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MOAPIA Newsletter

Agency Updates, Events and Announcements, Career Connections, and more from the DC Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs (MOAPIA)

A Message from the Director

Dear Community Members,

I hope everyone has been able to stay cool amidst the heat and humidity. Despite the rising temperatures, it surely has been an exciting summer for my team. We have hosted various summer fun activities such as free tai chi and yoga classes, as well as movie nights. I know that many of you, like those in my office, may not be discouraged to go out and enjoy the outdoors even with the heat. Let me share with you several tips and resources provided by the District for you to stay cool when heat suddenly hits.

It is important to know how to stay smart and safe in the heat. There are a variety of indoor and outdoor [locations](#) where residents can seek refuge. If you are looking to cool down, but also want to have some summer fun, there are [indoor and outdoor pools](#) in many of our wards. Parents are encouraged to take advantage of the great opportunity to take young children to local [spray parks](#). For those that may just simply be looking to stay cool indoors, there are local cooling centers and public libraries throughout the District that welcome the community.

Remember, during extreme heat, it is recommended to limit sun exposure as much as possible and to stay in the cool indoors. The District has a Heat Emergency Plan, among many cooling facilities and resources that it provides to our community members. If you see someone who needs help, contact the hyperthermia hotline at 1-800-535-7252. Let's all stay safe, stay cool, and beat the heat!

Warm Regards,

David Do
Director, DC Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs



MOAPIA at Slow Down DC Campaign



MOAPIA conducted outreach at Mayor Bowser's **2016 Slow Down DC Campaign** on August 22. MOAPIA visited ward 6 and ward 3 to let drivers know that it is important to drive with caution, especially now that school is back in session and more children will be on the streets.

"Chinatown Park Start FRESH!" - Asian Movie Night Finale

Chinese Movie Night & Mid-Autumn Festival: Monkey King

DC Mayor's Office on Asian & Pacific Islander Affairs,
CACA, CCBA & 1882 Foundation

present

CHINESE MOVIE NIGHT & MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL

RSVP: ChineseMovieNightDC.eventbrite.com

MONKEY KING: HERO IS BACK

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Chinatown Park
(6th and I Street NW)

7 PM - Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival
8 PM - Movie screening

Light refreshments will be provided



DC Chinese Film Festival, DC APA Film,
AARP, ANC 2C, ANC 6E, Chinese Community
Church, Chinese Youth Club, Chinatown
Community Cultural Center, DowntownDC BID,
Mt Vernon Triangle CID, National Park Service,
Penn Quarter Neighborhood Association



Follow us @DCMOAPIA #ChinatownParkDC

For more information, email us at oapia@dc.gov or call (202) 727-3120

Friday, September 16

7 pm: Chinese Mid - Autumn Festival
8 pm: Movie screening

Chinatown Park
(6th and I Street NW)

RSVP: JapaneseMovieNightDC.eventbrite.com

"Chinatown Park Start FRESH!" - Weekly Tai chi



Free Tai Chi Class

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Every Thursday, 8 AM

Chinatown Park

6th and I (eye) St NW

In case of inclement weather, cancellations will be posted on MOAPIA's social media:    @dcmoapia

For more information, contact MOAPIA via email (oapia@dc.gov) or call (202) 727-3120.



Every Thursday, 8 am (May - September 2016)

Chinatown Park
(6th and I Street NW)

No RSVP is required.

Free Tai Chi Classes at the Kennedy Recreation Center

DC Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs
Out of Many Cultures, One Community

TAI CHI CLASS

EVERY WEDNESDAY, 11 AM

(8/17/2016 - 9/28/2016)

Location: Kennedy Recreation Center
(1401 7th St NW)

All classes are FREE and open to the public.
No registration is required.

For more information, call (202)-727-3120.



Every Wednesday, 11 am (August - September 2016)

Kennedy Recreation Center
(1401 7th St. NW)

No RSVP is required.

Employment Opportunities

Want to join MOAPIA's team?



**WE ARE HIRING!**
If you have a passion for serving the community and wish to pursue a career in public service, join our team!
For more information, please visit: apia.dc.gov/release/join-moapias-team

MOAPIA has three job openings: **Community Outreach Assistant, Program Coordinator and Community Outreach Specialist**. If you love meeting community members and want a career in public service, join our team! Must be bilingual in Mandarin, Vietnamese, Korean, or Cantonese.

To apply for the Community Outreach Assistant position, click [here](#).

To apply for the Program Coordinator position, click [here](#).

To apply for the Community Outreach Specialist position, click [here](#).

Events and Announcements

Call for Volunteers: Weekly Farmers Market in Chinatown

Help Your Neighbors and Support Great Food!



Be an **Arcadia Mobile Market** volunteer
at the new **Chinatown** Stop!

