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 400 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; 10 community recycle drop-off sites and 4 recycle convenience centers for waste disposal; and collection of an average of over 130,000 tons of refuse annually from more than 139,000 homes.

August 2019 - By the Numbers

$1,765 in Labor Cost Avoidance by Utilizing 17 Community Service Workers to Supplement Staff Reductions

$12,123 in Labor Cost Avoidance, During 36 Cleanups & Events by Community Service Workers & Volunteers

159 New Traffic Signs Installed - 194 Traffic Signs Repaired

891 Students & 934 Adults Participated in 76 Recycling & Educational Programs

13,345 Tons of Residential Trash Picked-up from 139,025 USD Homes Serviced Weekly

889 Tons of Residential Recycling Collected from 103,989 USD Homes Serviced Monthly

743 Tons of Recycling Collected at 14 Drop-Off Sites - 29 Roadway Miles Paved

22,627 SqYds of Right-of-Way Debris Removed - 169 Illegal Dump Sites Cleaned

On 91 Miles of Right-of-Way Crews Picked-up 28 Tons of Litter - 20 Tons of e-Waste Collected & Recycled

3,030 Tons of Residential Brush Picked-up/Recycled - 56 Tons Illegal Dumping Picked-up

968 Bags & 7 Rearloaders with 49,390 lbs of Trash Picked-up by 153 Comm Svc Wrks & 45 Volunteers

12,370 Calls to Customer Service - 7,634 Service Requests Issued - 1 Bridge Replacement Project In-Process

218 Linear Ft. of Sidewalk & 2 Curb Ramps Built in 1 Project - 2 Culvert Rehabilitation Projects Completed


2,855 Right-of-Way Miles Mowed - 3 Illegally Dumped Tires Picked-up & Recycled

129 Right-of-Way Miles Trimmed - Crews cleaned 61 Alley Miles & Collected 117 Tons of Trash

$673,576* Monthly NES Electric Bill for 55,108 USD/GSD Streetlights *August kwh rate 0.07756

2,740 Pot Holes Patched - 3,017 SqYds Potholes Repaired - 18,809 Sq Ft Infrared Pavement Repairs

3,197 Utility/Sidewalk/Roadway/Parking Permits Issued - 123 Construction/Development Plans Reviewed

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