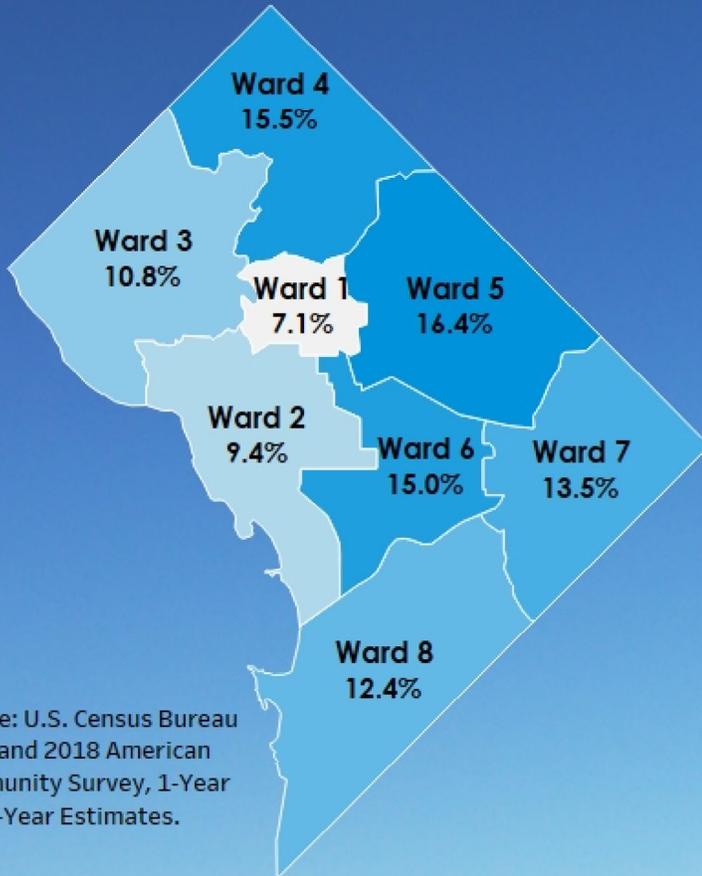


Let's Celebrate DC's 23,000 Veterans

Veterans Day 2019: Nov. 11

Veterans Day originated as "Armistice Day" on Nov. 11, 1919, the first anniversary marking the end of World War I. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and Nov. 11 became a national holiday beginning in 1938. President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed legislation in 1954 to change the name to Veterans Day as a way to honor those who served in all American wars. The day honors military veterans with parades and speeches across the nation and a ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia. The ceremony honors and thanks all who served in the U.S. armed forces. (U.S. Census Bureau: Fact for Features)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau 2017 and 2018 American Community Survey, 1-Year and 5-Year Estimates.



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