

BURNABY RCMP PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

Partners for a Safe Community

APRIL-JULY 2024



Bubble Tea Festival 2024, an annual event held in Burnaby's Swangard Stadium in July. RCMP officers take the opportunity to engage with community members at the event.



Burnaby Gang Enforcement Team (BGET) seized a quantity of drugs in two separate cases. In one case, they seized four (4) kilos of methamphetamine (photo above, right) and in another case, the officers seized numerous sandwich baggies of cocaine ready for sale.



Message from the Chief



Chief Superintendent Graham de la Gorgendiere Officer-in-Charge, Burnaby Detachment

I am delighted to report that our employees had a pretty successful period during April to July, working with their partner agencies and community groups to complete several complex investigations and conduct proactive community events.

Our Traffic Services officers continued with their various enforcement initiatives to reduce high-risk driving and enhance road safety in Burnaby. As per our detachment Annual Performance Plan, Traffic Services conducted numerous roadblocks to prevent drinking and driving, speeding, distracted driving and other traffic violations. These enforcement operations, some of which were joint initiatives with partner agencies, resulted in a number of violation tickets being issued to drivers.

Our Gang Enforcement Team officers continued their efforts to disrupt and deter gang activities in our community. Between April and July, BGET investigators conducted several drug related investigations which were initiated as a result of their proactive patrols leading to traffic stop of suspicious vehicles. These investigations resulted in several arrests and seizure of a large quantity of illegal drugs as well as cell phones, weapons and cash. In one case, the investigators seized four (4) kilograms of methamphetamine.

Our Prolific Offender Suppression Team (POST) conducted several complex investigations during this period. They investigated a serial theft from vehicles file which resulted in arrest of the suspects and criminal charges being recommended through the courts.

Our Strike Force investigators were busy with a few large property crime and robbery investigations during this reporting period. In one file, two suspects approached a youth at a local fast food restaurant and took off with his scooter after displaying a handgun. Strike Force investigators conducted a thorough investigation which resulted in identifying the suspects, executing a search warrant on their residence and recovering items allegedly gained by crime. These individuals are suspected of being responsible for other robberies.

Our Community Response Team continued with their crime reduction strategies during this report period. The unit worked with retail stores and mall security personnel to conduct several Boost and Bust operations at shopping centres with the goal of preventing shoplifting. Also, CRT members took part in various community events promoting collaboration with community groups, providing awareness on safety and interacting with community members towards a better relationship between police and the communities they serve.

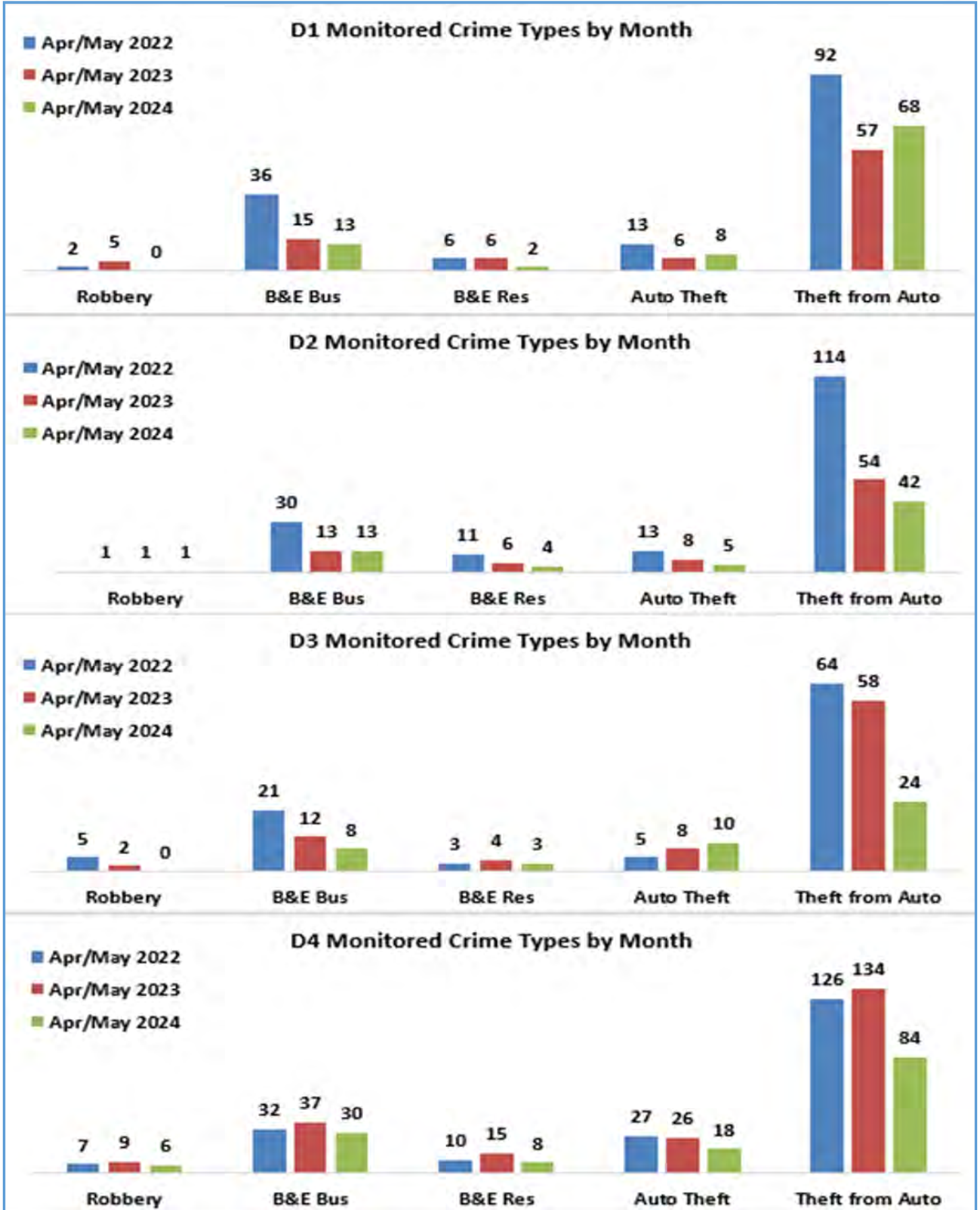
The detachment's Police Mental Health Outreach Team (PMHOT) continued with their regular work of providing support to the vulnerable people in our community experiencing homelessness by visiting encampments and conducting joint police/nurse outreach visits to individuals living with mental health issues. The Mobile Integrated Crisis response (MICR) team was busy during this period attending calls related to mental health issues. The MICR team attended to approximately 600 calls from April to July.

