**July 2018 Newsletter**

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| **July 2018** |

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| Happy 28th Anniversary ADA |

**Upcoming Events and Celebrations!****2018 Baseball All-Star Game**

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| **We're proud to be the host city for the 89th Major League Baseball All-Star Game.** Show off your love for America’s pastime by checking out several events happening in the District! Visit [**https://sportscapital.dc.gov/**](https://sportscapital.dc.gov/) for details on events, tickets, road closures, and updates!All Star Festivities start today, Friday, July 13th and conclude Tuesday evening, July 17th. |  | Image of Mayor Bowser with baseball player Bryce Harper and community members |

**The Road Ahead - Opening Reception**

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| **Join Art Enables in welcoming the traveling exhibition, The Road Ahead**, as it makes its 2018 mid-atlantic premiere! The Road Ahead is a national traveling exhibit organized by Sophie's Gallery (California) featuring work by 24 individual artists from programs similar to Art Enables. **When:** Saturday, July 14th from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.**Location:** 2204 Rhode Island Avenue Northeast[**RSVP**](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-road-ahead-opening-reception-tickets-46939200412?aff=ebdssbdestsearch) |  | The Road Ahead, flower with lady bug on it |

**Tours in American Sign Language by Deaf Gallery Guides at Smithsonian American Art Museum**

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| **Art Signs**Curious about American art? Interested in expressing your thoughts and raising questions about a painting or sculpture? Join us for a 30-minute gallery conversation about selected works from the American Art collection, presented in American Sign Language with voice interpretation for hearing visitors. **When:** Sunday, July 15th at 1:00 p.m.**Location:** Smithsonian American Art Museum, 8th and G Street Northwest |  | Interpreter standing infront of art |

**Disability Voter Registration Week**

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| **Mayor Muriel Bowser issues** [**Proclamation**](https://odr.dc.gov/release/proclamation-2018-disability-voter-registration-week) **for Disability Voter Registration Week, July 16th to 20th.****Stop by The DC Board of Elections' (DCBOE) office for prizes and surprises** in kicking off National Disability Voter Registration Week (NDVRW)**When:** Monday, July 16th from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**Location:** 1015 Half Street Southeast, Suite 750 **The DC Board of Elections (DCBOE) will also host a Voter Registration Drive** in celebration of Disability Voter Registration Week:**Voter Registration Drive:****When:** Wednesday, July 18th from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**Location:** The Center for Independent Living, 1400 Florida Avenue Northeast, #3 **For more information on the Voter Registration Drive please view** [**DCBOE's Press Release.**](https://dcboe.org/CMSPages/GetFile.aspx?guid=60db5e2b-bc3e-42e6-9627-f8e6672ddd4b)  |  | REV UP for the ADA |

**Emergency Preparedness - People with Disabilities and Access and Functional Needs**

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| **In Celebration of the 28th Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act we are kicking off an Emergency Preparedness Forum.** The Office of Disability Rights, The DC Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency, Age Friendly DC, the DC Developmental Disabilities Council, The DC Commission on Persons with Disabilities, and the Partnership for Inclusive Disaster Strategies **invites you to get disaster prepared**! **When:** Wednesday, July 18th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.**Location:** Cleveland Park Library, 3310 Connecticut Avenue Northwest, Lower Level Meeting Room 4 [**Please RSVP!**](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/emergency-preparedness-kick-off-forum-tickets-47953754972)   |  | Emergency Preparedness Event  |

**Tours for visitors who are blind or have low vision at the Smithsonian American Art Museum**

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| **America InSight**Join a docent-led tour for visitors who are blind or have low vision. Discover highlights from SAAM’s collection through rich verbal description and sensory experience. Touch tour components for sculptures may be included. Tours are often followed by live musical performances in the museum’s courtyard.**When:** Thursday, July 19th at 3:30 p.m**Location:** Smithsonian American Art Museum, 8th and G Street Northwest |  | Painting titled Callers by Walter Ufer |

