

Comprehensive Plan Equity Crosswalk - Overview

The Framework element of the Comprehensive Plan sets forth a vision for an equitable District. It states that: “Equity exists where all people share equal rights, access, choice, opportunities and outcomes, regardless of characteristics such as race, class, or gender.” It also suggests that equity is realized through targeted actions and investments to improve outcomes for those who face the worst health, social and economic challenges.

The Framework also provides a vision for racial equity in particular, stating that: “the District achieves racial equity when race no longer determines one’s socioeconomic outcomes; when everyone has what they need to thrive, no matter where they live or their socioeconomic status; and when racial divides no longer exist between people of color and their white counterparts.”

Additionally, the Framework gives direction for examining equity across a spectrum of issues, stating that “Addressing issues of equity in transportation, housing, employment, income, health, education, and socioeconomic outcomes through an equity lens will allow the District to address systemic and underlying drivers of systemic inequities.” Moreover, the Framework Element states that, “we apply a racial equity lens when those most impacted by structural racism are meaningfully involved in the creation and implementation of the institutional policies and practices that impact their lives, particularly people of color.”

OP has identified 91 policies and actions throughout the Comp plan that explicitly focus on advancing equity, and present these in the form of an “equity crosswalk”. When implemented altogether these policies hold promise to deliver on the goals of equity established in the Framework Element and to make a tangible difference in the lives of DC residents who have yet to reap the benefits of the growth and change in the city.

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CITYWIDE ELEMENTS	
LAND USE	
<p>Goal: Land resources should be used efficiently to meet long-term neighborhood, District-wide, and regional needs to help foster other District goals; to protect the health, safety, and welfare of District residents, institutions, and businesses; to sustain, restore, or improve the character, affordability, and equity of neighborhoods in all parts of the District; to provide for additional housing and employment opportunities; and to effectively balance the competing demands for land to support a growing population and the many activities that take place within Washington, DC’s boundaries. 302.1</p>	
Policies/Actions	Chapter Citation
<p>Policy: Areas of large tracts and corridors where future analysis is anticipated to plan for inclusive growth and climate resilience. Boundaries shown are for illustrative purposes. Final boundaries will be determined as part of the future analysis process for each area.</p> <p>In certain locations, planning efforts will be undertaken to analyze land use and policy impacts and ways to capitalize on, mitigate, and incorporate the anticipated growth. Current infrastructure and utility capacity should be evaluated against full build-out and projected population growth. The planning process will target issues most relevant to the community that can be effectively addressed through neighborhood planning. Planning analyses generally establish guiding documents, such as Small Area Plans, Development Frameworks, Retail Strategies, or Design Guidelines. Areas anticipated for future planning analysis include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● New York Avenue NE corridor; ● Upper Wisconsin Avenue NW corridor; ● Upper Connecticut Avenue NW corridor; ● Foggy Bottom/West End; ● Benning Road corridor; ● Poplar Point; ● Congress Heights; 	<p>LU-1.1.1: Future Planning Analysis and Resilience Focus Areas</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● North Capitol Crossroads—Armed Forces Retirement Home; and ● RFK Stadium. <p>For areas within the 100- and 500-year floodplain, future planning efforts are anticipated to promote resilience to flooding for new development and infrastructure projects, including public capital projects. Resilience focus areas will explore watershed resilience to encourage the implementation on a neighborhood scale, as well as site-specific solutions, design guidelines and policies for a climate adaptive and resilient District. Watershed resilience analysis areas include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Georgetown; ● Federal Triangle; ● Hains Point; ● Southwest Waterfront; ● RFK; ● Watts Branch; and ● Poplar Point. 304.5 	
<p><u>Policy:</u> Develop projects that decrease the vulnerability of people and places to climate risks. 304.7</p>	<p>LU-1.1.2: Resilience and Land Use</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Develop projects that decrease the vulnerability of people and places to climate risks and public health emergencies, as well as promote future resilience. 304.7</p>	<p>LU-1.1. A: Resilience Equity and Land Use</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Recognize the potential for large, government-owned properties to supply needed community services and facilities; create access to local affordable housing, education, and employment opportunities; remove barriers between neighborhoods; enhance equity and inclusion; provide large and significant new parks, including wildlife habitats; enhance waterfront access; improve resilience and enhance Washington, DC’s neighborhoods. 306.6</p>	<p>LU-1.3.1: Reuse of Large Publicly-Owned Sites</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Recognize the opportunity afforded by large sites for innovative land regulation and the application of sustainable design and resilience principles (green building, biophilic</p>	<p>LU-1.3.4: New Methods of Land Regulation</p>

