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Inmate Snow-Removal Crews Deployed In Baltimore City and Charles County

TOWSON, MD (February 8, 2010)--- Approximately 80 Maryland Division of Correction pre-release inmates from the Baltimore City Correctional Center have been a huge help to Baltimore's snow-removal efforts since Sunday.

The inmates have cleared bus stops and sidewalks across a wide area of the city, including key bus stops downtown and along the Northern Parkway and North Avenue corridors.

Another inmate crew will be dispatched today to assist the Maryland Zoo with snow removal efforts.

The location of the mayor's news conference today in North Baltimore was cleared and made passable by inmates.

Other pre-release inmates from Southern Md. Pre-release Unit have also been busy helping highway crews clear the roads in Charles County.

This historic snow-filled winter has seen other inmate mobilizations as well. More than 200 inmates cleared the Ravens football stadium after the huge snowstorm in December, allowing the team to play as scheduled.

The Division of Correction has been approached by other regions about possible future use of inmate snow-removal labor.

The Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services protects the public, its employees and the detainees and offenders under its supervision.

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