

# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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## MEDIA UPDATE

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### **NOON UPDATE: Food Distribution Sites Opened, D.C. Public Schools Remain Closed, Power Being Restored**

**(WASHINGTON, D.C.)** – With thousands of residents across the District of Columbia still without power due to the effects of Friday night’s storms, Mayor Vincent C. Gray announced that the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) will begin distributing boxed lunches to the public at six sites today, beginning at 11:00 a.m. (Details in DPR section below.)

In addition, the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) opened its Free Summer Meals Program (FSMP) today, to serve meals to District infants and children up to age 18 or with disabilities. (Details in OSSE section below.)

D.C. Public Schools (DCPS) remain closed today, as storm recovery efforts continue following yesterday’s state of emergency declaration. DCPS students and staff assigned to summer school should not report. Also, DCPS schools are NOT open for use by other community-based organizations (CBOs) or programs, including Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) participants assigned to DCPS campuses.

Residents are encouraged to get the latest information on emergency response from [www.hsema.dc.gov](http://www.hsema.dc.gov), [www.dc.gov](http://www.dc.gov), and their Twitter and DC311 app accounts.

Below is a round-up of the latest storm-response information from across the D.C. government:

#### **POTOMAC ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY (PEPCO) Update**

As of 9:45 a.m. today, PEPCO reported 19,136 customers in the District of Columbia were without service – a significant improvement over the same period yesterday. The outages were distributed as follows:

- 19,070 residential/business establishments
- 0 health facilities (nursing facilities, hospitals, and community clinics)
- 0 Federal government buildings
- 57 traffic signals
- 9 public schools

PEPCO's focus of restoration as of 9:45 a.m. will include:

- Subtransmission Line Outages
- Distribution Feeder-based restoration

Resources deployed on PEPCO System - DC & MD

About 1,700 field restoration personnel have been deployed including:

- 700 power-line personnel from out of state;
- 450 tree-trimming personnel;
- 320 overhead-line contractors;
- 119 internal PEPCO line crew members; and
- 140 internal underground and substation personnel

In addition, about 265 personnel are mobilized to answer customer calls and about 700 personnel are supporting the restoration efforts in other roles. Call 1-877-737-2662 and follow the prompts to report a downed wire or an outage.

### **DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PUBLIC LIBRARIES (DCPL)**

The following libraries will be open **from 1:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 3, 2012** (except for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Library, which will open at noon) and available to the public as cooling centers:

- Anacostia, 1800 Good Hope Road SE
- Cleveland Park, 3310 Connecticut Avenue NW
- Dorothy I. Height/Benning , 3935 Benning Road NE
- Georgetown, 3269 R Street NW
- Lamont-Riggs, 5401 South Dakota Avenue NE
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial, 901 G Street NW (**opens at noon**)
- Northwest One, 155 L Street NW
- Palisades, 4901 V Street NW
- Southeast, 403 7<sup>th</sup> Street SE
- William O. Lockridge/Bellevue, 155 Atlantic Street SW

### **DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DDOT)**

DDOT reports that, as of 10:00 a.m., 57 traffic lights in the District are without power and 5 are flashing. Major intersections include:

- 14<sup>th</sup> Street, , Kennedy Street & Colorado Avenue NW
- 1<sup>st</sup> Street & Florida Avenue NE
- Alabama Avenue & Branch Avenue SE
- Georgia Avenue & Kenyon Street NW
- Good Hope Road & Minnesota Avenue SE
- MacArthur Boulevard & Arizona Avenue NW
- Michigan Avenue & Eastern Avenue NE
- Minnesota Avenue & Randle Circle SE
- Nannie Helen Burroughs Avenue & Division Avenue NE
- North Capitol Street & L Street NW
- North Capitol Street & Michigan Avenue NE

- Pennsylvania Avenue & Branch Avenue SE
- Reno Road & Fessenden Street NW
- Rhode Island Avenue, 12<sup>th</sup> Street & Saratoga Avenue NE
- Riggs Road & South Dakota Avenue NE
- South Capitol Street & Southern Avenue SE
- South Dakota Avenue, 14<sup>th</sup> Street & Webster Street NE
- South Dakota Avenue, 22<sup>nd</sup> Street & Newton Street NE
- South Dakota Avenue & Monroe Street NE
- Southern Avenue & Naylor Road SE
- Suitland Parkway & Naylor Road SE

### **DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS (DCPS)**

DCPS officials have announced that all schools will be closed Tuesday, July 3, 2012. As of 9:45 a.m. the following nine (9) schools had no power:

- Adams Elementary ..... 2020 19th Street NW
- Hearst Elementary ..... 3950 37th Street NW
- Horace Mann Elementary ..... 4430 Newark Street NW
- Johnson Jr. High ..... 1400 Bruce Place SE
- Ketcham Elementary..... 1919 15th Street SE
- Murch Elementary ..... 4810 36th Street NW
- Shaed Elementary ..... 301 Douglas Street NE
- Stoddert Elementary..... 4001 Calvert Street NW

