

# **Our DC Budget Highlights**

Transformative Investments in a Just Recovery, Stronger Communities, and a More Equitable DC

#### WARD 4 REC CENTERS, LIBRARIES, AND SMALL BUSINESSES

- \$450K to open the Pool at Roosevelt High School to the community
- \$200K to create a Petworth Main Street to support Petworth businesses
- \$36K to Takoma Main Street to support local businesses in Takoma
- \$1 Million to redesign and upgrade Petworth Library by 2023
- \$4 Million to modernize Upshur Pool, Fields, and Playground by 2024
- Fully modernize Emery Heights Recreation Center by 2025
- Preserve incentive for a grocery store at The Parks at Walter Reed

#### **INVESTING IN OUR STUDENTS AND CHILD CARE**

- \$54 Million to raise wages for early educators and fund quality child care
- \$3 Million to provide a full-time certified Librarian for every DCPS school
- Accelerated modernization for Truesdell, Whittier, and LaSalle-Backus
- \$8 million for school-based mental health services in DCPS and DCPCS
- 3.6% increase to the Uniform Per Student Funding Formula (UPSFF), with increased resources to students who need the most support

#### **AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND ENDING HOMELESSNESS**

- \$80 Million in new revenue to end homelessness for 3,500 residents
- \$11 Million to overhaul DCRA into two smaller, more effective agencies
- \$50 Million for repairs and improvements to public housing units
- \$14 Million in Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP)
- \$400 Million to create and preserve affordable housing

## LIFTING UP WORKERS AND WORKING FAMILIES

- A month basic income worth \$300-\$500 per month for working families
- \$41 Million in cash assistance to workers excluded by our social safety net
- \$500 to DC residents who waited 60+ days to get unemployment benefits
- Expand Paid Medical Leave from 2 weeks to 6 weeks for District workers
- \$32 Million to create a Baby Bonds program to invest in kids from birth
- \$72 Million for cost-of-living raises (COLA) for DC government workers

### SAFE STREETS AND PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE

- \$1.7 million for traffic safety upgrades to Georgia Avenue
- Fully funded the Vision Zero Omnibus Amendment Act
- \$63 Million to create 50 priority bus lanes citywide
- Funding to complete the Metropolitan Branch Trail to Takoma

## **COMMUNITY SAFETY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE**

- \$14 Million in violence interruption at the Office of Neighborhood Safety
- Doubled the OAG's Cure the Streets and Restorative Justice programs
- \$4.5 Million to expand the Pathways transitional employment program
- \$11 Million in aid, coaching, and peer navigators for returning citizens

## A PEOPLE-POWERED BUDGET

Thank you to every resident who shared their budget priorities with me, testified at budget hearings, or advocated for a budget that meets the full needs of our communities. Your ideas, dedication, and engagement in the budget process are what made these vital investments in our communities possible!





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