



Coordinated Response Team

Weekly Encampment Wrap-Up Report

Week 5

Jan 27 - Feb 3, 2025

Complaints & Requests for Service

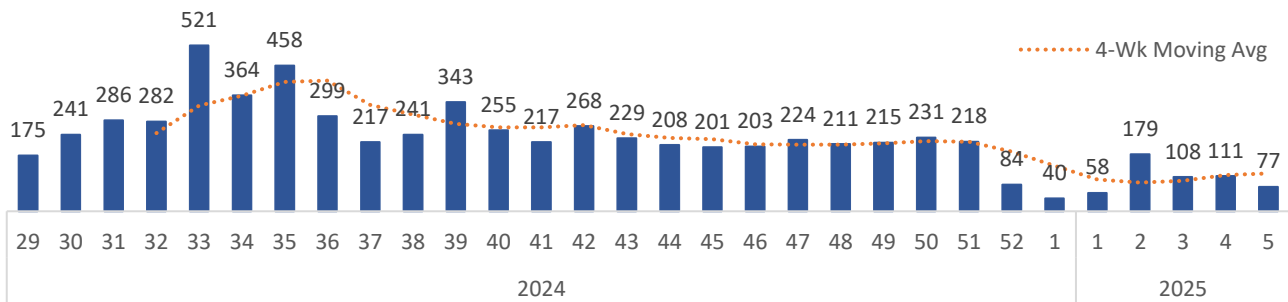
Total Complaints & Service Requests	Week 5	Previous Week	Previous Month Average	2024 Weekly Average
	77	111	119	190

Most Frequently Identified Locations		
Southam Park	Gage Park	Claremont Access Parkettes

Complaint/Service Request Type	
Follow-Up(s) to Previous Request	27%
Reported Garbage/Debris	17%
Other	16%
Support(s) for Unsheltered Individuals	14%
Request to Enforce Protocol	13%

Source of Complaint/Service Request	
Concerned Citizen	52%
Community Partners	14%
BIA or Local Business	9%
Internal - Housing Services	5%
Internal - Public Works	4%

Complaints & Service Requests by Week



Weekly Action Tracker

The Weekly Action Tracker includes all complaints and service requests received by Housing Focused Street Outreach (HFSO) regarding potential encampments that are new and/or in need of a Protocol compliance check. Occasionally, after a site has been designated by staff as cleared, different individual(s) may move into the same location and erect a new tent. To maintain clarity and ensure individuals are given an opportunity to be informed of the Encampment Protocol, any time new tents are discovered in an area that has been previously cleared, the process will restart with HFSO attending to engage. As such, a site may appear more than once, and there is always the potential for no tents to be present at the time of inspection, then for individuals to appear/reappear shortly after. Once a private property owner has been notified of the process, they become responsible for contacting the appropriate enforcement body.

Ward	Location	Date Identified to HFSO	Date Referred to Enforcement	Date Trespass Notice(s) Issued	Trespass Notices Issued
7	West of Upper Gage & the Linc	1/27/2025	1/31/2025	Investigation Ongoing	
8	Southam Park	1/28/2025	1/28/2025	1/30/2025	1

Ward	Location	Date Identified to HFSO	Date Referred to Enforcement	Date Trespass Notice(s) Issued	Trespass Notices Issued
5	Nash & Glen Echo Bus Shelter	1/28/2025	N/A - no tents observed		
13	Spencer Creek Trail (Behind 17 Meadow Ln)	1/29/2025	1/31/2025	N/A - site deemed compliant	
3	Burlington & Birch	1/31/2025	1/31/2025	Investigation Ongoing	
2	John Rebecca Park	1/31/2025	1/31/2025	2/3/2025	1
5	Riverdale East Park	1/31/2025	1/31/2025	Investigation Ongoing	

Housing Focused Street Outreach Engagement Update

	Week 5	Previous Week	2024 Weekly Average
Total <i>non-unique</i> Interactions with Unsheltered Individuals by HFSO	290	328	352

Additional Notes:

HFSO engages with unsheltered individuals to improve access to basic needs and community supports such as housing, healthcare, food and income supports.

Interactions up to February 2024 are taken from HIFIS. Interactions between February-November 2024 are taken from online surveys completed by HFSO workers at the end of their shift. Data from December 2024 onwards is a combination of surveys

Shower Program Update

	Week 5	Previous Week	2024 Weekly Average
Total individuals (non-unique) who were provided access to encampment-specific shower programs	12	10	21

Additional Notes:

Data includes unique visits of unsheltered individuals to any of the designated shower programs in the city.

