



# **Short-term Family Housing in Ward 1**

## **2500 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW**

**Advisory Team Launch Meeting**  
March 28, 2018





## Meeting Objectives

- Share background on the Homeward DC Plan and Short-term Family Housing
- Learn about the roles and responsibilities of the Advisory Team
- Share information about the Ward 1 project site



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# Ward 1 Advisory Team Members

### *Co-Chairs*

- Kristy Greenwalt, Director, Interagency Council on Homelessness, EOM
- Jennifer Bristol, Commissioner, ANC 1B

### *Community, ANC and Council Representatives*

- Jessica Smith (1B07)
- Joshua Mater (1B08)
- Erica Wissolik (Community representative)
- Jessica Venegas (Community representative)
- Yuri Blazar (Aria Development)

### *Ward Councilmember*

- Councilmember Nadeau or designee
- Sara Akbar (Community representative)
- Ethan Ngo (Community representative)

### *School Representative*

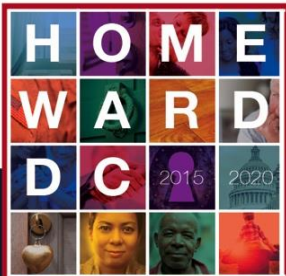
- Ivelina Benitez

### *Homeless Services Stakeholders*

- Ivelina Benitez (LAYC)
- Tim Fretz (N Street Village)

### *DC Executive Government Representatives*

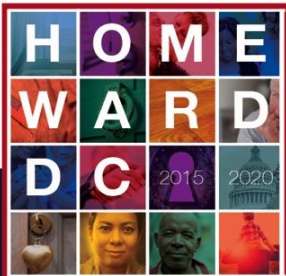
- Department of General Services, Project Manager (Brian Butler)
- Department of Human Services (Darrell Cason)
- Department of Parks and Recreation (Nick Kushner)



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# Making Homelessness Rare, Brief & Nonrecurring

**Prevent  
homelessness**  
by providing robust  
services

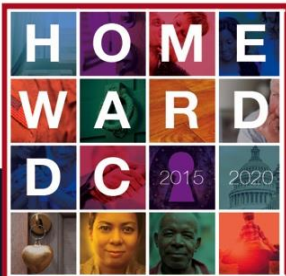


**Offer safe and  
dignified  
short-term housing**  
to people who experience  
homelessness



**Help people  
transition into  
housing ASAP**





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# Homeward DC: Strategic Plan 2015-2020

**Vision:** By 2020, homelessness in the District will be a rare, brief, and non-recurring experience.

### **Objectives:**

1. **Develop a more effective crisis response system**
2. Increase the supply of affordable and supportive housing
3. Remove barriers to affordable and supportive housing
4. Increase the economic security of households in our system
5. Increase prevention efforts to stabilize households before housing loss occurs

**Replacing DC General with smaller, more dignified Short-term Family Housing sites is a critical part of the homeless system reform underway in the District. For more information: <http://ich.dc.gov/>**





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MURIEL BOWSER, MAYOR

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### Current State with DC General

#### **Far Too Big and Institutional:**

Old Hospital that houses 260 families each night, 50 plus families on each floor

#### **Poor Conditions:**

Old, outdated building that is beyond it's useful life

#### **Inadequate Programming Space:**

Not enough space for children and families to receive needed services

#### **The Wrong Environment that can be a Barrier to Better Outcomes**

Large, institutional setting dilutes effective service delivery is not the right environment for families



### Future State with Short-term Family Housing

#### **Small, Residential Setting**

No more than 50 families per site

#### **New, Dignified and Modern**

New, beautiful facilities, designed specifically to meet the needs of families

#### **Programming Space**

Designed to provide children and families with the supports and services they need.

#### **A Supportive Environment that Helps Families Achieve Stable Housing, Quickly**

Warm, residential setting that supports families quickly through the immediate crisis of homelessness back to more stability in housing.