Volunteer Responsibilities

- Provide interpretation for Mobile Market staff
- Help neighbors understand the nutrition benefits available to them to make high quality food affordable
- Help neighbors understand the food selections and their choices

Volunteer Requirements

- Con conversationally fluent in English and Chinese (Mandarin or Cantonese)
- Available at least one Wednesday per month from June to October between 10am to 12pm
- Ability to work outside in a farmers market atmosphere

Time/Location

- When: June 1st to October. Every Wednesday from 10am-12pm
- Where: 800 6th St NW, outside the Wah Luck house

If interested, please email Pamela
at Pam@arcadiafood.org



MOAPIA is looking for reliable volunteers who are willing to:

- Provide Interpretation for Mobile Market staff (conversational English-Cantonese-Mandarin)
- Help communicate nutritional benefits of the fresh, high quality produce
- Help neighbors understand the food selections and make selections

Requirements:

- Conversational fluency in English, Chinese (Mandarin, Cantonese)
- Available AT LEAST one Wednesday per month, from June - October, between 10 AM - 12 PM
- Able to work outside in farmer's market set up

If you are interested in helping in this effort, please contact Pam@arcadiafood.org

Free Trainings Hosted by DCRA



DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER & REGULATORY AFFAIRS

1. Understanding Your Rights Seminars for Landlords

The D.C. Bar Pro Bono Center is partnering with the D.C. Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) Small Business Resource Center to offer monthly informational sessions to small landlords renting residential property in the District of Columbia. The sessions will provide general information on the eviction process, landlord tenant court procedures, and regulatory requirements.

Date: Thursday, August 25, 2016

Time: 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Location: DCRA - 1100 4th Street SW, 4th Floor (Room E-4302), Washington, D.C. 20024

To Register: <http://dcbiz.ecenterdirect.com/events/42544>

2. The Regulatory Process of a Business

During these FREE monthly sessions, the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) will partner with District government agencies to educate customers on how to start a new business in the District of Columbia. The following topics will be discussed:

- Business Licensing
- Corporate registration
- Certificates of Occupancy (C of O)
- Home Occupancy Permits (HOP)
- Grant Opportunities
- Vending
- Farmer markets
- Certified Business Enterprises (CBE)

Date: Tuesday, August 30, 2016

Time: 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Location: Deanwood Neighborhood Library - 1350 49th Street NE, Washington, D.C. 20019

To Register: <http://dcbiz.ecenterdirect.com/events/41350>

Private Security Camera Incentive Program

Help make DC safer and stronger



Install a private security camera system and apply for a rebate

For more info visit ovsjg.dc.gov

The Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants (OVSJG) wants residents to improve public safety by participating in the **Private Security Camera Incentive Program**. This program encourages residents, businesses, nonprofits, and religious institutions to purchase and install security cameras.

The program provides a rebate of up to \$200 per camera, with a maximum rebate of up to \$500 per residential address and \$750 for all other addresses.

Information about the program and the application can be found at www.ovsjg.dc.gov. For additional information, contact the Program at security.cameras@dc.gov (202) 727-5124.

Wage Theft Prevention Amendment Act in Effect



The District of Columbia's **Wage Theft Prevention Amendment Act (WTPAA) of 2014** became effective February 26, 2015. The Act makes broad changes to DC's wage and hour laws, which include the Minimum Wage Act Revision Act, the Living Wage Act, the Wage Payment and Wage Collection Law, and the Accrued Sick and Safe Leave Act.

Beginning of **July 1, 2016, the minimum wage in the D.C. will increase from \$10.50 to \$11.50 regardless of size of employer**. The Wage Theft Prevention Amendment Act also requires business owners to post Accrued Sick and Safe Leave Act and the Minimum Wage Revision Act, and the notice of WTPAA posters where employees can easily read. Also, according to the Act, all employees must receive a written copy of Employer Notice upon

employment.

MOAPIA has been conducting door-to-door outreach to over 100 API business owners in the District to inform them about the changes and help them comply the law requirements.

For more information, contact DOES (202-671-1880) or Soojin Ku at MOAPIA (soojin.ku@dc.gov).

Weekly Mobile Farmers Market in Chinatown

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SHOP AT OUR WEEKLY MARKETS FOR FRESH LOCAL FRUITS AND VEGETABLES • MEATS EGGS • DAIRY & BREAD

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2016 CHINATOWN STOP

From June 1, 2016 Every Wednesday 10a.m. - 12p.m.

Wah Luck House 800 6th St NW, Washington, DC 20001

ARCADIA'S MOBILE MARKETS

2016 MOBILE MARKET PARTNERS

THE 2016 MOBILE MARKET IS A COLLABORATION OF ARCADIA AND THE BAINUM FOUNDATION FARM WITH SUPPORT FROM THESE PARTNERS: DC MAYOR'S OFFICE ON ASIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER AFFAIRS EDENS NEIGHBORHOOD RESTAURANT GROUP UNION KITCHEN USDA AMS VDACS

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MOAPIA, in partnership with Arcadia Food, brings healthy, fresh, and affordable Asian produce to Chinatown, in an effort to address the community's need for Asian produce within the District through Arcadia Mobile Market!

Starting **June 1, 2016**, community members may now be able to purchase fresh produce at affordable prices **every Wednesday** from **10 AM to 12 PM** at **800 6th Street NW** (in front of the Wah Luck House building).

