

# EXTREME HEAT

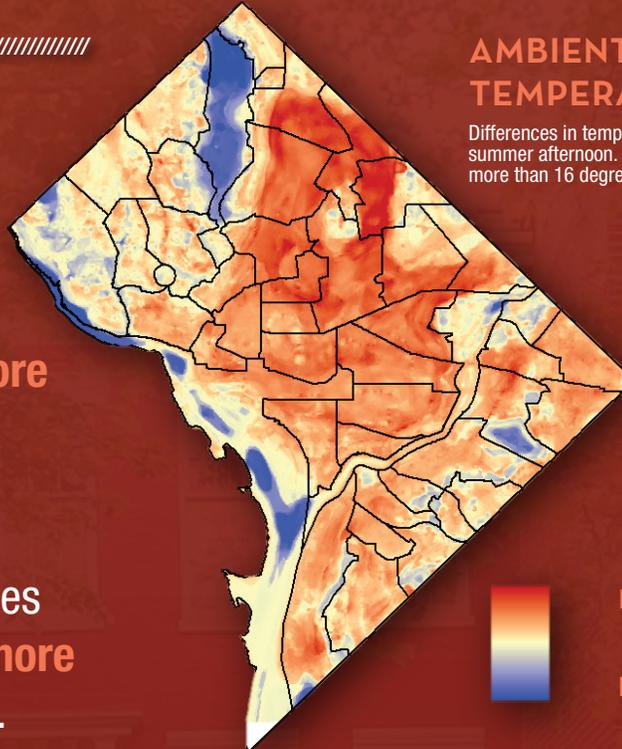
## UNDERSTANDING RISK

### ////// DID YOU KNOW? ////

Extreme heat causes more deaths than any other weather-related hazard.

Climate change will cause more frequent, severe, and longer-lasting heat waves.

Neighborhoods with fewer trees and more hard surfaces are more susceptible to extreme heat.



### AMBIENT AIR TEMPERATURE MAP

Differences in temperature collected during a summer afternoon. Some neighborhoods are more than 16 degrees hotter.

EXTREME HEAT IN WASHINGTON DC

### ////// WHO IS MORE SENSITIVE TO EXTREME HEAT? ////

Certain characteristics influence an individual's ability to: adapt to, cope with, or recover from extreme heat.

EXTREME HEAT SENSITIVITY

#### AGE



OLDER ADULTS



YOUNG CHILDREN

#### HEALTH



CHRONIC ILLNESSES



DISABILITIES



BEING OVERWEIGHT



BEING PREGNANT

#### LIVING CONDITIONS



LACKING AIR CONDITIONING



LIVING OR WORKING OUTDOORS



OWNING PETS

CALL THE SHELTER HOTLINE AT 202-399-7093 IF YOU SEE SOMEONE OUTSIDE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN NEED OF SHELTER OR COOLING RELIEF FROM THE HEAT, OR CALL 911 IF THREAT TO SAFETY AND HEALTH IS IMMINENT.