



D.C. Department of Human Services Community Updates

**E Street Bridge Housing – 25 E Street NW
Washington, DC 20001**

***Tuesday October 29, 2024
ANC 6E Community Meeting***

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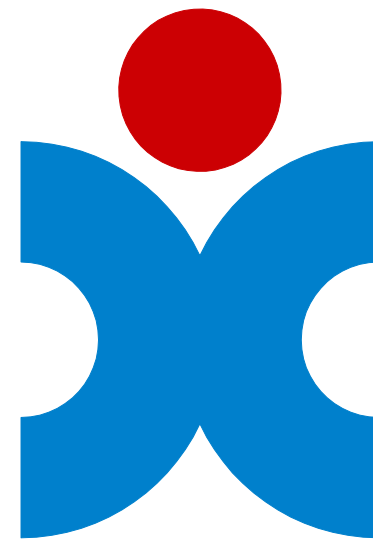
DHS Overview

DHS is dedicated to supporting district residents through a range of services promoting stability, economic mobility, and well-being.

- **Support** residents by providing housing, food assistance, and social services.
- **Alongside** individuals with lived experiences, community leaders, and service providers, The Bowser administration is committed to ending homelessness by ensuring it is rare, brief, and non-recurring.
- **Offer** financial assistance through programs like TANF, SNAP, and Medicaid for low-income residents.
- **Focus** on long-term solutions by promoting workforce development, education, and self-sufficiency.

DHS Mission

The mission of the District of Columbia Department of Human Services (DHS), is to empower every District Resident to reach their full potential by providing meaningful connections to work opportunities, economic assistance and supportive services.



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About the Project

- The District is cognizant of the need for Bridge Housing and will be working with the Department of General Services, Clear Real Estate and Fillat Architects to design and construct the new E Street Bridge Housing.
- The Department of General Services (DGS) and the Department of Human Services (DHS) have submitted permits to begin the project, with Clear Real Estate Services providing management.
- We begin our process with outreach to stakeholders like the ANC, Councilmembers, and immediate project neighbors
 - We will form an advisory group to invite input and share information and progress updates.

Example: 801 East Men's Shelter



Bridge Housing

As governed by the Homeless Reform Act (HSRA) , Bridge Housing, provided by DHS, offers temporary housing solutions to individuals transitioning from homelessness toward permanent housing, focusing on medical support and stability to bridge the gap.

- **Coordinated Access:** Admission is based on medical needs or special circumstances.
- **Case Management:** Participation in case management is required to maintain residency.
- **Private Rooms:** Two-person suites with private bathrooms provide more privacy than low-barrier shelters.
- **Timely Transitions:** Built-in timelines ensure residents move toward permanent housing.
- **Inclusive Services:** Serves men, women, and non-conforming individuals.
- **Mayor's Goal:** Supports efforts to make homelessness rare, brief, and non-recurring.

Shelter Overview

DHS is focused on the following services for adults aged 18 or older:

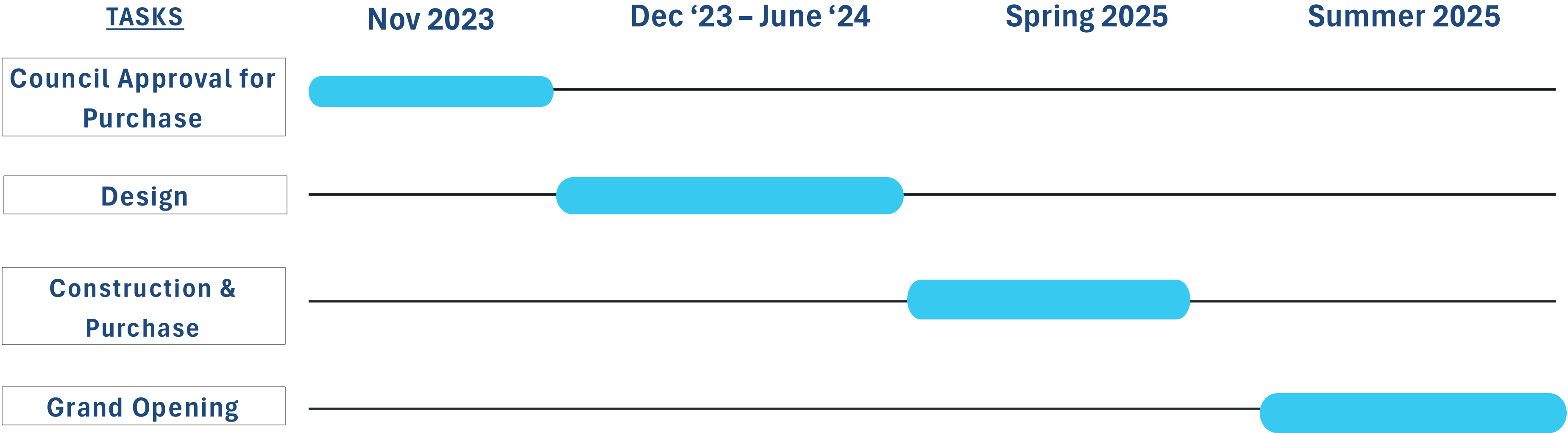
- Anticipated Length of Stay: 1 – 5 Months | | Client Services: Intensive case management.
- Provider Selection: To Be Determined

