

New York State Department of Motor Vehicles



**BIENNIAL REPORT:
HANDICAPPED PARKING EDUCATION PROGRAM - APRIL 2004**



County: _____ Date of Report: _____

County's Chief Executive Officer OR Chairperson, Governing Body

Name: _____ Title: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Designated Coordinator of Handicapped Parking Education and Advocacy:

Name: _____ Title: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-Mail: _____

Report Content and Format

Section 1203-g of the Vehicle and Traffic Law requires the establishment of separate handicapped parking education programs in each county, to be organized by a coordinator for handicapped parking education and advocacy. Each coordinator is required to prepare a biennial report to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles about their "assessment of the effectiveness of the program, recommendations for expanding and improving the program and any problems or other matters related to the program (S1203-g(3))". To facilitate the submission and analysis of such reports, we ask all coordinators to respond to the following questions in the format prescribed below:

- A) How effective is the program your county has implemented:
- Our program is World Class and an example for others: 5
 - Our program is very effective, but not yet World Class: 4
 - Our program is effective, with room for improvement: 3
 - Our program is only marginally effective: 2
 - Our program is ineffective and needs improvement: 1
 - We have no program: 0

Program rating: _____ Explain your rating below.*

B) What recommendations do you have for expanding and/or improving the program?*

C) What problems have you encountered with the program?*

D) What other matters relating to the program do you wish to comment on?*

E) How much money has your county received for this program?

April 1, 2002 through March 31, 2003: \$ _____

April 1, 2003 through March 31, 2004: \$ _____

F) How much money has your county spent for this program?

April 1, 2002 through March 31, 2003: \$ _____

April 1, 2003 through March 31, 2004: \$ _____

G) Were annual reports of all monies received and spent by the coordinator, or under the coordinator's direction, prepared for the county legislature or governing body?

April 1, 2002 through March 31, 2003: Yes No

April 1, 2003 through March 31, 2004: Yes No

H) Please enclose the following materials (check those items enclosed):

A copy of your public education and awareness curriculum

A list of your education, awareness and training activities

A copy of any reports about your program previously submitted to your county executive or governing body

A description (or script) of any public service announcements

A copy of any literature developed for distribution

Copies of any other materials developed for this program

*NOTE: Attach additional sheets, as necessary.

Report Submitted by: _____ (Signature) _____ (Date)

Send Report To: Eileen Herman, Program Coordinator
 Parking for Persons with Disabilities
 NYS Department of Motor Vehicles
 6 Empire State Plaza, Room 530
 Albany NY 12228

Handicapped Parking Biennial Report: 2003 - 2004

Designated Coordinator – MOPD (Matt)

A. Rate your effectiveness: 3 (our program is effective with room for improvement)

Explain:

The New York City Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities (MOPD), in conjunction with the Department of Transportation (DOT) and Police Department, has dedicated resources to ensuring that handicapped parking spaces are used by permitted individuals only. Our outreach around Handicapped Parking has revolved around a simple message – These parking spaces have been designated to protect the rights of people with disabilities, and when drivers illegally park in a handicapped space they are violating the rights of other citizens. This message has been communicated through posted warnings at bus shelters, phone kiosks, on buses, in highly traveled municipal buildings and areas of assembly, and other critical areas where such off-street parking is provided.

It should be noted that there are no on-street handicapped parking spaces in New York City - we issue separate disabled parking permits that allow users to park in all "No Parking" and "No Standing" spaces authorized for doctors, press, diplomats, and government agencies; "No Standing - Trucks Loading and Unloading" zones (except in specified restricted hours); and at all parking meters without depositing a coin. There are a small number of handicapped parking spaces in New York City Municipal parking facilities, but the majority of these off-street designated parking spaces are located in private parking lots.

According to our data, violations of this type have declined in the past several years – indicating that our efforts have been successful. This measure of effectiveness is encouraging, but in a city of more than 8 million people there is always room to improve.

B. Recommendations for expanding/improving the program:

There are a number of additional measures we could implement to improve the program:

- Conduct a survey of off-street parking stock throughout the five boroughs
- Include outreach materials with summonses (enforcement agents distribute)
- Distribute materials to Business Improvement Districts, Elected Officials, Community Boards, and other community groups
- Install more educational signs in municipal parking lots; make signs available for installation in private lots
- Conduct an intensified outreach campaign utilizing bus shelter ads and municipal broadcasting media
- Train private parking lot security agents to identify illegally parked cars and take appropriate action

C. What problems have you encountered with the program?

New York City does not have any on-street handicapped parking spaces. There are a small number of handicapped parking spaces in New York City Municipal parking facilities, but the majority of these off-street designated parking spaces are located in private parking lots. We are generally unable to display our outreach materials near these private parking facilities; instead we focused our poster campaign in municipal buildings and bus stop shelters.

