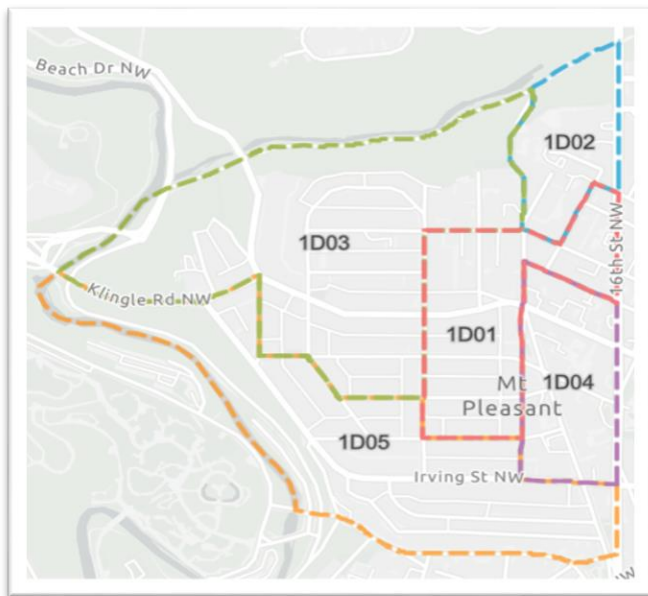




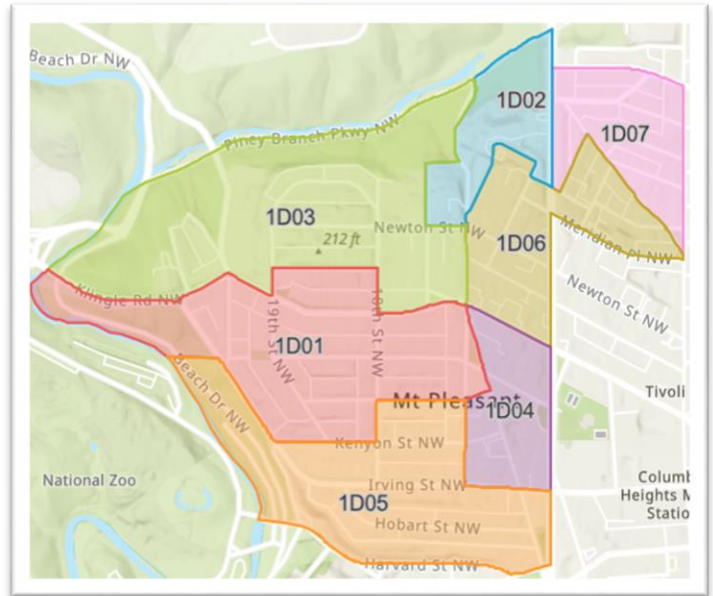
Annual Report, ANC1D, FY2023

October 2022 – September 2023

In January 2023, ANC1D elected six brand new and one incumbent Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners to represent ANC1D along newly approved district boundaries.



Previous ANC1D Boundaries



Current ANC1D Boundaries - 2023

Commissioners

1D01 - KELLY WILLIS

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COMMUNITY

Throughout the year, ANC1D has worked to support the Mount Pleasant and Northern Columbia Heights community. ANC1D supported popular events, amplified neighbors' voices, and spotlighted gaps in needed services.

In February 2023, DC's "Period Equity Righting an Injustice of District Residents Act of 2022" went into effect, requiring public bathrooms to provide free-for-use menstrual products. Recognizing DCPL as a force in the community, in June 2023 the commission passed a [Resolution to Improve Menstrual Product Access in District of Columbia Public Libraries](#), urging DCPL to purchase & install free-for-use menstrual product dispensers in women's & gender-neutral bathrooms.

On April 25, 2023, the commission addressed mental health with a [Resolution Urging Mental Health Supports in Schools and Our Community](#), resolving that ANC1D continues to push for prioritizing mental health supports in our schools and across our communities, ensuring early intervention and access to critical services for residents. One in five District youth have a mental health condition. ANC1D's April resolution requested that Council ensure that community-based organizations, essential to our **School Based Mental Health**, can provide kids critical services & avoid cuts by adding \$5.7 million to the program budget.

