



Burnaby RCMP Public Safety Report

June and July 2019

“Partners for a Safe Community”

Message from the Chief



June and July are always busy months for members and staff in our Community Programs Unit and this year was no different.

Our Youth Investigative Team (YIT) members have been leading multiple initiatives in areas with diverse, multicultural populations with a view to making connections with these members of our community, some of whom are new to Canada. In June, YIT members began hosting movie nights for residents of Hillside Gardens. These movie nights took place in the District 3 Community Police Office and were a success with many kids and their families coming along to watch a movie and get to know their local police officers.

Our Crime Prevention Unit (CPU) are consistently doing great work around our City, better informing the community of important information to help them with their personal safety and to better inform them on keeping their property safe. In June and July our CPU conducted security site assessments at townhouse complexes and also attended a number of Block Watch social events which allowed them to hear feedback from Burnaby residents about how policing is being done in our growing City.

In operations, our drug unit has been extremely busy and made significant drug seizures in June and July. Many of these seizures included drugs such as Fentanyl which are causing such harm to communities across the Lower Mainland. One of the investigations which came to a resolution was six-months in the making and resulted in the seizure of a number of kilograms of prepackaged drugs that were ready for sale on streets in the Lower Mainland. This excellent work by our drug unit underlines our commitment to keeping harmful drugs off of the streets in our City.

Finally, in June and July, both myself, members of our senior management team and many other members from our detachment took part in multiple community events and others such as Coffee with a Cop and the very popular Red Serge Thursdays at Burnaby Village Museum. Thank you to everyone who came and spoke with us at these events and did everything from thanking us for the work we do to providing constructive feedback on what you think we can do better.

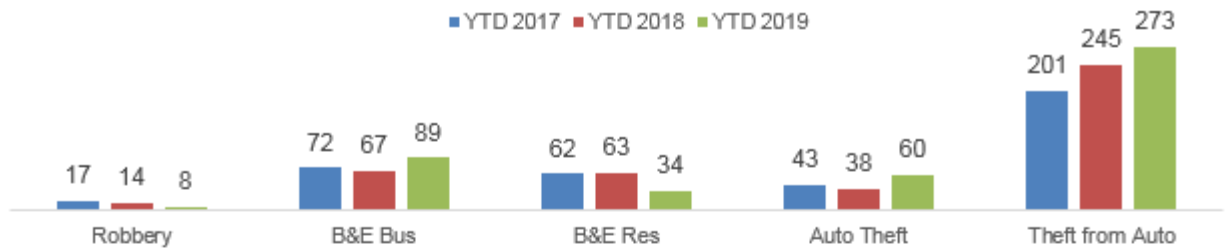
We are always listening, working towards a common goal of keeping our City safe and always appreciate hearing from you.

