

**Congresswoman**

# Eleanor Holmes Norton



*Congresswoman Norton speaks out at DC Vote event against budget deal*

## **Norton Undaunted As Fight to Preserve Home Rule Heats Up, Along With Weather**

- 100 national and local organizations in Members' districts and states, warning: Respect D.C. home rule.....Pg 2
- DCTAG saved .....Pg 3

**Record number of D.C. jobs and small business contracts at Department of Homeland Security construction site in Ward 8.....Pg 3**

### **The Administration Responds to D.C.**

- ▲ High-level White House officials meet with Congresswoman Norton on home-rule attacks
- ▲ Norton explains city's disappointment with anti-home-rule riders in 2011 budget deal to President at Members' meeting at White House
- ▲ Administration issues veto threat on provision in House-passed bill that would permanently bar D.C. from spending local funds on abortion services for low-income women

# **NORTON'S 14<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL JOB FAIR**

## **Tuesday, August 9, 2011**

**100+ EMPLOYERS WITH JOB OPENINGS!**

**D.C. RESIDENTS ONLY!**

**9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Professional Development Workshops**

**11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Job Fair**

**Walter E. Washington Convention Center  
801 Mt. Vernon Place NW**

### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS:**

**9:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.**

- **Dress for Success Fashion Show**
- **Resume Writing 101**
- **D.C. and Federal Employment Applications**
  - **Interview Tips and Techniques**
  - **Recent Graduates**

- **Federal, State, and Local Jobs**
- **Private Sector Jobs**
- **Construction Jobs**
- **Trade and Technical School Representatives**

**Must Bring Proof That You Are A D.C. Resident**  
*(Photo ID, Voter Registration Card, Pay Stub, Utility Bill, or Lease)*

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# House Attacks Against D.C. and the 2011 Budget Deal Spur Strong Response

## From D.C.

- ▲ DC Vote brings hundreds to Capitol
- ▲ Mayor and Councilmembers in unprecedented civil disobedience at Capitol, followed by ANC Commissioners, students, and civil rights groups
- ▲ Hundreds of residents go to White House to protect D.C.'s right to govern itself, free from interference by the administration or the Congress

## From Expanded National Coalition

- ▲ Coalition of 100 national and local organizations activate their members in congressional districts and states to protect D.C. home rule

### 2011 Budget Deal Last Straw for D.C.

- ▲ D.C. government barely avoids shutdown
- ▲ Only 2 controversial riders in budget deal - both are D.C. riders

▲ **Excerpt from coalition letter sent to Members of the House:** Should lawmakers continue to advance attacks on DC's autonomy, we will make certain that our members-in every district-know how their representatives are spending their time in Washington: meddling in the affairs of DC residents rather than focusing on the nation's true, pressing business.

- ▲ **Excerpt from Norton's Washington Post op-ed in April:** Home rule means democratic self-government, a principle that does not concede exceptions, whether for Congress or for the rest of us. The local government's position must stand, even when we disagree. When the local government has no position, none of us is a legitimate proxy for the home-rule government in a democracy.

## Repeated House Attacks on D.C. Home Rule and Congressional Rights

- ▲ Took D.C.'s vote in the Committee of the Whole on House floor
- ▲ Refused Norton amendments to allow D.C. government to spend local funds to stay open in the event of a federal government shutdown
- ▲ House-passed bill would make a D.C. rider (abortion) permanent for the first time
- ▲ Judiciary Committee refused to allow Norton to testify on a bill provision that would make a D.C. rider (abortion) permanent

## Norton Keeps Many Balls in Air



Norton with world-famous artist Sam Gilliam at Metro Takoma station unveiling of Gilliam Mural

- ▲ Norton presses for the third \$150 million Metro installment at Metro hearing
- ▲ Norton at groundbreaking for D.C. Youth Baseball Academy, after getting Ft. Dupont Park land transferred to D.C.
- ▲ National Park Service agrees to implement administratively a Norton bill provision for music and other cultural activities to enliven the Mall at lunchtime
- ▲ Pending Norton bill would permanently keep D.C. government open using local funds whenever federal government shuts down

