

## Carolyn Hicks

Carolyn Hicks, neighborhood resident and Yards Park volunteer has lived in DC for five years. Originally from Rhode Island, she now works at Conservation International - an environment oriented non-profit. Excited to live in DC, Carolyn said, "there is always something to do!" She has been living in the Capitol Riverfront for over 2 years.

Carolyn loves how close the neighborhood is to everything - being just a few metro stops from Penn Quarter or Chinatown and a quick walk to Eastern Market or Barracks Row. Yards Park is quickly becoming her favorite place in the neighborhood, because it is an active outdoor space. Carolyn said, "I am very excited to go [to the Yards Park] on weekends with my book and a blanket and just relax - there aren't many other neighborhoods in DC that can offer the same!"

Carolyn said, "Since I found the Capitol Riverfront I haven't looked back!" She appreciates that the neighborhood is the true community and that everyone is so friendly to each other. "Also, having a great view of the Capitol Building from my window is a huge benefit, I love coming home from work and watch the colors of the sky change with the Capitol dome as the backdrop."

Carolyn is looking forward to more dining, entertainment and retail businesses seeing the potential of the Riverfront. She said, "the few stores that we have now (Cornercopia, Justin's, Harry's) are great, but there is so much potential for growth." Carolyn believes the BID is doing a great job of getting the community together at the events that they are hosting, as well as getting other DC/Virginia/Maryland residents to our neighborhood. The concerts, Truckeroo, the outdoor movies are all recent events that show the great work that the BID is doing.