Currently, the shower programs are located at Central Memorial Rec Centre and Bennetto Community Centre.

Site Maintenance and Cleanups

Total encampment sites maintained and cleaned by Parks Section staff	Week 5	Previous Week	2025 Weekly Average	2024 Weekly Average
	20	41	30	28

Total encampment sites maintained and cleaned by an independent contractor	Week 5	Previous Week	2025 Weekly Average	2024 Weekly Average
	0	0	5	27

Additional Notes:

Data may include cleanups that occur after the duration of a trespass order has been exceeded, clean-ups of active sites (as arranged with occupants), and cleaning of sites deemed abandoned by the Coordinated Response Team.

As of June 10th, 2024, the cleanups and site maintenance activities performed by independent contractors will be reported.

Locations visited by contractors are specifically noted below.

Monday January 27	Gage Park, Sam Manson Park, Confederation Park, RHVT @ Brampton Yard
Tuesday January 28	Southam Park, Barton & Tiffany, Bayfront Park, Jackie Washington Park, Bishop's Park, Behind 94 Strawberry Dr.
Wednesday January 29	Rail Trail, Caroline & York, Bishop's Park
Thursday January 30	York & Dundurn, Bayfront Park, Bishop's Park, TB McQuesten Park, East Mountain Loop @ Mud & Prichard
Friday January 31	Bayfront Park, Pier 8

Hamilton Fire Department: Responses at Locations Involving Unsheltered Individuals

Response Type	Number of Incidents	Ward Breakdown
Burning Complaint	8	Ward 2: 2 incidents Ward 3: 5 incidents Ward 13: 1 incident
Accumulated Combustibles	3	Ward 1: 1 incident Ward 3: 2 incidents
Structure Fire - Shelter/Tent	2	Ward 2: 1 incident Ward 8: 1 incident
TOTAL	13	

Ward	Number of Fire-Related Incidents
2	3
3	8
8	1
13	1
Total	13

Injuries

No injuries to persons reported in the above incidents.

Additional Notes

As of December 2024, the Hamilton Fire Department will report on weekly responses at locations involving unsheltered individuals. These responses will be broken down by response type and ward.

Accumulated combustibles refers to any materials or belongings other than tents that may be on fire.

The data presented is between December 1-7, 2024.

Active Sites Tracker

The Active Sites Tracker will maintain a log of all non-compliant sites (not including those in the Weekly Action Tracker) with complaints and/or service requests that are presently unresolved (i.e. enforcement, determining property ownership and/or cleaning of site is in progress). Sites may remain active after enforcement due to unique or acute circumstances present at a particular site, staffing challenges, and/or delays as a result of lengthy voluntary compliance follow-ups. The number of individuals staying at any particular site can change quickly, and as a result the information in the chart may be outdated since the last noted status update. If a site is active in the community and not on this list, it is likely compliant, on private property, not yet escalated to MLE or the investigation is ongoing.

Ward	Location	New or Existing Site	Date Trespass Notices Issued	Trespass Notices Issued	Status	Date of Status Update
2	Jackie Washington Park	Existing	11/6/2024	5	Active	1/16/2025
2	Pier 4 Park	New	6/21/2024	2	Active	6/21/2024
14	Stone Church @ Omni	New	8/19/2024	1	Active	8/19/2024
4	Red Hill Bowl	New	1/28/2025	2	Active	1/28/2025
5	Nash Bridge (Nash & RHVT Underpass)	Existing	9/9/2024	1	Active	9/12/2024
3	Gage Park	Existing	9/6/2024	1	Active	1/9/2025
2	Rail Trail @ Traynor's Bakery	New	1/28/2025	2	Active	1/28/2025
3	Behind North Central Park	New	10/7/2024	1	Active	10/7/2024
9	Felker's Falls Conservation Area	New	Investigation Ongoing		Active	
2	Ferrie St. Lot	New	10/23/2024		Active	10/23/2024
2	Simcoe St. Lot	Existing	10/23/2024	2	Active	1/14/2025
2	Land Nature's Inlet Sanctuary	New	10/23/2024	6	Active	10/23/2024

