

Welcome to the U.S. Department of the Interior 1849 C Street NW Washington, DC 20240



Welcome to the U.S. Department of the Interior in Washington, DC, our Nation's capital. As part of your travel guidance we have put together for you some information and recommendations for travel, lodging, food, and other miscellaneous incidentals.

Accessing the STEWART LEE UDALL DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

To gain access to the Main Interior Building (MIB), you must enter the C Street entrance and show some form of government-issued photo identification, such as a Federal Government building pass (if a Federal employee); State-issued driver's license, or non-driver's identification, etc. Inform the guard you are here for the USEITI MSG Meeting You will then undergo a security screening process that requires you to sign in, receive a temporary visitor's pass, and undergo a security screen, including bag and parcel checks. After you complete the screening process, you will be escorted to the Secretary's Conference Room where the meeting will be held.

Handicap Accessibility:

A handicap-accessible entrance is located on the E Street entrance of the MIB for anyone requiring such access.

WIRELESS INTERNET ACCESS

You may connect to our guest WIFI in the MIB by having your Government contact escort you to room 1543. Please bring a government issued I.D. and your business address (a business card is ideal).

TRAVEL - CHOOSING AN AIRPORT

There are three airports you may choose to fly into:

- 1. Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA) –Most convenient and accessible by Metro (the DC area public transportation system)
- 2. Dulles International Airport (IAD) Located approximately 26 miles from Washington, DC
- 3. Baltimore-Washington International Airport (BWI) Located South of Baltimore, approximately 35 miles from Washington, DC

GROUND TRANSPORTATION

Transportation and parking fees are reimbursable expenses. Following is information on transportation services from the airport, by car, taxi, and/or Metro. Downtown DC is equipped with a first class public transportation system with many options for getting around the city.

Transportation from the Airport to your Hotel:

Washington Flyer http://www.washfly.com/

Super Shuttle http://www.supershuttle.com/

Go Airport Shuttle http://goairportshuttle.com/

Traveling By Car to the MIB:

Although you may choose to rent a car, it is not recommended that you do so. The Main Interior Building does not offer visitor parking. Metered parking surrounding the outside of the MIB, with a two-hour limit, and is monitored, is available. This option can be expensive and cumbersome, as you would need to move your car after the 2 hours; find another metered space, and feed money into a new meter.

Traveling by Metro to the MIB:

The downtown DC is equipped with a first class public transportation system with many options for getting around the city. You can map your trip using public transportation at the following website:

http://www.wmata.com/

Off board Metro at Farragut West. Take the 18th Street exit at the Farragut West Metro Station and walk south towards Constitution Avenue. The entrance to the Main Interior Building (MIB) is 6 blocks south on C Street between 18th and 19th.

Driving Directions to the MIB

From the North

Take either 95 or 295 south to the Capitol Beltway, Route 495

Take 495 west towards Northern Virginia.

Take exit 30, Georgia Avenue/29 south

Proceed about 2 miles to 16th Street south. 16th Street veers to the right at this large intersection. Go approximately 10 miles to I Street, turn right. At the 4th light, turn left onto 19th Street. The entrance to the Main Interior Building is 6 blocks south on C Street between 18th and 19th.

From the South

Take 395 North to Washington Boulevard/Memorial Bridge/Pentagon/Arlington Cemetery. Move to left lane.

Cross Memorial Bridge in the center lane.

At the Lincoln Memorial bear left and follow the road to the left on Henry Bacon Avenue until it ends at Constitution Avenue. Make a right on Constitution.

Turn left onto 18th Street. The entrance to the Main Interior Building is 1 block north on C Street between 18th and 19th.

From Northern Virginia

Take I-66 into Washington, staying in center lane to arrive at Constitution Ave.

Turn left onto 18th Street. The entrance to the Main Interior Building is 1 block north on C Street between 18th and 19th.

From Western Maryland

Take 270 South to 495 West toward Northern Virginia.

After crossing American Legion Bridge, take the next exit to the George Washington Parkway.

