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| **Request from** | ACLU of District of Columbia |

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| **Event Title** | NEAR Act Ambassador Training |
| **Date & Time** | 11/14/2017, 6:30-8PM |
| **Location** | Friends Meeting of Washington, 2111 Florida Ave., NW |

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| **Event Contact Information** |
| Kendrick Holley, kholley@acludc.org |

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| **Event Introduction Content** |
| The ACLU of the District of Columbia is partnering with Stop Police Terror Project DC to [cohost a training](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/wards-2-3-near-act-ambassador-training-tickets-39203266024?aff=ACLUDC) that will equip you with the knowledge and skills you need to hold our local elected officials accountable to fully implement the NEAR Act. |

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| **Event Confirmation Page & Email Content**  On the confirmation page and in the confirmation email you may want to provide contact info for questions, give directions to the venue; add links, info on special requests, etc. |
| **WHAT IS THE NEAR ACT?**  Passed unanimously by the D.C. Council in 2016, the [NEAR (Neighborhood Engagement Achieves Results) Act](http://lims.dccouncil.us/Legislation/B21-0360?FromSearchResults=true) establishes a set of long-term programs and policies to address public safety in D.C. These programs and policies have been empirically proven to reduce shootings and violence in cities around the US.    With full implementation, the NEAR Act would begin to de-emphasize the use of policing and force as the primary tactic for ensuring neighborhood safety in D.C. It would protect vulnerable communities and residents in high-crime areas of our city from further harm. By focusing on deterring crime and providing programs and services to these communities, people are reached before they enter the criminal justice system. The policy will pave the way for the long-overdue transformation of these vulnerable populations and neighborhoods towards a deeper culture of safety, support, and opportunity.  **WE NEED YOUR HELP:**  Despite being fully-funded for 2017, most of the provisions in the NEAR Act have not been implemented. As such, the NEAR Act remains largely unfulfilled as promised when it passed.  For the NEAR Act to reach its full potential, we need D.C. residents like yourself to make sure our elected officials fully and faithfully implement all of the comprehensive approaches in the law. To do so, we want to [train engaged D.C. residents to be NEAR Act Ambassadors](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/wards-2-3-near-act-ambassador-training-tickets-39203266024?aff=ACLUDC) to show up to D.C. Council hearings, community events, ANC meetings, and candidate fundraisers and campaign events. Together, we will hold D.C. councilmembers to their word and begin the process of protecting the most vulnerable neighborhoods in our city from further violence with a better approach.  We hope you’ll join us for [this important event](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/wards-2-3-near-act-ambassador-training-tickets-39203266024?aff=ACLUDC), and spread the word.  Kendrick Holley  Community Engagement Manager  ACLU of the District of Columbia  www.acludc.org |

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| **Additional Questions or Special Requests to Registrants**  **(e.g. “Please state your meal choices – veggie, kosher, low-sodium”)** |
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| **Email Notification**  **Please list the email address for staff members who would like to receive an email notification when a new attendee registers.** |
| [sito@acludc.org](mailto:sito@acludc.org), kholley@acludc.org |

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| **Custom URL**  **All URL’s start with www.aclu.org/secure/[AffiliateCode]. They are also case sensitive so they should be in lower case.**  **Example: www.aclu.org/secure/ga\_2013\_bill\_of\_rights\_dinner** |
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