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<p>design, and low-impact-development) on a large scale. 306.10</p>	
<p><u>Policy:</u> On those large sites that are redeveloped as new neighborhoods (such as Reservation 13), integrate new development into the fabric of the District to the greatest extent feasible. Incorporate extensions of the street grid, public access and circulation improvements, and new public open spaces. Such sites should not be developed as self-contained communities, isolated or gated from their surroundings, and they should enhance community resilience and promote inclusion. 306.12</p>	<p>Policy LU-1.3.6: New Neighborhoods and the Urban Fabric</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Use the redevelopment of large sites to achieve related urban design, open space, and environmental, resilience, equity, accessibility, and economic development objectives along the Anacostia Waterfront. Large waterfront sites should be used for water-focused recreation, housing, commercial, and cultural development, with activities that are accessible to both sides of the river. Large sites should further be used to enhance the physical and environmental quality of the river. 306.14</p>	<p>LU-1.3.8: Large Sites and the Waterfront</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Facilitate neighborhood revitalization by focusing District grants, loans, housing rehabilitation efforts, commercial investment programs, capital improvements, and other government actions in those areas that are most in need, especially where projects advance equity and opportunity for disadvantaged persons. Use social, economic, and physical indicators, such as the poverty rate, the number of abandoned or substandard buildings, the crime rate, and the unemployment rate, as key indicators of need. 310.9</p>	<p>LU-2.1.2: Neighborhood Revitalization</p>
<p>TRANSPORTATION</p>	
<p>Goal: The overarching goal for transportation in the District is: Create a safe, sustainable, equitable, efficient, and multimodal transportation system that meets the access and mobility needs of District residents, the regional workforce, and visitors; supports local and regional economic prosperity; and enhances the quality of life for District residents. 401.1</p>	
<p>Policies/Actions</p>	<p>Chapter Citation</p>

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<p><u>Action:</u> Implement moveDC performance measures and the District Mobility Project to quantify transportation service and assess land use impacts on the transportation system. Priority performance measures include mode share, access to transportation options, person-carrying capacity or throughput, travel time reliability, and accessibility and equity for potentially vulnerable populations. 403.15</p>	<p>T-1.1.A: Transportation Measures of Effectiveness</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Monitor dockless programs closely so that public benefits outweigh any negative impacts to the public right-of-way, equity of service, or the ability of the Capital Bikeshare system to provide cost-effective and equitable service. Work with providers to promote equitable access to the increased mobility options these dockless programs provide. 410.18</p>	<p>T-2.3.E: Dockless Sharing Programs</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Ensure that older adults and persons with disabilities are considered in emergency evacuation planning. 424.11</p>	<p>T-4.1.4: Accommodating Evacuation Needs</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Continue to refine an emergency evacuation plan that not only describes evacuation procedures and routes, but also defines the modes of transportation to use in the event that certain modes, such as the Metrorail systems become unavailable. Increase public education and awareness of local emergency management plans and make information on evacuation routes and procedures more accessible and understandable to residents, employees, and visitors. 424.14</p>	<p>T-4.1.C: Emergency Evacuation Plan</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> The Autonomous Vehicle Working Group—an interagency working group comprised of agencies focused on transportation, rights of persons with disabilities, environmental issues, and public safety—should continue to meet and monitor AVs and their impact on the District. The group should work to develop policy and regulatory guidance to ensure AVs enhance the District by improving safety, efficiency,</p>	<p>T-5.1.A: AV Working Group</p>

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<p>equity, and sustainability while minimizing negative impacts on residents, workers, and visitors. 426.12</p>	
<p>HOUSING</p>	
<p>Goal: The overarching goal for housing is to develop and maintain new residential units to achieve a total of 36,000 units by 2025 that provide a safe, decent, accessible, and affordable supply of housing for all current and future residents throughout all of Washington, DC’s neighborhoods. 501.1</p>	
<p>Policies/Actions</p>	<p>Chapter Citation</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Consistent with the Comprehensive Housing Strategy, work toward a goal that one-third of the new housing built in Washington, DC over the next 20 years, or approximately 29,000 units, should be affordable to persons earning 80 percent or less of the area-wide MFI. Newly produced affordable units should be targeted toward low-income households in proportions roughly equivalent to the proportions shown in Figure 5.8. 504.8</p>	<p>H-1.2.2: Production Targets</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Focus investment strategies and affordable housing programs to distribute mixed-income housing more equitably across the entire District by developing goals and tools for affordable housing and establishing a minimum percent affordable by Planning Area to create housing options in high-cost areas, avoid further concentrations of affordable housing, and meet fair housing requirements. 504.9</p>	<p>H-1.2.3: Mixed-Income Housing</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Proactively plan and facilitate affordable housing opportunities and make targeted investments that increase demographic diversity and equity across Washington, DC. Achieve a minimum of 15 percent affordable units within each Planning Area by 2050. Provide protected classes (see H-3.2 Housing Access) with a fair opportunity to live in a choice of homes and neighborhoods, including their current homes and neighborhoods. 504.16</p>	<p>H-1.2.9: Advancing Diversity and Equity of Planning Areas</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Public housing is a critical part of meeting the demand for affordable housing and preventing displacement. Continue efforts to transform underfunded public housing projects to create equitable mixed-income neighborhoods. Minimize displacement and</p>	<p>H-1.4.4: Public Housing Renovation</p>

