News from the Streets of Police Service Area 108

Individually we make a difference, together we make THE DIFFERENCE!

PSA 108 in 2012

*Next PSA Meeting: Thursday, September 20th at Liberty Baptist Church, 527 Kentucky Ave SE at

Bicycle Registration in the District of Columbia

As of June 1, 2008, bicycle registration is no longer required in the District of Columbia. However, the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) and the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) strongly encourages residents to register their bicycles with the **National Bicycle Registry (NBR)**.



NBR is a service that allows you to register your bicycle by serial number in a national database. If your bike is ever stolen, it can be identified and you can prove ownership. Law enforcement anywhere can access this database. NBR also guarantees your registration. If your bike is stolen and not recovered by police within 6 months, NBR will register your next bike for free and the stolen bike information will remain in the database until the bike is recovered no matter how long it takes.

NBR registration kits can be purchased at area bicycle shops. You can also register your bike online at www.nationalbikeregistry.com or by calling 1-800-848-BIKE. Please note: MPD no longer registers bicycles at any District police station. Three different registration options are available through NBR:

- \$10 (single bicycle) 10 years of coverage for an individual bike
- \$25 (single bicycle) 30 year registration, transferable when you replace your bike
- \$25 (family registration) 10 year registration for up to 5 bicycles located at a single address

<u>As always, you should immediately file a police report with MPD.</u> Alert them to the fact that your bicycle is registered in the NBR database and provide them with the manufacture's serial number. MPD will then be able to search for and attempt to recover the stolen bicycle. You can register your bicycle with NBR after it has been stolen. For a \$1 fee, your stolen bicycle with remain in the NBR database for 6 months, allowing law enforcement personnel access to the information in case it is recovered.

The Metropolitan Police Department recovers hundreds of stolen and abandoned bicycles every year. This property is inventoried by the MPD's Evidence Control Division. Property not claimed within 90 days of recovery is considered abandoned.

You can learn more about reclaiming bicycles at the following website page:

http://mpdc.dc.gov/mpdc/cwp/view,a,1242,q,569026,mpdcNav GID,1523,mpdcNav,%7C.asp

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly at michael.thornton@dc.gov or at 202-425-7659. Thank you for helping make our community safer.

Lieutenant Michael Thornton

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Digital Newsletter

PSA 108 offers the monthly newsletter digitally! The newsletter is posted each month to the NewHillEast listserv or you can sign up to receive a PDF copy. We are always working to improve distribution of the printed newsletter for our neighbors without email access and welcome new volunteers to help with delivery.

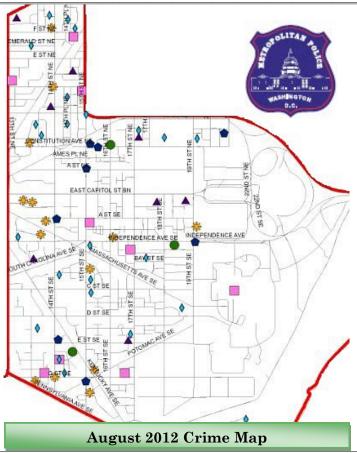


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Back to School

School is back in session, so please drive carefully and follow the speed limit laws. Also, please follow the crossing-guard's directions and be extra careful at or near bus stops and the schools.





Important Phone Numbers

Emergency		911
City Services		311
Lt. Thornton		425-7659
1st District Sub-Station, 500 E St SE		698-0068
1st District Station, 101 M Street SW		698-0555
DC Housing Authority Police		535-2575
Metro Transit Police		962-2121
Neighborhood Services Coordinators		
Brittney Wright		664-7512
Christopher FitzGerald		538.1241
Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners		
Nicholas Alberti	6A04	543-3512
Sharee Lawler	6A05	714-8422
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Lia Veenendaal-Selck 6A08 917-859-7969		
Jared Critchfield	6B06	525-9350
Neil Glick	6B08	547-1551
Brian Flahaven	6B09	744-1854
Francis Campbell	6B10	543-2528
US Department of Justice (DOJ) Outreach 1D		
Carolyn Crank		729-3718
Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency (CSOSA)		
Michael Bonds		220-5458

Crime Map courtesy of MPD.

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