



Drones and Unmanned Aircraft Systems

A Quick Look at MPD's Newest Tool to Fight Crime

Meet Our Fleet



MPD will deploy USA-made Parrot Anafi drones, operated by trained pilots.



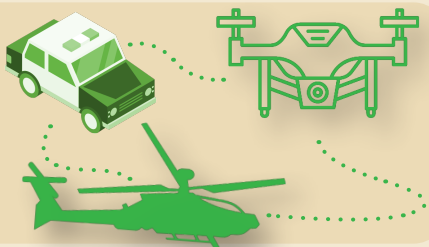
Each drone is capable of flying for about 30 minutes without recharging.



Drones can fly into tight spaces to help support critical missions.

Deployment

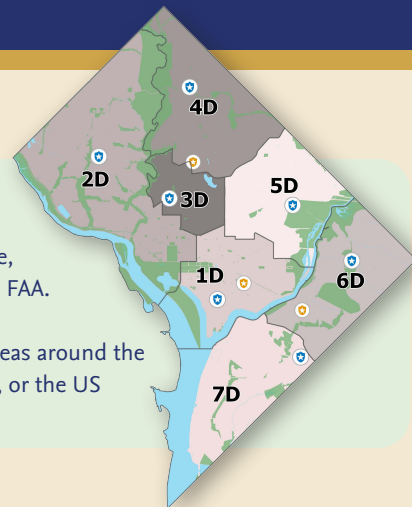
Our investment in drones will provide a versatile solution for deployment to augment the capabilities of our existing Air Support Unit and vehicles on the ground.



Taking to the Air

Only authorized Remote Pilots in Charge (or RPICs) may fly in the District's heavily-regulated airspace, under special permission from the FAA.

The program will not operate in areas around the White House, US Capitol complex, or the US Naval Observatory.



Come Fly with Me



MPD's RPICs receive vigorous training and must have a current license under FAA Part 107. RPICs are accompanied by Visual Observers, who assist by constantly monitoring the drone and its surroundings to ensure safety and alert the pilot to potential hazards.



Learn more at mpdc.dc.gov/drones



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