DC HEALTH

RODENT AND VECTOR CONTROL

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MISSION

The Mission of the Rodent and Vector Control Division:

To protect the public health and safety of the residents and visitors of the District by reducing rodent activity and other vectors through proactive surveys, inspections, baiting, enforcement, community outreach and distribution of educational materials.



MAYOR MURIEL BOWSER

RAT RIDDANCE INITIATIVE 2016





INCREASE IN RAT COMPLAINTS TO DC 311

- Mild Winters
- 25% Increase in Food Establishments
- Population Growth



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RAT RIDDANCE INITIATIVE 2016

- Wire Mesh for Rodent Proofing
- Mayor's Rat Walks
- Dry Ice Treatment
- Rat Stat
- Budget Enhancement
- Sterilization Program



WIRE MESH

Steps for wire mesh installation

- Measure
- Cut
- Spread
- Cover
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GUOHp7BpEHE& feature=youtu.be



MAYOR'S COMMUNITY WALKS



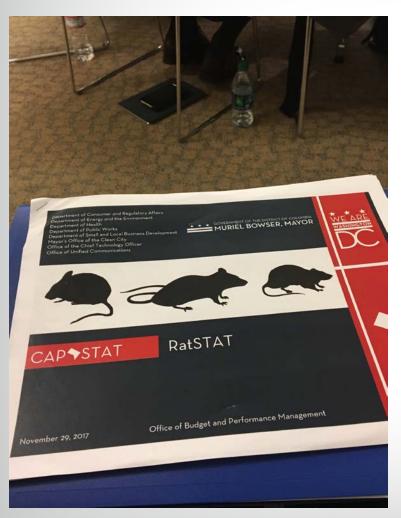


DRY ICE DEMONSTRATION





RAT STAT





BUDGET ENHANCEMENT

- Additional Vehicles
- Increase in Staff (Pest Controllers)
- Handheld Devices
- Geocoding
- ContraPest



STERILIZATION PROGRAM

Under ideal conditions, two mating rats can be responsible for 15,000 descendants within one year, making it difficult to maintain control of rat infestations.

Population growth like this can lead to continued infrastructure damage and product loss.



BAIT STATION AND INSERT TRAYS CONTRAPEST





QUESTIONS





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