Chief Superintendent Deanne Burleigh
Officer in Charge, Burnaby Detachment

Crime Reduction Stats over 3 Years

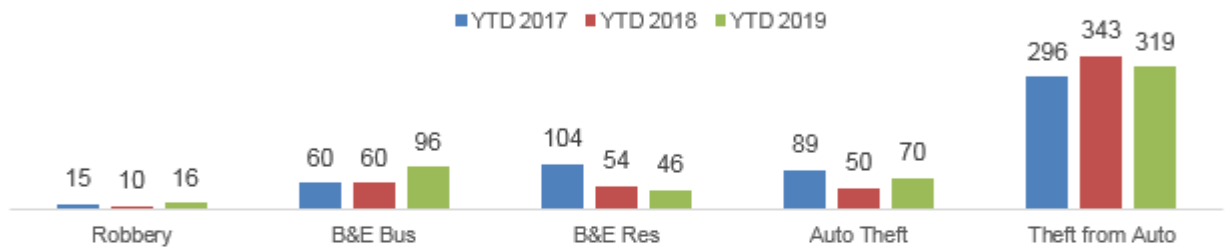
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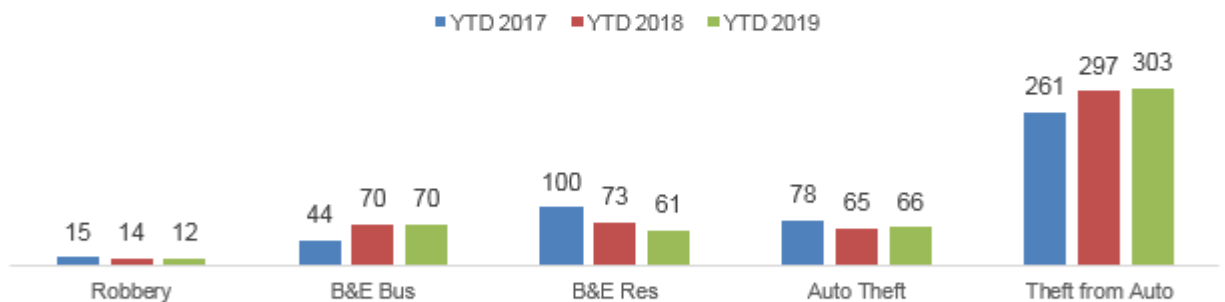
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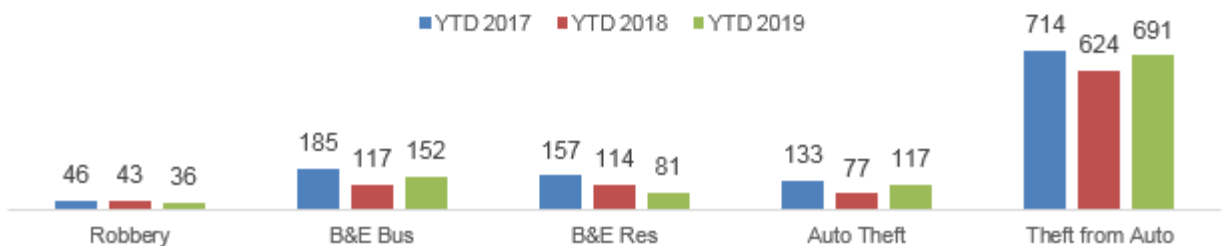
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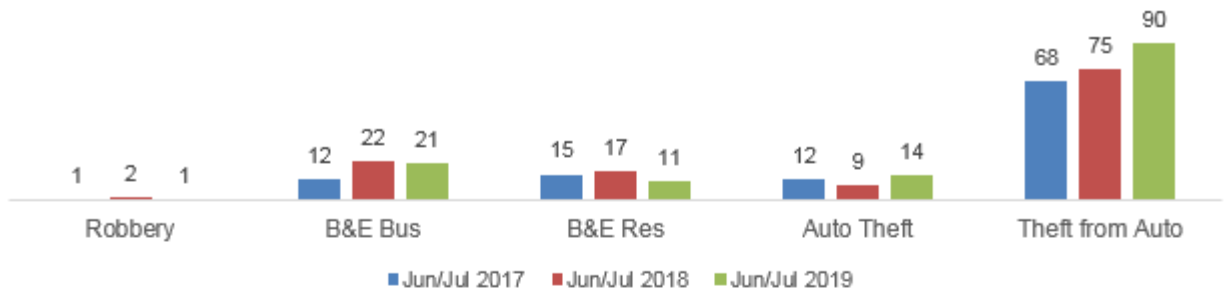
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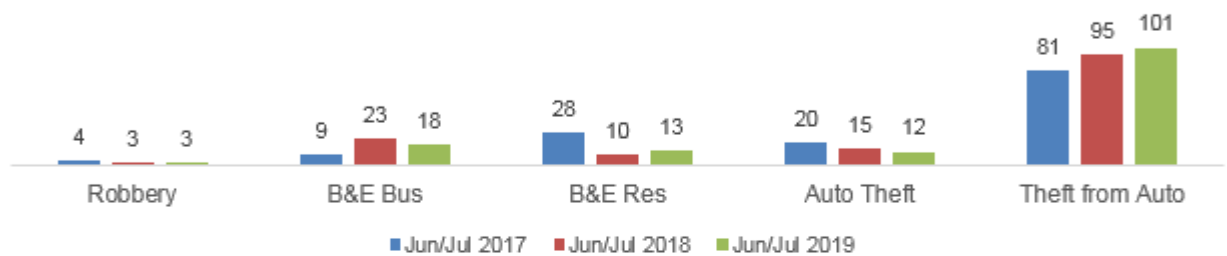


