

Ward 5 Public Safety Call

with guests:



Zoom and YouTube | October 28, 2026 | 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

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Agenda



3:00 – 3:10

**Introduction and
Opening Remarks
(CM Parker)**

3:10 – 3:25

**MPD Third District
Updates and Q&A
Commander Connors**

3:25 – 3:45

**MPD Fourth District
Updates and Q&A
Captain Pappalardo**

3:45 – 4:10

**MPD Fifth District
Updates and Q&A
Commander Rooney**

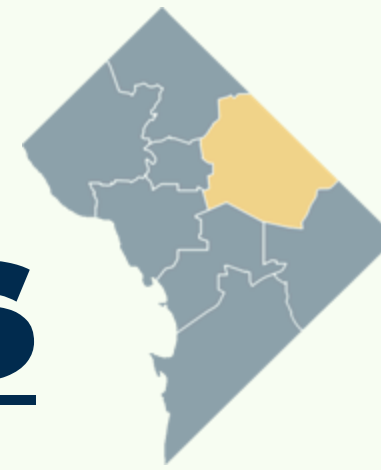
4:10 – 4:20

**Beacon House
Updates and Q&A
Rodney Cephas (Athletic Director)**

4:20 – 4:30

**Council Updates
and Closing Remarks
(Oliver Stoute – CM Parker's Office)**

Ward 5 Updates



Overall: Crime Continues Downward Trend

	Previous Period	Search Dates	
Total Crime	3,478	2,576	↓
All Violent Crime	347	335	↓
👤 Homicide	14	6	↓
👤 Sex Abuse	16	14	↓
🔫 Assault w/Dangerous Weapon	96	142	↑
👤 Robbery	221	173	↓
All Property Crime	3,131	2,241	↓
👤 Burglary	106	117	↑
💰 Theft f/Auto	986	592	↓
💰 Theft/Other	1,212	1,117	↓
🚗 Motor Vehicle Theft	825	415	↓
🔥 Arson	2	0	↓

All crimes went down ↓ by 902 in Ward 5 during the past 1 year to date when compared to the same dates a year before

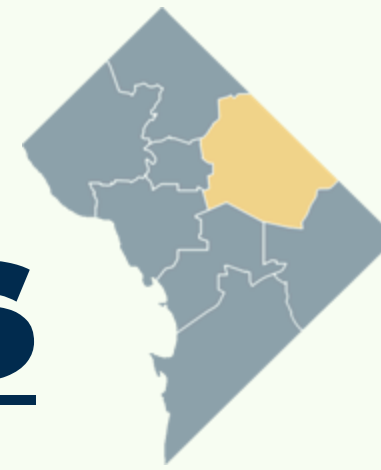
Homicides down by more than 50%

Robberies down by more than 20%

Property crime down by almost 30%

These continued drops in both violent and property crime build on the historic lows we reached in 2024 (33% decrease) and 2025 (an additional 25%)

Ward 5 Updates



Burglaries on Sigsbee PI NE (Turkey Thicket Area)

September 29, 2026 – CM Parker Hosts Public Safety Walk

October 2, 2026 – Burglaries escalate. Attack on two neighbors.

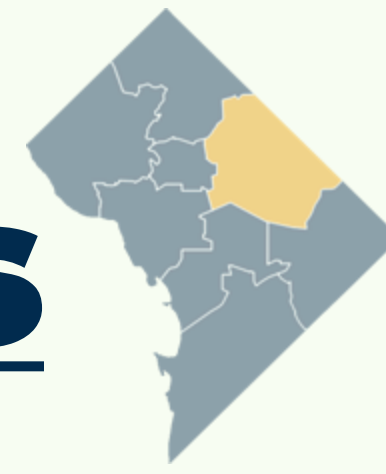
October 3, 2026 – MPD increases patrols and moves temporary CCTV camera to Sigsbee PI NE

October 6, 2026 – MPD announces arrest of 4 juveniles in connection to multiple burglaries and October 2 attack.

October 29, 2026 – Currently scheduled follow-up with neighbors.



Ward 5 Updates



Burglaries on Sigsbee Pl NE (Turkey Thicket Area)

Action Steps and Takeaways:

- **Contacting and supporting victims and impacted neighbors**
- **Prosecution of those responsible**
 - Office of the Attorney General (OAG) responsible for prosecution of juvenile crimes
 - Councilmember Parker has communicated with the OAG to express his expectation that those responsible will be fully held accountable
- **Current status of juvenile suspects:**
 - Three of the four suspects are being held in secure detention at the Youth Services Center (YSC)
 - One of the four suspects was released to a guardian under strict conditions including an ankle monitor, daily school attendance, and a stay-away order
- **Follow-up meeting** between MPD Fourth District, our office, and impacted neighbors on October 29 for the latest updates