ANC1D further requested that DC Council restore the \$2 million cut from **DBH's budget** to provide outreach to homeless individuals in the District, in addition to allocating \$1.7 million in funding to establish a **traveling mental health unit** for youth. Every \$1 investment in prevention and early intervention for mental illness and addiction programs yields \$2-\$10 in savings in health costs, criminal & juvenile justice costs, & low productivity.



ANC1D Commissioners at "Acorn Park" ribbon-cutting

On June 20 2023, ANC1D passed a [Resolution Supporting Expanded Community Input Into Amigos Park Planning](#). Hispanic & Latinx residents in Washington, D.C. have historically been underrepresented in community decision-making processes, and it is essential to ensure their perspectives are integrated into any initiatives aimed at enhancing the community. **For over a decade, Mt. Pleasant residents have advocated** for an improved park space at the NE corner of Mt Pleasant & Kenyon Street. In 2021, Council referred to the park as "a significant opportunity to improve a long-standing neighborhood gathering space to meet the needs of many Mt. Pleasant

residents, and to treat the District's Central American **immigrant community** with the dignity it has long deserved."

Also in June 2023, ANC1D provided a letter in support of District Bridges' application for sounds emitted from **Art All Night, Mount Pleasant** (see [Art All Night Letter of Support](#)).

TRANSPORTATION

On February 21, 2023, a few months after the opening of "**Acorn Park**" at the intersection of 19th and Lamont St NW, ANC1D advised the District Department of Transportation to immediately install **high visibility crosswalks** at the 3-way stop intersection of Lamont St and 19th St NW.

On September 26, 2023, ANC1D passed a [Resolution Supporting Public Space Permit Application for 1648 Newton St NW](#), to properly install a curb cut driveway to legitimize a **long term parking space** a community residential facility owned by Community Connections, Inc., a nonprofit community-based mental health organization which has provided services within the Mount Pleasant community for over 30 years.

In FY2023, ANC1D also passed three resolutions supporting **improved pedestrian safety** near **Bancroft Elementary school**.

On March 21, 2023, the commission passed a resolution [In Support Of Bancroft Elementary Safe Street Initiative](#), supporting a partnership between the Bancroft School Administration and Local School Advisory Team, the Bancroft PTO leadership, the Mt. Pleasant Village leadership, and the D.C. Department of Transportation.

On June 20, 2023, passed a [Resolution in Support of DC Department of Transportation Project for Improved Traffic Flow and Pedestrian Safety at 18th St NW and Ingleside Ter NW](#)

On September 26, 2023, passed [Vision Zero Hardening Project for 18th Street NW and Newton Street NW](#).



Bancroft Street Safey volunteers helping parents walk (and bike!) their children safely to school

PUBLIC SAFETY

All ANC1D commissioners have received comments and requests from residents regarding public safety in our neighborhood. At the September 2023 meeting, ANC1D voted together to establish an **Ad Hoc Committee on Public Safety to Advise ANC1D**.

EDUCATION

In 2023, the Office of the **Deputy Mayor for Education (DME)** began to conduct a **Boundary and Student Assignment Study** to review DC Public School (DCPS) boundaries and feeder patterns and District-wide public school student assignment policies, based on principles that include **predictability, continuity, and racial and ethnic diversity**.

On June 20, 2023, ANC1D passed a resolution of [Principles on DCPS Boundary Study](#) and encouraged Mayor Bowser, Deputy Mayor Kihn, and the Advisory Committee on Student Assignment to recognize the role that the Mt Pleasant neighborhood and Bancroft Elementary School play in advancing the key principles set forth by the Advisory Committee.

It was further resolved that that the Advisory Committee on Student Assignment should ensure that **interpretation** is available at all future community meetings that is inclusive of the diverse communities across the city, including Spanish speakers residing in 1D.

LOCAL BUSINESS

ANC1D works to help local businesses thrive, from Mount Pleasant to Columbia Heights.

