



Congresswoman

Eleanor Holmes Norton

Norton Fights to Protect D.C. and Gets Results From Congress and the President



Norton shows the flag – the D.C. flag – at an event with residents to discuss statehood

★ **Anti-Home-Rule Riders In Retreat** — See Page 4

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Norton Keeps Jobs-Producing Projects Coming to D.C., See Page 3

- ▼ **Flash!** House passes Southwest Waterfront redevelopment bill
- ▼ More dollars and jobs for massive Department of Homeland Security project in Ward 8
- ▼ More funds for South Capitol Street Bridge

★ **Budget Autonomy Breakthrough**

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Annual Norton Tax & Financial Services Fair

FOR D.C. RESIDENTS ONLY!

Saturday, February 25, 2012

Walter E. Washington Convention Center

801 Mount Vernon Place
Between 7th and 9th Streets NW
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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PLEASE NOTE: If you have income from rental property, partnerships, small business corporations, estates or trusts, or stock or bond sales, or if you are self-employed, please seek assistance from a paid tax preparer

What You Need to Bring...

- ★ Photo ID
- ★ W-2
- ★ Forms 1098 & 1099
- ★ Itemized deductions
- ★ 2010 tax return
- ★ Blank check for direct deposit
- ★ Social Security card for you, your spouse and any dependents
- ★ Homebuyers must bring settlement statement

And May Qualify For...

- ★ Norton's D.C.-only \$5,000 Homebuyer Tax Credit
- ★ Earned Income Tax Credit
- ★ Child & Dependent Care Tax Credits
- ★ Education Tax Credit, and many more

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visit www.norton.house.gov for daily updates and more!

A More Livable City: Norton Convinces Federal Government to Work With Neighborhoods

National Park Service Commitment to User-Friendly Parks Emerges at Norton Town Meeting

- ▼ Norton's **Parks Town Meeting** produces **candid discussion** between National Park Service (NPS) leaders and residents, and **new NPS commitment** on flexibility and responsiveness to neighborhoods
- ▼ After hearing from Norton and residents, NPS proposes five **Capital Bikeshare** stations on **National Mall**
- ▼ As **Tourmobile ends**, Norton presses for **green multimodal transportation** around National Mall



Norton and NPS leaders at Norton's Parks Town Meeting

Making the Federal Government a Good Neighbor

- ▼ Norton's **Ward Circle community meeting** produces commitments from federal and D.C. agencies to **relieve traffic and parking problems** near DHS Nebraska Avenue complex
- ▼ Norton reports **progress on request for \$1 million for health effects study of Spring Valley contamination** at **Ward 3 community meeting** on cleanup of **last-known large site of World War I-era munitions**
- ▼ **Post Office Progress:** Seven removed from preliminary closure list. Norton gets new hearings for two

Getting Action on Federal Issues in D.C.

- ▼ Norton gets **Parole Commission reauthorized**, ensuring **public safety as well as rehabilitation** of D.C. residents returning from prison
- ▼ **Federal agencies begin paying stormwater fees** to D.C., as residents and businesses do. A **Norton law** overturned position that fee to **mitigate effects of stormwater runoff** was an impermissible tax on federal government
- ▼ Norton gets House Democratic **Whip Steny Hoyer** to join in demand that federal officials **consider traffic impact** before planned permanent closure of **E Street near White House**
- ▼ Norton requires Office of Personnel Management to create **new emergency plans**, after earthquake paralyzes **traffic on city streets and Metro**
- ▼ Norton works with Army Corps of Engineers and Environmental Protection Agency until **suspicious substance** in **Anacostia River** was **identified as harmless and disappeared**

Norton Is In Your Neighborhood, Too!



Residents at Norton's Ward Circle community meeting on traffic and parking problems

We held *Norton In Your Neighborhood Community Conversations* with Advisory Neighborhood Commissions and other community groups throughout the year. Call our office at 783-5065 to partner with the Congresswoman on a *Norton In Your Neighborhood Community Conversation*

Government-to-Go Coming to Your Neighborhood

Look for our caseworkers at neighborhood spots Social Security, Medicaid, Veterans and other federal matters

"Like" Norton on **facebook** and learn when a Government-to-Go is near you

Follow @EleanorNorton on **Twitter** for news and views

Norton Finds New Ways to Bring Jobs and Economic Development to D.C.

