The Department of Public Works delivers a wide range of services that help define the quality of life for residents and visitors of Nashville/Davidson County. Over 300 dedicated Public Works employees work day and night to help ensure a safe, clean and convenient transportation network of public streets and alleys, and to provide an efficient system for managing trash and other waste in Davidson County. These “unsung heroes” repair potholes and public sidewalks; mow grass and trim tree limbs near Metro roadways; change traffic signal bulbs; create and put up street signs; clean up roadside dumping and litter; and manage over 100 million dollars in capital projects.

Among the assets managed each day by our employees are: 5,700+ travel lane miles of public roadways and rights-of-way; 800+ signalized intersections; 6,000+ named public streets; 350+ bridges; 800+ linear miles of sidewalk; 100+ miles of bike lanes and shared routes; 2,035 parking meters and approximately 18,000 parking spaces in Metro-owned garages; 13 community recycle drop-off sites and three recycle convenience centers for waste disposal; and collection of an average of over 130,000 tons of refuse annually from more than 126,000 homes.

July 2013 - By the Numbers

$37,764 in Labor Cost Avoidance by Utilizing 320 Community Service Workers to Supplement Staff Reductions

$177,031 in Labor Cost Avoidance, During 56 Cleanups by Community Service Workers & Volunteers

4,960 SqYds Potholes Repaired - 129 New Traffic Signs Installed - 349 Traffic Signs Repaired

318 Students & 116 Adults Participated in 14 Recycling & Educational Programs

10,510 Tons of Residential Trash Picked-up from 126,707 USD Homes Serviced Weekly

882 Tons of Residential Recycling Collected from 90,124 USD Homes Serviced Monthly

822 Tons of Recycling Collected at 13 Drop-Off Sites - 15 Tons of e-Waste Collected

9,703 SqYds of Right-of-Way Debris Removed - 45 Tires Picked-up - 285 Illegal Dump Sites Cleaned

On 18 Miles of Right-of-Way Crews Picked-up 14 Tons of Litter - 174 Miles Right-of-Way Trimmed

2,080 Tons of Residential Brush Picked-up/Recycled - 52 Tons Illegal Dumping Picked-up

2,302 Bags & 8 Roll-off Bins with 110,365 lbs of Trash Picked-up by 556 Comm Svc Workers & 853 Volunteers

10,320 Calls to 311 Customer Service - 4,384 Service Requests Issued

16 Lane Miles Paved - 10,555 Sq Ft Infrared Pavement Repairs - 315 Illegal Signs Removed

119 Requests for Traffic Studies Completed - 4 Traffic Signal Timing Investigations Completed

69 Alley Miles Cleaned - 436 Tons of Trash & Debris Collected in USD Alleyways - 1,419 Miles Mowed


$655,976* Monthly NES Electric Bill for 53,519 USD/GSD Streetlights *July kwh rate 0.06752

1,378 Linear Feet of Sidewalk & 6 Curb Ramps Constructed in 4 Projects

1,838 Utility/Sidewalk/Roadway/Parking Permits Issued - 265 Construction/Development Plans Reviewed

Want to receive Brush, Recycling or Trash collection e-mail reminders? Visit http://mpw.nashville.gov/ROW/Services/Default.aspx and Search for your PW Services. Contact us by dialing 311 or at www.nashville.gov/public-works