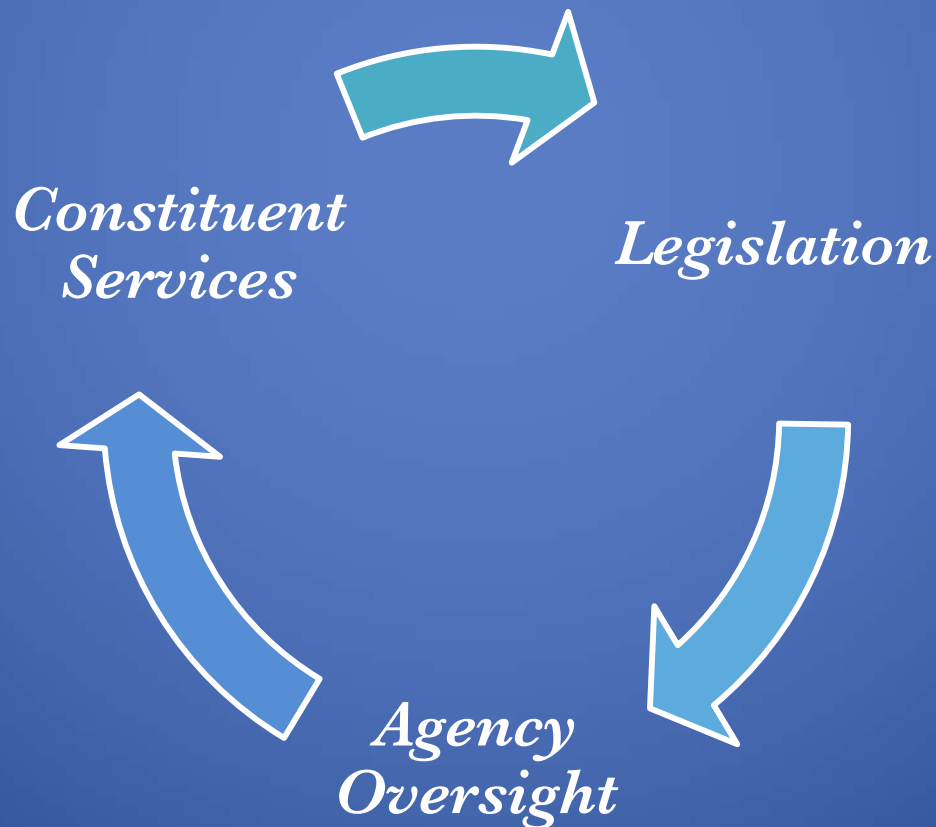


# Committee on the Judiciary & Public Safety

*Facebook Live Town Hall on the  
Mayor's FY21 Proposed Budget*

Thursday, May 21 | 7:30 p.m.

What does the Committee do,  
and how does it affect me?



## Top Issues in the Committee

Public Safety  
& Violence  
Prevention

Fire & EMS

Elections &  
Campaign  
Finance

Government  
Operations

Ethics

# Our FY21 Budget Priorities

Our budget priorities *include*:

- **Enhancing violence prevention** through the Office of Neighborhood Safety & Engagement and the Office of the Attorney General: violence interruption contracts, the Pathways Program, school-based Leadership Academies
- Supporting our first responders & delivering high-quality EMS and 311/911 services: capital needs (facilities and fleet), staff recruitment and retention
- Grants for community-based organizations serving **crime survivors** and **returning citizens**
- Ensuring access to justice through **legal services** for vulnerable Washingtonians, including eviction defense
- **Fair Elections** (public financing), **campaign finance reform**, and elections innovations
- Supporting just enforcement of our laws by the **Office of the Attorney General**
- Innovative and rehabilitative programs at the D.C. Jail, capital improvements

## How does the annual budget process work? (the quick and easy version)

- Mayor engages residents and develops proposed budget (*last fall – this spring*)
- Committees hold hearings on each agency's performance to inform their spring budget recommendations (*January – March*)
- Mayor submits budget to the Council (*this past Monday*), and each Committee gets their piece of the pie and legislative recommendations to implement it
- Council Committees hold budget oversight hearings on their agencies (*May 20 – June 18*)
- Council Committees “mark up” or vote on their pieces of the pie (*June 25 for J&PS*)
- Whole Council votes twice on the \$, twice on the implementing bill (*July*)
- Mayor signs budget bill, and bill with implementing legislation goes to Congress
- Next fiscal year starts (*October 1*)

How can you engage? (It's also quick and easy)

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# Highlights from the Mayor's Proposal

## *Public Safety, Violence Prevention, & Justice*

### *Metropolitan Police Department*

- 3.3% budget increase to \$578 million and 4,800 FTEs
- Increases the Cadet Academy by \$1.7 million from 100 to 150 cadets
- \$61.7 million capital budget, including CCTV renovations, redevelopment plan for modernizing aging District police stations, fleet
- \$10 million in FY21 in DGS budget for Daly Building renovation

### *Office of Neighborhood Safety & Engagement*

- 11.4% budget reduction (\$863,000)
- Reductions to violence interruption contracts, school-based Anacostia High Leadership Academy
- 4 cohorts of “Pathways” Ambassadors planned

# Highlights from the Mayor's Proposal

## *Public Safety, Violence Prevention, & Justice*

### *Department of Corrections*

- \$2 million for 30 new correctional officers to relieve overtime pressures
- \$48 million for aging D.C. Jail capital needs like HVAC, renovations to the exterior
- \$5M for a new DC Jail in FY25 (full cost of the facility is ~ \$500-600 million)
- \$2.5 million for Central Cell Block renovations in the Daly Building



# Highlights from the Mayor's Proposal

## *Public Safety, Violence Prevention, & Justice*

### *Office of the Victim Services & Justice Grants*

- Grants for community-based organizations:
  - Victim services: \$1.1 million reduction in local grants, \$1.7 million reduction in federal grants
  - Justice grants (reentry & other justice programming): \$740,000 reduction in local grants, \$230,000 reduction in federal grants
  - Legal services (“Access to Justice”) grants: \$670,000 decrease in funding for legal services for low-income Washingtonians, including eviction defense; \$1.8 million conversion of funding in that program to one-time dollars, so it will expire after FY21
- Private security camera rebate program: \$500,000
- Maintains funding for truancy reduction programming

# Highlights from the Mayor's Proposal

## *Fire & EMS, 9-1-1/3-1-1*

### *Fire & Emergency Medical Services Department*

- 5.7% budget reduction (to \$265 million), supplemented by \$33.5 million in federal COVID-19 funding; 18% capital budget reduction
- \$4.5M in capital and operating funds to buy lifesaving cardiac equipment used by EMS personnel
- \$200,000 for a new consumer case management system to improve code violence enforcement post-Kennedy Street fire
- \$86 million for new vehicles, \$43 million for new fleet maintenance facility

### *Office of Unified Communications (9-1-1/3-1-1)*

- 1.9% budget increase (to \$54 million)
- \$68 million in capital investments (35% increase) to upgrade our 9-1-1 and 3-1-1 infrastructure and hardware

# Highlights from the Mayor's Proposal

## *Elections & Campaign Finance*

### *Board of Elections*

- 2% budget reduction (savings due to non-election year)
- Anticipated federal funding will be critical for security upgrades, equipment, operational improvements

### *Office of Campaign Finance*

- \$4.3 million for the District's "Fair Elections" public financing system
- No funding for the Committee's pay-to-play government contracting reform legislation

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Evening of June 4

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