Turner; parenting will also be addressed through this mechanism.	3238
		DCPL	Learning Coaches at 'DCPL will offer homework assistance and Family Literacy activities through the recently opened Homework Help, Plus! Center at the Washington Highlands Library.DCPL will implement through initiatives planned for the Francis Gregory Library	3238

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Cluster Priority: INCREASED QUALITY AND VARIETY OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES
Objective: Build new recreation center

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Create citizen advisory committee to direct planning and construction of new center.	Lot behind 7th District Police Station	DPR	The property mentioned is owned by DHCD. DHCD should take the lead in developing this property or transfer the land to DPR. DPR would work with the community to understand their wants and needs for the location. DPR would likely propose a playground for this space, due to the limited square footage. But, we are definitely committed to putting a playground (or whatever is decided through community consultation) at that location -once we have the land. It takes 90 days to turn such a project around.	640
Begin construction of recreation center in Knox Hill and Buena Vista.	Lot behind 7th District Police Station	DPR	The property mentioned is owned by DHCD (Department of Housing and Community Development). DHCD should take the lead in developing this property or transfer the land to DPR. DPR would likely place a playground at the location. -- DPR is definitely committed to putting a playground at that location -once we have the land. It takes 90 days to turn such a project around.	641
		DHCD	DPR has agreed to construct facility if DHCD transfers land to DPR. DHCD has asked OPM to transfer the properties. (DHCD)	641

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Cluster Priority: INCREASED QUALITY AND VARIETY OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES
Objective: Non-traditional Education/ Recreation

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Create programs geared toward children who are not athletic.	Ward-wide	DPR	The Recreation Assistance Board is partnering with DPR to develop curriculum for non-athletic activities for children. The Recreation Assistance Board is appointed by the Mayor and approved by the Council. Citizen input is possible at advisory committee meetings held monthly at each recreation center. DPR is actively developing non-athletic leisure time programs. Our new Chief of Programs has been assigned to this task and is highly dedicated to the idea. She is developing an entire Cultural Arts component of DPR's program Division. Examples of activities we already have in place are: 28 computer learning sites as well as 5 poetry slams annually. If you have questions or suggestions, please call 673-7665 and ask to talk to our Chief of Programs.	642
Use mobile recreation van for areas with no recreation center such as Knox Hill and Buena Vista. Purchase additional van if necessary.	PSA 702	DPR	DPR currently provides mobile recreation opportunities and is purchasing a new mobile recreation van in FY 2002. Once the new van is delivered, it will service the Knox Hill and Buena Vista areas.	643
Provide more arts and crafts type activities.	Cluster-wide	DPR	DPR recently (Jan.7, 2002) 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 working with the community (and schools) to develop future programs. DPR is committed to providing more arts activities. She is designing a separate programs division called "cultural arts".	3241

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Objective: Non-traditional Education/ Recreation

Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Create Pop Warner or police sponsored football and/ or baseball league.	Ward-wide	DPR	Comparable programs being provided by Police/Clergy Partnership and Boys and Girls Club. But, DPR is in the process of hiring a development/partnership person who would be happy to address these issues and consult with the community.	3242
Require designated recreation areas (tot lots) in new housing developments.	Ward-wide	OP	OP reviews housing developments through the Planned Unit Development process and does work to include tot lots and open space in housing projects that benefit the residents. Most tot lots are proposed voluntarily as a site amenity.	3243
Assess availability of current programs for at-risk youth and establish additional where needed.	Ward-wide	MPD	The Seventh Distict's contact person for this program is Sergeant Maralyn Cook. The Seventh District has been involved in numerous programs in assisting youths at risk.	3246
		DMCYF	The Children and Youth Investment Trust Corporation (CYITC) and the Department of Parks and Recreation have the primary responsibility for developing programs for youth of the District. The CYITC funds more than 40 community based organizations throughout the District and the Parks Department offers a full array of programs and services through its recreation centers. Information on programs funded through the Trust is available on their website, www.cyitc.org . Also DPR's website lists recreational programs available throughout the District. New CYITC grantees will be named in early February.	3246

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Assess availability of current programs for at-risk youth and establish additional where needed.	Ward-wide	DPR	DPR will work on this with DCPS with whom we meet monthly. We also are working to develop programs for adolescents with \$1.5 M of DHS money.	3246
Identify resources to create after-school programs.	Ward-wide	DCPS	DCPS offers out-of-school time programs in all Ward 8 elementary and middle/junior high schools. Afterschool programs for all schools cluster in 36-39 schools will commence during FY 2002.	3247
Reinstate the local police cadet program.	City-wide	MPD	MPD's Police Cadet program was reinstated in 2001. Interested applicants can call MPD Recruiting at 202-645-0445 or visit the main recruiting office located at #6 D.C. Village Ln. S.W., to obtain additional information regarding the Cadet program.	3248

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Proposed Action	Location	Agency	Budget Commitment	Action ID
Provide vocational training and job opportunities.	Ward-wide	DCPS	The services mentioned will be more available at Cluster 39 schools which are close by however, Turner is T9 school, and some services subsets may be appropriate there. The request will be taken into advisement as programs are designed to support Turner's transformation. DCPS Office of Career and Vocational Education is willing to site such services at Turner providing there is appropriate space and pursuant to the approval of the principal. DCPS' High School Plan, which is currently in development. Turner ES was recommended in the Master Plan for a new building in 2002. DCPS will explore the possibility of "zoning" the building to control access to certain areas of the school, especially after-hours, for educational opportunities for young adults within Turner.	3249
		DOES	DOES offers comprehensive employment and training services through the CVS/pharmacy South Capitol One-Stop Center located at 4049 South Capitol Street, S.W.	3249

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



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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>
Create Clean and Safe Neighborhoods		
▪ The Metropolitan Police Department's (MPD) 7th District will increase patrols on the street by shifting Patrol Service Area (PSA) 702 members to the hours of 7:30pm to 4:00am.	✓	
▪ District Department of Transportation (DDOT) will investigate current street light wattages in areas suggested by residents and increase where possible.	✓	
▪ The Fire Emergency and Medical Services Department (FEMS) will hire one additional fire inspector for the Ward 8.	✓	
▪ DDOT in partnership with Howard University is developing criteria to be used for implementing traffic calming measures. DDOT will work with the community to develop a plan and then implement traffic calming measures.	✓	
▪ 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.	✓	
▪ Office of the Clean City Coordinator will continue to conduct cleanliness assessments. To further implement the Clean City Initiative, one staff person will be hired.	✓	
▪ DPW's Helping Hands program makes tools and trash bags available for community clean-ups.	✓	



Highlights of Key Commitments, cont. for Cluster 36

Increase Recreation Opportunities for People of All Ages

- District of Columbia Public Schools will open gymnasiums in the summer in those schools that provide summer programs.
- DPR will begin design for a playground on the lot adjacent to the 7th District Police Station.
- DPR will provide mobile recreation opportunities and is purchasing a new mobile recreation van to service the Knox Hill/Buena Vista area.
- DPR will hire additional staff to design cultural arts programs and create partnerships with existing programs such as Pop Warner.
- DPR will work to pursue partnership opportunities for community garden type projects with entities such as Garden Resources of Washington.

**Mayoral
Budget**

**Final
Budget**



Increase Housing and Vacant Lot Code Enforcement

- The Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) will regularly conduct housing inspections and conduct surveys since hiring one Neighborhood Stabilization Officer for each cluster.
- DCRA will prioritize the abandoned buildings identified by the community to establish time frames for action to be taken.
- DCRA is currently identifying and cataloging all vacant property in the District. Upon completion, all vacant properties will be registered and brought into compliance with the new Vacant Property Maintenance Code.
- Office of the City Administrator has created a task force to look at issues related to problem properties that will focus on cross-training inspectors, evaluating regulations, and consolidating adjudication of offenders.