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# Short-term Family Housing Services & Supports



### **Wrap-around Services**

- Connections to permanent housing programs
- Housing search assistance
- Case management
- Early childhood screenings & school liaisons
- Education, training, & employment services
- Health care
- Financial & budget management counseling

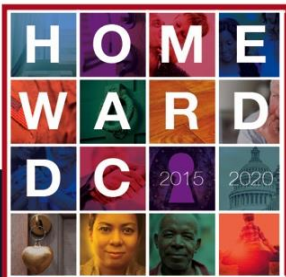


### **Partnerships with Community Service Organizations**

- Health & wellness
- Mentoring & tutoring
- Programming & activities for children



### **24 Hour Staffing & Security**



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### Short-term Family Housing Units by Ward

Ward	Address	Units	Construction Start	Projected Program Open Date
1	2500 14th Street, NW	35	January 2019	Spring 2020
2	810 Fifth Street, NW			<i>The Patricia Handy Place for Women opened in early 2016, and serves more than 200 women per night.</i>
3	3320 Idaho Avenue, NW	50	November 2017	Summer 2019
4	5505 Fifth Street, NW	45	July 2017	Fall 2018
5	1700 Rhode Island Avenue, NE	46	November 2017	Summer 2019
6	850 Delaware Avenue, SW	50	July 2017	Summer 2019
7	5004 D Street, SE	35	June 2017	Fall 2018
8	4225 6th Street, SE	50	November 2017	Fall 2018



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# Purpose of the Advisory Team

### Advisory Team Responsibilities

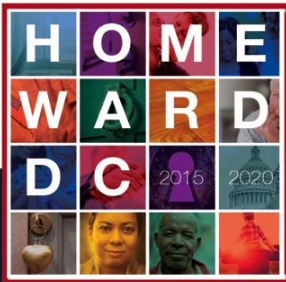
<b>1</b>	Gather feedback from neighbors and constituent groups, and disseminate information to neighbors and constituent groups.
<b>2</b>	Review and provide input into project exterior design and landscaping.
<b>3</b>	Provide feedback related to quality of life during construction, and work with the District to develop Construction Management Guidelines for the project.
<b>4</b>	Work with the partners to develop a Good Neighbor Agreement.

### In Scope

- Gathering input and providing feedback on exterior design, construction processes, and how the program operates in the community
- Assisting with engaging neighbors and residents about the project

### Out of Scope

- Interior building design and programming requirements relating to Short-Term Family Housing.
- Legislative or judicial processes relating to the Short-Term Family Housing.

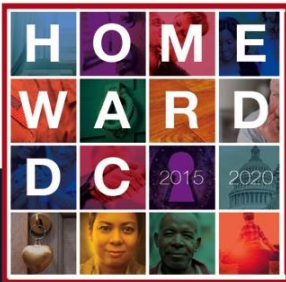


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### How Does the Advisory Team Help?

**Advisory Team members contribute to the success of the project by:**

- Attending monthly Advisory Team meetings
- Reviewing written updates and project documents
- Sharing input on community preferences and concerns
- Sharing updates with community members over email, list serves, and at community meetings as the project progresses
- Collecting feedback from neighbors about the project and sharing with District officials
- Providing expertise about how to engage Ward 1 community organizations and residents during and after construction

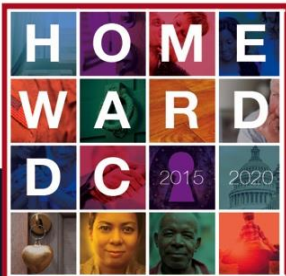


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### Advisory Team Milestones

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| <b>1</b> | Launch Advisory Team  |
| <b>2</b> | Provide input on facility design                            |
| <b>3</b> | Receive final design and construction timeline presentation |
| <b>4</b> | Develop Construction Management Guidelines                  |
| <b>5</b> | Develop a Good Neighbor Agreement for the program           |

