GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA OFFICE OF PLANNING



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,

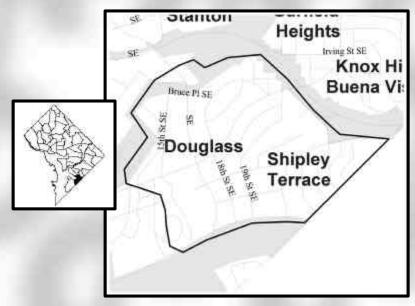
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Enclosure

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

Submitted to the Council of the District of Columbia March 18, 2002

District Agency Commitments to Neighborhood Priorities Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives



Cluster 38

Douglass, Shipley Terrace





I. Introduction:

Welcome to your *Citizen's Guide to Mayor Anthony A. Williams' Fiscal Year 2003 Proposed Budget* for Neighborhood Cluster 38. 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:

<u>Step 1</u>: 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.

<u>Step 2:</u> 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 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 38 was quoted as saying "My vision for the neighborhood is one that is safe for all residents, clean streets, recreation for the youth and commercial venues which provide a large variety of quality services (grocery store, restaurants, and entertainment."

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
- 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 38 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 38 are:

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

Public Safety: Public safety issues surfaced as the top priority for Cluster 38. 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 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.

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. | Douglass, Shipley, Hunter Pines | MPD | The Patrol Service Area 704 lieutenant will assign an officer from the powershift to address quality of life issues. This officer will be assigned from the hours of 7:30 pm to 4:00 am. This action should be implemented immediately. | 681 |
| Increase the number of street lights. | Cluster-wide | DDOT | Need specific location to review and execute. Citizens may request the placement of a new street light by calling 727-1000. | 682 |
| Increase enforcement of traffic laws. See PF | See PPA | MPD | Operations Command will increase the use of sobriety checkpoints and seatbelt enforcement; DC's goal is to establish a 90% usage rate by the end of FY 2002. Site surveys are being conducted for 10 additional photo-red light location. Review sites for additional photo-radar deployment. | 684 |
| | | NSI | We will distribute any information from MPD to residents we interact with in the community. | 684 |
| Increase police presence in all PPA's between the hours of 9pm - 6 am. | | MPD | When the reassigned personnel are assigned to the Seventh District, the staffing of the PSA's will occur. The newly assigned members will allow more officers to focus on quality of life concerns in the community. The staffing levels will increase for all tours. | 3286 |

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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 employees 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. | 3290 |
| Focus prosecutorial efforts on drug users who come into the community to buy drugs. | Cluster-wide | MPD | The Seventh District's Focus Mission Unit will continue to target the drug invested 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. | 3291 |
| | | OCC | OCC will work with USAO to begin to look at developing a joint task force to address these issues. | 3291 |
| | | NSI | The Neighborhood Services Initiative will support CSOSA with the re-entry of ex-offenders. | 3291 |
| Enact loitering laws. | City-wide | OCC | OCC is working with the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety to analyze and propose laws to address this issue. Anti-loitering laws have been struck down by courts as unconstitutional. | 3292 |

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 |
|--|--------------|--------|---|-----------|
| 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 (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. | 3293 |
| Create listing of PSA's and ANC's meeting schedules and make available at police stations and libraries. | Ward-wide | MPD | The notification of meetings can be implemented immediately. This information may be found on the department's web site and will also be placed in libraries. | 3294 |
| Explore possibility of enacting curfew laws | Cluster-wide | MPD | The Juvenile Curfew Act of 1995 establishes a curfew for persons under the age of 17. Beginning September 1, curfew begins at 11pm, Sunday through Thursday, and continues until 6am the following day. Curfew hours are 12:01am to 6am on Saturday and Sunday. Anyone who violates curfew will be detained by the MPDC per Special Order 99-14. | |

Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives



Cluster Priority: PUBLIC SAFETY

Objective: Cleaner Neighborhoods.