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<p>resident moves, replace affordable units one-for-one within the District, and observe build-first principles where feasible. Target such efforts to locations where private-sector development interest can be leveraged to assist in revitalization. 506.9</p>	
<p><u>Policy:</u> Planning and new construction of housing should be accompanied by concurrent planning and programs to improve neighborhood services, schools, job training, child care, services for older adults, food access, parks, libraries, community gardens, and open spaces, health care facilities, police and fire facilities, transportation, and emergency response capacity. 506.11</p>	<p>H-1.4.6: Whole Neighborhood Approach</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Maintain programs to minimize displacement resulting from the loss of rental housing units due to demolition or conversion, and the financial hardships created by rising rents on tenants. Employ TOPA, DOPA, and other financial tools, such as the HPTF and the Preservation Fund. In addition, provide technical and counseling assistance to lower-income households and strengthen the rights of existing tenants to purchase rental units if they are being converted to ownership units. 510.7</p>	<p>H-2.1.3: Avoiding Displacement</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> As affordable housing reaches the end of its functional life, support the redevelopment of the site to the greatest extent feasible in line with the District’s goals and strategies regarding equity and inclusion. 510.12</p>	<p>H-2.1.8: Redevelopment of Affordable Housing</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Track neighborhood change, development, and housing costs to identify areas of Washington, DC that are experiencing, or likely to experience, displacement pressures. Use the information to improve program performance and targeting of resources to minimize displacement and help residents stay in their neighborhoods. 510.21</p>	<p>H-2.1. I: Tracking Displacement</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Address persistent tax and housing code violations through negotiated sales of title sale of properties by putting properties in receivership, foreclosing on tax-delinquent properties, enforcing higher tax rates on vacant and underused property, and through tenants’</p>	<p>H-2.2. B: Sale of Persistent Problem Properties</p>

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<p>rights education, including use of TOPA. Whenever possible, identify alternative housing resources for persons who are displaced by major code enforcement activities. 511.8</p>	
<p>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</p>	
<p>Goal: The overarching goal for economic development in the District is to drive inclusive economic expansion and resilience by growing the economy and reducing employment disparities across race, geography, and educational attainment status. 701.1</p>	
<p>Policies/Actions</p>	<p>Chapter Citation</p>
<p>Action: Review the potential of expanding commercial revitalization programs, such as tax increment financing, to include adjoining underused and historically disadvantaged commercial districts with an emphasis on areas in Wards 7 and 8. 709.16</p>	<p>ED-2.3. B: Economic Development Financing Tools</p>
<p>Policy: Encourage the retention, development, and growth of small and minority businesses through a range of District-sponsored promotion programs, such as Made in DC and 202 Creates, as well as through technical and financial assistance programs. 714.6</p>	<p>ED-3.2.1: Small Business Retention and Growth</p>
<p>Policy: Promote collaborations and partnerships between small businesses and the District’s major employers to increase contracts for small and disadvantaged businesses (including federal outsourcing contracts), create new training opportunities, leverage corporate social responsibility initiatives, or otherwise collaborate on inclusive economic growth initiatives. 714.9</p>	<p>ED-3.2.4: Partnerships with Major Employers</p>
<p>Policy: Expand opportunities for local, small, and disadvantaged business enterprises through programs, incentives, contracting requirements, and other activities. 714.13</p>	<p>ED-3.2.8: Certified Business Enterprise Programs</p>
<p>Action: Use a range of financial incentive programs to promote the success of new and existing businesses, including HUBZones, the Inclusive Innovation Fund, Certified Business Enterprise set-asides, loans, loan guarantees, low-interest revenue bonds, federal tax credits for hiring District residents, and tax increment bond financing. 714.18</p>	<p>ED-3.2. B: Business Incentives</p>
<p>Action: Conduct an assessment of small and minority business needs and impact evaluations of existing small business</p>	<p>ED-3.2. D: Small Business Needs Assessment</p>

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<p>programs in the District. The assessment should include recommendations to improve existing small business programs and developing new, performance-based programs as needed. 714.20</p>	
<p><u>Policy:</u> Focus workforce development efforts on economically disadvantaged communities, including minority communities and particularly those with many unemployed or marginally employed residents. Assistance should also be focused on groups most in need, including persons with limited work skills, single mothers, youth leaving foster care, returning citizens, and persons with limited English proficiency. 717.11</p>	<p>ED-4.2.3: Focus on Economically Disadvantaged Populations</p>
<p>PARKS, RECREATION, AND OPEN SPACE</p>	
<p>Goal: The overarching goal for parks, recreation, and open space is to preserve and enhance parks and open spaces within Washington, DC to meet active and passive recreational needs through universal access, promote health and wellness, improve environmental quality, enhance the identity and character of District neighborhoods, and provide visual beauty in all parts of Washington, DC. 801.1</p>	
<p>Policies/Actions</p>	<p>Chapter Citation</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Use Washington, DC’s parks, open space, and recreation spaces to help meet the District’s health and wellness priorities, which are linked to physical activity, public safety, healthy food access, psychological health, air and water quality, and social equity. 806.10</p>	<p>PROS-1.3.7: Health and Wellness</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Plans for the redesign of individual parks or the development of park facilities should be reviewed by appropriate District agencies so that they advance the District’s goals for better public recreation facilities, environmental protection, open space preservation, historic preservation, public safety, accessibility, and resilience. 806.13</p>	<p>PROS-1.3. B: Site Plan Review</p>
<p>URBAN DESIGN</p>	
<p>Goal: The overarching goal for urban design in the District is to enhance the beauty, equity, and livability of Washington, DC by reinforcing its historic design legacy and the diversity of its neighborhoods and centers, harmoniously integrating new construction with existing buildings and the natural environment, and improving the vitality, appearance, and function of streets and public spaces. 901.1</p>	
<p>Policies/Actions</p>	<p>Chapter Citation</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> All peoples should have the ability to enjoy public life, express their culture, and feel safe in public space. There should be low</p>	<p>UD-3.1.1: Freely Accessible Public Space</p>

