

WARD 5 PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN

Through the strategies of streamlined communication and coordination, targeting hot spots, expanding safety tools, connecting our communities, and improving the District's public safety apparatus through policy and advocacy, this plan provides both short-term and long-term approaches to our city's pressing public safety needs.

STRATEGY

 Streamlined Communication and I Coordination

- Targeting Hot Spots
- Expand Safety Tools



- Connect our Communities
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- Improving the District's Public Safety Apparatus Through Policy and Advocacy



ACTION

- Launch the Ward 5 Crime Prevention Task Force
- Request regular coordination meetings with our office, ANCs, and the District's public safety apparatus (i.e., MPD, Fire/EMS, ONSE, DYRS, Attorney General's Office)
- Conduct targeted neighborhood outreach to inform neighbors of recent crime patterns, city resources, and create community safety hubs
- Create a **digital logistics hub** on the Ward 5 Council website to share information with neighbors
- Work with the Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement (ONSE) to **implement rolling safe passage monitoring** to support children traveling to and from school
- Direct the Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) and Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) to neighborhood hot spots' based on community input
- Advocate for improved camera quality and include motion light detector in MPD rebate program²
- Identify neighborhood and block captains to help disseminate information, distribute resources, and coordinate safety responses in response to crime
- Pass and fund the **School Safety Enhancement Act** to expand school capacity to address violent incidents
- Pass and fund the Establishment of Reasonable Controls for the Firearm Industry Amendment Act creating a private right of action to sue gun manufacturers for the harm guns inflicts on our communities
- Improve the efficacy of the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), the Office of Unified Communications (the District's 911 office), and the Department of Forensic Sciences through strong oversight and policy (i.e. Office of Unified Communications Transparency and Accuracy Amendment Act, co-introduced with CMs Pinto and Henderson)
- Work with the Attorney General's office to **enforce effective consequences for District juveniles**
- Advocate for local authority over the US Attorney's Office
- 1. Hotspots: Areas with high rates of violent crime as reported by MPD.

2. Learn more about the rebate program here. Neighbors have complained that the camera the program provides rebates for is low-quality. We are advocating for higher quality cameras and the inclusion of motion detector lights as well, since these have proven effectiveness in deterring theft and buglary.