Our detachment's Strategic Plan and Annual Performance Plan are on-track to meet our set objectives. A more detailed update is found on pages 26 and 27 of this report.

**Chief Superintendent Graham de la Gorgendiere
Officer-in-Charge, Burnaby Detachment**



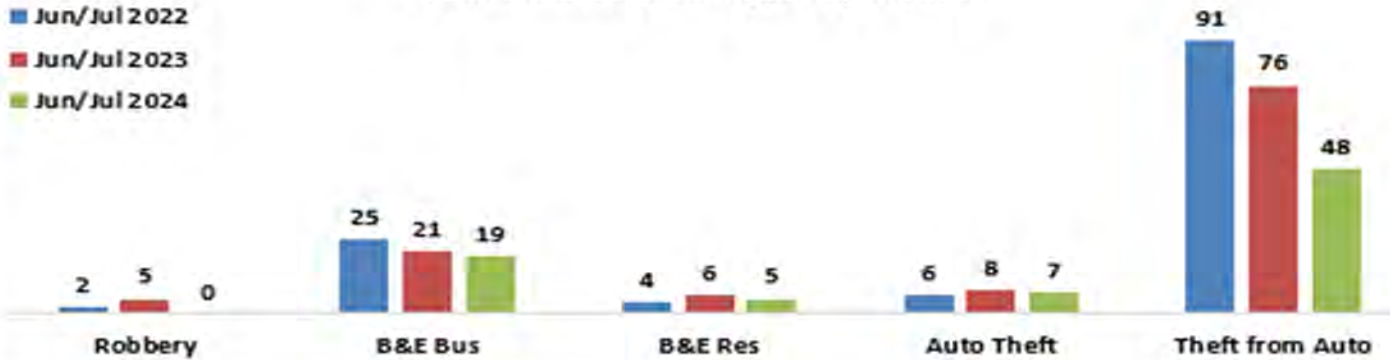
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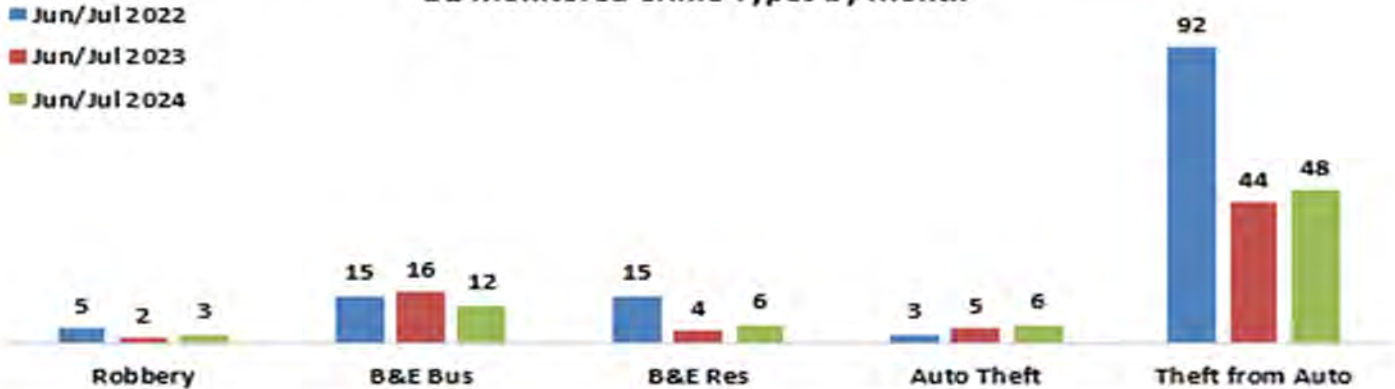


