

MAYOR MURIEL BOWSER'S

FY 2020 Proposed Budget - Ward 8 Investments



INVESTMENTS IN AFFORDABLE HOUSING

- **\$35M** to grow the District's investment in affordable housing through the Housing Production Trust Fund (increased by \$30M to \$130M) and the Housing Preservation Fund (increased by \$5M to \$15M)
- **\$20M** for Workforce Housing to increase access to housing for teachers, first responders, social workers, hospitality workers, and others
- **\$5.2M** to expand and increase Schedule H, DC's income tax credit to help offset rising rents and mortgages



INVESTMENTS IN EDUCATION & COMMUNITIES

- **\$56.4M** increase in funding for DC Public Schools and Public Charter Schools, and 2.2% increase to the foundation level of the Uniform Per Student Funding Formula
- **\$6M** to expand school-based mental health services for students
- **\$4.6M** investment to provide a laptop or IT device for every student in grades 3, 6, and 9
- **\$1.6M** to open six new Full Service DCPS Community Schools across the District, including at Anacostia and Ballou
- **\$250K** in funding for teacher home visits through Families First schools in Wards 7 and 8
- **\$16.2M** to renovate the Congress Heights Recreation Center
- **\$18.7M** to renovate the Douglass Recreation Center
- **\$57.6M** for a full modernization of Garfield Elementary School
- **\$23.3M** for design and Year 1 construction at Green Elementary School
- **\$13.5M** to complete renovations at the Kramer Middle School Community Center
- **\$13M** for renovations at the Southeast Tennis and Learning Center



INVESTMENTS IN PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION

- **\$3M** toward expanding MPD officers to 4,000 by 2021, focusing on bikes and on-foot officers
- **\$3.5M** for four additional ambulances and 45 additional firefighters/paramedics/EMTs to serve Wards 7 and 8
- **\$1.7M** to open three physical offices in key neighborhoods where people can get clinical trauma-informed mental health support, including in Wards 7 and/or 8, and to train community leaders in trauma-informed action
- **\$584K** to expand violence prevention activities to four additional priority communities, including Congress Park and Parkland in Ward 8
- **\$345K** to increase outreach by community-based organization violence interrupters in Wards 7 and 8
- **\$130K** in additional funds to enhance violence prevention activities in Ward 8
- **\$16.1M** to launch the free DC Circulator and expand East of the River routes
- **\$4.7M** for hiring a new bike lane parking enforcement team, creating more pick-up and drop off zones, hosting open streets events and other improvements as part of Vision Zero
- **\$240M** investment in streetscapes, tree planting and urban forestry
- **\$28.2M** for local streets paving and maintenance
- **\$6.2M** for safety improvements along Alabama Ave SE
- **\$26.6M** for streetscape improvements along MLK Jr. Ave SE

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INVESTMENTS IN FAMILIES & SENIORS

- **\$4.5M** to eliminate the Diaper Tax
- **\$2.5M** to make the “Keeping Childcare Affordable” Tax Credit permanent
- **\$2M** to increase funding for Safe at Home, enabling more seniors to age in place
- **\$500K** to provide grants for dental services to help seniors



AND MORE

- **\$1.4M** for new Office for East of the River Services with a mission to ensure that residents and neighborhoods in Ward 7 and Ward 8 enjoy the same socio-economic opportunities and benefits, high-quality District government facilities, community amenities, and access to District government services that all District residents and neighborhoods deserve
- **\$3.8M** to support installation of over 250 new free public WiFi access points to cover Ward 7 and 8 Great Streets and Main Streets by the end of FY 2021
- **\$200K** for Dream Grants to small businesses with fewer than five employees owned by Ward 7 and Ward 8 residents
- **\$1M** to continue the District's path to statehood through education and engagement
- **\$2.5M** to ensure every resident is counted for Census 2020
- **\$316.8M** for a new hospital at Saint Elizabeth's
- **\$90M** for infrastructure at the redevelopment of the St Elizabeth's East campus
- **\$9.8M** for improvements at United Wellness Center
- **\$11.4M** for the Ward 8 Senior Wellness Center, delivering the project two years earlier than planned
- **\$1M** for a mobile, multi-disciplinary 24-hour response team that can provide crisis services to the residents of the District of Columbia