

BENNING STODDERT COMMUNITY CENTER MODERNIZATION
100 STODDERT PLACE SE [WARD 7]**September 2015 UPDATE****PROJECT OVERVIEW**

The Benning Stoddert Community Center Modernization will include renovation of the existing Community Center and construction of a new, single story addition to the building. The modernization will include multi-purpose activity rooms, a demonstration kitchen, a computer room, fitness area, lounge area, storage, locker rooms, restrooms, and a high-school competition sized gymnasium.

Various exterior site amenities, new walkways, new landscaping and a reconfigured parking area will be included in the project. The sustainability goals of the project include strategies to remediate storm water run-off and certifying the project to LEED – SILVER certification.

The Project Budget is \$6,750,000.

PROJECT AND COMMUNITY UPDATES

The next community update meeting is scheduled for October 6, 2015 at 6:30PM at Benning Stoddert Community Center.

DESIGN ACTIVITIES

The design team (architects) has completed the permit documents, which have been submitted to the DC Department of Consumer Affairs (DCRA) for their review and approval.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGER UPDATE

MCN Build is the selected construction team and they have been an integral part of ensuring that the project is within budget. DGS anticipate the existing community center will close this fall to prep the site for construction, with a targeted construction start date in November 2015.

As discussed in previous community meetings, DGS & DPR will work with MCN to develop a plan for community engagement regarding possible jobs opportunities for residents to work on the project. The community job engagement will commence, as we get closer to the start of construction.

There is also a new DGS project manager assigned to this project and his name is Shahrokh Ghahramani. Mr. Ghahramani will be introduced to the community at the October 6 meeting.

DPR / DGS ACTIVITIES

DPR has been working with the WTEF with regard to a new playground for the project. Once funding is identified, the playground will be completed as a separate project from the recreation center modernization.