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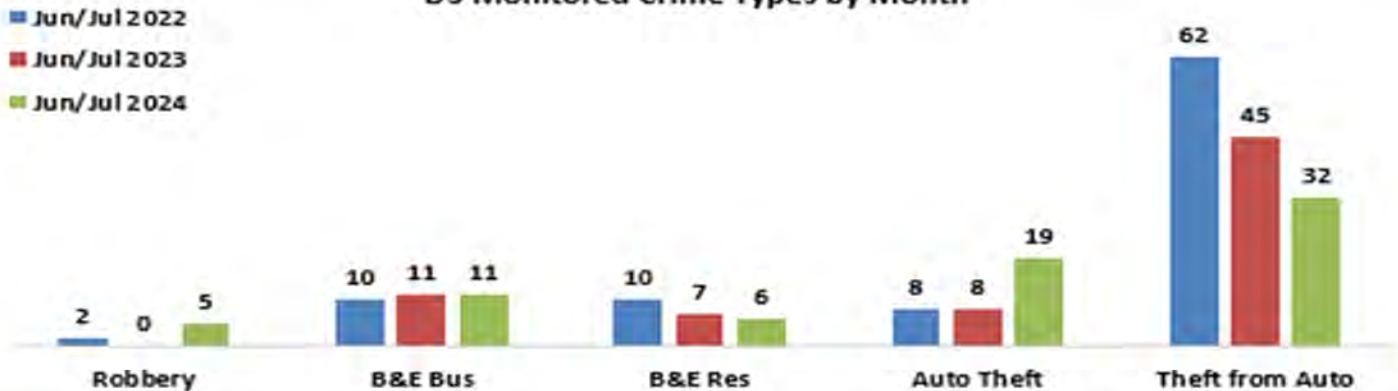
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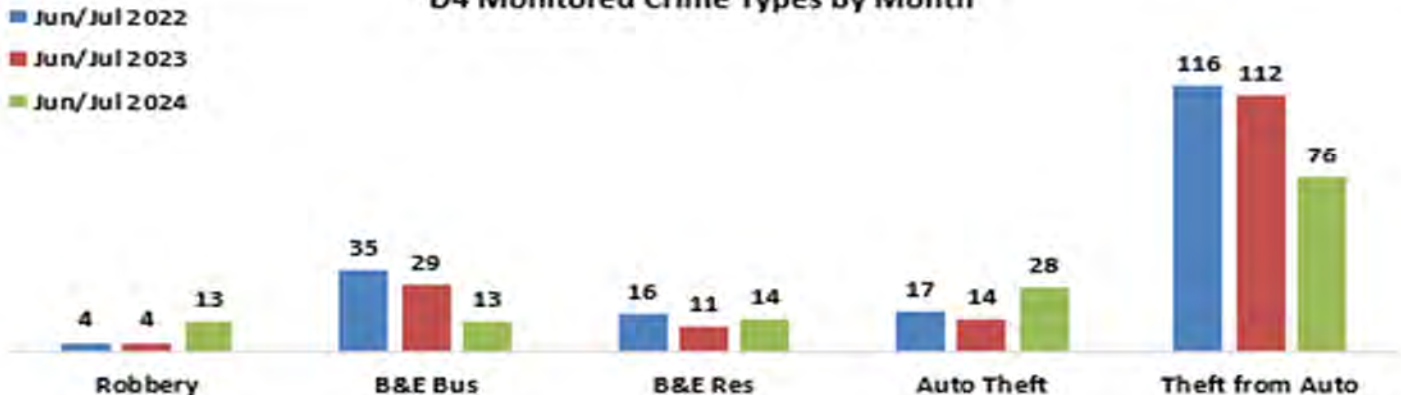
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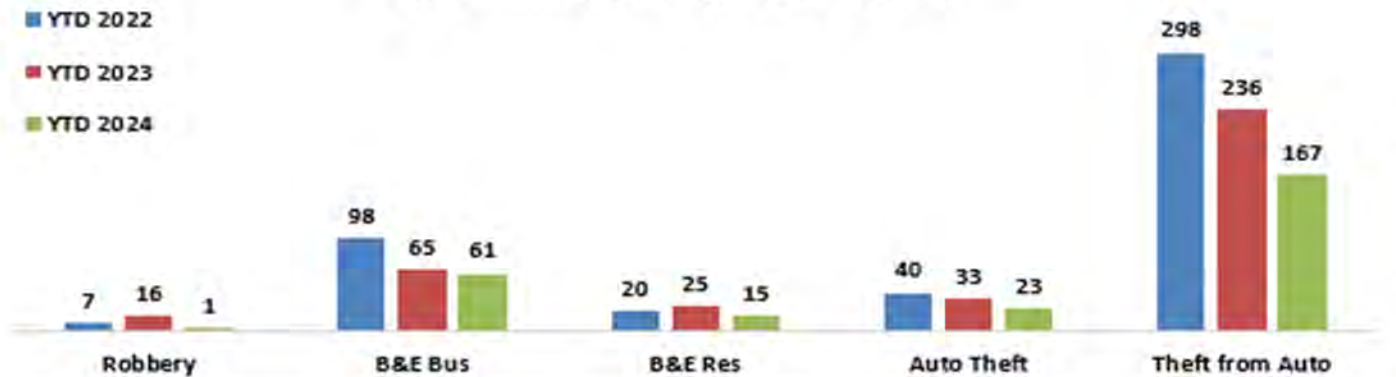
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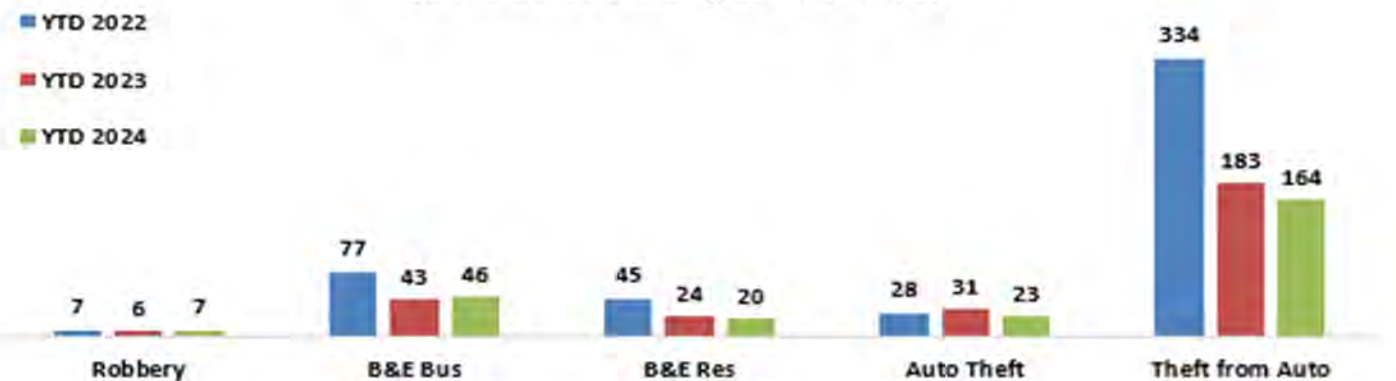