| Proposed Action | Location | Agency | Budget Commitment | Action ID |
|---|------------------------------------|--------|--|-----------|
| Hire more abandoned vehicles inspectors and purchase more cranes. | 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. | 680 |
| Eliminate trash and dirt on streets, sidewalks, and tree boxes. | Douglass, Shipley, Hunter Pines | DPW | DPW will continue to deliver its core business services that include public space cleaning. | 685 |
| | | NSI | The Ward 8 Core Team began in Spring 2001 and includes this task in work plan. | 685 |
| Have a city sponsored neighborhood spring clean- up (give out seeds and flowers for citizens to beautify the neighborhood). | Douglass, Shipley, Hunter Pines | 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. | 686 |
| | | OCCC | Provide information on scheduling and on community cleanups to community representatives who contacts the OCCC. | 686 |
| | | NSI | Hunter Pines workplans have been worked on since spring 2001. | 686 |

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Cluster Priority: PUBLIC SAFETY

Objective: Cleaner Neighborhoods.

| Proposed Action | Location | Agency | Budget Commitment | Action ID |
|---|------------------------------------|--------|---|-----------|
| Attach litter cans to sidewalks, bus stops, and on major streets. | Douglass, Shipley, Hunter Pines | 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. | 687 |
| | | NSI | Neighborhood Services will assist with placement decisions. | 687 |
| | | OCCC | Provide information on scheduling and conducting community cleanups to Community representative who contacts the OCCC | 687 |
| Initiate petition for regular street cleaning. | Cluster-wide | DPW | Residents requesting scheduled sweeping of their street should present a signed petition to DPW. Petitions are available through the Mayor's Call Center at 727-1000. | 3298 |
| | | NSI | Petitions are available in W8 Neighborhood Services office and are distributed at community mtgs. | 3298 |
| Solicit input from ANCs on locations where old tires need to be removed to eliminate problems caused by standing water. | Cluster-wide | DPW | Solid Waste Education and Enforcement Program inspectors will obtain information from ANCs on places where illegal dumping of tires occurs. | 3300 |

Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives



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. | Douglass, Shipley, Hunter Pines | DCRA | DCRA will develop educational packets and other community education tools to address these issues. | 688 |
| Educate public on government services. | Cluster-wide | NSI | We do this on an ongoing bases. We always distribute information to the residents on city services. | 3302 |

Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives



Cluster Priority: PUBLIC SAFETY

Objective: Transportation

| Proposed Action | Location | Agency | Budget Commitment | Action ID |
|---|-----------|--------|--|-----------|
| 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 that holds 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. | 3304 |

Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives



Cluster Priority: IMPROVED ENVIRONMENT/ BEAUTIFICATION

Objective: Beautification

| Proposed Action | Location | Agency | Budget Commitment | Action ID |
|--|------------------------------------|--------|--|-----------|
| Establish a Cluster/Neighborhood Beautification office. | Douglass, Shipley, Hunter Pines | DPW | DPW's Helping Hand program also supports neighborhood-sponsored cleanups. Tools and trash bags are available. | 690 |
| | | NSI | Including these areas in the Adopt-A-Block initiative is the decision of the OCCC. However, the Ward 8 Core Team will complete work plans for these in this fiscal year. | 690 |
| | | OCCC | Communities are encouraged to participate in adopt a block program, and will be publicly recognized for helping making our neighborhoods cleaner. | 690 |
| | | OCC | OCC will provide legal service support within client agency's frame. | 690 |
| 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 this (with our Communications and Marketing staff). | 3305 |

Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives



Cluster Priority: IMPROVED ENVIRONMENT/ BEAUTIFICATION

| Proposed Action | Location | Agency | Budget Commitment | Action ID |
|--|----------|--------|---|-----------|
| Conduct survey to create inventory of unsafe and unsightly buildings and vacant lots with condition assessments. | PSA 702 | DCRA | DCRA is conducting a citywide vacant property survey and will share this information with interested constituents. *** In accordance with original legislation, DCRA started Phase 1 Abandoned housing inventory in June FY 2001 Phase 1 was completed in Oct 2001. Full inventory to be completed March 2002. For more information on this inventory process, please call your NSO, Michael Byrd (645.8283). | 678 |
| | | DPW | DPW will follow the plan laid out in the workplan. | 678 |
| | | NSI | This was completed by the Rapids Response Team. | 678 |
| Create and implement strategy for demolition, code enforcement, Clean and Lien, and development opportunities. | PSA 702 | DCRA | Solid Waste Education and Enforcement Program inspectors will investigate lots and post Clean it or Lien it signs where necessary. Lots that have not been cleaned by the owner will be put on the schedule for abatement. DCRA is working with DMPED to develop a housing strategy. | 679 |
| | | DPW | Solid Waste Education and Enforcement Program inspectors will investigate lots and post Clean or Lien signs where necessary. Lots that have not been cleaned by the owner will be put on the schedule for abatement. The Office of the City Administrator is leading a Task Force aimed at "Rationalizing Code Enforcement". Four parts to this effort include crosstraining inspectors, code harmonization, putting teeth in enforcement, and consolidated adjudication. A strategy for problem properties will be addressed by this Task Force. (DPW) | 679 |

Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives



Cluster Priority: IMPROVED ENVIRONMENT/ BEAUTIFICATION

| Proposed Action | Location | Agency | Budget Commitment | Action ID |
|---|---|--------|--|-----------|
| Create and implement strategy for demolition, code enforcement, Clean and Lien, and development opportunities. | PSA 702 | DHCD | Demolition, code enforcement, and Clean and Lien are DCRA activities. If the properties remain in private hands, DHCD can only provide development finance if the owner applies for it. DHCD will investigate opportunities for taking problem sites into the Homestead Program for redevelopment, however, in consultation with the Neighborhood Strategy Core Team. (DHCD) | 679 |
| Create inventory of all abandoned and/or vacant housing with conditions assessments and potential for redevlopment. | 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, S | 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.dcra.dc.gov. or call James Diggs at 645-8285. | 3284 |
| Increase number of housing inspectors. | Cluster-wide | DCRA | DCRA in process of hiring 39 additional housing inspectors (one per cluster) focused on proactive solutions and will work in partnership with Neighborhood Service Coordinator and NPC. | 3307 |

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Cluster Priority: IMPROVED ENVIRONMENT/ BEAUTIFICATION

| Proposed Action | Location | Agency | Budget Commitment | Action ID |
|--|------------------------------------|--------|--|-----------|
| Conduct survey to create inventory of unsafe and unsightly buildings and vacant lots with condition assessments. | Douglass, Shipley, Hunter Pines | DCRA | In accordance with original legislation, DCRA started Phase 1 Abandoned housing inventory in June FY 2001 Phase 1 was completed in Oct 2001. Full inventory to be completed March 2002. For more information on this inventory process, call your Neigborhood Stabilization Officer, who is Michael Byrd (645.8293). | 3308 |
| | | DPW | DPW will follow the work plan established by the Ward 8 Core Team. | 3308 |
| | | NSI | This task was completed by the Rapids Response Team. | 3308 |
| Create and implement strategy for demolition, code enforcement, Clean and Lien, and development opportunities. | Douglass, Shipley, Hunter Pines | DCRA | The Neigborhood Stabilization Officer assigned to this cluster is Michael Byrd (645.8293). | 3309 |
| | | DPW | Solid Waste Education and Enforcement Program (SWEEP) inspectors will investigate lots and post Clean or Lien signs where necessary. Lots that have not been cleaned by the owner will be put on the schedule for abatement. | 3309 |
| | | OCCC | OCCC is working with a multi-agency task force to develop and introduce legislation to increase fines for quality of life infractions and to improve laws and enforcement for illegal posters, littering, etc. | 3309 |

