

WHAT'S *New*

IN THE METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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



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NEW AUTOMATED SPEED ENFORCEMENT LOCATIONS DEPLOYED

Earlier this week, the Metropolitan Police Department announced the deployment of new photo enforced locations beginning on or about Wednesday, June 11, 2014.

The deployment locations for the Photo Enforcement Units are sites where speeding has been identified to be a problem. During the 30-day educational phase, violators will receive warning citations. After 30 days of warning tickets, MPD will begin issuing live moving citations to violators.

The new photo enforcement locations are as follows:

- Unit block 47th St SE // 25 mph speed limit
- 1600 block Minnesota Ave SE // 25 mph speed limit
- 2700 block Wade Rd SE // 25 mph speed limit
- 800 block Southern Ave SE // 30 mph speed limit
- 800 block Barnaby St SE // 25 mph speed limit

The speed cameras are part of several types of automated traffic enforcement the MPD uses as part of the DC Street Safe traffic safety campaign. DC Street Safe is aimed at using photo enforcement technologies to combat aggressive and dangerous driving habits that endanger some of our most vulnerable road users, such as pedestrians, bicyclists, and other vehicle drivers and passengers. Additionally, DC Street Safe allows traffic safety enforcement in areas and circumstances where it could be dangerous or impractical for police officers to pull over vehicles for violations. DC Street Safe is comprised of the following new technologies:

- Gridlock enforcement units that will improve traffic flow by targeting “blocking the box” at intersections;
- Portable stop sign enforcement units to reduce violations in residential neighborhoods;
- Portable crosswalk enforcement units that will enhance pedestrian safety at crosswalks near schools, parks, and recreation centers;
- Speed enforcement units that will focus on intersections with known speeding problems;
- Units that will enforce rules on oversized and overweight commercial vehicles in order to reduce infrastructure damage and enhance quality of life in our neighborhoods.

» For more information, including the locations of all automated enforcement units, and DC Street Safe videos, please visit:
<http://www.DCStreetSafe.org>.

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PROVIDE 911 WITH A SAFETY PROFILE THROUGH SMART911

Smart911, a initiative by the Office of Unified Communications (OUC) improves public safety by providing immediate crucial information to emergency responders. Smart911 provides emergency responders with much more complete information about 911 callers so they can respond to the right location, with the right personnel and the right equipment. Smart911 is a public/private partnership enabling the creation of a critical caller database that integrates with the District's 911 system.

Coupled with the DC 311 smart-phone app, the availability of Smart911 adds to OUC's goal of making OUC the nation's most efficient and responsive emergency communications agency. With Smart911, residents are able to create a Safety Profile at www.smart911.com that is automatically displayed to 9-1-1 during emergency calls. The profile can include home and work addresses associated with mobile phone numbers, specific medical conditions and disabilities, all family members, vehicle information and even information about pets.

Residents are encouraged to create their Safety Profile with Smart911 today to have their information immediately available to 911. Smart911 data is private and secure, is only used for emergency responses, and is only made available to the 911 system in the event of an emergency call.

- » Create your safety profile with Smart911 online at:
<https://www.smart911.com/>
- » Smart911 is supported by the DC Office of Unified Communications (OUC), which oversees the 9-1-1 call center in the District of Columbia. Learn more about OUC at:
<http://ouc.dc.gov/>
- » Watch the a YouTube video about the benefits of creating a safety profile through Smart911:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JDZFTx-rz9Y&feature=youtu.be>

DC311 FREE SMARTPHONE APP OFFERS ALTERNATIVE METHOD TO REPORTING SERVICE REQUESTS

The DC311 smartphone app is a free download that allows citizens to report service requests from their iPhone or Android mobile devices. There are a large number of different service requests to choose from, including complaints about trash, potholes, graffiti and illegal dumping.

This tool, together with the Citywide Call Center and 311Online, is yet another way the community can report a problem. Information from all these sources is funneled into one database for tracking and resolution. The free app automatically pinpoints the location of the reported problem using GPS technology. Registered users can also attach a photo and provide the exact location for the service request. Once the request is submitted, users will receive an e-mail from 311 confirming receipt of the request, including the service request number. They will also receive a follow-up e-mail when the request has been closed by the servicing agency. Citizens can also track the status of their requests any time.



- » Download the DC311 smartphone app at:
<http://ouc.dc.gov/page/dc-311-smartphone-app>
- » Request city services by calling 3-1-1 or visit the website:
<http://311.dc.gov/>

NEWS & NOTES

Also Noteworthy

Join the MPD Reserve Corps. The MPD Reserve Corps, a volunteer policing program is seeking new members. Applications are now being accepted at <http://dcpolicejobs.dc.gov>.

Preventing terrorism is everybody's business. If you SEE something, SAY something. Call the MPD at (202) 727-9099 to report suspicious activity that has already occurred. Call 911 to report in-progress threats or emergencies. Learn how you can help fight terrorism at <http://mpdc.dc.gov/operationTIPP>.

Tell Us How We're Doing. MPD is now part of Grade DC. We invite you to share your thoughts on our service — positive or negative — through MPD's email groups, our social media, or by visiting the Grade DC website. Get more information at <http://grade.dc.gov>.

Information, ideas, or comments about this service?

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