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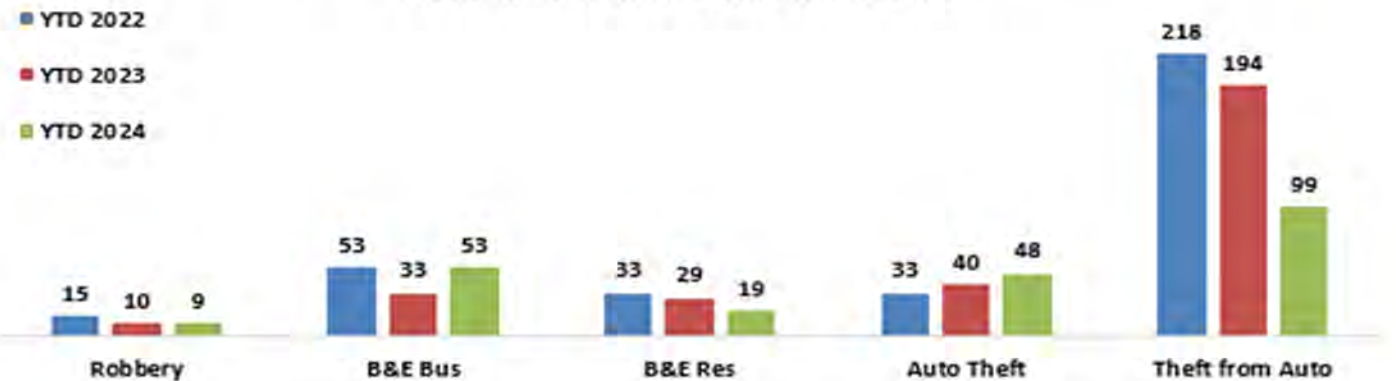
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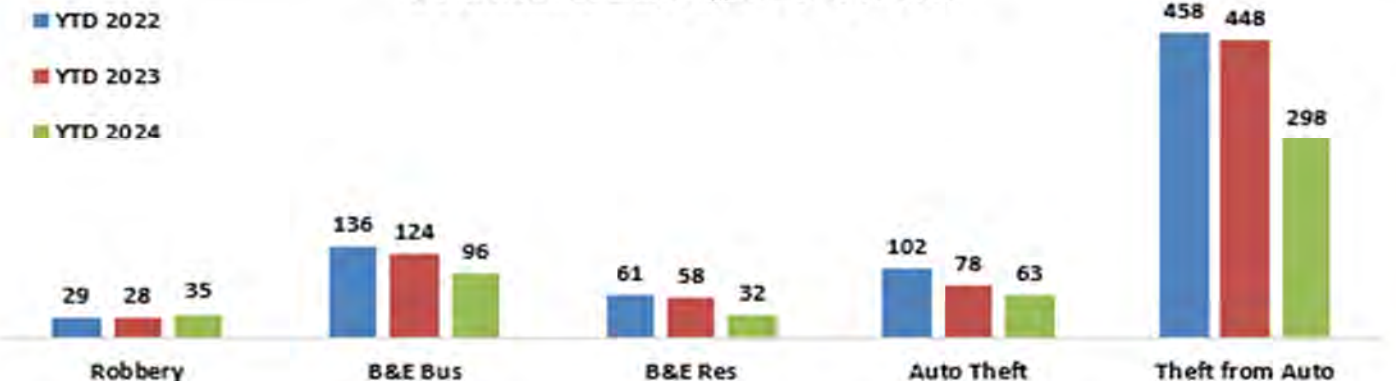
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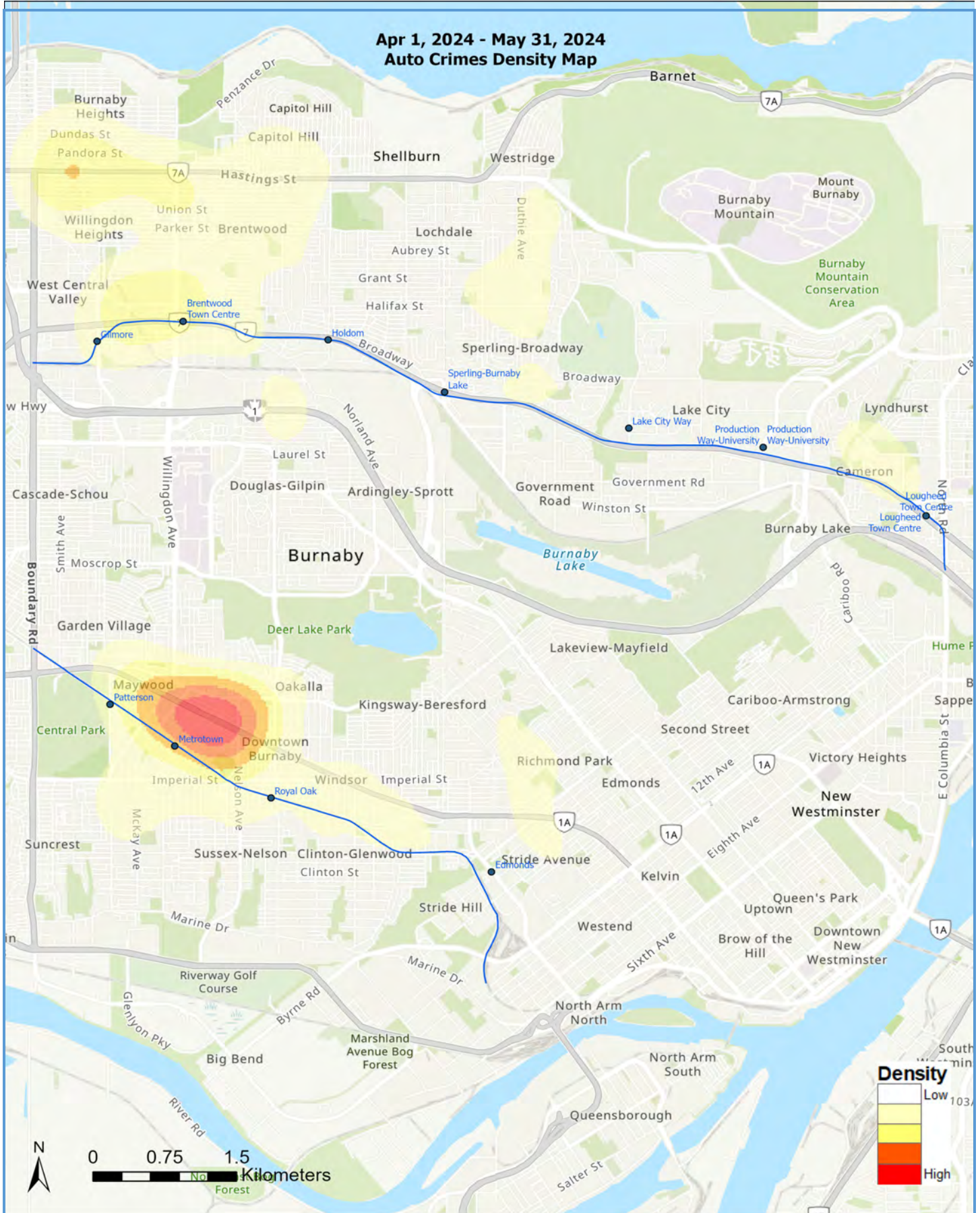


