

CHEVY CHASE FORWARD

Building Community and Bridging Divides

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Chevy Chase Forward Launches to Champion an Inclusive, Affordable Future for Chevy Chase

Washington, DC — Today, a broad coalition of residents announced the official launch of **Chevy Chase Forward (CCF)**, a grassroots 501(c)(4) nonprofit dedicated to advancing equity, housing affordability, and inclusive growth in Chevy Chase - one of Washington's most affluent neighborhoods. Uniting long-time advocates, former and current ANC commissioners, parents, and multi-generational residents, CCF is driven by a shared mission: Chevy Chase has the opportunity, and the responsibility, to contribute meaningfully to solving the shared challenges facing DC, such as housing affordability, equitable development, and inclusive growth.

The launch of CCF arrives at a pivotal and exciting moment for the community. CCF welcomes the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development's recent selection of development partner Rift Valley to lead the Chevy Chase Civic Core project. As CCF stands behind this once-in-a-generation redevelopment of public land, the organization is calling on District leaders and Rift Valley to maximize the project's potential by increasing the number of affordable and workforce units on the site. The organization looks forward to engaging in a robust public process around the design and development of the new library, community center, and public open space envisioned for the Civic Core.

"For too long, our community has not fully done its part to advance solutions that benefit the entire city," said Shannon Wulf Tregar, Chevy Chase Forward Steering Committee member. "We believe Chevy Chase can embrace change as an opportunity—to build a stronger, more welcoming neighborhood that supports the broader needs of Washington, DC."

"Leaning into abundance in housing including both affordable and market-rate homes is essential to addressing DC's affordability crisis," said Steering Committee member Lisa Gore, adding, "This is public land, and it should deliver the maximum possible public benefit for generations to come."

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Beyond housing, CCF is committed to strengthening the neighborhood's civic and social fabric, and focusing on equity. CCF asserts that true neighborhood vibrancy requires an inclusive foundation—one where teachers, seniors, young families, and essential workers can all afford to live, thrive, and contribute to the community together.

About Chevy Chase Forward:

Chevy Chase Forward is a 501(c)(4) nonprofit organization committed to advancing housing affordability, racial and social equity, and inclusive community development in Chevy Chase and throughout DC. Through advocacy and civic engagement, CCF seeks to ensure that the neighborhood contributes its fair share to a stronger, more accessible Washington, DC. Learn more about Chevy Chase Forward at <https://www.ccfoward.org>.

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