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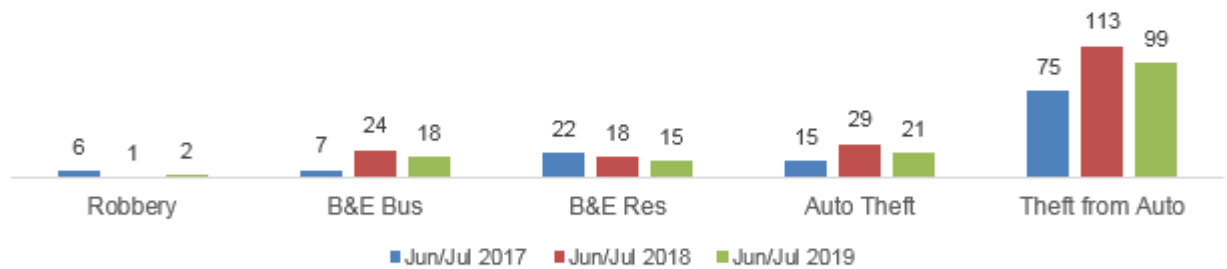
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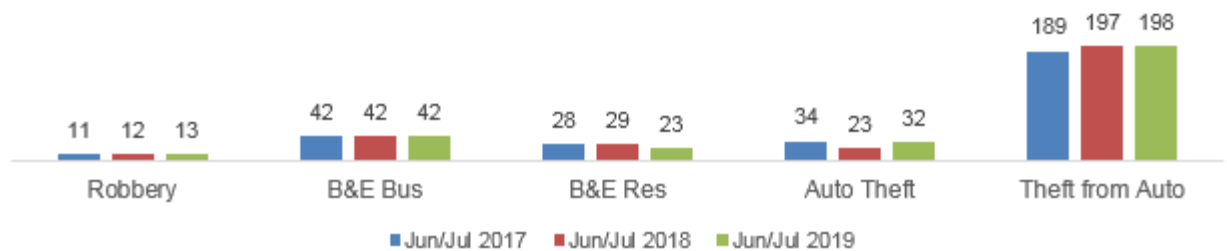
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