### Norton's Spring Valley Amendment Gets Commitment for Health Study Funds

- ▲ Norton offers amendment to get \$1 million to study whether there are health effects from WWI munitions
- ▲ House Appropriations Committee Ranking Member Norm Dicks commits to help Norton get the funds from Department of Defense after amendment fails
- ▲ Funds needed to supplement the \$250,000 that Councilmember Mary Cheh (D-Ward 3) got in D.C. funds
- ▲ Norton's first priority remains keeping cleanup funds flowing, despite budget cuts

### Norton Introduces Resolution to Maintain D.C. WWI Memorial for D.C. Vets Only and Calls for Suitable National Memorial for All WWI Vets

- ▲ D.C. WWI Memorial, dedicated in 1931, was intended only for the 26,600 D.C. veterans, including 499 who died without a vote in Congress
- ▲ Norton resolution opposes renaming D.C. memorial for all WWI veterans. Proposes separate national memorial for all WWI veterans

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# Norton's Economic Priorities Continue to Bring Vital Aid to D.C. Residents, Businesses and the Local Economy

## Roundtable Testimony Reveals

### D.C. Residents are One-Third of DHS Headquarters Construction Site Workers

#### Aggressive Outreach and Monitoring Get Job Results at DHS Construction Site Despite Hurdles

- ▲ Federal regulations require hiring from every state, not just D.C.
- ▲ D.C. population is only 10% of region, but one-third of workers at DHS site

DHS Funding Assured for: U.S. Coast Guard headquarters, historic building rehab, and perimeter fence construction

#### 42% of DHS Construction Contract Dollars go to Small and Disadvantaged Businesses

#### Norton's 2011 D.C. Small Business of the Year has DHS Contract

Norton with Merrill Smith (l), President and CEO of Metropolitan Fire Sprinklers, Norton's 2011 D.C. Small Business of the Year, and his son, Themu. Smith, a native Washingtonian, started his company with union employees, in part to train young D.C. residents in his craft



#### D.C. Small Businesses with DHS Construction Contracts

- ▲ Concrete Mixes, Inc.
- ▲ Wings Enterprises, Inc.
- ▲ Scott-Wellington Ltd, Inc.
- ▲ Metropolitan Fire Sprinkler, LLC
- ▲ G&C Equipment Corporation
- ▲ Hard Light Consulting Group
- ▲ Premier Consultants International, Inc.
- ▲ Bert Bridges
- ▲ Regional Contracting Services, LLC
- ▲ F&L Construction & Solid Waste
- ▲ Century General Contractors
- ▲ AJK Enterprises, LLC
- ▲ Cuz N Em Trucking, LLC
- ▲ Hardie Industries
- ▲ Prince Construction
- ▲ Rogers Brothers
- ▲ Steffron, LLC
- ▲ Capital Services & Supplies
- ▲ Trusted Solutions Group
- ▲ Robin Services
- ▲ Dixon Pest Management
- ▲ Magnolia Plumbing, Inc.
- ▲ B&B Floor Services, Inc.
- ▲ Armstrong Signs
- ▲ Don Baker Photography
- ▲ S&G Caters
- ▲ Graham Staffing Services
- ▲ Blueboy Blueprint Corp.
- ▲ KTLH Engineers, P.C.
- ▲ Regional Contracting Services
- ▲ City General, Inc.
- ▲ G&C Service & Supply
- ▲ H&M Hardware Supply Co.
- ▲ Ideal Electrical Supply, LLC
- ▲ Landmark Electrical Supply, LLC
- ▲ R Rea Corporation
- ▲ We Clean, Inc.
- ▲ Milani Construction
- ▲ Francis Lee Companies
- ▲ Blackwood of DC
- ▲ Continental Construction
- ▲ Steel Foundation
- ▲ GreeCon Group

#### Norton Succeeds in House Fight to Save DCTAG From Majority Means Testing

- ▲ Republican proposal: Pay for D.C. private school vouchers by means testing D.C. Tuition Assistance Grants, even though DCTAG substitutes for in-state tuition, which is not means tested in any state

