

RESOURCES FOR ASSISTANCE

TREE AND DEBRIS CLEANUP

The DC Department of Public Works will assist residents who are cleaning up after Hurricane Irene. From August 29 – September 2, 2011, DPW will collect bundled branches from the treebox space in front of residences.

1. If hiring a tree specialist or landscaping company to cut up fallen trees and limbs, please have your contractor remove all the debris, limbs and branches.
2. From Aug. 29-Sept. 2 only, the Department of Public Works will remove from the treebox space(s) in front of residents' homes, branches that are cut into 4' lengths and tied into bundles no more than 2' in diameter. After Sept. 2, these items can be placed where the resident's trash is collected.
3. Please place debris, bagged or loose, in the treebox space, not the gutter or street so the gutters can remain clear and crews can run mechanical sweepers along the curb lanes and gutters. Also, DPW asks residents to resist putting the debris in the street to help prevent flooding in case of rain before the debris is collected. Do not include rocks, stones or concrete.
4. Hurricane season ends in November, so please hold onto your sandbags, just in case. If you cannot keep your sandbags, please mix the sand with the soil in your yard or potted plants to aerate it. Please do not put the sandbags into the trash or empty the sand into the gutters or catch basins.

ASSISTANCE WITH TREE REMOVAL

As funding is available, the DDOT Urban Forestry Program will assist homeowners who qualify for this special program. (202) 673-6813

BUSINESS LICENSES AND LOCAL CONTRACTORS

DC Consumer and Regulatory Affairs Business Licenses
(202) 442-4400

CONSUMER PROTECTION AND FRAUD INFO

DC Office of the Attorney Consumer Protection and Antitrust
Hotline, contact (202) 442-9828 or email consumer.protection@dc.gov.

Better Business Bureau
1411 K St NW, # 1000
Washington, DC 20005
(202) 393-8000

HOME REPAIR ASSISTANCE

Contact one of the organizations listed below to apply for Government supported Housing Counseling Agencies assistance.

Housing Counseling Services

2410 17th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20009
(202) 667-7006

Latino Economic Development Corporation

2316 18th Street NW
Washington, DC 20009
(202) 588-5102

Lydia's House

3939 South Capitol Street, SW
Washington, DC 20032
(202) 373-1050

University Legal Services

1800 Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue, SE
1st Floor
Washington, DC 20020
(202) 889-2196

University Legal Services

220 I Street, NE
Suite 130
Washington, DC 20002
(202) 547-4747

University Legal Services - Far NE

Lloyd E. Smith Center
3939 Benning Road, NE
Washington, DC 20019
(202) 396-1201