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<p>barriers for peaceable assembly and free expression in existing public spaces, and new public spaces should be designed to support a mix of activities and users. 915.4</p>	
HISTORIC PRESERVATION	
<p>Goal: The overarching goal for historic preservation is to preserve and enhance the unique cultural heritage, beauty, and identity of Washington, DC by respecting the historic physical form of the District and the enduring value of its historic structures and places, sharing responsibility for their preservation and stewardship, and perpetuating them through planning leadership for the benefit of the residents of the District and the nation. 1001.1</p>	
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<p><u>Policy:</u> Celebrate a diversity of histories, tracing the many roots of the District and the many cultures that have shaped its development. Affirm the importance of local cultural identity and traditions and recognize the role that cultural recognition plays in supporting civic engagement and community enrichment. Recognize a diversity of culture and identity to support a more equitable understanding of the District’s heritage. 1006.5</p>	<p>HP-1.4.2: Cultural Inclusiveness</p>
COMMUNITY SERVICES AND FACILITIES	
<p>Goal: The goal for community services and–facilities is to provide high-quality, accessible, efficiently managed, and properly funded community facilities to support the efficient, equitable, and resilient delivery of municipal services; preserve and enhance public health and safety, support Washington, DC’s growth and development, and enhance the well-being of and provide a high quality of life for current and future District residents. 1101.1</p>	
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<p><u>Policy:</u> Support development of a system of food hub and processing centers where nutritious and local food can be aggregated, safely prepared, and efficiently distributed to District agencies, feeding sites, shelters for persons experiencing homelessness, schools, nonprofits, and local businesses for the District's normal institutional meal operations as well as leveraged for emergency feeding efforts during disaster events. 1103.22</p>	<p>CSF-1.1.11: Developing a Food Systems Network</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Identify best practices and potential locations for food hubs, food business incubators, and community kitchens to expand healthy food access and food-based economic opportunity in underserved areas through co-location with job training, business incubation, and entrepreneurial assistance programs. 1103.28</p>	<p>CSF-1.1. E: Opportunities to Promote Local Food Businesses</p>

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<p><u>Policy:</u> Support the Strategic Framework for Improving Community Health, which seeks to improve public health outcomes while promoting equity across a range of social determinants that include health, race, gender, income, age and geography. 1106.6</p>	<p>CSF-2.1.1: Enhance Health Systems and Equity</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Advance a health-forward approach that incorporates health considerations early in the District’s government planning processes. 1106.8</p>	<p>CSF-2.1.3: Health in All Policies</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Continue efforts to set public health goals and track and evaluate key health indicators and outcomes. 1106.9</p>	<p>CSF-2.1. A: Public Health Goals</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Intensify efforts to improve primary health care and enhance coordination of care for the District’s most vulnerable residents to improve health, enhance patient experience of care, and reduce health care costs. 1106.10</p>	<p>CSF-2.1. B: Primary Health Care Improvements</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Continue refining and implementing the District’s health care system roadmap for a more comprehensive, accessible, equitable system that provides the highest quality services in a cost-effective manner to those who live and work in the District. 1106.11</p>	<p>CSF-2.1.C: Health Care System Roadmap</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Enhance healthy food access, address diet-related health disparities, and generate economic and social resilience by supporting the development of locally owned, community-driven grocery stores in areas with low access to healthy food options. Such support should include targeted financing, technical assistance, and co-location with new mixed-use developments. 1106.14</p>	<p>CSF-2.1. F: Advancing Grocery Store Access in Underserved Areas</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> High-quality, affordable primary healthcare, health, and urgent care centers should be available and accessible to all District residents. Medical facilities should be geographically distributed so that all residents have safe, convenient access to such services. Priority should be given to improving accessibility and quality of services at existing facilities/centers. New or rehabilitated health care facilities, where warranted, should be developed in medically underserved and/or high-poverty neighborhoods, and in areas with high</p>	<p>CSF-2.3.1: Primary and Emergency Care</p>

