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HOUSING SECURITY

- Increase funding for programs that end family and chronic homelessness, Mayor’s Budget included funds for 594 units, we are asking for 2599
- Repair DC’s Public Housing Units
- Create and preserve affordable housing with an additional $50M, with $75M being designated for families earning $32,760 or less
- Maintain funding for housing and shelters for survivors of domestic violence

CIVIL RIGHTS

- Fight discrimination against people with criminal backgrounds by implementing the Fair Criminal Records Screening Act—“Ban the Box” for Housing
- Increase language access in government services by reforming Language Access for Education Act
- Fully fund the NEAR Act, which treats community violence as a public health issue rather than incarceration and state sponsored violence

ECONOMIC JUSTICE

- Provide start up funding for Paid Family Leave Insurance Fund
- Reform TANF time limit policy so that families can continue to receive support after 60 months, with 80% guaranteed and 20% based on parent compliance
- Expand Metro’s school transit program to include adult learners

HEALTH

- Monitor environmental health concerns in areas of intense planned development
- Improve DC Healthcare Alliance by reducing recertification times
- Increase funding for Mental Health Rehabilitation Services and Adult Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Services
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FOOD ACCESS
- Maintain funding for the SNAP (Food Stamps) Expansion Act and fully implement
- Maintain support of Produce Plus, increasing access to farmer's markets
- Incentivize small and medium grocers to locate to Wards 7 & 8

FAIR TAXES AND PUBLIC DEALS
- Reconsider subsidized development projects that don't meet basic resident needs (Wizard's practice facility, streetcars, etc.)
- Increase taxes on developers building high end and luxury condos
- Increase corporate tax rates for multi-state and multi-national corporations
- Eliminate discounts for housing providers/property owners with substandard, unlawful living conditions
- Use money from fund balance and reserve
- Raise taxes on wealthy individuals
- End land giveaways and enforce affordable housing regulations on land sold/leased at discounted price
- Withdraw all discounts from developers/corporations not complying with local hiring, affordable housing regulations or other wage/labor laws
- No tax cuts for wealthy estate owners

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