



ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 8A

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SMD NEWS

The 8A commission which encompasses the Anacostia, Fairlawn and Hillsdale communities experienced nearly unprecedented events and surges in the year of 2023. The city collectively engaged in crime prevention activities and strategies to combat and respond to the un-proclaimed 'state of emergency' surrounding violent crimes, murders, and theft. The 8A commission alone experienced violent crime and murders at levels which should have warranted:

- Emergency and Supplemental Allotments for Funeral/Bereavement Community Care
- Grief Counseling/Mental Health Resources for Acute Emergencies
- Increased OANC and Mayor's Office Engagement/Attention
- Increased Enforcement of 311 Requests for the SMD

Public meetings were held virtually from January 1, 2023 until September 2023. Hybrid meetings began in September 2023 with the assistance of DC's Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) where in-person meetings are held.

The commission met with the public in January, February, March, May, June, July, September, and October 2023 (December 2023 pending as of date of newsletter).

The commission during these meetings and others voted on resolutions, letters of support, and approval of agendas/meetings/adjournment, etc.

The commission in its entirety engaged nine (9) General Body Meetings where the public was in attendance both in-person and virtually and placed/checked-up on greater than 200 311 requests.

CITYWIDE EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

(8A01) Commissioner Tonya Crawford

- ◆ Performed Duties of Commission Secretary
- ◆ Held on June 18, 2023: Father's Day/Juneteenth Block Party
- ◆ Attended more than 10 community meetings with various city agencies, the Mayor, and MPD
- ◆ Volunteered for Emergency Tutoring at Horton's Kids
- ◆ Community Walkthrough: October 5, 2023
- ◆ Attended ground-breaking for Ketchum Recreation Center
- ◆ Held on October 20, 2023: Fall Festival Block Party

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(8A02) Commissioner Barbara Clark

- ◆ Approved Several Speed Hump Applications
- ◆ Attended the city's Crime Night Out
- ◆ Provided assistance for two (2) residential fire victims
- ◆ Presented at the Naming Ceremony of Marion Barry Avenue
- ◆ Secured landscaping assistance to community church and Got pro Bono grass cut for a church in 8A
- ◆ Consistently assisted residents with receiving mandated services such as trash removal and abandoned car removals
- ◆ Volunteered to assist in Thanksgiving food distribution and purchased turkey and helped pack baskets for Thanksgiving for Ward 8 families
- ◆ Attended the Mayor's new Crime Initiatives meeting and Mayor's community meeting at Eastern HS
- ◆ Attended most of 6/7 District's Community walks and the Mayor's Ward 8 Community Walk
- ◆ Attended Ward 7/8 Clergy meetings and Rev. Gilbert's Pray for Peace meeting
- ◆ Attended the Mayor's Housing meeting and Chair Mendelson's meetings
- ◆ Attended Ward 8 Councilman White's meetings
- ◆ Received OANC's conflict resolution training
- ◆ Attended some first Friday meetings
- ◆ Attended D.C. 51, ACC, 6D's CAC, and TAC with Capt. Tutt meetings
- ◆ Attended ground breaking for Ketchum Recreation Center
- ◆ Attended ACC meetings
- ◆ Performs Ride Round SMD on a regular basis
- ◆ Purchased hats, gloves, and scarves to distribute to community where needed
- ◆ Attended Ward 8 clergy meetings
- ◆ Supported:
 - ◆ Beauty and Barber School, a Senior center, church apt. bldgs., revision of Red Brick community Agreement, Victory House project, 2 restaurant Marion Barry Ave. , FisMarket on Marion Barry Ave. , most new development program, Bridge Park project, PACE program, moving the Meth Clinic, Monica Ray's new school project

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(8A04) Commissioner Laniece Moore

- ◆ Performed Duties of Commission Sergeant at Arms
- ◆ Completed 311 Service Requests for Community:
 - 23-0007088
 - 23-00021017
 - 23-00022731
 - 23-00110837
 - 23-00113063
 - 23-00462965
 - 23-00427703
 - 23-00595076
 - 23-00588658
- ◆ Conducted Community Clean-Up's Months of March, June & September in SMD 8A04
- ◆ Through Horton's Kids Volunteer Engagement:
 - ◆ Attended Community Clean-Up's at Wellington Park and Hunter Place
 - ◆ Attended Home Run's For Horton's Kids
- ◆ Community Walk-throughs with MPD
- ◆ Hosted TAC Meetings with MPD
- ◆ Participated in a Back to School Event at Galen Terrace Apartments
- ◆ Participates in the Father Factor Violence Interruption Program - Cure The Streets and Works with Galen Terrace Residents once a month
- ◆ Passed out Thanksgiving Turkey's at Graceview Homeless Shelter on 16th St SE.

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(8A07) Commissioner LaVerne Glenn

- ◆ Performed Duties of Commission Treasurer
- ◆ Attended Mayor Bowser's ANC's Public Safety Meeting in Deanwood
- ◆ Participated in 8A walkthrough with Mayor Bowser and Government Agencies
- ◆ Attended BEGA Ethics training
- ◆ Attended ANC FOIA training
- ◆ Attended ANC's Grants and Guidance training
- ◆ Donated 50 backpacks to Marbury Plaza back to school event
- ◆ Meet with Office of the Tenant Advocate & Marbury Plaza Tenant Association regarding TOPA and their rights as Tenants
- ◆ Continuous to work alongside with Marbury Plaza Tenant Association and connect with government agencies to address ongoing maintenance issues within entire building
- ◆ Reported to 6th District evening/night commanders for extra patrolling due to increase in robbery close by the area and bus stop near 2300 block of Good Hope Road
- ◆ Assist Commissioner McKinney in picking up turkeys for Thanksgiving distribution to residents in Ward 8
- ◆ Delivered Thanksgiving Baskets to seniors in Ward 8 and ANC8A07

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