Kids Ride Free Program



KIDS RIDE FREE ON METROBUS AND METRO RAIL



IMPORTANT CHANGES 2016-2017

EASIER REGISTRATION PROCESS. Students ages 5-21 can use their DC One Card to ride free. You no longer need to register for the program online, but you must be enrolled in a DC public or public charter school.

EXTENDED HOURS ON THE BUS. You are now able to ride to get to school or school-related activities all day, every day [including weekends].

NEW WEBSITE. Starting on August 15 you can log-in to your account at dconecard.dc.gov to check the status of your Kids Ride Free pass.

Private school students are still required to register online at www.dconecard.dc.gov to participate in the Kids Ride Free on Bus program and purchase subsidized transit passes. Private school students are not eligible for the free rail benefit.



DC ONE CARD

Use your DC One Card to take a FREE bus or rail trip without having to register online!

Simply tap your DC One Card to activate your Kids Ride Free pass starting the first day of school.



KIDS RIDE FREE CHECKLIST: 2 weeks before school starts

1

Make sure you are enrolled in a DC public school or public charter school. Your parent or guardian must enroll you, in-person, at your school.

2

Find your current DC One Card. If you don't have one already, find out how to get one by visiting dconecard.dc.gov or asking your school.

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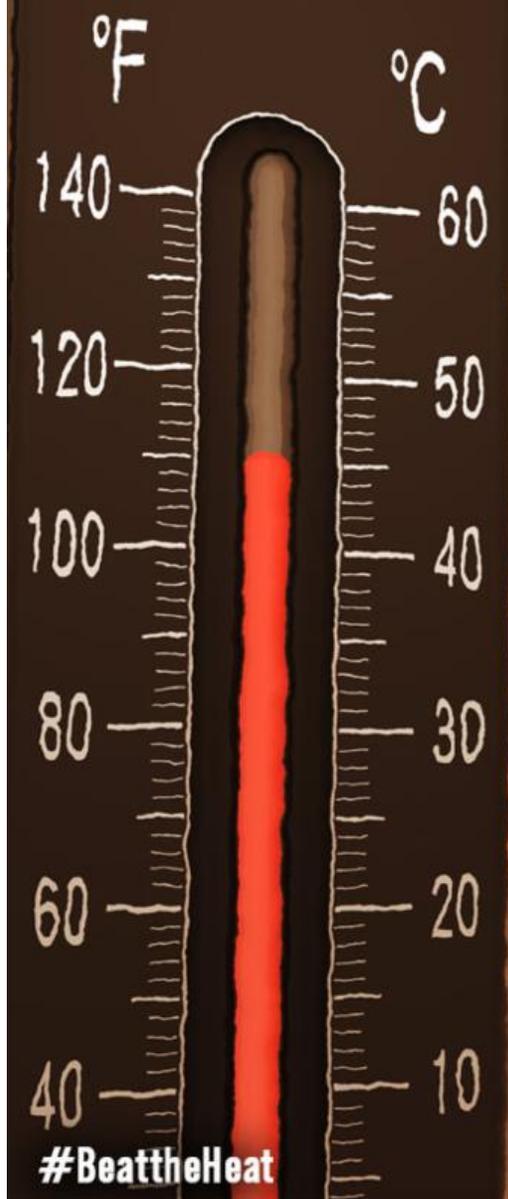
Pay off any negative fare balances on your DC One Card. You can check your balance by tapping your Card on a fare vending machine at a rail station.



For more information, including FAQs, go to kidsridefree.dc.gov or call DDOT customer service at (202) 673-1740.

Check the status of your Kids Ride Free pass at dconecard.dc.gov.

District Heat Emergency Plan



Heat Emergency Plan

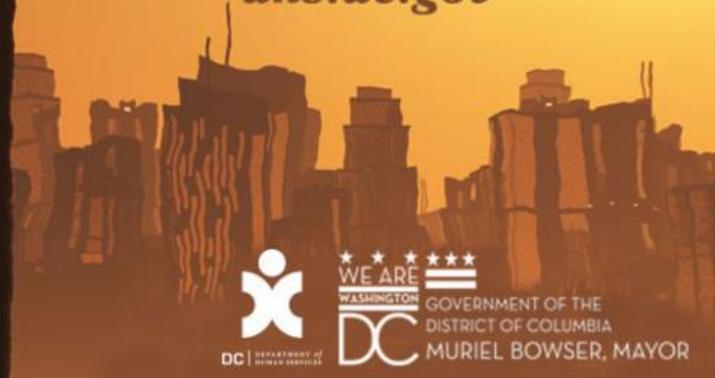
On days when the temperature reaches 95 degrees, the DC Government will activate Cooling Centers.

The Cooling Centers will be activated in publically accessible government facilities, homeless shelters, and senior citizen wellness centers, and will be open until 6:00 p.m., or until a time specified by the facilities.

If you see someone struggling with the heat please call the shelter hotline at

1-800-535-7252.

dhs.dc.gov



The District of Columbia has activated the Heat Emergency Plan and issued a hyperthermia alert. The Plan is activated whenever the temperature or heat index reaches 95 degrees and allows for the opening of cooling centers throughout the city. To view the 2016 Heat Emergency Plan and find information on cooling center locations visit: <http://dc.gov/page/heat-emergency-information>.

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