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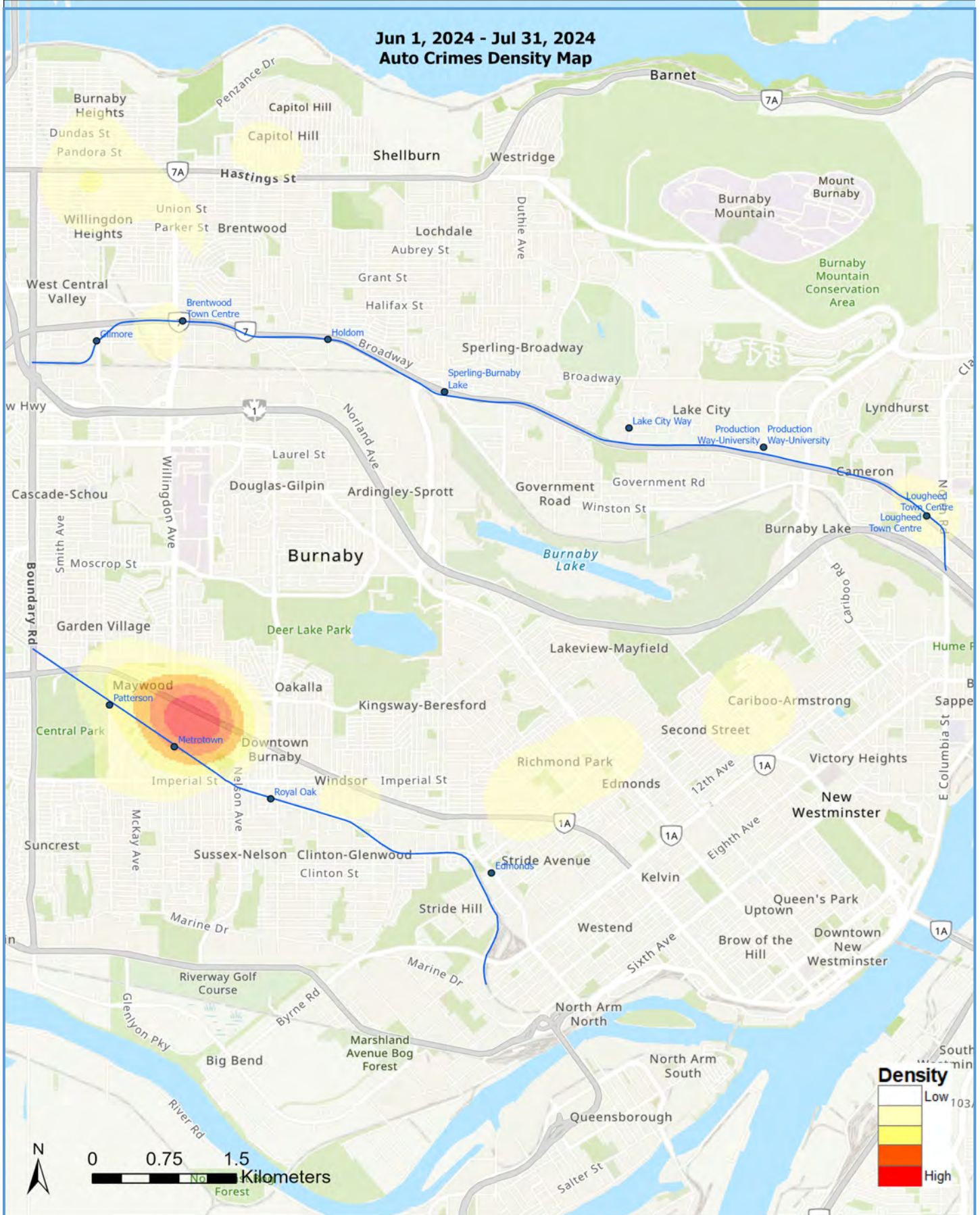
