

#TrashFreeDC

Trash Pollution Reduction in Washington, DC

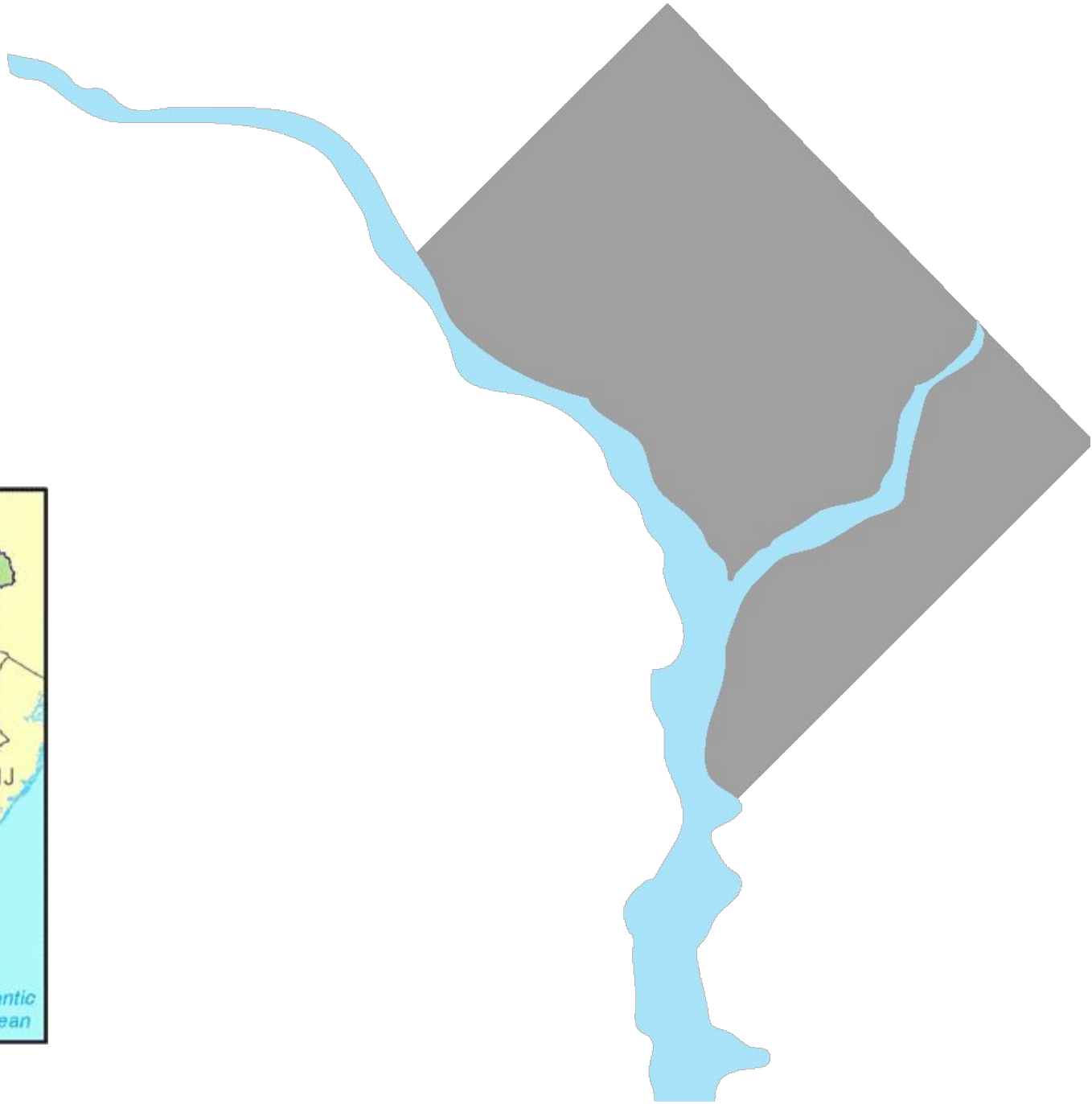
(plus COVID-19)

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The Policy Driver

- In 2008, the US EPA declared the Anacostia River impaired for trash under the Clean Water Act. High levels of debris prevented the river's full use for navigation and recreation due to human health risks and poor aesthetics.
- Three local governments (Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, Maryland, and DC) must meet annual goals for removal and prevention of trash entering the waterway.*



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Supporting a
TRASH FREE
ANACOSTIA
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YOUR LITTER HITS CLOSE TO HOME.

Piece by piece, litter adds up, and makes the places we go to every day unsafe and unhealthy.

**Take control.
Take care of your trash.**

www.trashfreepotomac.org

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CLEAN LAND.
SAFE WATER.
HEALTHY LIVES.

