

**For Residents of the Sports Complex Special Services District (SCSSD)
Frequently Asked Questions Regarding the Democratic National Convention (DNC)**

When is the DNC? When are DNC attendees expected to arrive and leave? The DNC begins Monday, July 25th, and ends Thursday evening, July 28th. Attendees will arrive as soon as Friday, July 22nd, and leave by Friday, July 29th.

Where does the DNC take place? The Convention takes place at the Wells Fargo Center in the evening hours, typically from 5:00 PM to 11:00 PM. There will be smaller caucus and council meetings during work hours at the Pennsylvania Convention Center as well.

How many people are coming to Philadelphia for the Convention? The City expects approximately 50,000 Convention participants between delegates, media, and other attendees.

What can I expect to see in the Sports Complex area?

Fencing, other physical barriers, and uniformed law enforcement officers will be utilized to enforce vehicle restriction zones and road closures. Emergency response vehicles and equipment may also be staged in common areas visible from your homes. Low flying helicopter flights will continue.

How I can stay better informed? Where can I get additional information regarding the DNC?

- **SCSSD Notifications:** For regular SCSSD updates throughout the year, please register for the SCSSD **Autocall** phone notification system. To sign up, please call the SCSSD offices at 215-271-1701.
- **City Public Safety Alerts:** For daily DNC information (and ongoing emergency alerts), please register for **ReadyPhiladelphia**, the City's mass notification system administered by the Office of Emergency Management. To sign up, visit www.phila.gov/ready and click on "Sign Up For Alerts". Options include text messages, email messages, and phone messages. For those without internet access, please ask a neighbor or friend with internet access to help sign you up for phone messages. A ReadyDNC Daily Digest will be published through ReadyPhiladelphia and include information on weather, traffic, public safety, public gatherings and marches, and DNC related public events.
- **Websites:**
 - Visit the **City's DNC website** at www.phila.gov/dnc for information and updates prior to and during the DNC regarding city services, special events, traffic disruptions, and transit updates.
 - Visit the **U.S. Secret Service's DNC website** at www.secretservice.gov/events/2016-CONV for a copy of their press release on security restrictions and the joint transportation plan.
 - Visit **PennDOT's DNC website** at www.511PA.com/DNC for traffic information during the DNC. This website provides real-time traffic information, color-coded maps showing how traffic is flowing, road closures, and other valuable information.
- **Social Media:** For updates via Twitter, the City of Philadelphia **@PhiladelphiaGov** account and the United States Secret Service **@SecretService** account are the primary sources for all DNC related information including real time public safety updates during the week of the DNC.
- **Radio:** Listen to **KYW 1060 AM** Newsradio for ongoing news and coverage of the DNC.

Are demonstrators/protesters expected? Yes, the City expects on average 35,000 to 50,000 protesters each day across the City. In the Sports Complex area, the City has approved demonstration permits in FDR Park (the designated free speech area) for the entire week, and thus far two permits for demonstrations in Marconi Plaza Park on Monday, July 25th. Marches along S. Broad Street to FDR Park are also expected and will likely cause temporary road closures. Philadelphia Police have assured that they will be wherever protesters will be, and we thank them and all law enforcement for their services. Please visit the City's DNC website at www.phila.gov/dnc for a listing of all permits that were requested so far, including permits approved, denied, pending, and withdrawn. Demonstrations that deviate from the planned route or do not attain a permit will be updated via social media. Follow @PhiladelphiaGov and @PhillyPolice on Twitter.

Are there any changes to trash and recycling service during the DNC? Are there any changes to municipal services, such as; court hours, jury duty, and city employee work schedules? At this time, all city services are expected to operate as scheduled. If that changes, the information will be available on the City's DNC website at www.phila.gov/dnc.

Will police and fire services be affected in my neighborhood due to re-assignment of first-responders? Philadelphia Police, Philadelphia Fire, and EMS services will not be impacted by the DNC.

Will highways or streets be closed during the DNC? Yes.

- The road closures shown on the enclosed map will be in effect starting as early as 8:00 PM on Friday, July 22nd, and continuing until late evening on Friday, July 29th.
- The I-95 exit ramps at Broad Street will be closed from Friday, July 22nd at 8:00 PM, until midday Friday, July 29th. The southbound exit ramp will be open intermittently during convention week, but only for access to the Navy Yard.
- All trucks over 5 tons will be prohibited from traveling on I-95 between Exit 13 (I-76 Valley Forge) and Exit 22 (I-676) from Saturday, July 23rd at 12:00 PM, until midday Friday, July 29th.
- Beginning daily, from Monday, July 25th, to Friday, July 29th, the following I-76 eastbound exit ramp will be closed between the hours of 2:00 PM to 2:00 AM: Exit #350 / Packer Avenue.

Can I get into the Wells Fargo Center if I am not a credentialed media member or delegate? Can anyone attend the convention? Only those who are credentialed have access inside the Wells Fargo Center, which include media, delegates, politicians, and volunteers. However, the smaller councils and caucus meetings which take place during the day at the Pennsylvania Convention Center are open to the public.

How can I participate in the DNC? There are a number of Convention-related events happening around town for the public, even if you're not interested in politics. For more information and a list of events, visit the DNC host committee's website at www.phldnc.com.

What if I have questions that aren't answered here? The City encourages you to first go to www.phila.gov/dnc. If your questions aren't answered there, you can always call the City hotline at 3-1-1 for non-emergencies. The week of the DNC, 311 will have extended hours from 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM.