

United States Attorney for the District of Columbia



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Metropolitan Police Department

# COMMUNITY RESOURCE GUIDE







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#### Introduction to This Guide

he purpose of this guide is to provide residents of the District of Columbia with information on how to access and interact with the various agencies and services providers within the city. This resource guide is a compilation of phone numbers, addresses, and links to make it easier for you to contact various public, private, and non-profit entities that can assist with improving public safety and enhancing quality of life.

We hope that you find this guide useful and helpful. Please feel free to share this information with your neighbors and encourage them to become involved in solving issues and taking steps to improve our city together.

#### Key to Acronyms Used in This Guide

ATFE — Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

BGCGW — Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Washington

CSOSA — Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency

DCHA — District of Columbia Housing Authority

DCRA — DC Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs

DDOT — District Department of Transportation

DPW — DC Department of Public Works

FTC — Federal Trade Commission

MOCRS - Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services

MPD — Metropolitan Police Department

NCPC — National Crime Prevention Council

OAG — DC Office of the Attorney General

ROOT — Reaching Out to Others Together

USAO —United States Attorney's Office

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# **Reducing Crime in Your Community**

Following are law enforcement agencies and services offered in the Washington region to assist in preventing and solving crime in your community.



#### United States Attorney for the District of Columbia

The USAO (DC) is responsible not only for the prosecution of all federal crimes, but also for the prosecution of all serious local crime committed by adults in the District of Columbia. In addition, the agency represents the United States and its departments and agencies in civil proceedings filed in federal court in the District of Columbia.

#### Community Outreach Specialists

1st District698-0550	5th District698-0144
2nd District 715-7374	6th District 698-0825
3rd District671-1892	7th District698-1452
4th District715-7415	Victim Witness Assistance514-7130

For more information, visit www.dccommunityprosecution.gov



#### Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia

The OAG is the Mayor's legal arm, prosecuting and defending all civil litigation related to the District's business. The agency also prosecutes certain violations of criminal law, including all juvenile criminal cases, traffic infractions, and adult misdemeanor cases in DC Superior Court.

Neighborhood and Victim	Consumer Protection
Services Division,	Hotline442-9828
Public Safety Section 727-3500	Juvenile Section727-3500

For more information, visit www.oag.dc.gov



#### Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency (CSOSA)

CSOSA is a federal agency created by Congress in 1997 to provide community supervision to individuals on probation, parole, and supervised release in the District of Columbia.

CSOSA Main Number220-5300	Community Justice Programs 220-5320
For more information, visit www.csosa.gov	



#### District of Columbia Courts

The D.C. Courts are comprised of the Court of Appeals, the highest court of the District; the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, a trial court with general jurisdiction over virtually all local legal matters; and the Court System, which provides administrative functions for both Courts.

Moultrie Courthouse879-1010	Civil Division879-1133
Criminal Division879-1373	Family Court879-1212
Probate879-4800	Landlord & Tenant879-4879
Domestic Violence879-0157	Public Information Office 879-1700

For more information, visit www.dccourts.gov/pa

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#### D.C. Pretrial Services Agency (PSA)

PSA gathers and presents information about newly arrested defendants and about available release options for use by judicial officers in deciding what, if any, conditions are to be set for released

defendants. PSA also supervises defendants released from custody during the pretrial period by monitoring their compliance with conditions of release.