Ward	Location	New or Existing Site	Date Trespass Notices Issued	Trespass Notices Issued	Status	Date of Status Update
2	Young & Victoria	New	10/15/2024	6	Active	1/28/2025
5	Sam Manson Park	New	1/13/2025	4	Active	1/13/2025
2	Claremont Access Parkette (South one with no path)	Existing	Investigation Ongoing		Active	1/9/2025
1	Radial Park	New	1/7/2025	1	Active	1/7/2025
2	Jackson & MacNab	New			Active	12/2/2024
3	Delta Parkette	Existing	1/7/2025	8	Active	1/15/2025
3	Gage Ave N & Industrial Dr.	New	1/22/2025	1	Active	1/22/2025
3	984 Barton St. E	New	N/A - on private property. Property owners aware.		Active	1/23/2025
6	1375 Stone Church Rd.	New	1/9/2025	1	Active	1/9/2025
3	Alley between Oak & Emerald (Behind 157 Oak Ave)	New	N/A - on private property. Property owners aware.		Active	1/23/2025
3	Clinton St. Alley (Behind 124 Princess St.)	New	1/22/2025	1	Active	1/22/2025
14	Chedoke Radial Trail	New	1/30/2025	1	Active	1/30/2025
4	RHVT @ Rennie Rd.	New	1/28/2025	1	Active	1/28/2025
5	54 Derek Dr. (behind)	New	Investigation Ongoing		Active	1/6/2025
3	Birch Ave Behind Dog Park	New	Investigation Ongoing		Active	1/20/2025

Ward	Location	New or Existing Site	Date Trespass Notices Issued	Trespass Notices Issued	Status	Date of Status Update
5	Behind 94 Strawberry	New	1/6/2025	1	Active	1/6/2025
7	Jolley Cut	New	1/22/2025	1	Active	1/22/2025
7	TB McQueston Park	New	1/22/2025	1	Active	1/22/2025
6	East Mountain Loop/Pritchard Side Trail	Existing	1/9/2025	4	Active	1/30/2025
2	119 Jackson St. E (parking lot)	New	N/A - on private property. Property owners aware.		Active	1/23/2025
2	John Sopinka Courthouse (behind)	New	1/9/2025	1	Active	1/9/2025

Escalated Sites (previous three weeks) and Site Status Updates

The following chart maintains a log of all sites that were escalated to Municipal Law Enforcement by Housing Focused Street Outreach in the past three weeks, as well as sites that have experienced a change in status for the current week. This does not include active sites nor sites identified in the past week. Sites located on private property that have been escalated to the appropriate enforcement body (e.g., Hamilton Police Services), will be labeled as 'Private Property - Escalated.'

Ward	Location	New or Existing Site	Date Trespass Notices Issued	Trespass Notices Issued	Status	Date of Status Update
2	Philpott Church	New	N/A - no encampment present		Inactive	1/22/2025
4	Samuel Rd. Hydro Corridor	New	Investigation Ongoing			
2	Grange & Liberty	New	1/9/2025	1	Encampment Cleared	1/14/2025
5	Kinsmen Park	New	N/A - site deemed abandoned		Inactive	1/11/2025
3	Alley behind 39 Aikman Ave	New	1/13/2025	1	Active	1/13/2025
2	First Ontario Concert Hall	New	N/A - site deemed abandoned		Inactive	1/23/2025

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2	Central Presbyterian Church	New	N/A - no encampment present		Inactive	1/23/2025
3	Wentworth Stairs	New	N/A - site deemed compliant		Compliant	1/22/2025
3	Barton & Lottridge Bus Shelter	New	1/22/2025	1	Inactive	1/23/2025
2	Waterfront Trail (end of James St. N)	New	1/22/2025	1	Active	1/22/2025
3	Hunter & Victoria	New	1/22/2025	1	Inactive	1/24/2025
1	Alley behind 44 Lamoreaux St.	New	1/22/2025	1	Active	1/22/2025
13	Dundas Driving Park	New	N/A - no encampment present		Inactive	1/22/2025
2	Walnut St. S across Shamrock @ Train Tracks	New	N/A - no encampment present		Inactive	1/22/2025
3	Gage Park	Existing	N/A - noncompliant site deemed abandoned.	0	Compliant	1/24/2025
4	Woodward & Walmer (behind 822 Rennie St.)	Existing	1/28/2025	1	Active	1/27/2025
2	Salvation Army Booth Centre	New	N/A - no encampment present		Inactive	1/24/2025
5	Confederation Park (Parking Lot near Ball Hockey)	New	1/22/2025	1	Encampment Cleared	1/27/2025
3	Bishop's Park	Existing	10/29/2024	7	Encampment Cleared	1/30/2025
2	John & Guise	New	1/22/2025	1	Encampment Cleared	1/31/2025
5	Sam Manson Park	New	1/13/2025	4	Encampment Cleared	1/27/2025

Ward	Location	New or Existing Site	Date Trespass Notices Issued	Trespass Notices Issued	Status	Date of Status Update
2	Hunter St.	New	1/30/2025	1	Encampment Cleared	1/30/2025