For instance, **Mount Pleasant Street NW** is the main commercial and cultural corridor of the Mount Pleasant neighborhood and the center for most community activities. ANC1D has consistently called on the DC Office of Planning and the DC Department of Transportation to renew their efforts to implement the Mount Pleasant Street Commercial Revitalization Strategy. On April 25, 2023, passed a [Resolution Calling for the Support of Planning Activities for Revitalizing the Mount Pleasant Street Commercial Streetscape](#). ANC1D called on Mayor Bowser, the D.C. Council, and the Deputy Mayor for Planning & Economic Development (DMPED) to commit a portion of the funds from the FY24 budget for planning activities to support a transition from the current temporary outdoor dining structures toward more permanent hardscape that is safe, accessible, and welcoming.

Closer to Columbia Heights, the commercial and residential corridor of **14th Street NW between Park Road and Shepherd Road** presents a unique opportunity for economic development and cultural preservation. It includes one of the highest concentrations of **Latino-owned businesses** in Washington, D.C. At the same time, as of April 2023, it also included 16 **vacant and/or blighted buildings** and empty lots that could be converted to productive use like housing, retail space, and office space. On April 25, 2023, ANC1D passed a [Resolution Calling for 14th Street NW Latino Cultural Designation & Dedicated Economic Development Initiative.](#)

ANC 1D called on Mayor Bowser, the D.C. Council, the Deputy Mayor for Planning & Economic Development, the Department of Small and Local Business Development, and the Mayor's Office on Latino Affairs to designate the corridor of 14th Street NW between Park Rd and Shepherd Rd as a **Latino cultural and commercial district** in FY24, with a dedicated grant program to support new and existing Latino business, spur investment in the corridor, and preserve the rich history and culture of Columbia Heights and its residents.

Additionally, on December 13, 2022 ANC1D provided an annual letter of support for continuation of the **Saturday Farmers' Market** in Lamont Plaza.

In FY23, ANC1D supported the renewal of the following liquor licenses:

On October 25, 2022, advised ABRA to approve the renewal of the Class C Tavern licenses for: (1) Suns Cinema, at 3107 Mount Pleasant Street NW; (2) Elle, at 3221 Mount Pleasant Street NW, #B; (3) Addis Paris Cafe, at 3103 Mount Pleasant Street NW; (4) Raven Grill, at 3125 Mount Pleasant Street NW; (5) Haydee's Restaurant, at 3102 Mount Pleasant Street NW (see [Approve CT license renewals](#))

On December 13, 2022, advised the ABRA to approve the renewal of the Class C Tavern licenses for: (1) The Sheppard Bar, at 3165 Mount Pleasant Street NW; (2) Taqueria Nacional, at 3213 Mount Pleasant Street NW; (3) Mola, at 3155 Mount Pleasant Street NW. (See [Approve CT license renewals](#))

On September 26, 2023, advised ABCA on Los Primos license renewal via [Resolution Supporting ABCA License Application at 3170 MT PLEASANT ST NW](#)).

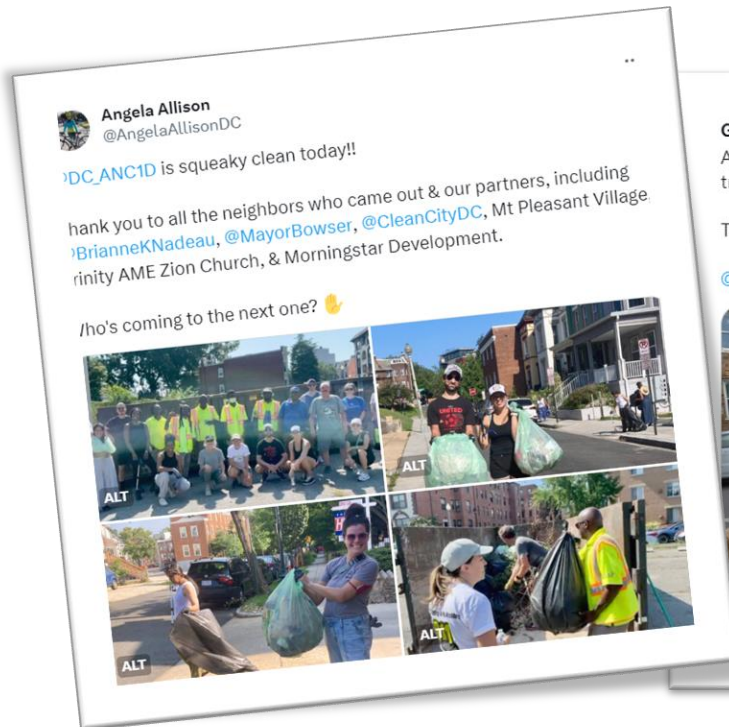
In FY23, ANC1D endorsed the following Streateries & sidewalk cafes:

