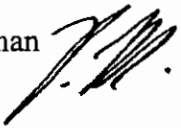


COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Phil Mendelson, Chairman 

DATE: January 23, 2019

RE: **Working Group on Impacts of the Federal Shutdown on District Residents**

The purpose of this memorandum is to invite all Councilmembers to attend a working group meeting convened by the Committee of the Whole to discuss the impacts of the Federal government shutdown on District residents and businesses and how the District government can help. The working group will take place on Friday, January 25, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 412, ending at noon.

At our Administrative Meeting on Tuesday, January 22, 2019, we briefly discussed how the Council may be able to get more information on the effects of the shutdown on District residents and businesses and what actions the Council may be able to take to address those effects. In response, I am convening a working group to meet with stakeholders who can state their perspective on how the District government may mitigate the shutdown's effects.

The Committee is inviting the National Treasury Employees Union, the American Federation of Government Employees, the Service Employees International Union, the Professional Services Council, the Chief Financial Officer, the City Administrator, the Department of Human Resources, the District of Columbia Housing Authority, the Restaurant Association of Metropolitan Washington, the DC Chamber of Commerce, the DC Fiscal Policy Institute, and the DC Policy Center to participate.

Councilmembers and the invited organizations will be seated around a large table in Room 412. There will be no opening statements by Councilmembers as the purpose of the session is to hear from the participants. Each organization will be invited to speak for approximately five minutes to lay out the impacts they feel are most important and how the District may be able to mitigate those impacts. The Chairman will then lead a question and answer session between Councilmembers and participants. The meeting will be open to the public.

It is my hope that this working group will be able to identify areas for relief that we have not already addressed for affected District residents and businesses.

Should you have any questions, please contact me or Evan Cash (724-7002) on my staff.

cc: Office of the Secretary
Office of the General Counsel
Office of the Budget Director