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 128,000 homes.

May 2015 - By the Numbers

$45,630 in Labor Cost Avoidance by Utilizing 394 Community Service Workers to Supplement Staff Reductions

$67,470 in Labor Cost Avoidance, During 59 Cleanups & Events by Community Service Workers & Volunteers

4,159 SqYds Potholes Repaired - 208 New Traffic Signs Installed - 457 Traffic Signs Repaired

1,920 Students & 411 Adults Participated in 16 Recycling & Educational Programs

11,814 Tons of Residential Trash Picked-up from 128,040 USD Homes Serviced Weekly

1,027 Tons of Residential Recycling Collected from 93,420 USD Homes Serviced Monthly

766 Tons of Recycling Collected at 15 Drop-Off Sites - 16 Tons of e-Waste Collected

5,191 SqYds of Right-of-Way Debris Removed - 394 Illegally Dumped Tires Picked-up

On 37 Miles of Right-of-Way Crews Picked-up 10 Tons of Litter - 325 Illegal Dump Sites Cleaned

1,991 Tons of Residential Brush Picked-up/Recycled - 28 Tons Illegal Dumping Picked-up

1,800 Bags & 9 Roll-Off Bins with 168,920 lbs of Trash Picked-up by 430 Comm Svc Wrks & 349 Volunteers

7,937 Calls to Customer Service - 4,083 Service Requests Issued - 17 Lane Miles Paved

1 Bridge Replacement & 6 Bridge Routine Maintenance Projects Completed - 9,757 Sq Ft Infrared Pavement Repairs


52 Alley Miles Cleaned - 91 Tons of Trash & Debris Collected in USD Alleyways

2,636 Linear Ft. of Sidewalk and 9 Curb Ramps Constructed in 9 Projects

$665,492* Monthly NES Electric Bill for 53,736 USD/GSD Streetlights *May kwh rate 0.06755

3,410 Pot Holes Patched - 2,065 Right-of-Way Miles Mowed & 128 Right-of-Way Miles Trimmed

2,945 Utility/Sidewalk/Roadway/Parking Permits Issued - 230 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