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<p>populations of older adults, persons with disabilities, persons experiencing homelessness, and others with unmet health care needs. 1108.14</p>	
<p><u>Policy:</u> Continue to improve access to long-term supports and services (LTSS) for vulnerable populations, including people with disabilities, older adults and their families, and members of the LGBTQ+ community. Enhance the network of government and nonprofit organizations that provide LTSS to these individuals and seek to improve their experience. 1108.22</p>	<p>CSF-2.3.9: Improving Access to Long-Term Supports and Services for Vulnerable Populations</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Continue to maintain a digital resource portal that disseminates resources on a cross-agency basis to better connect people with government and community-based health resources. 1108.26</p>	<p>CSF-2.3.C: Connecting District Residents to Resources</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Explore the potential to create and implement a cross-agency case management system that can enhance coordination among relevant agencies to improve service delivery to persons with disabilities, older adults, members of the LGBTQ+ community, and other vulnerable populations. 1108.27</p>	<p>CSF-2.3. D: Improving Coordination and Service Delivery Among District Agencies</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> To the extent possible, relevant District agencies should evaluate the potential impact of their policies and actions on population health and align these with strategies identified in Sustainable DC 2.0 and in the 2017-2019 Action Plan of DC HP2020. 1108.28</p>	<p>CSF-2.3.E: Health in All Policies</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Support the development and implementation of strategies to preserve resources for high-priority emergencies and to reduce non-emergency and low-priority medical calls. Such strategies should include those that can raise awareness and education regarding fire prevention and emergency assistance techniques. Early intervention by bystanders can complement FEMS efforts, save lives, and better triage resources. 1115.12</p>	<p>CSF-4.2.5: Preservation of FEMS Resources for High-Priority Emergencies</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Assess the impacts of adverse events on communities with varying socioeconomic characteristics and levels of vulnerability.</p>	<p>CSF-2.2.A: Assessing Disparities and Supporting Recovery Strategies from Adverse Events</p>

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Track disparities in impacts to help inform response and recovery strategies aimed at reducing inequity and strengthening communities. 1107.5	
EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES	
Goal: The overarching goal for educational facilities is to provide facilities that accommodate population growth and inspire excellence in learning; create an adequate, safe, and healthy environment for students; and help each individual achieve their fullest potential while helping to build and strengthen local communities. 1201.1	
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<u>Policy:</u> Encourage partnerships between cultural organizations and schools to maximize students’ cultural exposure and access to space by cultural organizations. 1203.7	EDU-1.1.6: Programming Partnerships for Cultural Activities in Schools
<u>Policy:</u> Encourage the renovation and new construction of schools to support healthy food education and access. Assess feasibility of incorporating space for teaching kitchens, prep kitchens, cafeterias, and educational gardens in renovated and modernized buildings. 1204.5	EDU-1.2.4: Using District-Owned Facilities for Healthy Food Access
<u>Policy:</u> Continue to create partnerships among DCPS, public charter schools, District government, non-profits, and other institutions to promote schools as the central focus of community activities. 1209.4	EDU-2.1.1: Collaborative Arrangements with Community Service Providers
<u>Policy:</u> Where space is available, continue to accommodate wrap-around health and human services programs within schools to address the non-academic needs of students and families. Include affordable child care services wherever feasible. 1209.5	EDU-2.1.2: Wrap-Around Services
<u>Policy:</u> Support partnerships and development of facilities that can enable sector-based innovations, such as inclusive incubators, which are technology incubators that offer enhanced opportunities for historically underserved residents. 1215.12	EDU-3.3.7: Inter-University Partnerships
<u>Policy:</u> Support the growth of the District’s learning landscape, including, but not limited to, that of universities, museums, and public facilities that offer innovative approaches for providing learning opportunities to augment in-classroom education. 1214.13	EDU-3.3.8: Innovative Approaches for Augmented Educational Opportunities

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<p><u>Action:</u> Maintain a distribution of campus locations that serves residents of all eight wards, helping advance goals of UDC’s Equity Imperative – 2022 Strategic Plan. 1213.5</p>	<p>EDU-3.1.A: UDC Campus Locations</p>
<p>INFRASTRUCTURE</p>	
<p>Goal: The overarching goal for infrastructure is to provide high-quality, robust, efficiently managed and maintained, and properly funded infrastructure to meet the needs of residents, workers, and visitors in an accessible and equitable way, as well as to support future change and growth. 1301.1</p>	
<p>Policies/Actions</p>	<p>Chapter Citation</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Washington, DC should plan, coordinate, and oversee development and maintenance of communications infrastructure, including cable networks, fiber-optic networks, and wireless communications facilities to help support daily functions and goals related to equity and opportunity, economic development, transportation, public health and safety, security, resilience, and education 1312.6</p>	<p>IN-4.1.1: Development of Communications Infrastructure</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Smart-city services and solutions should strike an appropriate balance between capability and privacy so that they have or use appropriate resilience and cybersecurity measures. 1313.10</p>	<p>IN-4.2.5: Privacy and Security</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Prioritize equity in the public and private implementation of new technologies. District government should encourage the application of new technologies to enhance access to services for all residents, and especially underserved populations. 1314.7</p>	<p>IN-4.3.5: Equitable Access to Digital Services and New Technologies</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Promote integration of vulnerability assessments in resilience planning, including climate adaptability, into pertinent aspects of DPS using the best available data and in accordance with other District initiatives to adequately prepare for an evolving risk environment. 1323.7</p>	<p>IN-7.1.3: Integration of Climate Adaptability</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Explore the use and impact of new and emerging technologies on resilience vulnerability assessment and mitigation planning. 1323.8</p>	<p>IN-7.1.4: Technology and Resilience</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Explore and consider neighborhood-scale systems as a measure that can help protect infrastructure from the impacts of climate change. Neighborhood-scale systems</p>	<p>IN-7.1.6 Neighborhood-Scale Systems</p>

