



Coordinated Response Team

Weekly Encampment Wrap-Up Report

Week 8

February 17-23, 2025

Complaints & Requests for Service

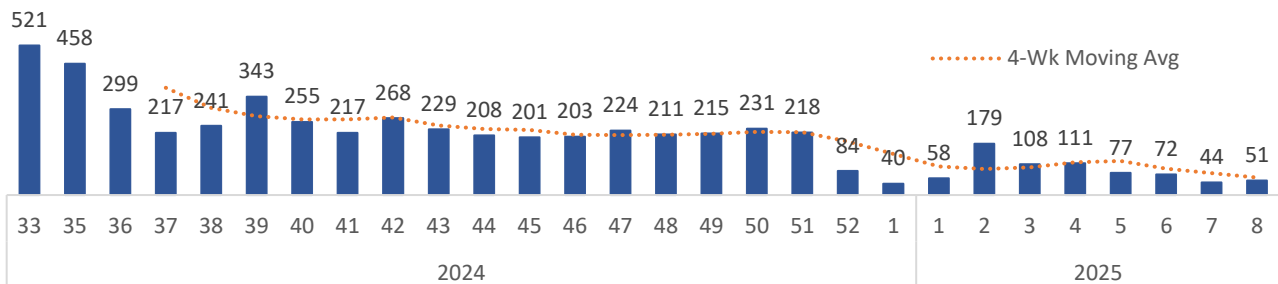
Total Complaints & Service Requests	Week 8	Previous Week	Previous Month Average	2024 Weekly Average
	51	44	119	190

Most Frequently Identified Locations		
Victoria Park	TB McQuesten Park	Peace Memorial Park

Complaint/Service Request Type	
Support(s) for Unsheltered Individuals	37%
Follow-Up(s) to Previous Request	22%
Other	22%
Request to Enforce Protocol	12%
Person Living in Vehicle	2%

Source of Complaint/Service Request	
Concerned Citizen	27%
Community Partners	18%
Internal - Housing Services	12%
Hospital or Medical Facility	10%
Internal - Other	6%

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
2	Main & MacNab St. S	2/18/2025	2/20/2025	Investigation Ongoing	
2	James St. N @ Wilson St.	2/18/2025	2/18/2025	Investigation Ongoing	

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1	Victoria Park	2/21/2025	2/21/2025	Investigation Ongoing	
1	Dundurn Park	2/21/2025	2/24/2025	Investigation Ongoing	

Housing Focused Street Outreach Engagement Update

	Week 8	Previous Week	2024 Weekly Average
Total <i>non-unique</i> Interactions with Unsheltered Individuals by HFSO	34	316	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 8	Previous Week	2024 Weekly Average
Total individuals (non-unique) who were provided access to encampment-specific shower programs	24	15	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 Pinky Lewis Rec Centre and Bennetto Community Centre.

Site Maintenance and Cleanups

	Week 8	Previous Week	2025 Weekly Average	2024 Weekly Average
Total encampment sites maintained and cleaned by Parks Section staff	24	34	29	28

	Week 8	Previous Week	2025 Weekly Average	2024 Weekly Average
Total encampment sites maintained and cleaned by an independent contractor	0	0	3	27

Additional Notes:

Data may include cleanups that occur after the duration of a trespass order has been exceeded, clean-arounds 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.

Tuesday February 18	Bayfront Park, Jackie Washington Park, Delta Parkette, Barton & Tiffany
Wednesday February 19	Bayfront Park, Delta Parkette, Gage Park, Victoria & Young, Charlton, Montgomery Park
Thursday February 20	Charlton, Victoria & Young, Delta Parkette, Montgomery Park, Rail Trail @ Corktown Park, Bayfront Park, King St. E behind Nardi Ct.
Friday February 21	Bayfront Park, Jackie Washington Park, Delta Parkette, Kenilworth Stairs, Gage Park, Montgomery Park, Rail Trail @ Corktown Park

Hamilton Fire Department: Responses at Locations Involving Unsheltered Individuals

Response Type	Number of Incidents	Ward Breakdown
Burning Complaint	2	Ward 3: 2 incidents
Accumulated Combustibles	1	Ward 3: 1 incident
TOTAL	3	

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 February 16-22, 2025.

Ward	Number of Fire-Related Incidents
3	3
Total	3

Injuries

No injuries to persons reported in the above incidents.

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	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
5	Nash Bridge (Nash & RHVT Underpass)	Existing	9/9/2024	1	Active	9/12/2024

Ward	Location	New or Existing Site	Date Trespass Notices Issued	Trespass Notices Issued	Status	Date of Status Update
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	2	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
2	Young & Victoria	New	10/15/2024	6	Active	1/28/2025
1	Radial Park	New	1/7/2025	1	Active	1/7/2025
2	Jackson & MacNab	New	Investigation Ongoing		Active	1/6/2025
3	Gage Ave N & Industrial Dr.	New	1/22/2025	1	Active	2/10/2025
3	984 Barton St. E	New	N/A - on private property		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		Active	1/23/2025
14	Chedoke Radial Trail	New	1/30/2025	1	Active	1/30/2025

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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	N/A - on private property		Active	1/20/2025
2	119 Jackson St. E (parking lot)	New	Investigation Ongoing		Active	1/23/2025
2	John Sopinka Courthouse (behind)	New	1/9/2025	1	Active	1/9/2025
2	Waterfront Trail (end of James St. N)	New	1/22/2025	1	Active	1/22/2025
1	Alley behind 44 Lamoreaux St.	New	1/22/2025	1	Active	2/12/2025

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
8	Southam Park	New	1/30/2025	1	Encampment Cleared	2/3/2025
7	West of Upper Gage & the Linc	New	2/6/2025	1	Inactive	2/11/2025
13	Spencer Creek Trail (Behind 17 Meadow Ln)	New	N/A - site is compliant		Compliant	2/3/2025
3	Burlington & Birch	New	2/6/2025	1	Inactive	2/12/2025
2	John Rebecca Park	New	2/3/2025	1	Active	2/10/2025

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5	Riverdale East Park	New	N/A - no encampments observed		Inactive	2/4/2025
2	James St. S between Bold & Hunter	New	2/5/2025	1	Encampment Cleared	2/6/2025
2	Gore Park	New	N/A - no encampments observed		Inactive	2/6/2025
2	Ferguson Station	New	N/A - no encampments observed		Inactive	2/6/2025
2	Vine & Park	New	2/6/2025	2	Inactive	2/10/2025
2	Hunter & MacNab	New	N/A - site deemed abandoned & cleared		Encampment Cleared	2/6/2025
3	Gage Park	Existing	2/6/2025	1	Active	2/6/2025
3	Claremont Access	New	Investigation Ongoing			
5	Behind 94 Strawberry Dr.	New	2/21/2025	1	Active	2/20/2025
2	Durand Park	New	Investigation Ongoing		Active	2/19/2025