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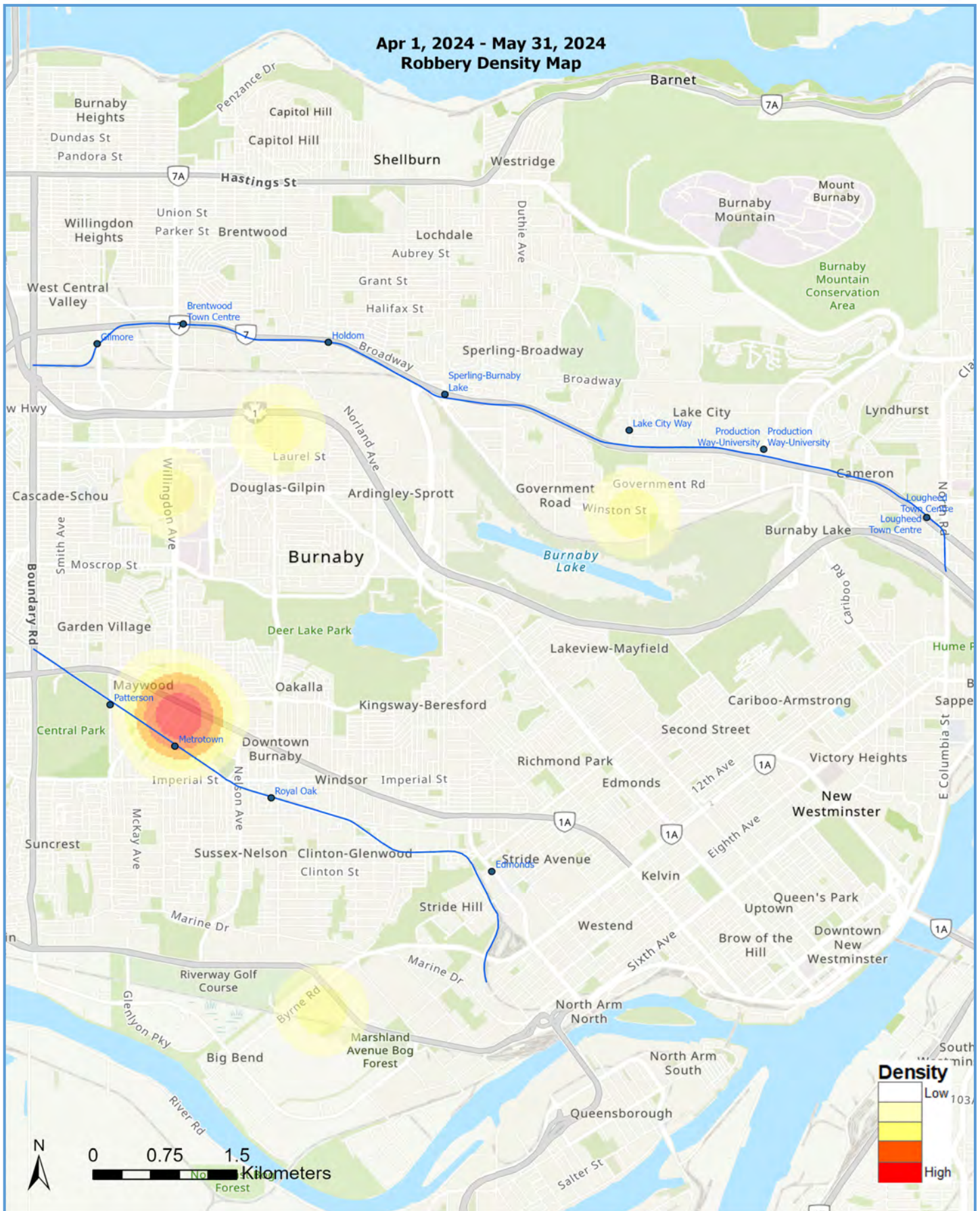
Crime Density Map