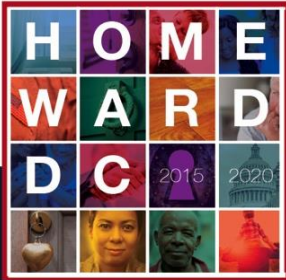


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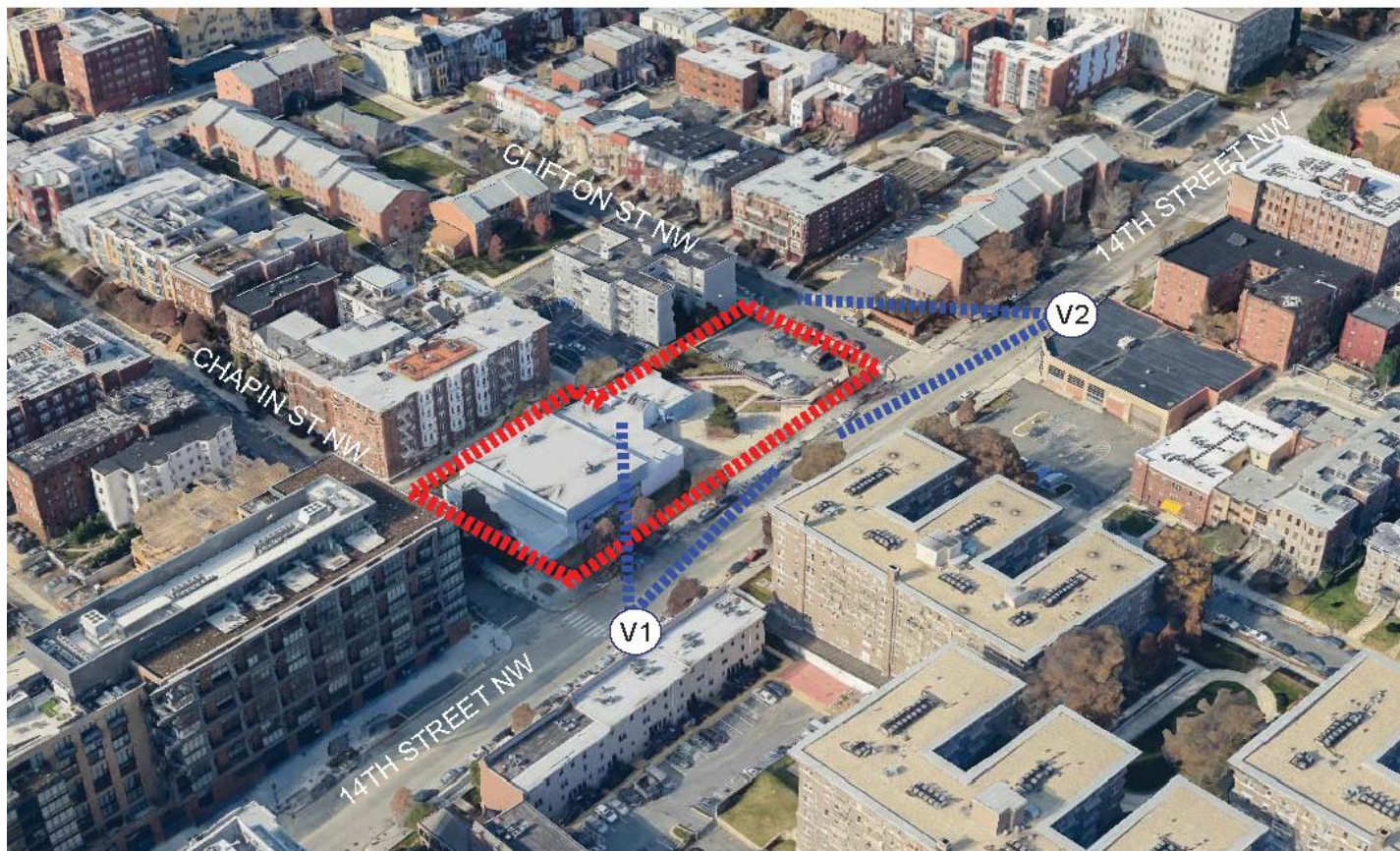
### Site Selection Criteria

