

**Council of the District of Columbia
COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES
NOTICE OF PUBLIC OVERSIGHT HEARING
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004**

**COUNCILMEMBER BRIANNE K. NADEAU, CHAIRPERSON
COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES**

ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC OVERSIGHT HEARING ON

**“THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES’ IMPLEMENTATION
OF HISTORIC HOUSING INVESTMENTS”**

Thursday, November 3, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

Virtual Proceedings via Zoom

Streamed live at

<https://www.brianneknadeau.com>

On Thursday, November 3, 2022, Councilmember Brianne K. Nadeau, Chairperson of the Committee on Human Services, will convene a public oversight hearing to consider the Department of Human Services’ (“DHS”) implementation of historic housing investments. The hearing will be held virtually, via the Zoom platform, at 10:00 a.m.

In the summer of 2021, the Council passed the “Homes and Hearts Amendment Act of 2021” as a subtitle in the “Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Support Act of 2021”. The amendment imposed a modest increase on the marginal tax rate of the District’s wealthiest residents and allocated the revenue from this tax to areas of critical need. This included transformational investments in housing. The subtitle, and the corresponding Local Budget Act amendment, made an unprecedented \$65 million investment in new housing vouchers and housing subsidies that will allow more than 2,400 residents experiencing homelessness or living in unstable housing to have a safe, stable place to call home. This public oversight hearing serves as a forum for the Committee and the public to receive a status update from DHS on their progress in implementing the newly available housing investments.

The Committee invites the public to testify or to submit written testimony. Anyone wishing to testify at the hearing should complete the witness form at <https://www.brianneknadeau.com/testify> by the **close of business on Thursday, October 27, 2022.**

Witnesses who anticipate needing language interpretation, including sign language interpretation, are asked to inform the Human Services Committee office of the need as soon as possible, but **no later than five (5) business days before the proceeding.** We will make every effort to fulfill

timely requests, but requests received less than five (5) business days in advance may not be fulfilled, and alternatives may be offered.

Representatives of organizations will be allowed a maximum of five minutes for oral testimony, and individuals (and any subsequent representatives of the same organization) will be allowed a maximum of three minutes. Witnesses are encouraged to submit a copy of their testimony electronically to humanservices@dccouncil.us in advance of the hearing.

For witnesses who are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements will be made part of the official record. Copies of written statements should be submitted either to the Committee at humanservices@dccouncil.us or to Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 5, Washington, D.C. 20004. Additionally, voicemail testimony can be provided for the record by calling the Committee's unique voicemail number at (202) 570-4281. At the beginning of the message, please state and spell your name, provide the name of the organization you are representing (if any), your title (if any), the topic of your testimony, and then begin your testimony.

The record will close for all forms of testimony at the end of the business day on Thursday, November 10, 2022.