Ward 5 Updates

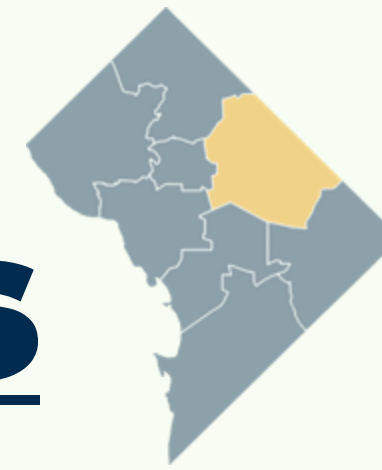


Shooting at Edgewood Recreation Center

- For months, our team has observed, documented, and escalated numerous concerns around the Edgewood Recreation Center, including requesting increased **parking and traffic enforcement** from MPD and DPW during large events and games, **better trash and property maintenance** from DPR and DGS, and coordination on **area programming** with Beacon House.
- On **October 10, 2026**, a juvenile female was shot outside the recreation center. She was transported to an area trauma center with non-life-threatening injuries.
- On **October 19, 2026**, Councilmember Parker held a **roundtable** to convene key stakeholders—**ANCs, MPD, DPR**, and leadership from **Beacon House**—to develop an action plan for responding to the chronic concerns around the rec center and improving public safety.



Ward 5 Updates



Edgewood Recreation Center Roundtable Takeaways:

- **Event Planning and Public Safety Coordination:** Organizations will now work to share calendar schedules of upcoming games and permitted events to allow MPD time to anticipate public safety needs and plan resources accordingly.
- **MPD Patrols:** MPD will work to increase its visibility around Edgewood Recreation Center by adjusting current dedicated patrol coverage in the area. This will especially align with periods of increased activity at the rec center.
- **Parking and Traffic Enforcement:** Parking enforcement efforts will be increased, with particular attention to illegal parking along Lincoln Road during sporting events and other activities.
- **Clean-up and Grounds Maintenance:** DPR will work to clarify exact timing of roving clean-up crews, scheduled to operate two shifts daily. DPR will also coordinate with other organizations utilizing the recreation center to strengthen clean-up efforts following sporting events and other activities.
- **Streamlined Communication:** We will be following up with all the agencies involved to ensure communication among agencies are better coordinated for event planning, addressing emerging concerns, and timely follow-up on new issues that arise.

Ward 5 Updates



Ivy City Concerns

- Recent Incidents:

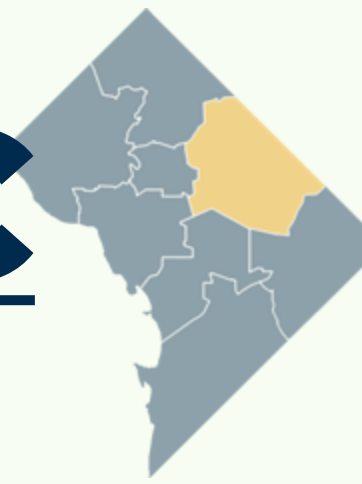
- Shooting at Target, **September 26**
- Stabbing homicide, **October 3** (suspect arrested)
- Shooting outside New York Ave Men's Shelter, **October 8**
- Loitering, encampments, and mental health concerns outside of area establishments

- Action Steps:

- Multi-agency blitz and public safety walk planned for Friday, October 30 to coordinate between key agencies and stakeholders



National Guard in DC



- **President has extended the deployment of National Guard in the District through Inauguration Day 2029**
 - Currently, approximately **3,000 National Guard** are deployed in DC
- **National Guard report to the Commanding General, who reports to the President and Secretary of Defense**
 - DC's Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice (DMPSJ, Lindsey Appiah) has weekly check-ins with the Safe and Beautiful Task Force and the Commanding General
- **Our office is using every available tool to push back on the deployment, and we escalate concerns we hear from neighbors to the DMPSJ**
 - Supporting local legislation
 - Visiting Congress to voice dissent
 - Joining neighbors at protests
 - Escalating concerns with local law enforcement
- **Public Hearing on November 5**
 - Submit written testimony or sign up to testify at dccouncil.gov



Third District



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HIGHLIGHTS, VULNERABILITIES, ISSUES

Third DISTRICT – Wednesday, October 28, 2026
(Ward 5 Neighborhoods WEST of North Capitol St NW + SOUTH of Michigan Ave)

Crime Update

Robberies

- Down -20% YTD

Homicides

- Up 20% YTD

ADW's

- Up +72% YTD (153 YTD v. 89 Last year)

