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## National Park Service Statement on Homeless Encampments: Burke Park and Samuel Gompers Memorial Park

The National Park Service (NPS) has announced the closures of Burke Park and Samuel Gompers Memorial Park (located on Massachusetts Avenue N.W. at 11<sup>th</sup> Street NW) beginning on or about August 18 to **remove homeless encampments and provide needed maintenance to the parks**. To read the official announcement, click [here](#).

HAWDC would like to remind members that these parks are under federal control and not the District or MPD. The NPS evaluates each park individually based on various determinants to make their operational decisions. HAWDC will continue to work with District leadership and MPD regarding other areas of concern under District control with respect to homeless encampments.

Regards,  
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