



**Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C**  
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*Representing Adams Morgan*

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*Japer Bowles (1C07)* RE: ANC 1C Budget Priorities for Fiscal Year 2022

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Dear Chairman Mendelson,

At a duly-noticed public meeting held on 6/2/2021, with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C voted 7-0-0 to send this letter regarding the Commission's priorities for the Fiscal Year 2022 budget for the District of Columbia.

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C's budget priorities for FY 2022 includes items such as: Fully funding the Vision Zero law; Ending chronic homelessness by investing \$96 million in permanent supportive housing; Funding to study and design transit priority and protected bike lane infrastructure on Columbia Rd; Cost of living adjustments for "Clean Teams"; and fully funding Birth-to-3.

In addition, the coronavirus pandemic and public health emergency have laid bare deep disparities and inequities in our city. From a 20% increase in the number of chronically homeless residents, to significant racial, geographic and socioeconomic disparities in COVID-19 infection and death rates, with Black and Latino residents disproportionately impacted, to enormous increases in unemployment, the effects of the pandemic have been widespread, but unevenly distributed. Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C calls on Mayor Bowser and the Council to ensure that the District's budget comprehensively addresses the effects of the pandemic, prioritizing services, funding, and programs to benefit the communities and residents who have been hardest-hit by the impacts of the pandemic.



Respectfully, ANC 1C specifically requests the Fiscal Year 2022 budget for the District of Columbia include the following funding priorities that are particularly relevant for 1C residents:

### **Infrastructure and Business**

- Funding Adams Morgan Pedestrian Zone on 18th Street NW (2300-2400 block).
- Continue funding of the DDOT Bus Priority program.
- Prioritize the design and construction of transit priority and protected bike lane infrastructure on Columbia Rd (see [Columbia Rd Study request](#)).
- Allocate funding for Unity Park resurfacing.
- Allocate funding for [Adams Morgan Vision Framework](#) implementation to create community space at Columbia Road and 18th Street NW (BB&T Plaza) and the triangle park at Florida Ave NW and V St NW (reservation 271).
- Allocate funding for the completion of the renovations of Ann Hargrove Park.
- Allocate funding for the repair and maintenance of Carolyn Llorente Park.
- Allocate funding for the repair and maintenance of erosion in Kalorama Park.
- Allocate additional FTE's in DDOT's Transportation Engineering and Safety Division and Planning and Sustainability Division to support more rapid project delivery.
- Fully fund and schedule construction of a District-wide multi-use trail network by funding all trails outlined in the Capital Trails Coalition's planned trail expansions, the Rock Creek Park and Suitland Parkway trail network rehabilitation, and construction of the Piney Branch Parkway and Metropolitan Branch Trail multi-use trails.
- Fund repave of Columbia Rd from 16th NW to Connecticut Avenue NW.
- Fully fund Vision Zero Enhancement Omnibus Amendment Act of 2020.
- Fund implementation of Office of Planning concept for DPR triangle park at 1800 Harvard St NW
- Fund cost of Living adjustments for "Clean Teams" in Adams Morgan and throughout Ward 1
- Allocate two FTEs in the OANC to support the Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Participation in Planning Amendment Act of 2019

### **Housing**

- [The Way Home Campaign](#) - Fully fund programs to end chronic homelessness, by investing \$96 million in permanent supportive housing to end chronic homelessness for 2,761 individuals and 432 families.
- [DC LGBTQ+ Budget Coalition](#) - Fund ~\$4,000,000 for programs dedicated to housing, workforce and protections for LGBTQ+ youth and seniors
- [DC Coalition Against Domestic Violence](#) - Invest \$25 million to domestic violence-specific housing agencies to fund an additional 1,100 housing units dedicated for survivors over the next three years. Eight hundred of these additional units will serve individuals and 300 hundred will serve families with children.



- Reentry Advocacy Network (RAN) - Invest \$20 million to be devoted to supporting returning citizens

#### **Education**

- Increase the Uniform Per Student Funding Formula (UPSFF) funding by 4% to provide funding for adequate support in schools
- Allocate \$60M for OSSE to fund subsidy payments to child care centers and operators, enabling reopening and parents to return to work
- Redirect money from the DCPS school security contract and MPD School Safety Division to initiatives for a positive and safe school culture across schools

#### **Legislative Priorities:**

- Fully fund Office of Deaf, Deafblind, and Hard of Hearing
- Fully fund remaining provisions of Birth-to-Three for All Act of 2018
- Fully fund the Women, Infants, and Children Program Expansion Act of 2018;
- Fully fund Office of the Ombudsperson for Children Establishment Amendment Act of 2020

Therefore, ANC 1C requests that the DC Council pass and sign the FY 22 Budget with the previously referenced budget priorities.

Warm regards,

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