WHAT'S New

IN THE METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

A weekly update for residents, visitors, and workers in the District of Columbia





Friday, February 1, 2013

NEW AUTOMATED SPEED ENFORCEMENT LOCATIONS DEPLOYED CITYWIDE

On Tuesday, January 29, 2013, the Metropolitan Police Department announced the deployment of new photo enforced locations beginning Friday, February 1, 2013.

The deployment locations for the Photo Enforcement Units will continue to be at sites with the highest number of crashes and injuries, calls for police service, and high speed volume. MPD also considered recommendations or requests from the Department of Transportation, Advisory Neighborhood Commissions and civic or citizen associations.

The 30-day educational phase will commence on or about February 1, 2013, whereas violators will receive warning citations. On March 4, 2013, MPD will begin issuing live moving citations to violators.

The new vehicle-based photo enforcement locations are as follows. Unless otherwise noted, the speed limit is 25 mph:

- » Read the complete news release at: http://mpdc.dc.gov/
- » Learn more about automated traffic enforcement at: http://mpdc.dc.gov/photoenforcement

- 1000 block Pennsylvania Avenue, SE (30 mph)
- 1300 block Pennsylvania Avenue, SE (30 mph)
- 700 block Maryland Avenue, NE
- 1200 block Maryland Avenue, NE
- · 300 block H Street, NE eastbound
- 5100 block 13th Street, NW southbound
- 1800 block Montana Avenue, NE
- 3000 block Rhode Island Avenue, NE (30 mph)
- 1200 block Mt. Olivet Road, NE
- 5400 block N H Burroughs Avenue, NE (30 mph)
- 5000 block Benning Road, NE (30 mph)
- 3600 Jay Street, NE
- 1200 block Branch Avenue, SE
- 100 block Malcolm X Avenue, SE (30 mph)
- 2300 block Good Hope Road, SE



The new portable photo enforcement locations are as follows:

- 300 block 17th Street, SE
- · 2200 block K Street, NW
- 600 block Missouri Avenue, NW
- 7700 block 16th Street, NW (30 mph)
- 3900 block Pennsylvania Avenue, SE (30 mph)
- 2500 block Naylor Road, SE

GET TIPS ON PREVENTING VEHICLE THEFT DURING 2013 WASHINGTON AUTO SHOW

Visitors to the 2013 Washington Auto Show will be able to do more than just check out the latest in new automobiles and accessories. They can also get valuable information and resources on how to protect their vehicles from theft. The safety tips are courtesy of the MPD. The Washington Auto Show runs from Friday, February 1, through Sunday, February 10, in the Washington Convention Center. Members of the MPD's Auto Theft Unit and the Washington Area Vehicle Enforcement (WAVE) team, as well as other area law enforcement agencies will be passing out safety tips and information on how to reduce the chances of your vehicle being stolen.

In 2012, 2,863 vehicles were reported stolen in DC, according to preliminary statistics. While there was a 16 percent decline in 2012 compared to 2011, far too many cars are stolen each year. To help protect automobiles from theft, motorists are encouraged to follow some steps to make your car – and the valuables in it – less attractive to thieves. The common-sense approach to protection is the simplest and most cost effective way to avoid would-be thieves. You should always secure your vehicle, even if you're parking for "just a minute." Do this by:

- Removing your keys from the ignition.
- · Locking all of your doors.
- · Closing all of your windows.
- Parking in a well-lit area.
- Never leaving your engine running and vehicle unlocked while you run into your home, a convenience store or anywhere else.

Also, a visible or audible device will alert thieves that your vehicle is protected. Popular devices include audible alarms, steering wheel locks, steering column collars, theft deterrent decals, and tire locks.

- » For more auto theft prevention and other safety tips, go to:
 - http://mpdc.dc.gov/safety
- » For information on the 2011 Washington Auto Show, visit:

http://www.washingtonautoshow.com

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Report Crimes Against Children through the CyberTipline. The Report crimes 24-hours a day, 7 days a week by calling 1-800-843-5678 or reporting crimes online at http://www.cybertipline.com.

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