

Intergovernmental Update: Integrated Encampment Response Process

City of Edmonton
Edmonton Police Service

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Purpose of this presentation

1. Current encampment status
2. Update on the Indigenous shelter and transitional space
3. Update on the encampment process following the new paths available for Edmontonians living in encampments
4. Ongoing Connections to Community Leaders
5. Answer any Council questions

Current Encampment Status - February 7, 2024

- 311 calls received in January 2024 - 635
 - Average of 1,435 calls/month in 2023
 - December 2023 had 1,049 calls
 - Compared to January 2023 with 206 complaints
- 33 encampments waiting for assessment (compared to 221 at the beginning of the year)
- 8 scheduled for closure & cleaning (occupied)
- 133 waiting for cleaning (vacant)

Shelters and Indigenous-Led Shelters - Update

- The Indigenous-led Shelter and the Indigenous-led Transitional Space EOI is being advanced through four projects:
 1. NiGiNan Housing Ventures Stabilization Space
 2. Enoch Cree Nation project
 3. A multi-agency collaborative Indigenous-led Permanent Shelter Design
 4. Indigenous-led Transitional Space
- Indigenous-Led Shelter, two in progress:
 - NiGiNan Housing Ventures Stabilization Space (fully operational)
 - Enoch Cree Nation project at Coliseum Inn (phased opening, 80 spaces operational, total will be 100)
- Indigenous-led Transitional Space:
 - Consultants report on the transitional space with CoE/Indigenous stakeholders for feedback now
 - Report coming later in 2024

Journey map for individuals and teams involved

**ASSESSMENT
&
NOTICE**

Site assessment and notification
Lead - City of Edmonton
Support - EPS

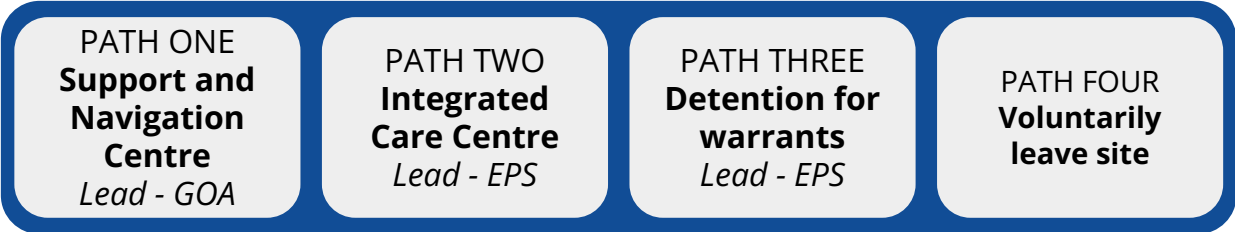
**SITE
RESOLUTION**

Site Closure *Lead - EPS*
Site Closure *Support - GOA*
Site Clean-Up *Lead - City of Edmonton*

TRANSPORTATION

Lead - GOA
Support - City of Edmonton

RECEPTION



Emergency Operations Centre Updates

January 17 - February 8:

Running Total - Citywide encampment response

People accepting transportation to the Navigation Centre from encampments.

143

Total Sites Cleaned

191

Propane

569

Needles

3,200

Weight (Kg)

158,240

Emergency Operations Centre Updates

- Infrastructure maintenance and repairs
 - \$1.3M in unanticipated costs in 2023 resulting from major incident damage to critical infrastructure from encampments.
 - EOC coordinated response with city Infrastructure Maintenance: expedited closure, repairs with preventative reoccupation and mitigation strategies.
- Animal Care Support
 - 6 dogs and 5 cats

Support and Navigation Centre Outcomes Overview (Feb 8)

1. 231 All-time visitors to centre
2. 121 Individuals connected to shelter
3. 65 Referrals to housing
4. 92 Individuals received basic health care service (from AHS and Radius Health)
5. 117 Individuals received Identification Services
6. 91 Individuals received Employment and Financial Services Support.
7. 80 Individuals had transportation arranged

Ongoing Connection to Community Leaders

- Two meetings (so far) with social services leaders
- Learnings include:
 - Inter-agency communication and processes
 - Unmet needs in specific populations (eg. youth)
 - Diversity of intake processes
- Next meeting will be to discuss lessons learned from the Navigation and Support Centre to inform future work (including extreme weather responses)

Questions?