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include micro-grids, district energy, and district stormwater management. 1323.10	
Action: Update the Community Risk Assessment (CRA) of DPS on a recurring basis to reflect changes in the risk profiles of relevant natural and human-made systems in Washington, DC. Incorporate relevant infrastructure information in the CRA process. 1323.12	IN-7.1. B: Community Risk Assessments
Action: Protect critical facilities from a wide range of threats and hazards and develop fortified and redundant systems in order to deliver essential services at all times. 1323.13	IN-7.1.C: Protecting Critical Infrastructure
Action: Continue to support development of criteria and methodologies to assess the vulnerability of critical infrastructure to human-made and natural shocks, as well as chronic stressors. 1323.15	IN-7.1. E: Vulnerability of Critical Infrastructure
Action: Explore approaches and tools to address identified vulnerabilities of critical infrastructure. Regional, District-wide, and site-specific factors should be taken into account, as well as near-term and long-range risks. 1323.16	IN-7.1. F: Mitigating Vulnerability of Critical Infrastructure
Action: Review and evaluate the impacts of new and emerging technologies on the District’s resilience and their potential for helping District government and utility operators to advance near-term and long-range infrastructure resilience objectives. 1323.17	IN-7.1. G: Emerging Technologies and Critical Infrastructure
ARTS AND CULTURE	
Goal: The overarching goal for arts and culture is to facilitate a cultural environment in Washington, DC that is inclusive, equitable, and accessible. This type of cultural environment will increase artistic opportunities for individual and collective cultural development by supporting cultural programs and learning experiences in the District that inspire a vibrant cultural life for all residents. This element supports physical cultural infrastructure that advances arts and culture through exchanges that elevate art and cultural works beyond passive objects to active exchanges. 1401.1	
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Policy: Reinforce and elevate existing cultural anchors, practices, and traditions in communities undergoing significant demographic change. Such efforts should reflect the history and culture of established communities in these neighborhoods and also	AC-1.2.7: Mitigate Cultural Displacement

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<p>embrace new residents. In addition, support cross-cultural programming that fosters a shared understanding of Washington, DC’s history and culture among all residents. 1404.12</p>	
<p><u>Policy:</u> Provide accessible arts information resources to persons with disabilities, non-English speakers, older adults, and other vulnerable communities and populations 1416.5</p>	<p>AC-4.4.3: Arts and Humanities Education Through Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access</p>
<p>AREA ELEMENTS</p>	
<p>The Comprehensive Plan’s Area Elements provide additional place-based policies to guide development and redevelopment within the Land Use Change Areas. The Area Elements also include the desired, detailed mix of uses envisioned in that geographic area of the city.</p>	
<p>CENTRAL WASHINGTON</p>	
<p>Policies/Actions</p>	<p>Chapter Citation</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> It is important to keep Central Washington a mixed-income community and avoid the displacement of lower-income residents. Preserve Central Washington’s existing low- to moderate-income housing, including public housing, housing (both contracts and vouchers), and other subsidized units. The District has taken a proactive approach to preserving affordable units at the Museum Square, Golden Rule, and other Central Washington Area redevelopment sites. The District should continue to expand the number of affordable units through land disposition with affordability requirements and through the use of zoning and other regulatory incentives. 1608.6</p>	<p>CW-1.1.5: Central Washington Housing Diversity</p>
<p>FAR NORTHEAST SOUTHEAST</p>	
<p><u>Policy:</u> Encourage neighborhood-scale and site-specific projects that decrease the vulnerability of people, places, and systems in Far Northeast and Southeast to climate crises. 1709.4</p>	<p>FNS-1.2.3: Neighborhood Climate Resilience</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Connect the neighborhoods of the Far Northeast and Southeast Area to the Anacostia River, particularly through the redevelopment of Anacostia Park, implementation of the Anacostia Waterfront Initiative (AWI), and trail improvements. Climate Ready DC has identified areas along the Anacostia River, such as Mayfair,</p>	<p>FNS-1.2. G: Connect to the Anacostia River</p>

