Addressing Homelessness

Status report of the Mayor's interim action plan to address homelessness and create new and safe alternatives.



Summary

Navigation Team has had 1,321 total outreach contacts with persons 499 living homeless

Provided 160 referrals to other living arrangements

Inter-agency and inter-jurisdictional effort to make safer alternatives for unsheltered people to live

- 100 people living in 3 additional encampments
- Daily, real-time shelter and encampment space vacancies to outreach workers

Multi-agency task force providing trash and debris

More than 2,050 tons of trash and debris removed (more than 4 million pounds)



Addressing Homelessness

Mission 1: Make an additional 200+ safer living spaces available

Mission 2: Reduce Trash

Mission 3: Connect people with services and mitigate most hazardous encampments

Mission 4: Implement Revised MDARs

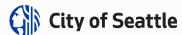
Mission 5: Incubate Housing Resource
Center (HRC) to increase access to housing

Mission 6: Engage the public and mobilize community response

Mission 7: Maintain Situational Awareness

Mission 8: Employee training and communication

Mission 9: Communications





Creating Safe Alternatives

Compass at First Presbyterian Shelter

- First Presbyterian Church (1013 8th Ave.)
- Outreach plan -- includes neighborhood notification and a community meeting on May 22 at 6:30 pm at the church
- Project should open in July 2017

Operation Nightwatch

- The new temporary overnight shelter location on Boat Street is being prepared
- Start date of May 10 and end date of August 31.





Navigation Center

- Construction Updates to facility underway with construction complete this month
- HSD selected DESC and Operation Sack Lunch as operators
- DESC will need time after construction is complete to train staff and set up facility
- City and DESC working on budgets, staffing, referral protocols into the Center
- Developing Navigation Center assessment and referrals for clients into additional services and housing options
- HSD and DON are meeting with community members



New Managed Encampments

• Georgetown (1000 S. Myrtle Street) - March 15

Total Capacity: 70 people

Residents Now: 42

Licton Springs Village (8620 Nesbit Ave N) –April 5

Total Capacity: 70 people

Residents Now: 22

Myers Way (9701 Myers Way S.) – March 15

Total capacity: 70 people

Residents Now: 36

 Coordination with King County Public Health on Sanctioned Encampment Checklist and Guide





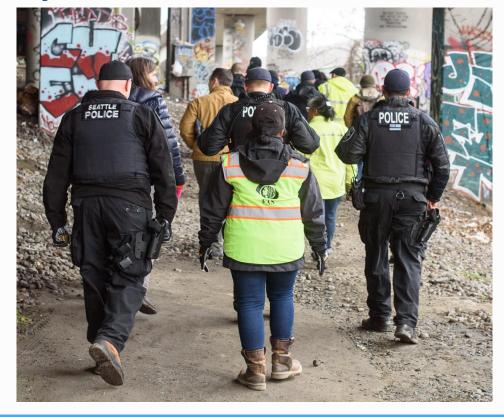
Improved Outreach – Navigation Team

The Navigation Team = REACH and Specially-trained SPD Officers

1,321 Total Outreach Contacts499 Unduplicated Contacts

City Crews offering to store belongings

- 253 bins
- 21 bikes
- 6 large suitcases
- 27 large items (e.g., BBQs)
- 3 retrievals of personal belongings
- 3 deliveries of personal belongings (since April 3)





Improved Outreach – Navigation Team

Outreach:

499 total individuals contacted

342 accepted service of some sort (69%)

160 exited encampments to an alternate living arrangement (32%):

137 relocated to shelter/authorized encampment 71 to Georgetown, Camp Second Chance or Licton Springs encampments

157 declined offers for any service (31%)





Rainier/I-90



- Outreach began week of May 1
- Outreach Continues Week of May 8
- Outreach Continues Week of May 15
- Outreach continues Week of May 21
- Sanctioned Encampment Spaces and System beds being identified
- Cleanup of property begins Week of May 14
- Sound Transit is using area on Poplar/Dean to stage the work for the Link Lightrail project June 1



Housing Resource Center

Increase Access to Rental Housing

- Office of Housing in lead role, in partnership with HSD, King County, All Home,
 United Way
- Program Development
 - 2 planning workshops to gain feedback from property owners/managers
 - Business leadership engagement
- Interim program launch in June 2017 to take over from YWCA when Landlord Liaison Project contract ends; permanent program by January 2018



- **2,050** tons of trash and debris have been collected since March 7
- **7,621** sharps collected from drop-boxes at 8 locations
- **3,402** sharps collected upon complaint

Some of the sites where trash removal occurred:

- Wheeler & 15th Ave.
- Ballard Locks area
- Harborview Hill
- Areas adjacent to Jackson Golf Course
- Airport Way South and South Snoqualmie Street area
- Green Lake area
- Licton Springs Park
- 1st & Denver S.



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Airport Way South and South Snoqualmie Street area







Harborview Hill







Unsanctioned Encampment Locations with Scheduled Pick-up

Location	Service/Vendor/Updated Count
Under I-90 and Rainier Overpass	Belfor provides twice weekly bag and bulky item pick-up.
15 th and Leary at 4814 15 th Ave NW	Waste Management provides twice weekly dumpster service.
Ballard Locks at NW 54 th St	Waste Management provides weekly dumpster service.
Myers Way Area (3/4 mile at 9000 - 9900)	Cascadia provides weekly bag and bulky item pick-up. Additionally, the sanctioned camp on Myers Way receives Waste Management dumpster service managed by FAS & HSD.
Poplar Place and South Dean Street	Belfor provides weekly bag and bulky item pick-ups and collects garbage from community clean-ups at this location.



Recent On-call Pick-ups at Unsanctioned Encampment Locations

Location	Service Provided
Myers Way (9000-9900 Myers Way)	Weekly pick-ups by litter crews.
Ballard Locks at NW 54 th St	Regular on-site visits to clean-up litter scatter around dumpster.
Poplar and Dean St	Picked up bagged trash resulting from community clean- up two weeks in row.
I-90 Off-ramp Loop at Rainier Ave	Regularly pick-up bagged trash resulting from community organized clean-ups.



Community Engagement

Meeting on April 26 with Business Leaders

Established Community Advisory Committees for Licton Springs, Georgetown, Meyers Way

Georgetown has had first meeting

Community engagement around I-90/Rainier encampment