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Cluster Priority: IMPROVED ENVIRONMENT/ BEAUTIFICATION

| Proposed Action | Location | Agency | Budget Commitment | Action ID |
|--|------------------------------------|--------|--|-----------|
| Create and implement strategy for demolition, code enforcement, Clean and Lien, and development opportunities. | Douglass, Shipley, Hunter Pines | OP | The Office of Planning (OP) will provide analytical support on the Mayor's new Home Again housing program to be implemented by DMPED in the Douglass, Shipley, and Hunter Pines area of Cluster 38 during FY 2003. This initiative will develop and set in motion a strategic process for (1) identifying vacant/abandoned properties in specific neighborhoods, (2) obtaining control or ownership of these properties, and (3) developing them to the benefit of their communities. This program will make housing units available to families of all incomes. | 3309 |
| | | DHCD | DHCD will be receptive to applications received for the development of priority properties as identified through this initiative. (DHCD) | 3309 |

Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives



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) | 3289 |
| 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 dcra.dc.gov. | 3310 |
| | | OP | OP will work to keep the website up to date that list projects being reviewed by OP. Other websites such as DCRA and DMPED already list development projects (http://dc.gov/) | 3310 |
| Ensure that developers balance new projects with green space (tot lots). | Cluster-wide | OP | Through the project review process OP works to recommends open space and preservation of required recreation space for residents. | 3311 |

Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives



Cluster Priority: INCREASED QUALITY AND VARIETY OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Objective: Encourage parental involvement

| Proposed Action | Location | Agency | Budget Commitment | Action ID |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|--------|---|-----------|
| Make library hours more flexible. | Ward-wide | DCPL | DCPL will solicit citizen input and re-evaluate our public service hours. At this time, DCPL does not have the resources to expand hours. | 692 |

Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives



Cluster Priority: INCREASED QUALITY AND VARIETY OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Objective: Increase programmatic offerings for educating youth.

| Proposed Action | Location | Agency | Budget Commitment | Action ID |
|--|----------|--------|---|-----------|
| Develop new teaching techniques for education children with behavioral problems. | | DCPS | The request will be taken into advisement in the design of programs to support the transformation of Turner ES. | 3317 |
| Increase the use of technology in the classroom. | | DCPS | Turner will receive new systems in FY 2002 as part of the T-9 effort. | 3318 |

Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives



Cluster Priority: INCREASED QUALITY AND VARIETY OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Objective: Build new recreation center

| Proposed Action | Location | Agency | Budget Commitment | Action ID |
|--|------------------------|--------|--|-----------|
| Build recreational facility in the Knox Hill/Buena Vista area. | Buena Vista/ Knox Hill | DPR | Pending official transfer of land from DHCD, DPR is prepared to build a playground at this site. (We are ready as soon as we have the land.) | 3285 |

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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. The Board discusses all aspects of DPR- from programs to planning. It is chaired by Evelyn Wolfson and it meets once a month. New "non-athletic" activities will be included in this summer's curriculum.(DPR) If you would like more information, please call our Chief of Staff at 673-7665. | 694 |
| | | DCPS | Out-of-school time programs are provided in all elementary and middle schools in Ward 8 through funding from DHS. Such programs will operate so long as funding is available. These programs run until 1830 hours; later hours can be accommodated with the provision of funding for administration, instruction, and security. | 694 |
| Start literacy programs | Area Schools | DCPS | Ballou has a STAY component which provides training to community members in the evening. Ballou will also be providing literacy services to adults during the evening hours beginning 2002Q2. Hart is a 21st Century Community Learning Center and provides training to adults between the hours of 1830 and 2130 M-Th. | 696 |

