



# You Hold the Keys...

to help the City Understand the  
**Housing and Community Development  
Needs of the Residents of the District of Columbia**

## DC Department of Housing and Community Development Hosts a Series of Community Needs Assessment Hearings

John E. Hall, Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), announces a series of public hearings on “Housing and Community Development Needs in the District of Columbia”. The hearing will help form a basis for developing the District’s draft “*Consolidated Plan for the District of Columbia Fiscal Year 2013 Action Plan*” and the spending priorities utilizing federal entitlement funds. DHCD, the Department of Human Services and the Department of Health will each provide input into the plan.

Residents and stakeholders are strongly encouraged to come out and participate in the development of policies and programs in the following areas: **1)** affordable housing; **2)** special needs housing; **3)** homelessness; **4)** homeownership; and, **5)** community development and public service activities. The Department is also interested in receiving community feedback on innovative strategies to enhance community participation during this planning process.

### **SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**Wednesday, February 15, 2012 ~ 1:00 pm**

**Focus: Special Needs Housing**

(includes housing needs for the homeless, persons with disabilities and persons living with AIDS)

1800 Martin Luther King Jr, Avenue, SE  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room

**Tuesday, February 21, 2012 ~ 6:30 pm**

1800 Martin Luther King Jr, Avenue, SE  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room

**Wednesday, February 29, 2012 ~ 6:30 pm**

The Bishop Alfred A. Owens Jr. Family Life Community Center  
605 Rhode Island Avenue, NE

**Thursday, March 8, 2012 ~ 6:30 pm**

Frank D. Reeves Municipal Building  
2000 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Community Room

District of Columbia residents who would like to present oral testimony are encouraged to register in advance either by e-mail at [DHCD.EVENTS@dc.gov](mailto:DHCD.EVENTS@dc.gov) or by calling 202.442.4382 or 442-7251. Please provide your name, address, telephone number, and organization affiliation, if any.

Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) relay service is available by calling (800) 201-7165. A sign language interpreter will be provided upon request by calling (202) 442-7251 five days prior to the hearing date.

Residents who require language interpretation should specify which language (Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese-Mandarin/Cantonese, Amharic, or French). Interpretation services will be provided to pre-registered persons only. Deadline for requesting services of an interpreter is five days prior to the hearing date. Bilingual staff will provide services on an availability basis to walk-ins without registration.

Written statements may be submitted for the record at the hearing, or until close of business, Friday, March 16, 2012. Mail written statements to: John E. Hall, Director, DHCD, 1800 Martin Luther King Jr., Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20020.

**WE NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU!**