- Enough units to close DC General Family Shelter and meet the legislative mandate of 121 apartment-style units
- District owned property
- Roughly 30,000 square feet
- Residential Setting
- Access to services and transportation
- Economically feasible
- 24-30 month development timeline



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## Ward 1 Site Plan





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### Short-term Family Housing 2500 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW

- 35 Apartment Style **Short-term Family Housing Units** and associated services
- 15 Apartment Style **Senior Permanent Supportive Housing Units** and associated services
- Improvements at the **Rita Bright Family and Youth Center**
- **Feasibility Study** outlining potential master planning for the site





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## *Preliminary Artist's Impression / Massing Diagram*



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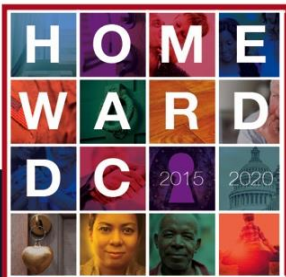
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**VIEW TWO - V2 A-2**





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### Ward 1 Short-term Family Housing Projected Milestones

#### Community engagement begins

- Announcement date: December 7, 2017

December 2017

#### Feasibility study begins

- Outline building/construction options for the site
- Outline parking options during construction and final design
- Outline potential upgrades to Rita Bright Community Center

December 2017 –  
Spring 2018

#### Legislative Process

- Passed as emergency on December 19, 2017
- Passed as temporary on January 6, 2018
- Permanent legislation under Council review

December 2017 – TBD

#### Design Build Procurement

Spring 2018

#### Foundation to Grade Permit Approval

Winter 2018/2019

#### Building Permit Approval

Spring 2019

#### Start Construction

Early 2019

#### Substantial Completion

Spring 2020



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# Community Engagement

### Engagement to date

- **December 7<sup>th</sup>:** Mayor Bowser announced Ward 1 site selection
- **December 7<sup>th</sup>:** Presentation made at ANC 1B Monthly Meeting
- **December 7<sup>th</sup>:** ANC 1B unanimously approved resolution in support of the Short-term Family Housing program at 2500 14<sup>th</sup> St NW
- **December 8<sup>th</sup>:** Meeting with Rita Bright leadership
- **December 14<sup>th</sup>:** Presentation made at ANC 1B public committee meeting
- **January 13<sup>th</sup>:** Meeting with the Rita Bright leadership
- **January 18<sup>th</sup>:** Town Hall held with ANC 1B, Councilmember's Office, and District agencies
- **March 12<sup>th</sup>:** Advisory Team is formed
- **March 28<sup>th</sup>:** Advisory Team launch meeting



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### Next Steps for the Advisory Team

#### Monthly Advisory Team Meetings

Over the next few months, our monthly meetings will cover:

- The results of the feasibility study on the Ward 1 site
- Updates on the status of the RFP for a design/build team
- Presentation by the design/build team on the site



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# Community Engagement

### Engagement moving forward

- Monthly Advisory Team meetings
- Updates to Homeward DC website: [mayor.dc.gov/HomewardDC](https://mayor.dc.gov/HomewardDC)
- Notification to ANC 1B around project milestones

### Questions for the Advisory Team

- How do your neighbors share information?
- How should the District share project updates with the community?



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## Questions & Discussion



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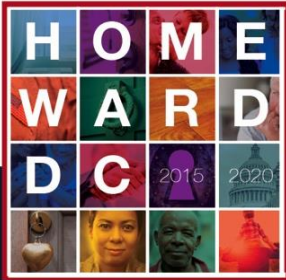
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### Contact

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Questions? Email [dmhhs@dc.gov](mailto:dmhhs@dc.gov).