

Inauguration Day 2017

Disability & Access and Functional Needs Community

Welcome to the 58th Presidential Inauguration!

The District of Columbia welcomes you, but wants you to remember some very important information.

First of all, although all are welcome, please be aware that the District expects over 500,000 event attendees between Thursday, January 19 and Saturday, January 21, 2017.

Therefore, it is important that you are very aware of your surroundings so that you know the resources available during your visit.

Know Before You Go

- There are ticketed areas and non-ticketed areas.
- Areas where tickets are not necessary:
 - Viewing the Inaugural ceremonies from the National Mall does not require tickets. However, bags will be checked.
 - The non-ticketed area of the National Mall begins at 4th St. NW, and extends past the Washington Monument to 17th St. NW.
- Areas where tickets are necessary: The Washington Monument viewing area will be restricted to the grounds between 17th St. NW and 15th St. NW.

Warming Centers (staffed with American Sign Language Interpreters, Foreign Language Translation Services and charging stations): Brent ES, 301 North Carolina Ave., SE | Eastern HS, 700 East Capitol St., NE | Jefferson MS, 801 7th St., SW | Peabody ES, 425 C St., NE.

Traveling by Charter Bus

The Robert F. Kennedy (RFK) Stadium is the primary location designated for charter buses traveling to Washington, DC for the Inauguration. RFK Stadium is located at 2400 E. Capitol St., SE; approximately three (3) miles from the National Mall. The Stadium-Armory Metrorail station is adjacent to RFK Stadium.

Charter bus parking lots and RFK shuttle close at 10:30 PM.

Remember Your Starting Location

To help find your way back, please write down your bus parking or other starting location and, if applicable, your group captain cell number:

Seven Tips to Success...

1. Note your surroundings. Take a picture. Look at street signs.
2. Note your bus number and name.
3. Designate a group captain.
4. Have a roster of passengers with cell phone numbers.
5. Agree on a meeting time back on the bus.
6. Use the buddy system - make sure your seatmate makes it back.
7. Take attendance before leaving. Ideally, travel in groups.

Frequently Asked Questions

Where do I find inauguration information?

Visitors can find information about Washington, DC services during Inauguration by visiting the District's Inauguration website:

<http://inauguration.dc.gov/>. Inauguration visitors and residents should follow the District's official inauguration twitter handle @Inaug2017 and sign up for NIXLE alerts by texting "INAUG" to 888777.

What do I do if I lose touch with a family member or friend during the event?

- Call 211, for family reunification services during the inauguration.
- Reunification Centers (staffed with American Sign Language Interpreters, Foreign Language Translation Services and charging stations):
 - Bundy School, 429 O St., NW
 - Jefferson School, 801 7th St., SW
 - RFK Stadium, 2400 E. Capitol St., SE

Can I bring my service dog with me to the inaugural events?

- Yes. Service dogs are permitted at the inaugural events.

What are the key phone numbers I should know?

- For emergencies, call 911.
- District government medical tents will be located along the parade route. See the Public Walk Map.
- The closest hospitals are:
 - George Washington Hospital
 - Washington Hospital Center
 - Georgetown Hospital
- For family reunification, call 211.
- For general District information, call 311.

What are my transportation options?

- Walking is the best mode of transportation.
- Free maps will provide walk routes. Visitors can find information about Washington, DC transportation options by visiting <http://inauguration.dc.gov/page/getting-around-city>.

- Shuttle Bus service from RFK Stadium to L'Enfant Plaza Metro will be available for individuals requiring transportation assistance.
- The Shuttle Bus will run approximately 5 minute headways from 5:00 AM to 11:00 PM.
- Charter bus parking lots and RFK shuttle close at 10:30 PM.
- Taxicab Stands:
 - Mandarin Hotel - 1200 Block of Maryland Ave., SW
 - Marriott Hotel – 9th St., NW & L St., NW
 - 1700 Block of East Capitol Street, NE

Will I be able to take a taxi or For-Hire Vehicle to the inauguration site? Access to the inaugural area will be limited. While visitors will be able to take a for-hire vehicle to the entrance of the inaugural area, vehicles will not be allowed inside. Similarly, when leaving the inauguration, visitors will have to walk out of the inaugural area before reserving a vehicle.

Which Metro stations will be affected by the inauguration festivities?

- Metrorail will open at 4:00 AM and close at midnight. Peak fares will be in effect from 4:00 AM until 9:00 PM. After 9:00 PM, off-peak fares will be in effect.
- Five of Metro's 91 stations -- Archives, Mt Vernon Square, Federal Triangle, Smithsonian and Pentagon - will be closed due to enhanced security measures.
- For 17 consecutive hours -- from opening until 9:00 PM -- trains will run frequently on all lines, including "Rush Plus" service on the Yellow Line between Franconia-Springfield and Greenbelt.

- Metro recommends that riders plan their trip to the National Mall without transferring between lines. There is a station near the National Mall on each Metro line.
- Riders planning to use Metro are encouraged to purchase their SmarTrip card in advance to avoid long lines on Inauguration Day. (Each rider age 5 or older needs his/her own SmarTrip card to enter and exit the system.) Before January 13, visit wmata.com/inauguration to purchase a special \$10 one-day pass good for unlimited Metrorail and Metrobus trips on Inauguration Day.

Be prepared

- Be ready to walk long distances.
- Expect long lines at security checkpoints.
- Crowds will be large - be prepared to stand shoulder to shoulder.
- A vast majority of attendees will be in standing room sections and should be prepared to be on their feet for several hours. Extra consideration should be taken when planning to bring infants, young children, the elderly, or anyone with a weakened immune system.
- If you are on medications, bring enough medicine for the duration of your visit. Visitors likely will be away from their hotels and accommodations for many hours and should carry any necessary medications with them.
- You are encouraged to have a list of your primary care doctors and talk with them about how best to access your medical records when away from home-- in case an emergency occurs and the records are needed for treatment.
- If you are traveling with a group, select a prearranged meeting spot in case members of your group are separated.
- Charge your cell phone and consider bringing an external battery charger. Cell phone coverage may be spotty due to high demand, use text messages to send critical messages.

- Locate bathrooms, first aid tents, and warming sites.