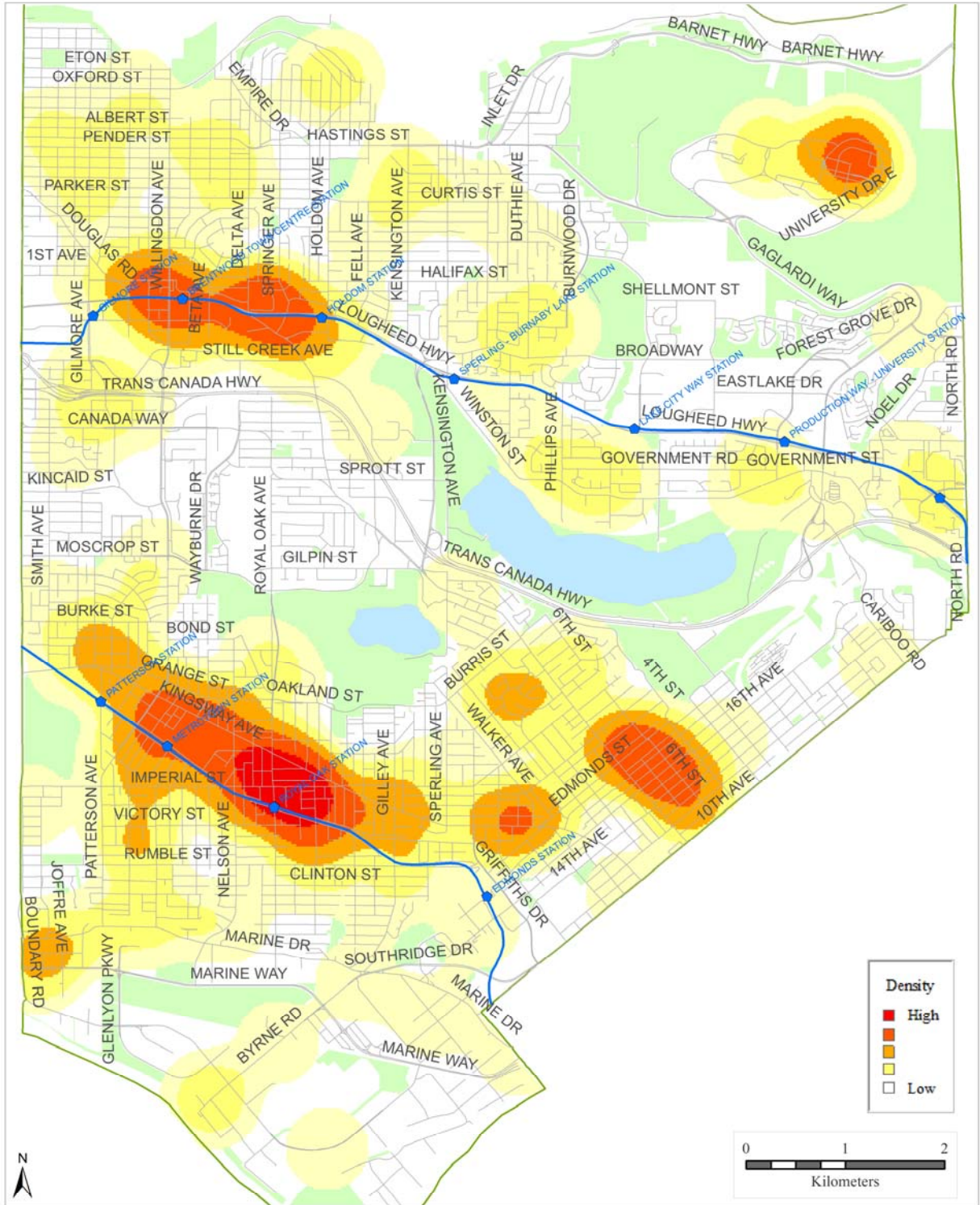
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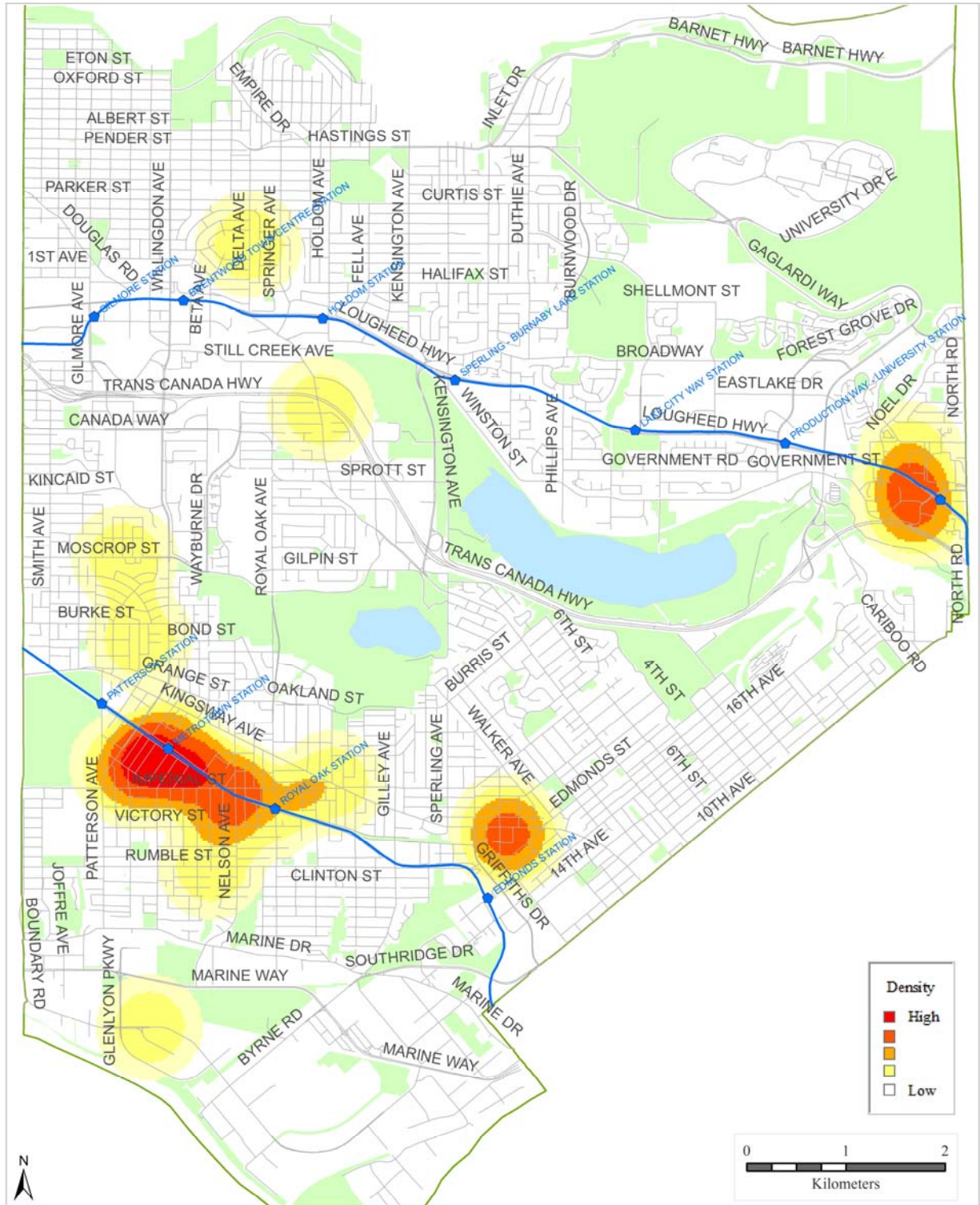
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Break & Enter Density Map