Creating Jobs by Redeveloping Neighborhoods



NoMa Continues to Grow

Norton **breaks ground** on another office building in NoMa, a new mixed-use community she helped spark by **spearheading efforts to bring federal agencies and the New York Avenue Metro to the area between Massachusetts and New York Avenues.**

Walter Reed Hospital Redevelopment

Norton ensuring cleanup for transfer of Ward 4 site to D.C. for redevelopment for retail and housing

2011 DHS Construction Payroll Shows 25% of Workers are D.C. Residents

- ✓ 20% live in Ward 8
- ✓ 53 D.C. small businesses, including 22 from Ward 8
- ▼ Norton's **vigorous outreach and oversight** produce **record number of D.C. jobs**, even though hiring set-asides for local jurisdictions are prohibited on federal projects
- ▼ Norton gets **more DHS construction funding** in Senate appropriations bill

SW Waterfront Bill Passes House

Norton bill allows D.C. to create \$1.5 billion **mixed-use development** at the SW Waterfront. **Thousands of jobs, local tax revenue**, and improved waterfront parks and docks. **Senate sponsors ready to go with bill**

Norton Bill that Creates New D.C. Revenue Sparking Interest

Bipartisan sponsorship of upcoming briefing for Members and staff on Norton bill to make **D.C. an international financial center** for catastrophic insurance reserves. Bill means jobs and local tax revenue for D.C., and security for U.S. funds now held in foreign jurisdictions

Norton's Top Priorities Funded

- ▼ **D.C. Tuition Assistance Grant (DCTAG) funds approved** by House and Senate Appropriations Committees
- ▼ **Third \$150 million Metro installment signed** into law
- ▼ **\$68 million installment for South Capitol Street Bridge**

Focusing Where the Jobs Crisis is Most Severe

Norton's Jobs Bill Parallels Section in President's American Jobs Act

- ▼ **Long-term unemployed.** Substantial financial incentive to hire long-term unemployed parallels but predates similar incentive in President's bill
- ▼ **Young graduates.** Expands AmeriCorps to help graduates with steep student loans get jobs, and to help hard-pressed cities fill service gaps

Jobs at Norton's Job Fair

- ▼ More than 4,000 residents and 100 employers with confirmed openings attended the annual Norton Job Fair



Norton Gets Full Off-Street Inter-City Bus Service

Norton opens fifth intercity bus service at Union Station as it becomes a bus hub after years of hearings led by the Congresswoman

Norton Blogging on National and Local Issues at www.norton.house.gov

"It is not enough to say that the President found his voice at the Joint Session. He never lost that. The President showed his muscles and flexed them. His plan amounted to a series of offers he dared Republicans to refuse. (I especially like the \$4,000 tax

credit to hire the long-term unemployed—the bill I introduced this week has a \$5,000 tax credit.) When times are tough people can easily feel abandoned. He got the blood pumping again."

—Norton on the President's Speech on Jobs, September 10, 2011



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Norton Gets Victories for Home Rule and Equal Citizenship

From Congress

- ▼ Defeats gun-lobby-backed amendment to permit non-residents to carry concealed guns in the District of Columbia
- ▼ Prevents bans on local D.C. funds for needle exchange and medical marijuana from being re-imposed
- ▼ Prevents repeal of D.C. marriage equality law
- ▼ Gets a rider-free D.C. appropriations bill through Senate Appropriations Committee
- ▼ Uses senatorial courtesy to get two more D.C. residents appointed to the federal district court here, a resident appointed as U.S. Marshal for the Superior Court, and another appointed as director of the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency
- ▼ Partners with Republican committee chairman to move statue bill granting D.C. and the territories one statue each in the Capitol

... And From the President

- ▼ He asked Congress to give D.C. full-year fiscal year 2012 spending authority to avoid a shutdown
- ▼ He opposed D.C. abortion rider in House Appropriations Committee-approved fiscal year 2012 D.C. appropriations bill because it “undermines the principle of states’ rights and of D.C. home rule.”
- ▼ He opposed D.C. abortion rider in final fiscal year 2012 D.C appropriations bill



Congresswoman Norton speaks at D.C. War Memorial, after working with appropriators to get funds for its rehabilitation. She has introduced a bill to retain the memorial, built with funds from residents, for D.C. World War I veterans only

Budget Autonomy Closer than Ever Republican Chairman’s Bill Mirrors Most of Norton’s Pending Budget Autonomy Bill

- ▼ House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform Chairman Darrell Issa (R-CA) vows at hearing to work with Norton until budget autonomy bill “becomes law”
- ▼ Issa bill included permanent ban on local D.C. funds for abortion services to help it pass, but he acknowledged that multiple anti-home-rule riders would have been added
- ▼ Strategies for clean bill under discussion

“I’m fully supportive of voting rights for D.C. citizens. I’m fully supportive of home rule. I’m fully supportive of making sure that the Washington, D.C. government has its own budget authority. I’m supportive of folks in D.C. being treated like people everywhere else in the country.”

– President Barack Obama, 2011

DC. Residents and Small Businesses Only

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