**2018 Annual Conference on Independent Living**

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| **Join the National Council for Independent Living (NCIL) at their Annual Conference.** NCIL’s Annual Conference is the largest Independent Living event of the year. NCIL regularly hosts over 1,000 people, including grassroots advocates, CIL and SILC leadership, members of Congress, government officials, and representatives from other major organizations that work for justice and equity for people with disabilities.NCIL’s 2018 Annual Conference theme is Mobilize: Resistance through Action. **When:** July 23rd through July 26th**Location:** Grand Hyatt, 1000 H Street Northwest[**RSVP**](https://www.ncil.org/2018-annual-conference-on-independent-living/) |  | 2018 NCIL COnference logo |

**Celebrating the 28th Anniversary of the ADA!**

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| [Happy 28th Anniversary ADA](https://odr.dc.gov/release/recognizing-28th-anniversary-ada)**The Office of Disability Rights, The DC Developmental Disabilities Council, and The DC Commission on Persons with Disabilities join together to recognize and celebrate the 28th Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).**In recognition of the Act’s 28th anniversary, we continue to train District of Columbia Government Staff and community members on the ADA to ensure that the over 75,783[[1]](https://odr.dc.gov/release/recognizing-28th-anniversary-ada#_ftn1) residents with disabilities in the District of Columbia are guaranteed rights and equal access under the law. **Read our** [**statement**](https://odr.dc.gov/release/recognizing-28th-anniversary-ada) **on recognizing the 28th Anniversary of the ADA!** |

**DC Commission on Persons with Disabilities - July Meeting**

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| **Join the Commission on Persons with Disabilties (DCCPD) for this month's in-person meeting.** The public are encouraged to attend. **When:** Thursday, July 26th at 10:00 a.m.**Location:** 441 4th Street NW, 11th Floor Conference Center. If unable to attend in person the Open Conference Line Number is 866-628-2987. Participant Code: 8488992.For more information or to request a reasonable accomodation, please contact Julia Wolhandler at julia.wolhandler@dc.gov or 202-727-2890. **For upcoming Commission Meetings and information on the Commission please visit** [**ODR's website.**](https://odr.dc.gov/page/dc-commission-persons-disabilities) |  | ODR logo |

**Disability Independence: How to Make Transportation Truly Accessible**

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| **Join Women in Transportation (WTS)-DC in celebrating the 28th Anniversary of the ADA!****When:** Thursday, July 26th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.**Location:** American Trucking Association, 430 First Street SoutheastAn outstanding panel of disability advocates and experts will discuss the importance of universal access, what disability independence entails, and how we can overcome the remaining challenges and barriers to making transportation equally accessible and truly inclusive. [**For more details and to RSVP.**](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/disability-independence-how-to-make-transportation-truly-accessible-tickets-47189766863?aff=ebdssbdestsearch) |  | Advancing Women in Transportation logo |

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| **Updates****Boil Water Advisory**

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| Due to issues arising from an open valve at DC Water’s Bryant Street pumping station on Thursday, July 12, DC Water has issued a Boil Water Advisory for parts of Washington, DC. Residents and businesses can learn more about impacted areas by using DC Water’s interactive map found [HERE](https://www.arcgis.com/home/webmap/viewer.html?webmap=2ab86ced18ab41a3b7c3d0517b5bff16&extent=-77.1629,38.8733,-76.9093,38.9963) and at [dcwater.com](https://dcwater.com/whats-going-on/news/boil-water-advisory-continues-portions-nw-and-ne-%E2%80%93-updated-july-13-2018-300-pm)The DC Free Summer Meals program will not be impacted.The Department of Human Services (DHS) is delivering bottled water to residents in affected shelters, including motels, apartment-style shelters, New York Avenue Men’s Shelter, and Adams Place Emergency Shelter and Day Center. Bottled water is also being made available at client-facing facilities under the advisory, including Taylor Street Service Center and Virginia Williams Family Resource Center. |  | DC Water is Life Logo |