Burglaries

- Down - 17% YTD

Motor Vehicle Theft

- Down - 45% YTD

Major Ward Issues

Drug Sales

Drug Use

Traffic

Student loitering

E-Bike Theft

Initiatives

Truancy Enforcement

Traffic Enforcement with Reserve Officers

MPD Co-Response Team

Park Walk and Talks

Alley Checks

Drug Enforcement

Positive Impacts

Total Property Crime: -9% YTD

Total Crime: -8% YTD



Fourth District

Community Crime Report

October 28, 2026

Stephen Pappalardo

Captain

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4th District – Crime Overview (Ward 5 neighborhoods NORTH of Michigan Ave)

PSA 405

(Michigan Park, Fort Totten, University Heights)

YTD

2025-01-01 to 2025-10-25
2026-01-01 to 2026-10-25

Violent	Homicide	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	0%
	Sex Abuse	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	-33%
	ADW	<u>6</u>	<u>10</u>	67%
	Robbery	<u>16</u>	<u>11</u>	-31%
	Total	26	24	-8%
Property	Burglary	<u>7</u>	<u>11</u>	57%
	MVT	<u>113</u>	<u>67</u>	-41%
	TFA	<u>137</u>	<u>106</u>	-23%
	Theft	<u>60</u>	<u>56</u>	-7%
	Arson			
	Total	317	240	-24%
Grand Total		343	264	-23%

PSA 406

(Queens Chapel, Lamond-Riggs)

YTD

2025-01-01 to 2025-10-25
2026-01-01 to 2026-10-25

		<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	-50%
		<u>6</u>	<u>11</u>	83%
		<u>14</u>	<u>16</u>	14%
		22	28	27%
		<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>	0%
		<u>79</u>	<u>69</u>	-13%
		<u>94</u>	<u>84</u>	-11%
		<u>112</u>	<u>131</u>	17%
		295	294	0%
		317	322	2%

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405 and 406 Leadership



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Fifth District



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Major Challenges –

- Calls for Service
- Juvenile Crimes / Lime Green Bikes / MBT
- ADW's Higher than last year **+42%** Increase
- Motor Vehicle Thefts (MVT)
- Violent Crime / Neighborhood Tiffs

Major Ward Issues

- Assault With Dangerous Weapons
- Narcotic Sales / No Loitering Laws
- Burglaries – Residential
- Motor Vehicle Thefts & Vehicle Related Crimes

Initiatives

- Mountain Bike & Foot beat Officers
- Retail Theft – Amazon Lockers at 5D
- Community Outreach Rotation DV Related Crimes
- National Guard – Deployment
- Community Clean-Ups

Positive Impacts

- Homicides down -62% Year to Date
- Robberies down -16% Year to Date
- Motor Vehicle Thefts down -49% Year to Date
- Theft from Autos down -36% Year to Date
- Total Violent Crime: -2% Year to Date**
- Total Crime: -22% Year to Date**

Domestic Violence Month
NOMA BID – “Pumpkin Palooza” & Thursday, 4pm - 8 pm
Drug Awareness & Bullying Prevention Assembly McKinley Middle School
Trunk or Treat – October 30th, 6pm – 8pm

3100 18th Street, NE – Trunk or Treat (Grace Covenant Church Brookland) –
October 31, 11:30 – 3:30 PM

Community Clean Ups - Once a week (1500 Benning Road, Ivy City, 2700 NY
Ave, and Trinidad area)

Anonymous Tip Line: 202-727-9099
Text Tips: 50411 – Give 5-0 the 4-1-1
Crime Solvers Tip Line: 1-800-673-2777





BEACON HOUSE



Celebrating 35 years of belonging, growth, and unwavering commitment to the young people and families of Washington, DC

BEACON HOUSE ATHLETICS PROGRAM



FY2026 HIGHLIGHTS

- **250+ youth** participated in Beacon House Athletics programs.
- Expanded opportunities for girls through cheerleading, flag football, and track & field, creating more pathways for female athletes to compete and lead.
- Celebrated 16 graduating student-athletes and scholars, recognizing their academic achievement and commitment to excellence.
- Successfully launched the second year of our Track & Field program, continuing to expand athletic opportunities for youth.
- Celebrated Capital Youth Athletic Conference AYF Championship titles for both the 7U and 13U football teams, highlighting the dedication and teamwork of our athletes and coaches.
- Continued providing academic mentoring and eligibility monitoring, reinforcing our commitment that every athlete remains a student first.
- Maintained our long-standing 2.0 GPA participation requirement, encouraging accountability and academic success alongside athletic achievement.
- Celebrated 25 years of transformational leadership in Beacon House Athletics, honoring the coaches, mentors, volunteers, alumni, and families who have helped generations of young people develop confidence, character, and lifelong leadership skills.
- Beacon House Athletics is about far more than competition. It is about building confident young leaders who understand the value of teamwork, resilience, integrity, and service—skills that will strengthen our community for generations to come.

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