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<p>Kenilworth, Eastland Gardens, and Parkside, as Priority Planning Areas. An interdisciplinary approach will showcase how resilience to climate crises can be achieved. 1709.22</p>	
<p><u>Policy:</u> The District, through its membership in a worldwide initiative has identified Kenilworth Park as one of two pilot locations in Washington, DC, for a place-based effort to showcase an interdisciplinary approach designed to mitigate the challenging effects of climate change and growth. Kenilworth Park and its surrounding neighborhoods are some of the most at-risk areas for flooding in the District. Designation as a pilot location will create a community-centered strategy, resulting in lowering the risk and negative effects of flooding. 1718.10</p>	<p>FNS-2.8.6: Kenilworth Park Resilience Strategy</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Explore a Small Area Plan for the neighborhood between Kenilworth Avenue and the Anacostia River. The Small Area Plan would address key issues, such as economic development opportunities, community access, and anticipated resilience challenges. 1718.14</p>	<p>FNS-2.8. D: Kenilworth Parkside Small Area Plan</p>
<p>FAR SOUTHEAST SOUTHWEST</p>	
<p>Policies/Actions</p>	<p>Chapter Citation</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Attract additional supermarkets, a variety of food retail; sit-down, family-style restaurants; full-service gas stations, and general merchandise stores to Far Southeast/Southwest. The area’s larger commercial sites should be marketed to potential investors, and economic and regulatory incentives should be used to attract business, especially grocery retail, farms, and other fresh food producers to provide for equitable opportunities to access food options. The upgrading and renovation of the area’s existing auto-oriented shopping centers is strongly encouraged to reflect Washington, DC’s community development and sustainability goals. 1808.8</p>	<p>FSS-1.1.7: Grocery Stores and Services</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Leverage the District’s ongoing climate preparedness and adaptation work to encourage the implementation of</p>	<p>FSS-1.1.15: Neighborhood Resilience</p>

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<p>neighborhood-scale and site-specific solutions for a more resilient District. This includes the development of actionable policies and projects that decrease the vulnerability of people, places, and systems in the Planning Area to climate risks despite changing or uncertain future conditions. 1808.16</p>	
<p><u>Policy:</u> Encourage the use of climate-resilient and energy-efficient design practices for new residential developments, especially in the construction of affordable housing units. These practices include cool and living roofs, solar shading, natural ventilation, and other passive cooling techniques that will reduce the impacts of extreme heat events on the area’s most vulnerable residents. They also include the use of green infrastructure methods that can reduce the urban heat island effect and potential flooding risks by preserving or expanding green space, tree cover, and other natural features. 1808.17</p>	<p>FSS-R.1.1.16: Resilient Housing</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Sustain and support capacity and equity in existing health care facilities in Far Southeast/Southwest and develop additional health care and social service facilities to respond to the urgent unmet need for primary and urgent care, pre- and post-natal care, child care, youth development, family counseling, and drug and alcohol treatment centers. Pursue co-location or consolidation of these facilities with other public facilities where possible and where the uses are compatible. 1809.1</p>	<p>FSS-1.2.1: Health Care Facilities</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Leverage Washington, DC’s climate adaptation and flood risk reduction efforts and implement neighborhood-scale and site-specific solutions for flood resilience in the Potomac River neighborhoods adjacent to Blue Plains and the Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling. 1809.7</p>	<p>FSS-1.2.7: Far Southeast/Southwest Neighborhood Climate Resilience</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Develop actionable strategies and projects that decrease the vulnerability of community members, housing and community facilities, and local businesses and community-serving institutions from both current flooding risks and future risks due to climate change. 1809.</p>	<p>FSS-1.2. A: Far Southeast/Southwest Climate Resilience</p>

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<p><u>Policy:</u> Identify and support greater investments to make the existing public facilities in the Far Southeast/Southwest Planning Area more resilient to the anticipated effects of extreme heat, floods, severe weather, and health events. This includes incorporating necessary upgrades or retrofits to the improvement or reconstruction of schools, libraries, child care centers, recreation centers, health clinics, and other facilities that provide services to residents at a higher health risk and vulnerable to climate risks and social inequities. 1808.18</p>	<p>FSS-R.1.1. A: Resilient Public Facilities</p>
<p>LOWER ANACOSTIA WATERFRONT NEAR SOUTHWEST</p>	
<p>Policies/Actions</p>	<p>Chapter Citation</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Incorporate climate resilience measures into the rehabilitation of existing and creation of new affordable housing located in the Lower Anacostia Waterfront/Near Southwest Planning Area to protect these units against current and projected future flood conditions. 1907.7</p>	<p>AW- 1.1.6: Resilient Affordable Housing</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Ensure that Southwest remains an exemplary model of equity and inclusion for all races, ages, abilities, and income levels and enhances all residents’ well-being. Support and encourage affordable and equitable access to housing with a range of housing types to support families, older adults, single persons, persons with disabilities, and artists. Encourage more inclusive options for transit and more accessible public realm design. 1914.7</p>	<p>AW-2.5.4: An Equitable and Inclusive Southwest Neighborhood</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Encourage the adoption of sustainability measures to support outstanding environmental performance, energy efficiency, stormwater management, and healthy living. New developments in Southwest that are vulnerable to flooding and future sea level rise should incorporate flood protection in building and site designs. 1914.10</p>	<p>AW-2.5.7: Southwest Sustainability and Resilience</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Redevelop outdated public facilities and underused publicly-owned land for development that delivers high-quality design and community benefits. These District</p>	<p>AW-2.5.9: Southwest District-Owned Parcels</p>