**Metro Closings**

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| **Red Line****Metro will close two stations on the Red Line - Rhode Island Ave and Brookland -** to complete structural repairs at Rhode Island Ave, Metro's oldest outdoor station. **The work will begin Saturday, July 21, and continue through Labor Day, Monday, September 3.** The structural work cannot be completed while trains are running on either track and will resolve platform conditions that affect the alignment between the platform and trains, presenting challenges for customers with disabilities.* Rhode Island Avenue and Brookland stations will be closed for 45 days, from July 21 through September 3.
* There will be no Red Line service between Fort Totten and NoMa-Gallaudet U stations. Red Line customers should transfer to Green or Yellow line trains between Fort Totten and Gallery Place to avoid the work zone. Metro will add capacity to the Green/Yellow lines to accommodate Red Line riders, including running some Yellow Line trains to/from Greenbelt. During rush hours, Red Line trains will operate every 6 minutes between Shady Grove and NoMa-Gallaudet, and every 10 minutes between Glenmont and Fort Totten.
* For customers traveling to/from Brookland or Rhode Island Ave stations, free shuttle buses will provide alternate service between Fort Totten, Brookland, Rhode Island Ave, and NoMa-Gallaudet U stations. In addition, Metro will operate express shuttles between Brookland and Rhode Island Ave and the areas of Metro Center, Gallery Place and Union Station
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| **Congratulations!****Congratulations to the DC Special Olympics Athletes**

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| **Congratulations are in order for the 20 Special Olympics DC team athletes** who competed in track and field, bocce, and soccer in a combination of traditional and ‘unified teams’ at last week's 2018 Special Olympics USA Games in Seattle, Washington! They brought home 21 medals! Learn more about the Special Olympics DC at <http://specialolympicsdc.org/> |  | Special Olympics Athletes pose with their medals |

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| **Now Hiring****Job Opportunities**

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| * **The DC Department of Human Resources (DCHR)** is hiring for a Compliance Specialist. [Apply now!](https://careers.dc.gov/psc/erecruit/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/c/HRS_HRAM_FL.HRS_CG_SEARCH_FL.GBL?FOCUS=Applicant)
* **Children's National**is hiring for a Parent Navigator, a parent of a child with disabilities, to provide support and community resources to other families of children with disabilities. [Apply now!](https://childrensnational.org/careers-and-training/opportunities/all-opportunities)
* **The Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights** is hiring for a Policing Campaign Manager. [Apply now!](http://civilrightsdocs.info/pdf/jobs/Policing-Campaign-Manager.pdf)
* **Applied Development LLC** is hiring for three positions, [Disability Policy and Program Specialist](http://applieddev.applicantstack.com/x/detail/a2iayhszq0th), [Senior Disability Expert](http://applieddev.applicantstack.com/x/detail/a2iayhsdy73t), and a [Sign Language Interpreter](http://applieddev.applicantstack.com/x/detail/a2iayhsn3vvi)
* **The National Gallery of Art** is hiring for a [Museum Specialist (Art)](https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/504132000) and is hiring through Schedule A authority to hire individuals with disabilities
* **The One Campaign** is hiring for a [Policy Manager - Education](https://recruiting.ultipro.com/ONE1007/JobBoard/23e61dfc-813d-5e3a-ba93-ec9aa1ee70fa/OpportunityDetail?opportunityId=8256cd64-97b6-4e1c-ad88-d87cb5f7e02f)
 |  | Now Hiring |

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| For Information about ODR’s Newsletter call (202)724-5055 or visit the web at odr.dc.gov.441 4th Street NW, Suite 729 North, Washington DC 20001, Phone: (202)724-5055Fax: (202)727-9484 E-mail: ODR.Complaints@dc.govMISSION STATEMENTThe mission of the District Office of Disability Rights (ODR) is to ensure that the programs, services, benefits, activities and facilities operated or funded by the District of Columbia are fully accessible to, and useable by people with disabilities. ODR is committed to inclusion, community-based services, and self-determination for people with disabilities. ODR is responsible for overseeing the implementation of the City's obligations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) as well as other disability rights laws. |

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