



District of Columbia Government
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Dear H Street Business Owner,

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A urges you to help keep the H Street corridor clean and safe. As the elected representatives of ANC 6A, we represent your neighbors—and your customers. A clean H Street corridor will make the neighborhood safer and earn you more money by attracting customers.

The H Street Main Street is coordinating an effort to hire a contractor to keep the corridor clean. This program requires the monetary support of businesses like yours. We hope that you will contribute to the clean and safe fund.

The H Street Main Street plans to establish a maintenance squad to patrol the 13-block H Street corridor. The team will maintain a clean, safe, and friendly environment for the H Street community. This program will be modeled after similar efforts underway with the Capitol Hill and Downtown DC Business Improvement Districts. Members of the maintenance team will be provided with uniforms featuring the logos of sponsoring organizations. Each person will be outfitted with a trashcan, broom, shovel, trash bags, and other cleaning materials.

The Main Street team will keep the streets and sidewalks clean, remove graffiti, provide information to pedestrians and shoppers, and coordinate with the Metropolitan Police Department to report any problems. They will receive extensive training in public safety and crime prevention, customer service, District of Columbia city services, neighborhood attractions, and other important information.

The maintenance service will be provided through a contract with a nonprofit organization that operates an employment training program. Several nonprofit organizations have programs that serve the formerly homeless and substance abusers. Typically, these programs provide job training, paid employment, and social services.

Clean, well-maintained businesses attract more customers, reduce overhead costs, increase safety for employees and the public, and give your community a more pleasant look. Beautification efforts through building renovation, repair, or landscaping go a long way in showing your business and community pride.

We hope that you will join the effort to clean up the H Street NE corridor.

Respectfully yours,

Joseph Fengler
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A



H STREET NE CORRIDOR

A Clean Street
Is Good For Everyone.

Promote a Clean Community in a Few Simple Steps:

- Clean the sidewalk and gutter space in front of your store. For a more thorough cleaning use a hose or pail of water and a broom.
- Pick up litter twice a day and sweep areas around public litter cans.
- Clean store windows, window frames, and door frames weekly.
- Keep your alley and parking lot clean.

Remove...

- ✓ Excess or faded signs from your store
- ✓ Posters and illegal signs from poles and posts on the street
- ✓ Gum from the sidewalk

Don't feed the rats!

- ✓ Keep trash dumpsters closed and have them emptied at least twice a week.
- ✓ Do not place plastic bags of trash outside of your closed dumpster or trash can.
- ✓ Keep grease carefully contained in closed, clean containers.

Promote a Green Community!

- Keep the tree box clean and free of trash, litter, and weeds.
- Consider planting flowers and ornamental plants in the tree box in front of your business.
- Participate in and/or support community cleaning and beautification efforts.
- Create a recycling plan that includes clearly marked recycling containers, visible and clear signs stating what items you recycle, and the selection of a licensed recycling hauler.

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occc.eom.dc.gov/occc/site/default.asp.