PSA Main Number.....220-5500

Criminal Case Subpoenas (fax)... 220-5618

For more information, visit www.dcpsa.gov



#### Metropolitan Police Department

Emergency/Police Service ..... 911

1st District Station.....299-2023 101 M Street, SW

2nd District Station ....... 715-7300 3320 Idaho Avenue, NW

3rd District Station ......673-6815

1620 V Street, NW

4th District Station ...... 715-7400 6001 Georgia Avenue, NW

**5th District Station.....** 698-0150

1805 Bladensburg Road, NE

For more information, visit www.mpdc.dc.gov



#### Have information for police? CALL (888) 919-CRIME TEXT TO 50-411

Other City	Services	311
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**6th District Station**......698-0880 100 42nd Street, NE

7th District Station......698-1500 2455 Alabama Avenue, SE

#### Special Liaison Units

Gay and Lesbian Liaison ....... 727-5427 Asian Liaison ......724-8009 Deaf and Hard of Hearing ..... 698-0289 Latino Liaison......673-4445 Sex Offender Registry ..... 727-4407



#### \* ★ Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS)

Mayor's Citywide Call Center3-1-1
MOCRS Main Number

#### Outreach and Service Specialists

Ward 1442-8120	Ward 5727-5746
Ward 2442-8151	Ward 6 727-7975
Ward 3727-2287	Ward 7442-8152
Ward 4442-8161	Ward 8727-7466

For more information, visit www.mocrs.dc.gov

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### **Juvenile Crime**

Juvenile crime is a top priority for all stakeholders in our communities. Following is a list of service providers who commit resources to addressing juvenile crime.

#### Intervention and Prevention

Boys and Girls Clubs397-CLUB
For more information, visit www.bgcgw.org
Big Brothers Big Sisters of the National Capital Area(301) 794-9170
For more information, visit www.bbbsnca.org
Roving Leaders and Junior Roving Leaders698-2311
Office of Children, Youth, Family and Elders727-8001
For more information, visit www.dmcyf.dc.gov
DC Child and Family Services Agency
For more information, visit www.cfsa.dc.gov
DC Department of Mental Health673-7440
For more information, visit www.dmh.dc.gov
National Youth Crisis Hotline(800) 442-HOPE (4673)
For more information, visit www.allaboutcounseling.com

#### Law Enforcement

DC Office of the Attorney General Juvenile Section......727-3500

Metropolitan Police Department
Central Auto Theft Section 724-1360
1st District Auto Theft 299-2030
2nd District Auto Theft730-1904
3rd District Auto Theft 673-6925
Youth Investigations Div 576-6737
Watch Your Car Program

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Central Auto Theft Section 724-1360	4th District Auto Theft715-7501
1st District Auto Theft 299-2030	5th District Auto Theft698-0175
2nd District Auto Theft730-1904	6th District Auto Theft698-0905
3rd District Auto Theft673-6925	7th District Auto Theft 698-1337
Youth Investigations Div 576-6737	Intelligence Fusion724-1424
Watch Your Car Program	(877) DC2-STOP

For more information, visit mpdc.dc.gov or mpdc.dc.gov/wyc

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# **Addressing Nuisance Properties**

The Attorney General's Office for the District of Columbia enforces the city's drug nuisance abatement regulations, in cooperation with the Metropolitan Police Department, the U.S. Attorney's Office, and other city agencies. Collaboratively, these agencies address issues that will create an environment that strengthens neighborhood spirit and policecommunity relationships. Nuisance properties are havens for numerous illegal activities, including drug trafficking, prostitution and public drinking. Residents are encouraged to report nuisance properties to the Office of the Attorney General or their local police district.

DC Attorney General's Office/ Neighborhood and Victim Services Division ......727-3500 For more information, visit www.oag.dc.gov Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services ......See complete list on page 4 For more information, visit www.dc.gov For more information, visit www.mpdc.dc.gov U.S. Attorney's Office, Community Outreach Specialists ..... See complete list on page 3 For more information, visit www.dccommunityprosecution.gov Department of Public Works Abandoned Vehicles ......576-66011 Street Cleaning......3-1-1 For more information, visit www.dpw.dc.gov For more information, visit www.dcra.dc.gov DC Housing Authority ......535-1000 For more information, visit www.dchousing.org/department/public\_safety.html For more information, visit www.ddot.dc.gov

# **Combating Gun Violence**

Gun violence continues to be the leading cause of serious injury and death in the District of Columbia. Each year, more than 2,000 firearms are recovered from the streets of our city and almost 1,000 criminals are convicted for illegally carrying and/or using a gun. Smarter policing and aggressive prosecution have succeeded in ensuring violent criminals are held accountable for their actions, but more needs to be done. Law enforcement is committed to working with the community to combat gun violence and build safer neighborhoods across the District.