Logo here

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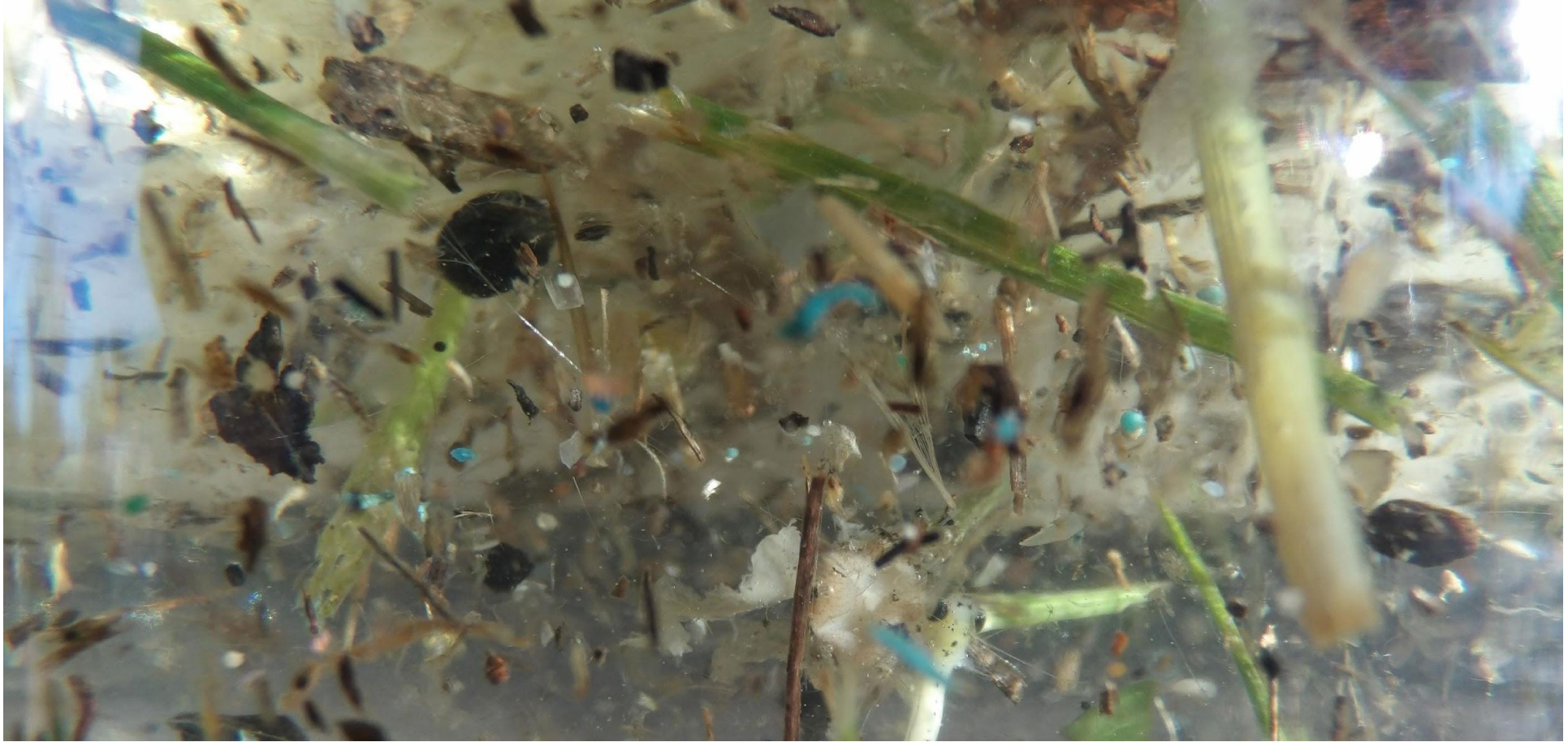
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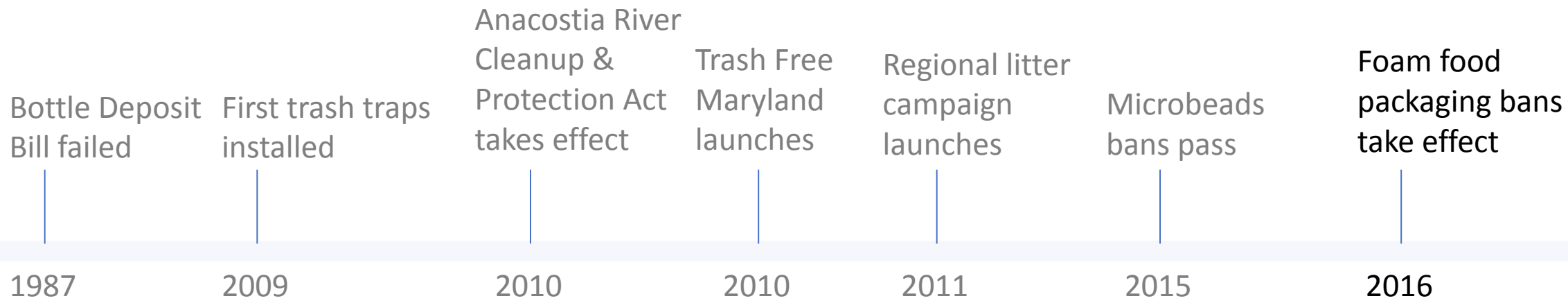
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Microbeads
bans pass

