### Private Security Camera Incentive Program Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Report



The Private Security Camera Incentive Program,<sup>1</sup> administered by the Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants, encourages residents, businesses, non-profits and religious institutions to install security camera systems on their property and register them with the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD). This program is intended to help deter crime and assist law enforcement with investigations.

There are two ways to participate:

- 1. The **Private Security Camera Rebate Program** creates a rebate for residents, businesses, nonprofits, and religious institutions to purchase and install security camera systems on their property and register them with the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD). The program provides a rebate of up to \$200 per camera, with a maximum rebate of up to \$500 per residential address (e.g., home offices, condo buildings, and apartments) and \$750 for all other eligible addresses. The rebate is exclusively for the cost of the camera(s) including any applicable tax.
- 2. The **Private Security Camera Voucher Program** provides a private security camera system to eligible residents free of charge. District residents—either owners or tenants—who receive public assistance may be eligible to have a camera system installed at their home.

This report details program activity between October 1, 2021 and September 30, 2022.

In FY21, 840 rebate and voucher applications were approved and 1,902 cameras were funded.

#### Rebates and vouchers issued in each police service area (PSA)

PSA	Rebates/ Vouchers Issued	PSA	Rebates/ Vouchers Issued	PSA	Rebates/ Vouchers Issued	PSA	Rebates/ Vouchers Issued
101	1	208	11	405	18	603	7
102	0	209	1	406	26	604	18
103	4	301	9	407	32	605	14
104	36	302	28	408	15	606	9
105	4	303	15	409	18	607	14
106	39	304	9	501	14	608	5
107	35	305	31	502	34	701	4
108	44	306	20	503	19	702	2
201	21	307	13	504	19	703	5
202	21	308	24	505	6	704	1
203	7	401	18	506	21	705	4
204	16	402	12	507	18	706	1
205	13	403	26	601	4	707	4
206	9	404	24	602	12	708	2
207	3						

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Established by the Neighborhood Engagement Achieves Results Amendment Act of 2016, enacted on March 26, 2016 (D.C. Act 21-356; 63 DCR 4659).

#### Rebates and vouchers issued in each priority area identified<sup>2</sup>

Priority PSA	Rebates/ Vouchers Issued	Priority PSA	Rebates/ Vouchers Issued	Priority PSA	Rebates/ Vouchers Issued	Priority PSA	Rebates/ Vouchers Issued
103	4	305	31	502	34	701	4
104	36	307	13	503	19	702	2
105	4	308	24	504	19	703	5
106	39	402	12	505	6	704	1
107	35	403	26	506	21	705	4
108	44	404	24	507	18	706	1
202	21	405	18	602	12	707	4
207	3	406	26	603	7	708	2
208	11	407	32	604	18		
302	28	409	18	607	14		
303	15	501	14	608	5		

#### Rebates issued to residents, businesses, nonprofit and religious institutions

Property Type	Rebates
Resident	803
Business	28
Non-Profit	3
Religious Institution	3

## Number of times MPD requested footage from a Program recipient, and whether the request was granted or denied by the Program recipient.

In FY22, there were 24 documented requests for footage by MPD from program recipients that were successfully extracted. MPD detectives may also be in direct contact with a program recipient without that information being specifically tracked.

# Number of times that footage from a private security camera contributed to a successful arrest by MPD, including a breakdown by offense.

In FY22, there were seven arrests made in which video footage was extracted from a program participant. There were arrests made in three homicide cases, one in the distribution of a controlled substance that resulted in a death, one in cruelty to children, one felony assault, and one assault with a dangerous weapon. Detectives may have viewed footage without it having contributed to an arrest. MPD detectives may have viewed footage that was obtained directly from the program participants without that information being specifically tracked.

#### Analysis of the Program's implementation and plans for future expansion, if any.

Since inception, **11,105** rebates and vouchers have been approved and **25,739** cameras have been funded. There are ongoing efforts to promote the program with special emphasis placed on outreach to businesses and residents in under-represented communities. There are no plans for future expansion.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> As of August 1, 2016, all PSAs are eligible to apply for rebates. Prior to August 1, 2016 rebate applications from PSAs 101, 102, 201, 203, 204, 205, 206, 301, 304, 306, 401, 408, 601, 605, and 606 were ineligible. Until September 1, 2017, voucher applications from PSAs 101, 102, 201, 203, 204, 205, 206, 301, 304, 306, 401, 408, 601, 605, 606 and 607 were ineligible.