On December 13, 2022, advised the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration to approve the Streatery Endorsements applied for by: (1) Addis Paris Cafe, for a 20 person streatery at 3103 Mount Pleasant Street NW, #A; (2) Elle, for a 20 person streatery at 3221 Mount Pleasant Street NW, #B; (3) Beau Thai, for a 24 person streatery at 3162-3164 Mount Pleasant Street NW; (4) Purple Patch, for a 60 person streatery at 3155 Mount Pleasant Street NW. (See [Approve Streatery endorsements](#))

On June 20, 2023, passed [Resolution to Support Approval of Occupancy Permit for Sidewalk Cafe at La Tejana.](#)

ENVIRONMENT

ANC1D Commissioners helped keep the neighborhood clean this year by hosting and attending neighborhood cleanups. Additionally, commissioners learned about water quality monitoring and watershed improvements with a trip hosted by the Potomac Riverkeeper Network.



HOUSING

In the last year, ANC1D passed multiple resolutions to support affordable housing in 1D:

- ANC 1D is home to a large number of rent-controlled buildings. DC at large, and 1D specifically, is already seeing a spike in evictions after the end of the COVID-19 eviction moratorium. In response to the DC Rental Housing Commission's announcement of a rent increase cap of 8.9% for rent-controlled buildings in rental year 2023 (May 1, 2023-April 30, 2024), ANC1D passed [Decreasing Rent Increases for Rental Year 2023](#) on March 1, 2023 calling upon the DC Council and Mayor to pass legislation **capping rent increases for rent-controlled buildings** in the District of Columbia to 3% for the 2023 rental year.
- On March 10, 2023, the **Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP)**, closed to new applications with less than 72 hours' notice. On March 21, 2023, ANC1D passed a resolution calling to fund the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (See [Funding ERAP for FY23.](#))

- The **Trinity African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church**, a pillar of the Ward 1 community, seeks to sell vacant lots it owns in its vicinity, in pursuit of adding more affordable housing to the neighborhood. Trinity and Morningstar Community Development have developed an agreement for sale and development of these lots to **support affordable housing goals**.
 - To facilitate this, ANC1D passed a resolution on April 25, 2023, to [Support Dispossession of Portion of a Vacant Lot on Meridian St NW](#), calling upon the Board of Commissioners for the District of Columbia Housing Authority to authorize execution of an agreement of a potential property dispossession to Morningstar Community Development.

ZONING

Between October 2022 and September 2023, **ANC1D supported the following special exception applications at the Board of Zoning Adjustment:**

[1644 Park Rd NW](#) 2/21/2023

Supporting the demolition of the one-and two-story wing of the property and the one-story garage, to replace them with a two-story addition.

[3500 Brown Street Stoop & Steps](#) 2/21/2023

Supporting the construction of a stoop and steps at 3500-3599 Brown Street NW.

[Zoning Relief at 1434 Parkwood Place NW](#) 6/20/2023

Supporting a special exception from zoning requirements to construct front and rear deck additions to an existing, attached, two-story with a cellar, principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 zone.

[1717 Irving St NW HPRB Application Resolution](#) 6/20/2023

Supporting conversion of an attic space to a third story addition on their attached single-family home.

[3221 Mount Pleasant St NW HPRB Application Resolution](#) 6/20/2023

Supporting an additional story above the commercial space occupied by Past Tense yoga studio to adjoin a one-bedroom apartment; proposed for accessibility and space for a potential caretaker.

