

**Residents, visitors and business owners,
let's work together
to reduce rodent activity in our city!**

Rodent Control Tips for Residents

- Seal all holes in exterior walls, floors and foundations using sheet metal, cement or wire mesh and seal basement windows with wire mesh
- Eliminate all clutter around the outside of homes and under porches
- Store any garbage in metal or heavy plastic containers with tight-fitting lids and place trash at point of collection shortly before pickup — not days in advance
- Remove weeds and debris near your property/ yards where rats can hide easily. Plants such as English Ivy, Periwinkle, Pachysnadra, and Hosta are known to be cover for rats
- Store food in metal, glass or heavy duty plastic containers with tight fitting lids
- Remove uneaten pet food, and store pet food in secure containers
- Add metal weather stripping and trim to doors to prevent rodents from gnawing and entering underneath

Complaints

- Please call **311** to report rodent complaints.
- Please call **202-535-1954** for information, outreach, educational materials, and enforcement.
- To report a rat bite, sick rat or injured rat, contact the Animal Control Division at **202-576-6664**.