GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Executive Office of the Mayor OFFICE OF VICTIM SERVICES AND JUSTICE GRANTS



May 12, 2016

Chairman Phil Mendelson Council of the District of Columbia 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

I am pleased to submit the first report on the Private Security Camera Incentive Program (Program). Launched in February 2016, the Program, administered by Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants (OVSJG), 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 and \$750 for all other addresses. This program is intended to deter crime and assist law enforcement with investigations.

The *Private Security Camera Incentive Program Congressional Review Emergency Act of 2016* requires the Mayor to provide a monthly report to the Council that includes the following information:

- 1. The total number of rebates issued;
- 2. The total number of private security cameras funded;
- 3. The number of rebates issued in each police service area;
- 4. The number of rebates and vouchers issued in each priority area identified;
- 5. The number of rebates issued to residents, businesses, nonprofit and religious institutions;
- 6. The number of times MPD requested footage from a Program recipient, and whether the request was granted or denied by the Program recipient;
- 7. The number of times that footage from a private security camera contributed to a successful arrest by MPD, including a breakdown by offense; and
- 8. An analysis of the Program's implementation and plans for future expansion, if any.



Enclosed, please find the report detailing the information above through May 10, 2016. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Michelle CM. Garcio

Michelle M. Garcia Director

cc: The Council of the District of Columbia

Enclosure: Private Security Camera Incentive Program Report

Private Security Camera Incentive Program Report

Data as of May 10, 2016

1. The total number of rebates issued.

230 rebates have been issues.

2. The total number of private security cameras funded.

630 cameras have been funded.

3. The number of rebates issued in each police service area (PSA).

PSA	Rebates Issued	PSA	Rebates Issued	PSA	Rebates Issued	PSA	Rebates Issued
101	0	207	0	405	4	603	2
102	0	208	1	406	3	604	1
103	0	301	0	407	7	605	0
104	15	302	14	408	0	606	0
105	1	303	1	409	7	607	1
106	2	304	0	501	7	608	1
107	21	305	4	502	18	701	5
108	25	306	0	503	15	702	1
201	0	307	1	504	13	703	0
202	3	308	2	505	4	704	3
203	0	401	0	506	9	705	3
204	0	402	5	507	13	706	1
205	0	403	10	601	0	707	1
206	0	404	4	602	1	708	1

4. The number of rebates and vouchers issued in each priority area identified.

Priority PSA	Rebates Issued	Priority PSA	Rebates Issued	Priority PSA	Rebates Issued	Priority PSA	Rebates Issued
103	0	305	4	502	18	701	5
104	15	307	1	503	15	702	1
105	1	308	2	504	13	703	0
106	2	402	5	505	4	704	3
107	21	403	10	506	9	705	3
108	25	404	4	507	13	706	1
202	3	405	4	602	1	707	1
207	0	406	3	603	2	708	1
208	1	407	7	604	1		
302	14	409	7	607	1		
303	1	501	7	608	1		

5. The number of rebates issued to residents, businesses, nonprofit and religious institutions.

Property Type	Rebates		
Resident	223		
Business	4		
Non-Profit	3		
Religious Institution	0		

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

We are not aware of MPD obtaining footage from Program recipients, as of May 10, 2016.

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

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8. An analysis of the Program's implementation and plans for future expansion, if any.

The program is off to a successful start with over 350 applications received to date. Public response has been overwhelmingly positive and feedback from the public, particularly Advisory Neighborhood Commissions who submitted comments during the rulemaking process, has assisted greatly in shaping the program, including the addition of an additional six PSAs to the priority areas.

To publicize the Program, our Office, MPD and other District agencies have attended ANC and community meetings, as well as done social media marketing, posted information on neighborhood listservs, and received coverage by numerous media outlets. While residents, businesses, and nonprofit institutions throughout the District have participated in the Program, we recognize there is a need to conduct additional outreach in the Sixth and Seventh Police Districts. OVSJG will continue to work with District agencies and Councilmember offices to seek increased Program participation, especially in communities that may benefit the most from increased public safety.

While it is too early in the Program to determine whether future expansion is warranted, we believe the overwhelmingly positive response from residents so far shows the importance of the Program.