Focus:

- Adults in need of medical respite care.
- Adults best served in non-congregate Bridge Housing settings.
- Adults transitioning from encampments.
- Adults requiring specialty beds.

Estimated Project Timeline: E Street Bridge Housing

Target: Fiscal Year 2025

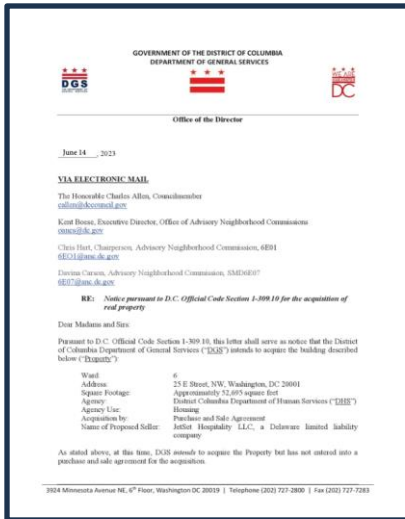


Community Engagement Timeline

Shared Notice of Intent to ANC 6E on property acquisition



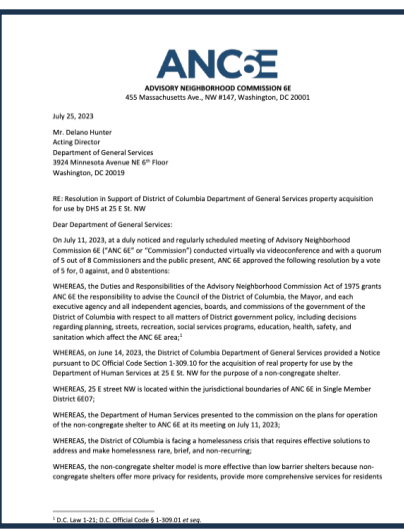
June 2023



DHS presented E Street Bridge Housing to ANC 6E & Resolution was shared in support of DC DGS property acquisition



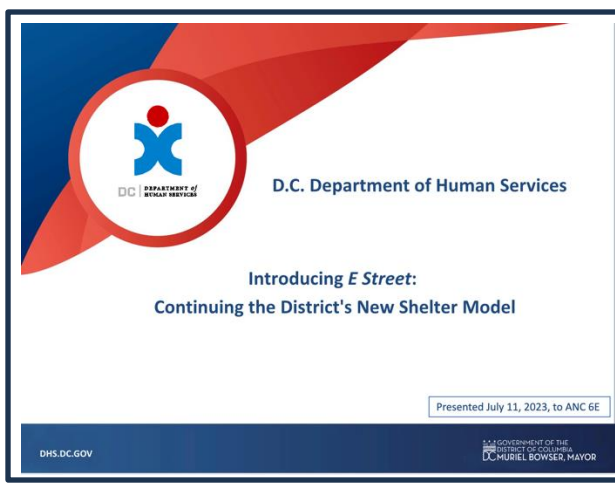
July 2023



DHS presented to ANC 6E updates on the E Street Bridge Housing Project



February 2024



Community Engagement

- Schedule follow-up meeting with ANC 6E to discuss design plan and impact on local community.
- DHS is committed to keeping the ANC and residents informed at every stage through our partnership with MOCRS.
- We understand that safety is a primary concern for the neighborhood. The shelter will have a security and safety plan, including DBH, DGS, MPD, and FEMS.
- Maintaining a clean and sanitary environment is a top priority. The shelter will have dedicated staff responsible for daily cleaning and maintenance, both inside the facility and in its immediate surroundings.



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***Monday, October 07, 2024
ANC 5D Community Meeting***