Jun 1, 2024 - Jul 31, 2024
Auto Crimes Density Map





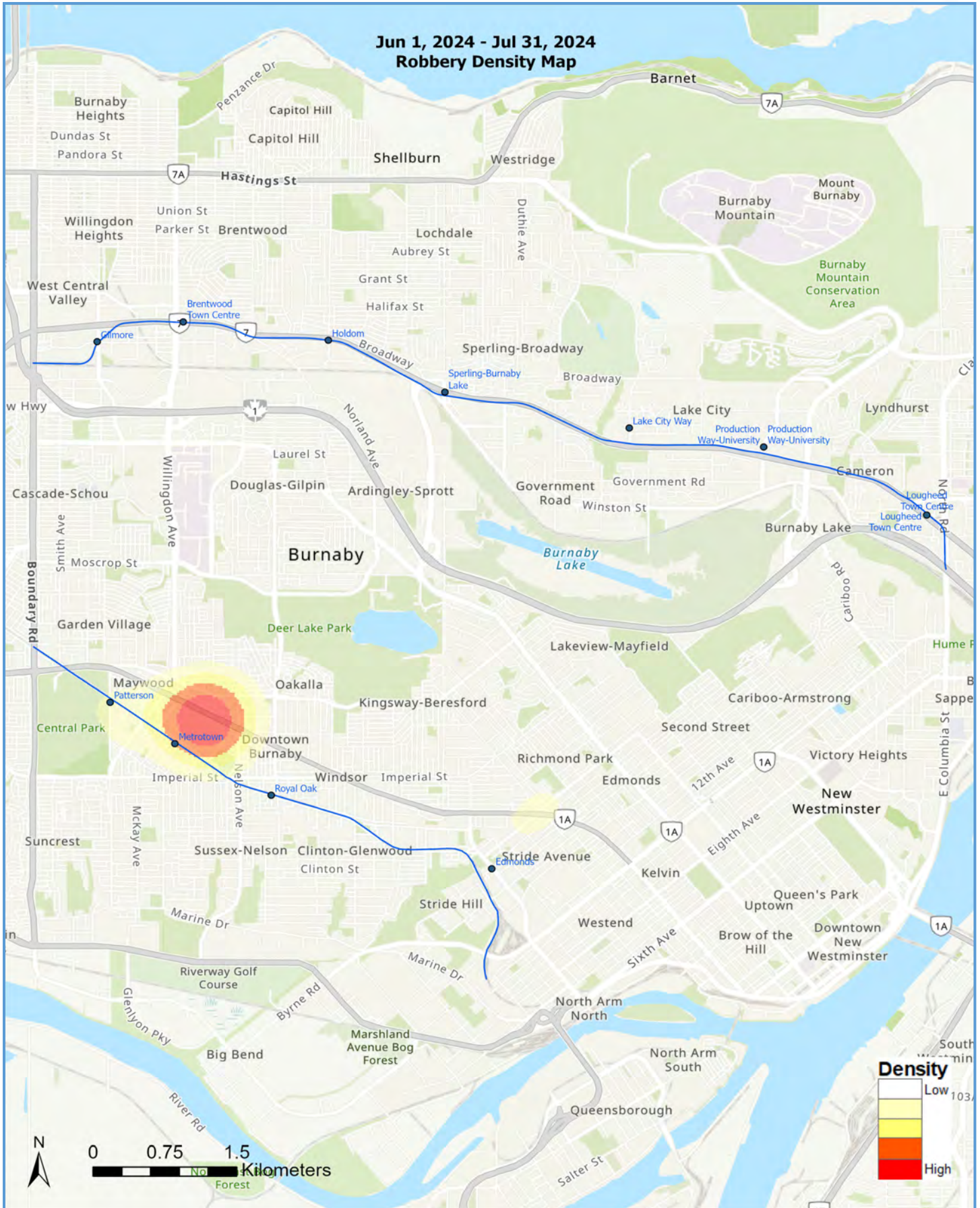