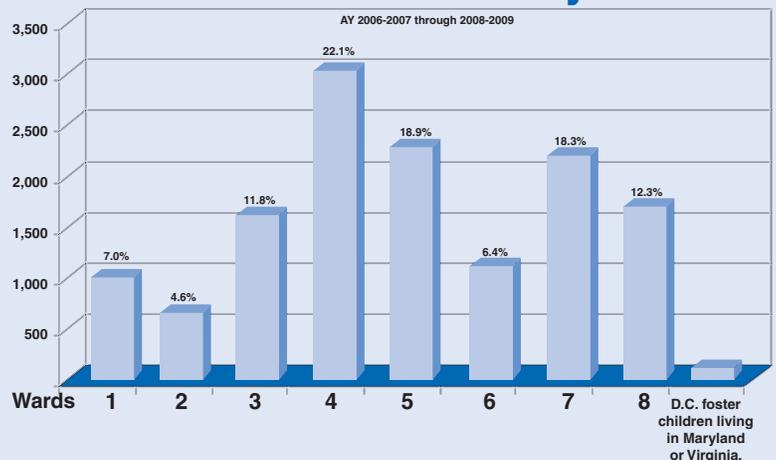
#### Why Norton Opposed Republican Proposal

- ▲ Destroys DCTAG by making it available only for low-income students
- ▲ Reduces college attendance
- ▲ Restarts exodus of taxpayers that DCTAG helped turn around

#### Full DCTAG Saved From Majority Proposal

- ▲ Up to \$10,000 annually to cover college costs at any public college or university
- ▲ Up to \$2,500 annually for private institutions in D.C. area and at private HBCUs nationwide

#### DCTAG Students by Ward



Office of State Superintendent of Education

#### Norton to Add Requirement for Apprenticeship Training to New Surface Transportation Bill

- ▲ Based on success of Norton apprenticeship funding in 2009 Stimulus law
- ▲ To come from existing state allocations
- ▲ To train new workforce as baby-boom journeymen retire and to help eliminate effects of historic discrimination against African Americans and women



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**Norton Job Fair—Tuesday, August 9th**

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**ANC Commissioners Briefed by Expert on House Majority Proposal to Cut Medicare and Medicaid**

**Dancing Our Way to Physical Fitness on National Dance Day, July 30th**

"Resolved, That the House of Representatives supports the designation of the last Saturday in July as National Dance Day to celebrate our commitment to dance and physical fitness across the United States"

- From Norton's National Dance Day Resolution



**Norton with some of the ANC Commissioners who attended her Annual ANC Meet and Greet and Information Session on the Hill**

**Norton Opposes Proposed Vast Changes to Medicare and Medicaid**

**Medicare: Sweeping changes for Americans now 54 and younger and for the disabled, beginning 2022**

- ▲ Ends Medicare as a government program as we know it
- ▲ Ends guaranteed benefits
- ▲ Provides a voucher to help pay for private health insurance premiums, but shifts the bulk of escalating health care costs to seniors and the disabled, without reducing costs for the government
- ▲ Alert for today's seniors: Creates a prescription drug donut hole closed by the new Health Care Law passed in 2010

**Medicaid: Eliminates guaranteed coverage**

- ▲ No longer an entitlement for 163,000 D.C. seniors, disabled people, children, pregnant women or others
- ▲ Cuts Medicaid funding in half in 10 years

**Congratulations to Tashawn Jackson of Phelps Architecture, Construction & Engineering High School, D.C.'s 2011 winner of the Congressional Art Competition - Tashawn's artwork is on display in the Capitol**



**Pictured with Norton are Nathan Harshaw (l), Clifton General (c), and Nery Pena (r), graduates of the D.C. National Guard's award-winning 22-week residential Challenge program, which offers at-risk teens 16-18 a structured environment and an opportunity to earn a GED. Norton is working with the National Guard to renovate unused space at Oak Hill to allow more D.C. students, who now share space in Aberdeen with Maryland students, to enroll**

**See website for D.C. Students in the Capitol, a Norton program that arranges tours for students and adult groups at the Capitol and the new Capitol Visitor Center and includes a meeting with the Congresswoman**

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