D. What other matters relating to the program do you wish to comment on?

N/A

E. How much money has your county received for this program?

April 1, 2002 through March 31, 2003:
April 1, 2003 through March 31, 2004:

F. How much money has your county spent for this program?

April 1, 2002 through March 31, 2003:
April 1, 2003 through March 31, 2004:

G. Were annual reports of all monies received and spent by the coordinator, or under the coordinator's direction, prepared for the county legislature or governing body?

April 1, 2002 through March 31, 2003:
April 1, 2003 through March 31, 2004:

Handicap Parking Violation Summonses

Parking Violation Code - 27 (No Parking except handicap plates/permits)

Handicap Parking Violation Fine Amount = \$180

Handicap Parking Violation Base Fine Amount = \$150

Surcharge on Handicap Parking Violations = \$30

FY 2003

	Summonses	Surchargeable Payments	Total Fines and Surcharge Collected	Surcharge Collected
July		595	\$98,002.60	\$17,815.00
August	793	605	\$99,427.38	\$18,080.00
September	570	379	\$65,371.06	\$11,370.00
October	840	584	\$110,067.44	\$17,495.00
November	963	581	\$108,244.04	\$17,400.07
December	1,180	589	\$107,016.02	\$17,670.00
January	1,135	749	\$132,487.09	\$22,470.00
February	1,169	635	\$114,770.27	\$19,050.00
March	1,269	758	\$135,820.94	\$22,730.00
April	1,292	728	\$132,164.22	\$21,830.00
May	1,186	805	\$145,055.51	\$24,150.00
June	986	670	\$122,042.18	\$20,085.00
Total	11,383	7,678	\$1,370,468.75	\$230,145.07

Payments/Summonses * 62.2%
 Revenue/Summonses * \$111.79

FY 2005

	Summonses	Surchargeable Payments	Total Fines and Surcharge Collected	Surcharge Collected
July	824	493	\$91,433.26	\$14,790.00
August	784	528	\$95,727.66	\$15,840.00
September	712	474	\$86,236.76	\$14,220.00
October	799	427	\$78,913.43	\$12,810.00
November	744	438	\$79,946.81	\$13,140.00
December	924	514	\$86,755.49	\$15,420.00
January	2,025	554	\$95,063.59	\$16,620.00
February	1,616	715	\$110,150.74	\$21,439.00
March	1,579	934	\$145,877.03	\$28,011.00
April	1,146	746	\$118,811.20	\$22,380.00
May	666	819	\$126,087.01	\$24,570.00
June	615	645	\$111,831.36	\$19,350.00
Total	12,434	7,287	\$1,226,834.34	\$218,590.00

Payments/Summonses 58.6%
 Revenue/Summonses \$98.67

FY 2004

	Summonses	Surchargeable Payments	Total Fines and Surcharge Collected	Surcharge Collected
July	1,056	700	\$127,760.64	\$20,990.00
August	1,014	585	\$105,844.89	\$17,540.00
September	878	643	\$120,836.68	\$19,285.00
October	954	659	\$121,091.67	\$19,770.00
November	1,017	516	\$94,209.95	\$15,480.00
December	1,399	628	\$111,514.44	\$18,840.00
January	1,222	656	\$119,283.79	\$19,675.00
February	1,088	710	\$128,502.67	\$21,295.00
March	995	679	\$126,632.19	\$20,365.00
April	993	663	\$122,004.42	\$19,890.00
May	818	516	\$94,022.81	\$15,480.00
June	861	509	\$92,761.17	\$15,270.00
Total	12,295	7,464	\$1,364,465.32	\$223,880.00

Payments/Summonses 60.7%
 Revenue/Summonses \$110.98

FY 2006

	Summonses	Surchargeable Payments	Total Fines and Surcharge Collected	Surcharge Collected
July	715	513	\$89,144.13	\$15,390.00
August		494	\$89,932.67	\$14,820.00
September		366	\$67,300.14	\$10,980.00
October				
November				
December				
January				
February				
March				
April				
May				
June				
Total	715	1,373	\$246,376.94	\$41,190.00

Payments/Summonses 71.7%
 Revenue/Summonses \$124.68

* Issuance figures are from the STARS 150(1) report, violation code 27 and are delayed three months. Amount for July FY 2003 was not available therefore, July payments and surcharge were not included in payment per summons or revenue per summons.

** Payment and collection figures are based on surcharge report provided by DOF. Payment and collection amounts only include those summonses surcharge was collected on.