You will cross the Theodore Roosevelt Bridge and end up on Constitution Avenue.

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Parking (not recommended):

Metered street parking is available but limited. Meters expire every two hours and your vehicle must be moved upon expiration.

Public parking garages are located on New York and Pennsylvania Avenues and 17th and 18th Streets.

LODGING

We are offering a list of nearby hotels, however, it is your responsibility to check and make sure they have rooms available at the government rate. You may only stay at a hotel that honors the government rate of your per diem for hotels. Be sure to confirm this with the person booking your room. The per diem rates for FY2016 are: Nov – Feb \$179, March-June \$226, July- Aug \$174, and Sept –Oct \$222.

Per diem rates can be found online at: http://www.gsa.gov/portal/category/100120

There are several hotels in the Washington, DC area that are in close proximity with the MIB. The following are a few that are within walking distance of the building:

AKA White House

1710 H Street Northwest Washington, DC 20006 (202) 904-2500 stayaka.com

Club Quarters

839 17th Street Northwest Washington, DC 20006 (202) 974-4222 clubquarters.com

Hilton Garden Inn

815 14th Street Northwest Washington, DC 20005 (202) 783-7800 hilton.com

Four Points by Sheraton

1201 K Street Northwest Washington, DC 20005 (202) 289-7600 fourpointsdc.com

Hotel Monaco

700 F Street Northwest Washington, DC 20004 (202) 628-7177 monaco-dc.com

Washington Marriot at Metro Center

775 12th St NW
Washington, DC 20005
(202) 737-2200
www.marriott.com

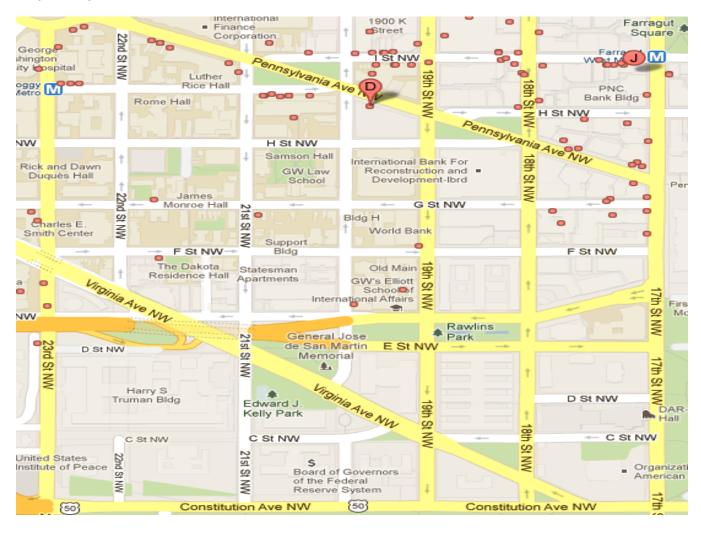
Nearby cities that also have hotels with metro access are:

Downtown Silver Spring, MD Crystal City, VA Rosslyn, VA

<u>www.Fedrooms.com</u> is also a useful resource for locating hotels in the area that honor the government rate.

DINING

As part of your per diem you will be reimbursed for your meals. The Washington, DC per diem rate in June 2016, for meals and incidentals is \$69/day. Meals will not be provided at the meeting. It is your responsibility to acquire food and snacks as needed. The Bison Bistro is the Cafeteria located in the basement of the MIB and is open daily from 7:30am to 2:30pm. The following is a map of other nearby places you may choose to eat.



Subway 1959 E Street Northwest Washington, DC 20052

Café Phillips 1776 G St NW # 106 Washington, DC 20006

Met Café 1725 F Street Northwest Washington, DC 20006 Clara Barton – Red Cross Cafeteria 1730 E Street Northwest Washington, DC 20006

Roti Mediterranean Grill 1747 Pennsylvania Avenue Northwest Washington, DC 20006

Potbelly Sandwich Works 1701 Pennsylvania Avenue Northwest Washington, DC 20006 G Street Food 1706 G Street Northwest Washington, DC 20006