Crime Density Map

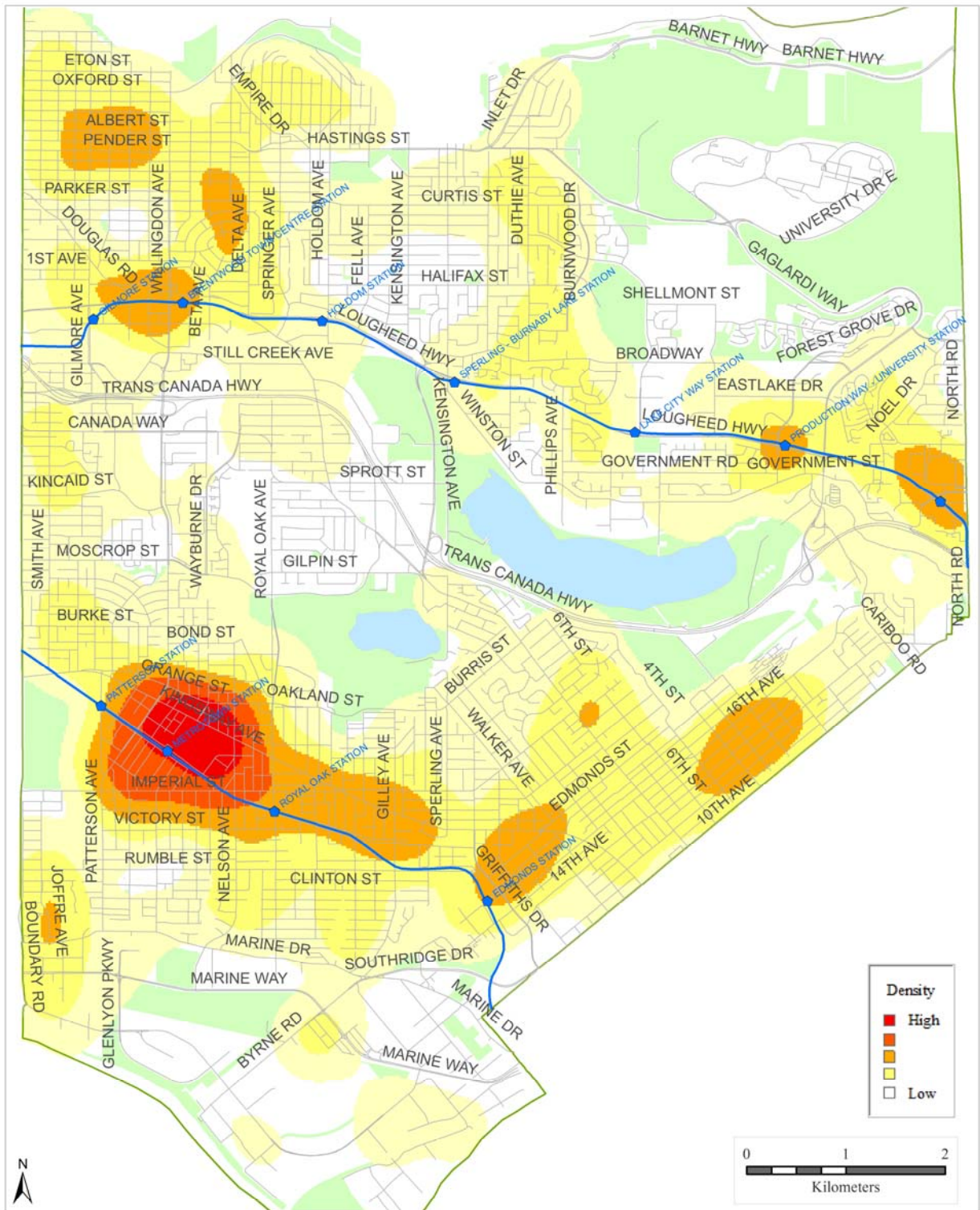
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Robbery Density Map