2015









HOLDER

CLEAN CITY DC

ADOPT
a
BLOCK

This block has been adopted by:

GKR TRASHFREE ASSOCIATION

Visit cleancity.dc.gov
Call 311



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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
MURIEL BOWSER, MAYOR

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YOUR
DISTRICT



MARCH 20, 2021 MAYOR BOWSER'S SPRING




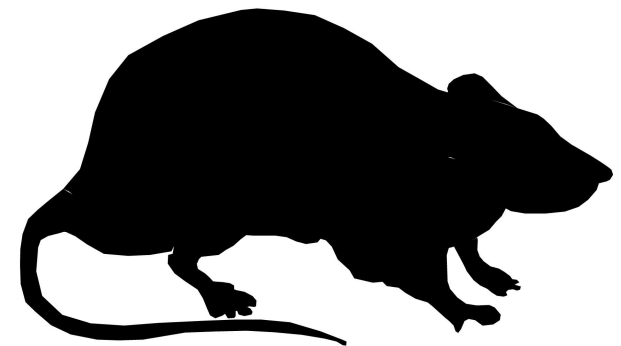
Join Mayor Muriel Bowser and other DC residents on Saturday, March 20th in keeping DC clean by picking up trash in the places you care about: your home, your block, or your neighborhood park.

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MURIEL BOWSER, MAYOR

   @CleanCityDC





ROLL-OFF DAY

PRESENTED BY THE MAYOR'S OFFICE OF THE CLEAN CITY



**BRING BULK ITEMS AND DEBRIS TO OUR DROP-OFF SITE
AT NO COST, AND LEARN ABOUT OTHER DISTRICT SERVICES!**







Clean City Operating Status

- Staff is working remotely, full-time
- Adopt a Block applications are being processed
 - You may clean up litter with members of your household. Wash your hands and practice social distancing
 - Tool and supply distribution is limited
 - Take trash from cleanup activities home with you
- Pet waste bag dispensers are being maintained
 - Continue to call 311 with complaints
 - We are working with Humane Rescue Alliance to continue to engage pet owners
- Roll-Off Day is on hold





Sign In



Cleanup Tips

Frequently Asked Questions

Group Spotlights

Litter Cleanup Protocol

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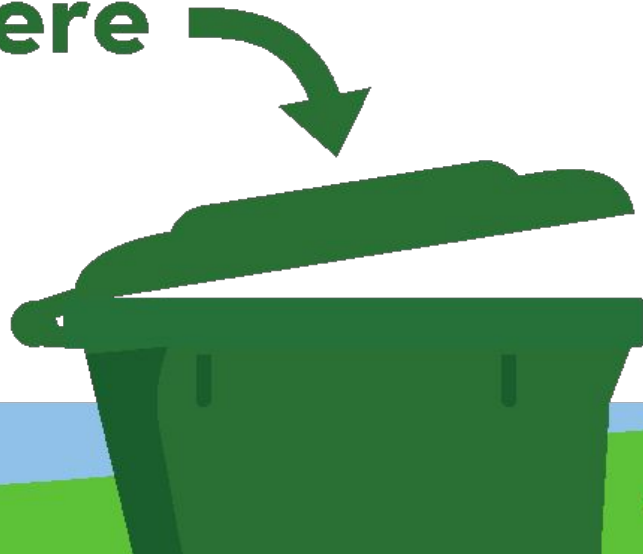
Have a question about Adopt a Block? Find answers to the most commonly asked questions. If you have additional questions, email us at cleancity@dc.gov.

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**[bit.ly/adoptablock
dc](https://bit.ly/adoptablockdc)**



Cleaner communities and waterways start here



Keep lid closed and do not overfill the can.



Bag your trash before putting it in the can.
(Do not bag recyclables; place items loose in your blue can.)

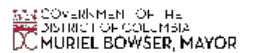


Place trash in can outside shortly before pickup.



Call 311 or visit 311.dc.gov for assistance
with cans needing repair or replacement.

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cleancity.dc.gov
zerowaste.dc.gov



In partnership with the U.S. EPA's Trash Free Waters program www.epa.gov/trash-free-waters

NO PLASTIC BAGS IN THE RECYCLING BIN

DO NOT BAG Recyclables



LEAVE ITEMS LOOSE AND EMPTY

 Return plastic bags to retailers or place in trash bin.

Questions about your curbside recycling service?

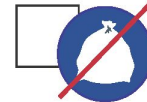
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PLEASE LEAVE THESE ITEMS OUT!



No Plastic Bags
or plastic film



Do Not Bag Recyclables



No Clothing
or Linens



No Tangles,
such as Cords, Hoses
or Chains



No Yard Waste



No Scrap Metal,
Wood, or Furniture

Failure to properly separate trash and recycling
can result in rejected collection or a \$75 fine.

If you need this information in Spanish, Chinese,
Vietnamese, Korean, Amharic or French,
please call (202) 673-6833





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