#### Reporting Illegal Guns

ATF Illegal Gun Hotline
For more information, visit www.atf.gov
Metropolitan Police DepartmentSee complete list on page 4
For more information, visit www.mpdc.dc.gov
U.S. Attorney's Office, Community Outreach SpecialistsSee complete list on page 3
For more information, visit www.dccommunityprosecution.gov

#### Registering Your Firearm (Rifles, long guns, and handguns)

MPD Firearms Registration Hotline
MPD Firearms Registration Section (9 am-5 pm Mon-Fri)727-4275
For more information, visit www.mpdc.dc.gov/gunregistration

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## **Alcohol and Substance Abuse**

Alcohol and drug abuse can be early indicators of more systemic problems in a community. Establishments licensed to sell and/or serve alcoholic beverages in the city are regulated by the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA). Infractions of the laws and regulations governing the sale and/or serving of alcohol are prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office for the District of Columbia. Both agencies work closely with the U.S. Attorney's Office and MPD to coordinate strategies to work with establishments in the city.

#### Regulating Alcohol Establishments

Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration
For more information, visit www.abra.dc.gov
DC Attorney General Civil Enforcement
DC Attorney General Criminal Enforcement727-3500
For more information, visit www.oag.dc.gov
Metropolitan Police Department
For more information, visit www.mpdc.dc.gov
U.S. Attorney's Office, Community Outreach Specialists See complete list on page 3
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#### Substance Abuse and Addiction Prevention

It is estimated that over 60,000 individuals in the District of Columbia have a substance abuse problem. This figure represents nearly 12 percent of the general population. In addition, forty percent of the 1.2 million annual emergency room visits in the District of Columbia are related to alcohol and drug abuse.

Addiction Prevention and Recovery Administration	727-8857
24 Hour Hotline	
For more information, visit app.doh.dc.gov/about/index_a	apr.shtm

# **Drug Dealing and Prostitution**

Drug dealing and prostitution have a significant impact on the quality of life in neighborhoods across the city. In order to combat these problems, and the violence they can cause, citizens are encouraged to work together with law enforcement by reporting suspicious and illegal behavior. Information can be provided anonymously. Below is a list of law enforcement agencies best equipped to combat drug dealing and prostitution in your community.

#### Law Enforcement

Metropolitan Police Department Narcotics and Special Investigations Divis Prostitution Enforcement Unit	ion698-5662
Vice Units         1st District       299-2029         2nd District       715-7321         3rd District       673-6922         4th District       730-0611	5th District
For more information, visit www.mpdc.dc.gov	
D.C. Office of the Attorney General For more information, visit www.oag.dc.gov	727-3500 oag@dc.gov

#### Prostitution Prevention and Reform Programs

DC Community Court	379-1905
For more information, visit www.dccourts.gov/dccourts/superior/community_co	urts.jsp

#### US Department of Justice

The United States Attorney's Office, in conjunction with the Metropolitan Police Department, Pretrial Services Agency for the District of Columbia and Angels and Associates, Inc., has developed a diversion program that seeks to address the root causes of prostitution in the District of Columbia. The program has two components. It offers an educational and awareness course for the purchasers of prostitution ("John School"). It also offers a comprehensive education and behavior modification component, which includes inpatient and/or outpatient drug treatment, for prostitutes ("Project Power").

The Executive Director of Project Power can be reached at (240) 271-2681.

Information regarding the John School can be obtained by calling (202) 641-0548.