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<p>properties include key sites adjacent to M Street SW and Half Street SW and are the current locations of the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), Fire and Emergency Medical Services (FEMS), and the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD). Future developments at these sites should consider public-private opportunities for joint development and co-location of District government uses. Land use changes recommended in the Small Area Plan should be achieved through the PUD process and conform to the design guidelines, affordable housing goals, and broader recommendations of the Small Area Plan. 1914.12</p>	
<p><u>Action:</u> Redesign Lansburgh Park to become a safer, more accessible central park for the Southwest community. Create a signature design and beautiful park space that serves as a centerpiece for redevelopment of surrounding properties like the Greenleaf complex and the Southwest government cluster. Any future design also should enhance community resilience by helping to address and manage flooding issues. 1914.16</p>	<p>AW- 2.5.B: Lansburgh Park</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Design public and private infrastructure, buildings, streets, and park spaces for climate adaptation and flood risk reduction. Buffer the Buzzard Point neighborhood against current and future climate threats through model resilient development. 1915.7</p>	<p>AW-2.6.4: Buzzard Point Resilience</p>
<p>MID CITY</p>	
<p>Policies/Actions</p>	<p>Chapter Citation</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Continue redevelopment of Park Morton as a new community, replacing the existing public housing development with an equivalent number of new public housing units, plus new market-rate and moderate-income housing units, to create a new mixed-income community. Consider implementing this recommendation in tandem with plans for the reuse of public land on Spring Road NW. Ensure that every effort possible is made to avoid permanent displacement of residents. 2011.14</p>	<p>MC-2.1. E: Park Morton New Community</p>

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NEAR NORTHWEST	
Policies/Actions	Chapter Citation
<p><u>Policy:</u> Conserve the existing stock of affordable housing in the Near Northwest Planning Area by bringing to bear new measures to preserve and produce affordable housing in a way that advances fair housing goals and minimizes displacement. 2108.8</p>	<p>NNW-1.1.8: Affordable Housing</p>
<p><u>Action:</u> Implement the DC Housing Preservation Strike Force recommendations for expiring project-based public housing contracts within the Shaw area and beyond, recognizing the vulnerability of these units to conversion to market rate housing. Consider the redevelopment of these sites with mixed-income projects that include, at a minimum, an equivalent number of affordable units, additional market rate units, and measures to avoid displacement of on-site residents. 2111.15</p>	<p>NNW-2.1.D: Expiring Public Housing Contracts</p>
ROCK CREEK EAST	
Policies/Actions	Chapter Citation
<p><u>Policy:</u> Strongly support a variety of housing types, developed at a range of densities and serving a range of incomes, in the event the AFRH is developed. The opportunity to develop larger units suitable for families on the site should be recognized. Adequate servicing infrastructure and accommodation of necessary public facilities should be provided on-site to the extent feasible, including schools, parks, libraries, and emergency services to support a successful urban neighborhood. 2215.10</p>	<p>RCE-2.5.3: Housing and Community Opportunities</p>
UPPER NORTHEAST	
Policies/Actions	Chapter Citation
<p><u>Policy:</u> Continue to reinvest in Upper Northeast’s public housing stock. As public housing complexes are modernized or reconstructed, actions should be taken to minimize displacement and to create homeownership opportunities for current residents. 2408.5</p>	<p>UNE-1.1.4: Reinvestment in Public Housing</p>
<p><u>Policy:</u> Create new opportunities for small, local, and minority businesses within the</p>	<p>UNE-1.2.5: Increasing Economic Opportunity</p>

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<p>Planning Area, and additional community equity investment opportunities as development takes place along New York Avenue, Bladensburg Road, Benning Road, West Virginia Avenue, and around the Metro stations. 2409.5</p>	
<p><u>Policy:</u> Recognize the Anacostia River and the land along its banks as an essential and integral part of the Upper Northeast community. Improve the connections between Upper Northeast neighborhoods and the Anacostia River through trail, path, transit, and road improvements, linking the Gallaudet University campus as an institutional open space with the adjacent open spaces to the east, including the Mt. Olivet Cemetery and the National Arboretum, and extending to the Anacostia River and Riverwalk. Provide amenities and facilities in the planned waterfront parks that meet the needs and promote the resilience of Upper Northeast residents. 2409.6</p>	<p>UNE-1.2.6: Connecting to the River</p>

Note: Specific reference to equity language is not present in every Area Element. However, the equity-forward policies and actions embedded in the Citywide Elements also apply to all the planning areas of the District.