



ANC 3/4G Racial and Social Equity Standing Committee

To: Commissioners, ANC 3/4G

From: Members, Racial and Social Equity Standing Committee - Point of Contact, Maurice Werner

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Re: ANC 3/4G Racial and Social Equity Standing Committee Accomplishments for 2021 - 2022

ANC 3/4G Racial and Social Equity Standing Committee 2021-2022 Accomplishments

This document is intended to summarize the accomplishments of the 2021-22 RASE Standing Committee for the ANC so the ANC can understand the impact that RASE has had and provide RASE with guidance on future activities.

Accomplishments:

2021

- Developed a mission statement for RASE which the ANC unanimously approved: “To raise awareness about the legacy of historical racism in our community and effectuate positive change that is based on justice, equity, diversity and fairness.”
- Developed a set of recommendations for RASE to focus on, based on the Working Group reports from the Task Force on Racism.

- Worked with Brian McClure, former Director, Council's Office on Racial Equity to establish a racial equity framework for the committee to use when making recommendations to the ANC and others.
- Issued and presented a public statement to: 1) raise awareness about the historical and enduring racial inequities in our neighborhood, 2) encourage DCPS to reconsider the Military Road School for the use of Lafayette Pre-K program, and 3) prioritize the participation and needs of the Brightwood community and others.
- Sent a letter of concern to Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) Chief of Police, Robert Contee, and held a series of meetings with DC Councilmembers Pinto, Cheh, and Lewis-George to address disparate traffic stop data of Black motorists occurring in the 2nd District.
- Reached out to a Next Door participant who noted racism experienced in Chevy Chase, DC, in order to better understand the incident and gather feedback.

2022

- Produced a summary of partner groups for outreach and engagement
- Developed a statement regarding redistricting
- Met with Parisa Narouzi, Empower DC, regarding environmental injustice in DC's Ward 5 neighborhoods, particularly the Brentwood neighborhood.
- Met with members of the Northwest Neighbors Village (NNV) looking to a) serve more people of color and b) encourage people of color to become volunteers
- Provided analysis of the Chevy Chase SAP for the ANC's consideration

- Provided feedback to consider and cite historical context in renovating the community call boxes
- Participated in Chevy Chase Day, staffing a dedicated table, handing out materials, and speaking with attendees and representatives from other organizations
- Provided this list of accomplishments
- Provided a set of recommendations to improve the impact and effectiveness of future RASE committees