

Homelessness Emergency Situation Report

Incident Name: Homelessness Emergency
Situation Report # 4

Incident Commander: Aaron Lande
Operational Period: February 2024

New Emergency Orders (if any)

NONE

Emergency Operations Center

- Working with CRESA, VPD and VFD on data collection/tracking for emergency declaration purposes.
 - Completed the law enforcement reporting system portion of this work new buttons for call clearance codes have been added to CAD. Currently working on protocols and definitions before rolling out to law enforcement for implementation.
- We've lost 9 people since the Homeless Memorial in December

HART Activities

- Hired second HART Outreach Specialist.
- HART conducted clean-ups at Orchards Park West, Burnt Bridge Creek, around Share House, and along the Mill Plain sound wall.

Safe Park/Stay Safe

- Kiggins Village:
 - Celebrated its first 2 graduates to housing
 - Partnering with local police K-9 trainee who will be doing group training classes with residents and their pets
- 415 West:
 - o 8 people on-deck for housing and just waiting on unit availability
 - o 1 couple, after having achieved and sustained sobriety here, is working on reunification with children and now have unsupervised visits with them

- Established partnership with Humane Society who has donated pet food and supplies, and is connecting residents to spay and neuter services for their pets
- Victory Food Project has met with residents to begin planning for the garden build

• Road2Home-Safe Park:

- 6 people moved into housing, 3 transitioned into Safe Stay Communities, and 1 resident was able to renew their citizenship for another decade
- o Held first pop-up resource event
 - 50+ people served
 - 10 phones were given out
 - 8 Physical and Mental Health assessments completed and follow-up appointments made
 - 10 haircuts and 1 amazing beard trim
 - 12 Animals seen and given treatment or prescriptions
 - 90 Clamshells of food given out
 - 25 Walmart bags given out (8 to-go gallon bags of meals given out)
 - 2 housing applications were filled out
 - 1 FAFSA application started
 - 1 interview for new potential outreach participant
 - 30 Peer support connections
 - 6 children were given hats, socks, dental supplies, and plushy.

Community Court

• City staff continue to work with community partners to identify a new location for the Community Court program, as well as funding for court security.

Columbia River Mental Health Services Community Response Teams (CRMHS- CRT) January 26 – February 22

Updates

Incoming calls screened	18
In-Person Responses:	16
Number of businesses contacted	12
Public Engagement	28 locations, 60 individuals

Outreach

St Vincent de Paul – CRT on site twice a week The Lord's Gym – CRT on site once a week Recovery Café – CRT on site once a week The Giving Closet – CRT on site once a week The Center, Adventist Community Services – CRT on site twice a week starting 2/26

Partnerships

Fourth Plain Forward – Partnership with CRT for 3/15 Community Forum regarding mental health, substance use, and law enforcement in the Fourth Plain Corridor NAACP – Also partnered with CRT for March 15 Community Forum, which Jamie, Corporal Metevia, and Neighborhood Police Office Vanroyce participated.

Property Closures

 Under Emergency Order 2023-003, the City Manager declared two additional publicly owned sites closed to outdoor habitation. The list of properties can be found on the City's Homelessness Emergency Declaration page.