



## Lunch with Leaders Series Featuring Ernest Chrappah:



In our continuing efforts to maintain collaborative relationships with the District's Legislative and Executive Branches, HAWDC introduces our "Lunch with Leaders Series". Lunch with Leaders invites government officials to dine with our members and discuss issues that may impact their business operations. We are pleased to announce that our guest speaker for March will be Ernest Chrappah, Acting Director, District Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA).

Please join us as Mr. Chrappah discusses important topics regarding hotel operations and how Members interface with the agency responsible for regulating construction and business

activity in the District of Columbia.

Please see Upcoming Events to RSVP.

*Pictured above: Ernest Chrappah, Acting Director, District Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA).*

## Community Service Projects Need Your Help!

**Building Futures for A Better Life:** With the closure of DC General, city officials have looked to a coalition of partners, donors, and friends to help find housing for 91 homeless families. Building Bridges to a Better Life was created to provide both housing and the services that these families will need. Working with foundations, nonprofits and individual donors, Building Bridges has created a donation program to get all the necessities that these families need for a new home, including dishes, sheets and towels, pans, cooking utensils, and cleaning supplies. To see a full list of the supplies that are needed please [click here](#).

If your properties have any items that are gently used and no longer needed, please consider donating them. For more information or to donate items, please contact [Valerie Johnson](#), President and Founder of KEYS for the Homeless.

**The Center:** Through a \$1.7 million grant from the District of Columbia, the DowntownDC BID recently opened the Downtown Day Services Center. Critical and comprehensive services to individuals experiencing homelessness will be provided by Pathways to Housing DC, District agencies, and other key partners, including HAWDC Allied Member, KEYS for the Homeless. The Center will be housed at the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, located at 1313 New York Avenue, NW. It will operate from 9 am - 5 pm, Monday - Friday, filling a gap in

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## Upcoming Events

**Thursday, February 28th:**

**The HAWDC Human Resource Directors Association Meeting will be held in the East Conference Room at 1201 New York Avenue NW, Washington D.C. 20005 from 9:00 am - 10:30 am. Contact [Vanessa Peters](#) to RSVP.**

**Wednesday, March 27th:**

**The HAWDC Lunch with Leaders Series featuring Ernest Chrappah will be held at 1225 New York Avenue, NW in the Rooftop Conference Room from 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Please contact [Ejigayehu Diriba](#) to RSVP.**

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support by offering daytime services when city shelters are closed. For more information on the Downtown Day Services Center (DDSC), please read the [Downtown Day Services Center One Pager](#). Everyday towels, personal care items, snacks, beverages, first aid supplies, and basic clothing are needed. Please consider hosting a donation drive in support of this vital work in our Downtown neighborhood. The Center also warmly welcomes volunteers! If you have any questions, please contact Valerie Johnson at [valerie@keysforthehomeless.org](mailto:valerie@keysforthehomeless.org).

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### Allied Member Spotlight:



Enterprise Holdings and its affiliates offer extensive car rental, carsharing, truck rental, fleet management, retail car sales and other transportation services. They pioneered and developed significant market demand for convenient, affordable car rentals away from the airport - right in the neighborhoods where customers live, work, and visit. Their new DC Hotel Partnership Program adds bespoke services and enhanced guest experiences, making them the premier hotel partner for car rental needs throughout the District.

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