[ANC Letter in Support of BZA Case #20931](#)

Supporting a special exception from zoning requirements to construct front and rear deck additions to an existing, attached, two-story with a cellar, principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 zone.

[Board of Zoning Adjustment Application for 1748 Lamont St NW](#) 9/26/2023

Supporting the zoning adjustment required for reconstruction of a rear deck and stairs.

[Approve HPA 22-365, the updated 1614 Kilbourne Place project](#) 10/25/2022

Supporting design adjustments as compatible with the character of the Mount Pleasant Historic District
 On November 15, 2022, ANC 1D advised the Zoning Commission to [Approve the zoning amendment application for The Argyle](#), located at 3220 17th Street, N.W., Lot 85 | Square 2607, from RA-2 to MU-4. The Argyle has operated as a mixed-use building for over a century and the proposed zoning amendment aligns historical use with appropriate regulation. Updating its zoning to reflect actual usage does not imply changes to commercial activity, it only makes the current and longstanding activity, permitted through variance and exception, consistent with the zoning designation.

COMMISSION UPDATES

In March 2023, ANC1D passed [updated bylaws](#)! Key updates included updating the commission's stated boundaries to include new districts, allowing the commission to create committees throughout the year, and removing restrictions on grant giving capabilities (see [review version](#)).

In recognition of the need for more frequent communication among commissioners, ANC1D started its first committee, the Committee of the Whole (COW) in March 2023. Throughout the year, the COW met monthly for commissioners to discuss administrative functions, like planning draft meeting agendas, hiring staff, and updating the website.

FINANCIAL REPORT

In Q1 FY2022, ANC 1D had a **starting balance of \$46,899.98**. After receiving \$25,860.29 during FY2022 and dispersing \$7,877.00, ANC1D finished FY2022 with an **ending balance of \$65,062.41**. On January 25, 2023, ANC1D voted to join the ANC Security Fund.

Receipts	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total 2023
District Allotment	\$10,929.07	*	*	\$13,741.20	\$24,670.27
Interest	\$ 1.36	\$ 1.42	\$ 1.20		\$ 3.98
Other	\$ 1,000.00	\$186.04			\$ 1,186.04
	\$11,930.43	\$187.46	\$ 1.20	\$13,741.20	\$25,860.29
Disbursements	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total 2023
Personnel				\$ 1,564.00	\$ 1,564.00
Direct Office Cost				\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00
Communication	\$ 141.04			\$ 305.64	\$ 446.68
Office Supplies, Equipment, Printing				\$ 268.20	\$ 268.20
Grants & Sponsorships				\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Local Transportation					\$ -
Purchase of service	\$ 1,400.00		\$2,402.26	\$ 200.00	\$ 4,002.26
Bank Charges				\$ 96.49	\$ 96.49
Other		\$ 50.00			\$ 50.00
	\$ 1,541.04	\$ 50.00	\$2,402.26	\$ 3,884.33	\$ 7,877.63
Starting balance - Q1	\$46,899.98				
Ending Balance - Q4	\$65,062.41				

Details
Personnel...Admin Assistant
Direct Office Cost...Office Rent
Communication...Zoom and website maintenance
Office Supplies, Equipment, Printing...Business cards
Grants & Sponsorships...Clinca Del Puebla event sponsor (FY24 refund)
Purchase of service...Posting & Spanish interpretation (FY24 refund)
Bank Charges...Check book
Other...Security Fund
*After changing banks during Q2/Q3, ANC1D received Q2/Q3/Q4 disbursements in Q4.

BONUS REEL



Mayor Bowser visits Amigos Park



Freshly minted speed bump



ANC1D public meeting notice



Cm. Nunez mulching at Triangle Park



Mayor Bowser's Mt. P safety walk



Cm. Allison helping mulch Mt. P trees



Cm. Decker at 14th & Oak Park Community Meeting



Joining Councilmember Nadeau for "Brienne On Your Block" in Mt. P



ANC1D at the Ward 1 Education Meetup!