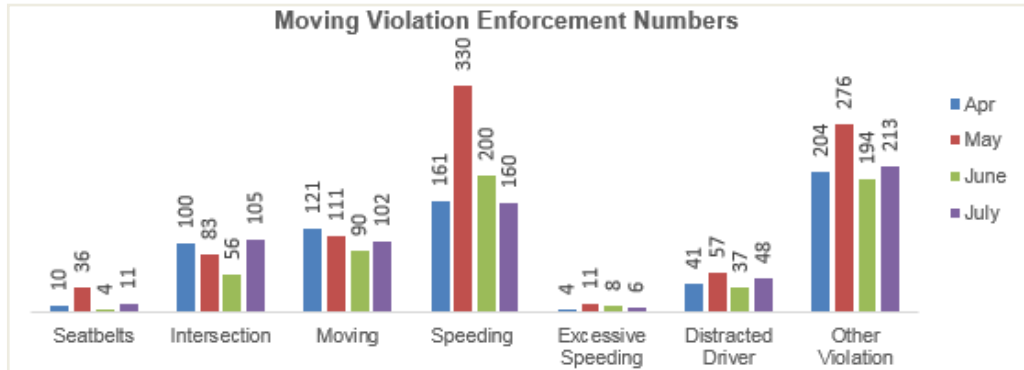
Crime Density Map

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Auto Crimes Density Map

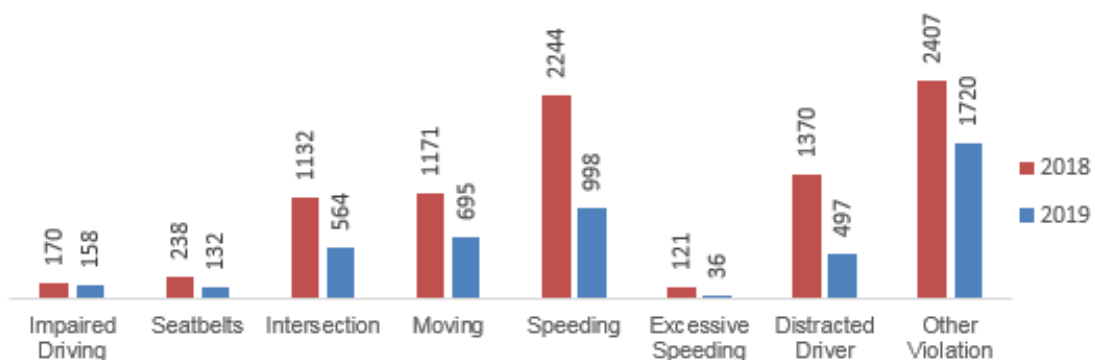


Traffic Operations Statistics

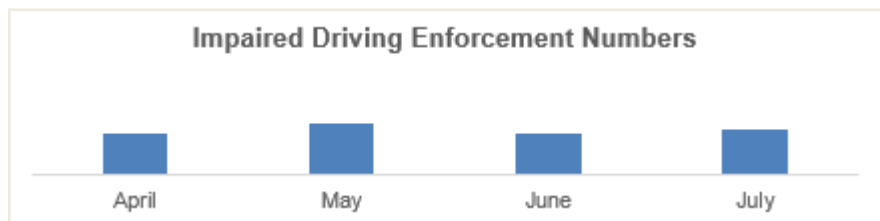
During the months of June and July, Burnaby Traffic services conducted a number of enforcement initiatives aimed at high risk drivers and speeding vehicles. This enforcement included a Summer Counter Attack Impaired Driving Blitz.



2017 vs 2018 Year To Date Comparison (January to August)



During the months of June and July, 274 collisions were investigated by General Duty and Traffic Section Officers. 55 involved non life-threatening injuries and there were four fatalities.



Drug Section

Burnaby's Drug Section disrupted a number of drug operations in the city in June and July and made significant drug seizures in these investigations.

In one such case an undercover operation was conducted and a subsequent search warrant executed. Drugs were seized including over 100 grams of Fentanyl, 52 grams of methamphetamine, 227 grams of cocaine and \$24,360 in Canadian currency. Two individuals were arrested and will be facing charges of cocaine trafficking and production for the purposes of trafficking for cocaine and fentanyl.

In another case, a search warrant executed at a dispensary yielded 15 kg of dried cannabis leaves, 1.3 kg of shatter, approximately \$110,000 of cannabis edibles and extracts, \$71,500 in Canadian Currency and a Conducted Energy Weapon. Charges are pending in this matter.

After an investigation into drug trafficking by Burnaby RCMP's Community Response Team, a search warrant was executed at a residence in Burnaby. A small amount of drugs were seized and charges were laid against one individual. In addition, the City of Burnaby and Burnaby Fire Department followed up with the residence for bylaw offences and building code violations.



In June, after a six-month investigation, two people were arrested following the execution of a search warrant at a residence. 500 grams of Cocaine, 600 oxycodone pills, a vehicle, and \$46,000 in cash were seized from the residence. Several kilograms of prepackaged for street level sale drugs (fentanyl, cocaine and methamphetamine) as well as some bulk fentanyl, cocaine and methamphetamine were also seized from another apartment. This apartment was being used for the sole purpose of a processing/stash site for street level drugs.

Strike Force

In June, Strike Force executed a search warrant in relation to a number of break-ins across the Lower Mainland. The investigation began in late April after a break and enter in Burnaby when the homeowners, who were targeted, were out of the country. Among the seized items were two firearms, four imitation firearms, multiple high-end handbags, high-value alcohol and other items linking the two male suspects to other break and enters. Two men are facing charges in relation to this investigation.



Prolific Offender Suppression Team (POST)

Across Metro Vancouver, police have noted an increase in mail theft from single-family homes where delivery drivers leave packages at the front door and Burnaby is no exception.

Through support from the Burnaby RCMP Criminal Analysts, a group of suspects were

identified who were believed to be responsible for a portion of these thefts in the City.



On June 4th, 2019, POST members conducted surveillance on the suspects who were subsequently observed stealing packages from the front doorsteps of residences in Burnaby.

When police attempted to stop the vehicle the suspects were in, the passengers were dropped off and the driver and vehicle fled. The suspect passengers were taken into custody. With the assistance of Vancouver Police Department, the unoccupied suspect vehicle was found at a nearby mall and was seized.