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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 |
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| 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". | 3319 |
| 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. | 3320 |
| Require designated recreation areas (tot lots) in new housing developments. | Ward-wide | OP | Through the project review process OP works to recommends open space and preservation of required recreation space for residents. OP will support DPR as needed to determine neighborhood needs and opportunities. | 3321 |
| Assess availability of current mentoring programs and establish additional programs where needed such as programs that partner seniors with teens. | Cluster-wide | DCPS | Mentoring programs at Turner must be negotiated through the local school principal but this request will be considered as part of the overall strategy for transforming this school. The request will be taken into advisement in the design of programs to support the transformation of Turner ES. Such partnerships might be effected within Cluster 39 schools which house teenagers. | 3322 |

Proposed FY 2003 Commitments to Priorities Identified Through Neighborhood Initiatives



Cluster Priority: INCREASED QUALITY AND VARIETY OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Objective: Non-traditional Education/ Recreation

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| Assess availability of current mentoring programs and establish additional programs where needed such as programs that partner seniors with teens. | Cluster-wide | DPR | DPR will work on this with DCPS with whom we meet monthly. Questions can be directed to DPR's Chief of Staff at 673-7665. | 3322 |
| Assess availability of current programs for at-risk youth and establish additional where needed. | Ward-wide | MPD | This program will be expanded in FY 2003. In addition, information can be secured from the department's Youth and Family Services Division.In FY 2003, MPD will continue to expand opportunities available for youth between the ages of 8 and 18 through programs administered by the Metropolitan Police Boys' and Girls' Clubs and focusing on academic achievement, sporting activities, and life skills workshops and training. | 3324 |
| Identify resources to create after-school programs. | | DCPS | DCPS offers out-of-school time programs in all Ward 8 elementary and middle/junior high schools. | 3325 |
| | | DMCYF | Please refer to the DCPS response. The DMCYF supports the Transforming Schools (T9) schools initiative which provides afterschool programs at 9 selected schools for the FY '02 fiscal year. The Department of Human Services provides Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) funding for afterschool programs in more than 120 schools on a yearround basis. | 3325 |
| Reinstate the local police cadet program. | City-wide | MPD | The Police Cadet program was reinstated in 2001. | 3326 |

Agency Abbreviations Guide

| Abbreviation | Agency |
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| 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 |
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| 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 |
| OCCC | Office of the Clean City Coordinator |
| OCFO | Chief Financial Officer |
| OCP | Office of Contracting and Procurement |
| ОСТО | 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 38 Ward 8

Douglass, Shipley Terrace

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

Mayoral Final Budget Budget 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. MPD will increase use of sobriety checkpoints and seatbelt enforcement and review additional sites for photo enforcement to catch red light runners. ■ The Fire Emergency and Medical Services Department (FEMS) will hire one additional fire inspector for the Ward 8. District Department of Transportation (DDOT) will investigate current street light wattages in areas suggested by residents and increase where possible. 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 Helping Hands program makes tools and trash bags available for community clean-ups. DPW will schedule abatement for vacant lots when the owners have failed to maintain them and will then post Clean it or Lien it signs. ■ The Office of the Clean City Coordinator (OCCC) will continue to conduct cleanliness assessments. To further implement the Clean City Initiative, one staff person will be hired. The Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) will work to pursue partnership opportunities for community garden projects with entities such as Garden



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Highlights of Key Commitments, cont. for Cluster 38

Increase Educational Programs

- The District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) has budgeted \$2.2 million in FY 2003 and \$9.5 million in FY04 for the complete modernization of Turner Elementary School.
- DCPS is working to expand the number of early childhood programs throughout the city and to increase overall enrollment in them.

Increase Housing 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.
- The 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.

Increase Recreation Opportunities for People of All Ages

- DCPS will open Johnson Jr. High's gymnasium to the public during the summer months.
- DPR will hire additional staff to design cultural arts programs and create partnerships with existing programs such as Pop Warner.
- DPR will provide mobile recreation opportunities and is purchasing a new mobile recreation to service neighborhoods.

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