



David Do, Director



Muriel Bowser, Mayor

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,

My team and my colleagues in various agencies are continuously thinking of ways to improve efficiency and create more opportunities in the District. We are constantly working to introduce bold new strategies, technologies, and programs to best equip community members for success. I am thrilled to share with you some of the improvements and opportunities that have been developed to better serve you.

I am excited to share the work that my team has been undergoing. We have developed and introduced a Small Business Technical Assistance Program that opens doors for small businesses to leverage District resources and improve and grow. Small business owners are provided with translation and consultation services with professional consultants that make suggestions and provide advice on business solutions by linking businesses to appropriate grants and government programs. This will not only serve to create more opportunities to small business owners, but could also contribute to economic development for the larger District economy-because stronger businesses in DC will move our economy towards a stronger and healthier track.

Mayor Bowser recently met with senior leadership at the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) to discuss innovative ways to increase support for our businesses -including the use of technology to mitigate challenges. A new service available to all residents and business owners is an [online business portal](#), where most business owners apply for a new business license, renew an existing license, or become certified as a business enterprise directly online. This new portal will create efficiency in time, energy, transparency and administration, as forms and documentation can now be completed and submitted within the comfort of one's home.

We will continue pioneering for methods to help our community members thrive and succeed in DC. I thank you for your consistent support and feedback.

Warm Regards,



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

MOAPIA News

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

Chinese Movie Night & Mid-Autumn Festival: Monkey King

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

CHINESE MOVIE NIGHT & MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL

Arts and crafts, balloon twister,
mooncakes and many more!

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

RSVP: ChineseMovieNightDC.eventbrite.com



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

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PARKing Day: Stop by and take a break with MOAPIA

Parking spots are turning into temporary public parks!

PARK(ing) DAY

**FRIDAY, 9/16
10AM - 4PM**



MOAPIA parklet
- 500 I (eye) Street NW

7th St NW
Massachusetts Ave NW
6th St NW
5th St NW
H St NW

CHINATOWN PARK
I St NW



FITNESS AND GREENNESS DC!

**STOP BY AND TAKE A BREAK
AT MOAPIA'S PARKLET AT 500 I STREET NW!**

COME FOR A SHORT YOGA WORK-OUT WITH DUMBBELLS AND KETTLEBELLS,
AND ENJOY YOUR DAY WITH SNACKS AND COFFEE.



Chinese Community Church (CCC)
American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)



Friday, September 16

10 am - 4 pm

500 I (Eye) Street NW

"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](#).

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

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

FARM FRESH FOOD ON THE MOVE

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



WE ACCEPT CASH • DEBIT • SNAP WIC • SENIOR FMNP AND PRODUCE PLUS

STRETCH YOUR DOLLAR

WE DOUBLE THE VALUE OF SNAP • WIC SENIOR FMNP

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WILLIAM S. ABELL FOUNDATION



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:

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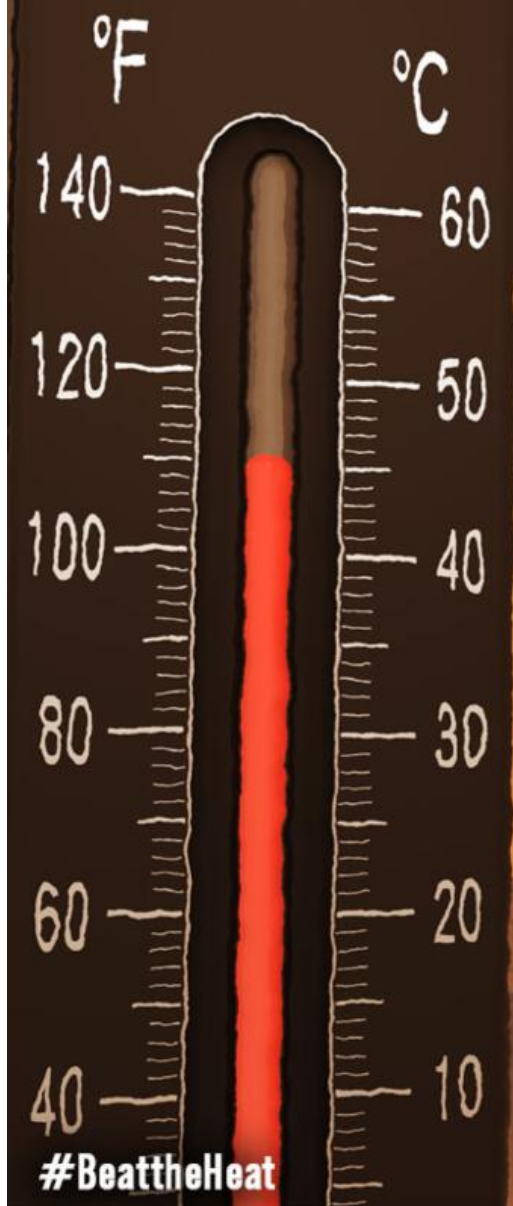
Pay off any negative fare balances on your DC One Card. You can check your balance by tapping your Card on a fare vending machine at a rail station.



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

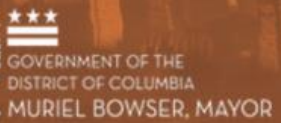
On days when the temperature reaches 95 degrees, the DC Government will activate Cooling Centers.

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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