A FAIR SHOT

MAYOR BOWSER'S FY19 BUDGET

INVESTMENTS IN SENIORS



Mayor Bowser's FY 2019 budget expands investments for seniors to ensure that Washington, D.C. is the best city in the world to age and live well in. Through property tax relief, investments in transportation, in-home supports, and wellness programs, the Bowser Administration is ensuring that seniors are able to stay and live in the communities they know and love.



Property Tax Relief

CAPS RATE INCREASES AT 5% PER YEAR



The FY 2019 budget includes a proposal to ensure that more DC seniors can age in place by **cutting in half**, from 10% to 5%, how much their property taxes can go up each year. If a senior qualifies for our reduced property tax rate, their property taxes won't go up by more than 5% a year, helping them age-in-place.

Transport DC

\$2 MILLION



The new \$2 million investment in Transport DC provides greater access to high-quality, cost-effective transportation options for seniors. Residents will receive efficient curb-to-curb taxicab or wheelchair accessible taxicab service.

Safe at Home Program

\$4.5 MILLION



Includes a **\$4.5 million** investment in the **Safe at Home** program so that seniors can remain safely in their homes and communities. This program provides security cameras and preventative, in-home adaptations to seniors. Since launching in 2016, Safe at Home has completed more than 1,000 projects across DC. The five most commonly completed types of projects are grab bars, railings, hand held clamps, hand held showers, and stair-lifts.

Improved Community Spaces and Affordable Housing



The budget provides \$1.5 million in capital funds to expand the Model Cities and Congress Heights Senior Wellness Centers, providing health and wellness spaces for seniors. The budget also includes \$11.4 million for a new Senior Wellness Center in Ward 8 and \$26 million to fund 50 Permanent Supportive Housing units for Senior Women. The Administration continues its commitment of \$4 million in capital funds for upgrades to all Senior Wellness Centers.

In addition, the budget includes **\$250,000** in historic homeowner grants to help low-and moderate-income households living in specific historic districts pay for repairs that restore or rehabilitate their homes.