The suspect driver was located when he returned home via a taxi and was subsequently arrested. A Search Warrant was executed on the suspect vehicle where stolen mail and packages were recovered. Based on the investigation, charges against three suspects were requested for Theft of Mail (two counts) and Drive while Prohibited (Motor Vehicle Act).

Community Programs

Community Police Offices (CPO)

In July, volunteers from the D2, D3 and D4 office participated in a one-day Can-Bike training course and became certified to participate in our Community Engagement Bike Program. Volunteers from D2 went out on their first Bike Patrol in and around the Lougheed / Cameron area.



Cell watch: 10 hours / 1904 vehicles checked



Speed watch: 63 hours / 8444 vehicles checked



Foot patrols: 92 hours / 4135 Vehicles checked / 223 crime prevention notices issued



Community Programs

Youth Investigative Team (YIT)

Besides their daily duties at schools, such as engaging with students regarding investigations and working on proactive initiatives, the Burnaby RCMP Youth Investigative Team (YIT), attend community and youth centres outside school hours to reach out to youth for further positive engagement.

YIT members have put together a proactive initiative called Movie Night to engage the residents of Hillside Gardens, a large multi cultural residential complex in District 3. The goal was to create a meaningful relationship and build a positive police and community connection with residents, who are from a variety of different cultures, with the hope of improving trust and openness,

On June 21, YIT members, in collaboration with Hillside Gardens management and Burnaby RCMP Youth Services, held their first Movie Nights event for 26 young people, aged 7-13. The event was a big success.

YIT members are in the process of obtaining the required funding to be able continue this initiative having one Movie Night per month, engaging youth and parents from Hillside Gardens. By conducting this initiative, YIT members provide the youth a place to enjoy a movie with snacks, where they can have a dialogue with police and Youth Services personnel, and also where they can get information regarding accessing parks and recreation services.

On July 25 several YIT members attended the Hillside Gardens Family Day event, a four- hour event set up as an annual event for residents, mainly children. In addition to uniformed members, employees from the detachment's Crime Prevention Unit and Youth Services were present at the event.

YIT members put a couple of marked police cars on display allowing children to see inside cars and ask any questions they had. YIT members also arranged to have members of a local DJ school attend and perform at the event. YIT members showed their entertaining skills by joining the professional DJs in playing music for the families in attendance.

There was a lot of positive interaction between attending YIT members and the families throughout the event. Towards the end, YIT members gave out quite a number of toys to the many children that had attended the event. The toys were was a highlight for many of the children!



Youth Investigative Team (YIT)

Bike Fair at Schools

On June 14th, YIT members, along with members of Burnaby RCMP Bike Section, attended the Bike Fair held at Second Street Elementary. There were a total of 200-300 youth and parents present at the event. Kids were able to check out the police vehicle and take some great photographs with their families. Police welcomed the opportunity to speak to kids and parents about safe bike riding.



YIT members also provided stuffed animals for the school raffle, which was a big hit with the youth. It was a great event and school staff were very appreciative of the police presence at the event.

Coffee with a Cop

In July, Burnaby RCMP Community Response Team members organized a coffee with a cop event at Highgate Village. Along with Burnaby Mayor Mike Hurley, members had some great engagement with community members throughout the morning.



Bike Section

The bike section has been busy throughout the summer months conducting proactive patrols in parks and areas that are more difficult for vehicles to patrol.

In June, bike section located youths who they suspected of smoking Cannabis in the Cameron Recreation Center area. Members approached the youths who were under the legal age for possession of cannabis and they admitted to possessing Cannabis. Cannabis was seized from the youths and sent for destruction.

In July, bike section assisted security at Metrotown with a shoplifter who was resisting arrest. After the male was safely taken into custody, a search was conducted and drug paraphernalia with fentanyl residue was located on the male. These items were seized for destruction. Police investigation further revealed that the male suspect had an outstanding warrant from Surrey RCMP and he was taken to Burnaby RCMP cells to be held.

In July, CRT and Bike Section liaised with Metrotown and Lougheed Mall Loss Prevention Officers to implement a program called Project Boost and Bust that has been running successfully in Surrey. The Boost and Bust program is being implemented in order to assist Metrotown security and all loss prevention officers involved in the project with on-going issues of shoplifting/theft of goods. The ultimate goal of this program is to deter theft in the mall by having a police presence and assisting in the apprehension of prolific shoplifters.

In mid-June the Burnaby Bike Section participated in raising awareness of heart and stroke diseases. All Burnaby Bike members reserved a seat on the Heart and Stroke Big Bike and pedalled around Metrotown Mall and Bonsor Recreational Centre.



Crime Prevention Unit

For the month of June, staff at the Crime Prevention Unit participated in several community events including Hats off Day, conducted security site assessments at strata townhouse complexes and hosted a Block Watch training session.