# **Identity Theft and Internet Safety**

In recent years, the Federal Trade Commission has received thousands of identity fraud complaints from victims in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. Working adults are prime targets because they have a steady income and are, arguably, more easily distracted. This combination provides fertile ground for identity thieves to thrive. The following resources can help you avoid being the next identity fraud victim and provide guidance on how to get help if you do become a victim of fraud.

#### Reporting Identity Theft

Metropolitan Police Department	See complete list on page 4
Financial Crimes and Fraud Unit	727-4159
For more information, visit www.mpdc.dc.gov/identitytheft	mpd.fraud-unit@dc.gov
D.C. Office of the Attorney General	
Consumer Protection Hotline	442-9828
For more information, visit www.oag.dc.gov/occ/cwp	oag@dc.gov

#### Avoiding Becoming a Victim

Federal Trade Commission(877) 382-4357
For more information, visit www.ftc.gov/bcp/edu/microsites/idtheft
National Fraud Information Center
For more information, visit www.fraud.org
National Crime Prevention Council
For more information, visit www.ncpc.org
Privacy Rights Clearing House(619) 298-3396
For more information, visit <b>privacyrights.org</b>

#### Internet Crime Prevention

Increasingly, the Internet is used to facilitate sexual explointation of children through child pornography and enticement offenses. This activity is a growing threat to children in the U.S. and throughout the world. Agencies throughout the government are making efforts to curb child exploitation, particularly offenses involving the Internet.

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US Department of Justice Project Safe Childhood

For more information, visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov

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# **Help for Victims of Crime**

There are a number of programs in the District of Columbia which provide aid to victims and witnesses of crime. These programs focus on providing information on the criminal justice system, ensuring the safety and security of victims and witnesses, and providing them with referrals for counseling, medical care, housing and financial assistance, and other services to enable them to better cope with the consequences of crime.

#### Law Enforcement

U.S. Attorney's Office Victim/Witness Assistance514-7130
For more information, visit www.usdoj.gov/usao/dc/Victim_Witness_Assistance
DC Attorney General's Crime Victim Assistance Unit727-3500
For more information, visit www.oag.dc.gov
MPD Victim Assistance Unit
Crime Victims Compensation Fund
For more information, visit www.mpdc.dc.gov/serv/victims/victims.shtm

#### Other Organizations

DC Children's Advocacy Center (Safe Shores)
To more membracion, visit www.decemeros.org
National Organization for Victim Assistance(800) 879-6682
For more information, visit www.try-nova.org
Survivors of Homicide882-9190
For more information, visit www.survivorsofhomicideinc.org
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Wendt Center for Loss and Healing (RECOVER Program)624-0010
For more information, visit www.wendtcenter.org/services/recover.htm
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#### Domestic Violence

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DC Coalition Against Domestic Violence299-1181
For more information, visit www.dccadv.org
DC Rape Crisis Center
For more information, visit www.dcrcc.org
DC Domestic Violence Intake Center
For more information, visit www.dcbar.org/for_lawyers/courts/superior_court/center.cfm
WEAVE (Women Empowered Against Violence)
For more information, visit www.weaveincorp.org

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# **Staying Informed**

For years, experts in law enforcement have recognized the benefits of community policing in reducing the incidence of crime and improving the quality of life for residents.

To aid residents in making informed decisions about their safety, they have to be well informed of the crime that occurs in their communities. Each month, staff of the Community Outreach at the U.S. Attoney's Office publishes seven Court Reports. Each report, specifically tailored to a police district, contains a summary of the significant cases prosecuted during the previous month. The reports also discuss crimes which have occurred in the community and provide updates on the criminal convictions of those who commit crimes. The reports also include special sections on monthy firearms- and drugrelated arrests.



The Court Reports can be downloaded at www.usdoj.gov/usao/dc/Community\_Prosecutiion/Court\_Reports/index.html. You may also obtain a hard copy of reports by contacting the Community Outreach Specialist in your police district.

# Working together to build safer neighborhoods.



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