### **METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT (MPD)**

MPD has closed the following streets:

- 2D—3800—400 block of Reno Road NW, (tree down); several small side streets blocked due to downed trees
- 3D—no closures
- 4D—12<sup>th</sup> and Varnum Street NW; tree down, wires down, MPD on scene
- 7D—2300 block of 24<sup>th</sup> Street SE (tree down & PEPCO on scene)  
3500 19th Street SE (tree down)

### **DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION (DPR)**

DPR has advised that all of its facilities will be used as cooling centers should the heat index meet or exceed 95. **All recreation centers close at 9:00 p.m., except for the 3 locations listed below**, which will be open overnight and staffed by Department of Human Services (DHS) workers:

- Kennedy Recreation Center, 1401 7<sup>th</sup> Street NW
- North Michigan Park Recreation Center, 1333 Emerson Street NE
- Southeast Tennis & Learning Center, 701 Mississippi Avenue SE

### **DPR FOOD DISTRIBUTION SITES**

DPR has six (6) Food Distribution Sites. Sites have designated spaces for receiving and distribution of food and are ready to direct all who come to receive meals to those areas. Food will be distributed from 11:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Main Food Distribution Site:

- Langdon Park..... 2901 20<sup>th</sup> Street NE

Satellite Distribution Sites:

- Deanwood..... 1350 49<sup>th</sup> Street NE
- Ft. Stevens..... 1327 Van Buren Street NW
- Guy Mason ..... 3600 Calvert Street NW
- Southeast Tennis & Learning Center ..... 701 Mississippi Avenue SE
- Takoma..... 300 Van Buren Street NW

**OSSE FREE SUMMER MEALS PROGRAM**

The Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) has posted a listing of citywide Free Summer Meals Program (FSMP) sites open to serve up to two meals a day to District infants and children up to age 18 or with disabilities. Identification is not required, and those arriving at the distribution locations during the posted time will be served meals free of charge, regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, family responsibilities, political affiliation, disability, source of income, or place of residence or business.

For Free Summer Meals Program locations and hours, [visit OSSE’s website here](#).

**DPR FACILITIES CLOSURES**

Due to ongoing power outages the following DPR Summer Camps and facilities will remain closed on Tuesday, July 3, 2012:

- Arboretum Recreation Center ..... 2412 Rand St. NE
- Benning Stoddert Recreation Center ..... 100 Stoddert Pl. SE
- Chevy Chase Recreation Center (not CCCC)..... 5500 41<sup>st</sup> St. NW
- Cleveland Elementary School..... 1825 8<sup>th</sup> St. NW
- Ferebee Hope Recreation Center ..... 3999 8<sup>th</sup> St SE
- Fort Davis Community Center..... 1400 41<sup>st</sup> St. SE
- Fort Lincoln Recreation Center ..... 3100 Ft. Lincoln Dr. NE
- Hearst Recreation Center..... 3950 37<sup>th</sup> St. NW
- Hillcrest Recreation Center ..... 3100 Denver St. SE
- Kenilworth Recreation Center ..... 1300 44<sup>th</sup> St. NE
- Lafayette Recreation Center ..... 5900 33<sup>rd</sup> St. NW
- Lederer Gardens ..... 4801 Nannie Helen Burroughs Ave. NE
- Marie Reed Recreation Center ..... 2200 Champlain St. NW
- Stoddert Recreation Center ..... 4001 Calvert St. NW
- Therapeutic Recreation Center..... 3030 G St. SE
- Turkey Thicket Recreation Center ..... 1100 Michigan Ave. NE
- Tyler Elementary School ..... 1001 G St SE
- Watkins Recreation Center ..... 420 12<sup>th</sup> St. SE

The following Aquatic Facilities are closed:

- Chevy Chase Recreation Center Spray Park..... 5500 41st St. NW
- East Potomac Outdoor Pool..... 972 Ohio Dr. NW
- Ferebee Hope Indoor Pool..... 3999 8th St. SE
- Turkey Thicket Recreation Center and Pool ..... 1100 Michigan Ave. NE

The following facilities are experiencing periodic Air Conditioning outages:

- Benning Park Recreation Center ..... 5100 Southern Ave. SE
- Benning Stoddert Recreation Center ..... 100 Stoddert Pl. SE
- Columbia Heights Community Center ..... 1480 Girard St. NW
- Lereder Youth Gardens ..... 4801 Nannie Helen Burroughs Ave NE
- Rita Bright Community Center ..... 2500 14<sup>th</sup> St. NW
- Takoma Field House..... 300 Van Buren St. NW

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