Our Citizens Crime Watch volunteers also participated in City of Burnaby Volunteer Assistance Community Engagement. Our volunteers solicited feedback from the public at



Metropolis at Metrotown by conducting surveys to assist in decisions for the City's Community Safety Plan.

Our unit also coordinated the Safe Community Series on Pedestrian and Road Safety on June 27 where we had great questions and engagement from our community members.

Our Crime Prevention Unit staff have streamlined request processes, resulting in our staff attending more Block Watch socials and events than in recent years. We had teams of Crime Prevention staff attend neighbourhood events almost every weekend all summer long. At these events, we get the opportunity to share important Crime Prevention information, but also hear feedback first hand from our community.

A big milestone was reached by one of our longstanding BCCW volunteers in July. The CPU team, detachment personnel and fellow volunteers were honoured to celebrate the 90th birthday of Bill Corson. Bill was not only a founding member of this citizen engagement program, but remains an active and contributing member.



Community Response Team (CRT)



CRT was conducting patrols in an area identified as a hotspot for stolen vehicles, near the Lougheed Mall.

Members observed two males drinking liquor and after identifying them it was noted that one had an outstanding warrant out of Surrey. The male was arrested.

While at this scene, members located a suspicious vehicle occupied with three individuals. Queries of the vehicle noted that it was recently stolen from North Vancouver.

The driver and one passenger were arrested for breaching conditions, an outstanding warrant and the stolen vehicle. In addition, stolen property was found in the vehicle.

Victim Services Unit (VSU)

In June 2019 VSU opened 160 files and provided 155 hours of direct crisis intervention support. VSU has a new Auxiliary worker who has completed her training this month. She completed 40 hours of VSU training and is getting a lot of hands on experience with the various files and call outs.

In June, VSU also assisted Youth Services and YIT to support initiatives such as Movie Nights with young people around the City.

In July 2019 VSU opened 140 files and provided 110 hours of direct crisis intervention support. We had another new Auxiliary VSU worker who completed her training this month.

VSU participated on Canada Day events in Burnaby, by meeting and greeting with the public and interacting with children and families, giving out stickers and tattoos.

VSU has also been taking part in various committees and events throughout the summer. One of our staff sits in on the BMART Committee and worked on case files related to BMART through June and July.



Auxiliary Program

During the months of June and July, Auxiliary members contributed 300 hours to community events! Events included: Hats Off Day, Law Enforcement Torch Run, Cops, Pops and Pizza, Giro di Burnaby, Fiji Festival, and Edmonds City Fair.



Law Enforcement Torch Run

On June 5, Burnaby Detachment members and staff took part in the Law Enforcement Torch Run to support Special Olympics BC. Burnaby Councillor Joe Keithley spoke of the great work being done by Special Olympics BC and welcomed all participants to the City.



Detachment Community Events

Hats Off Day

Burnaby members, staff, volunteers and auxiliary members all participated in Hats Off Day this year.



Detachment Community Events

Red Serge Thursdays!

Throughout July and August, Burnaby detachment members attended Burnaby Village Museum in Red Serge and interacted with citizens and tourists.



Detachment Community Events

Canada Day

Burnaby RCMP members and staff took part in Canada Day festivities around the City. It was a great opportunity for us to engage with our community and meet so many people out celebrating the day.



Contact Us

Do you have questions or comments concerning this report?

Are you interested in volunteering or becoming more involved in your community's safety?

Contact us at any one of the Community Police Offices below, call our main line at (604) 646-9999 or explore our website at

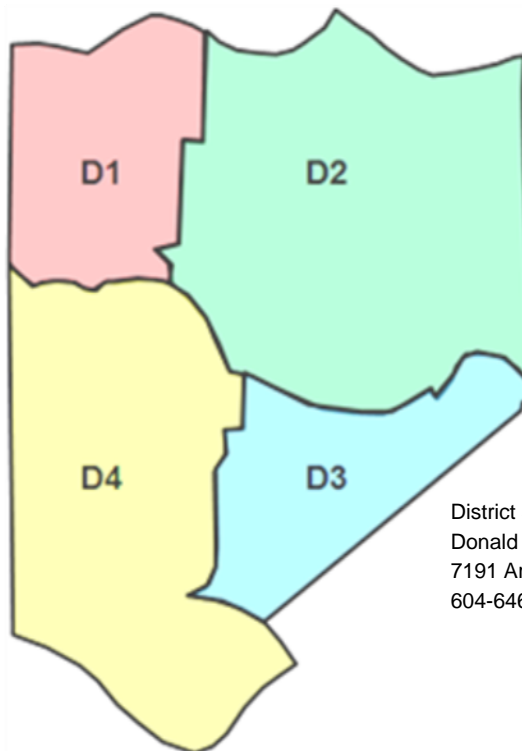
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