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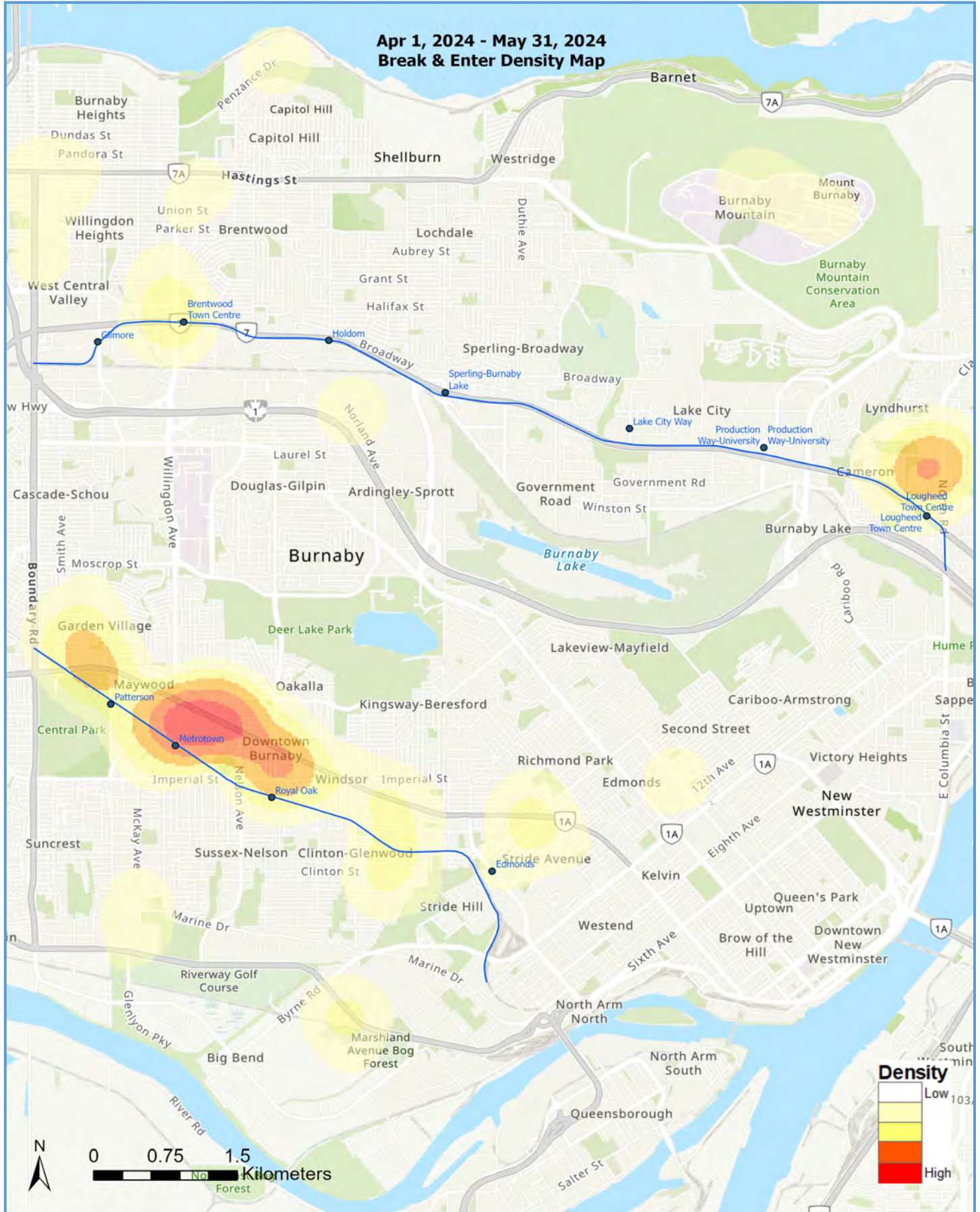
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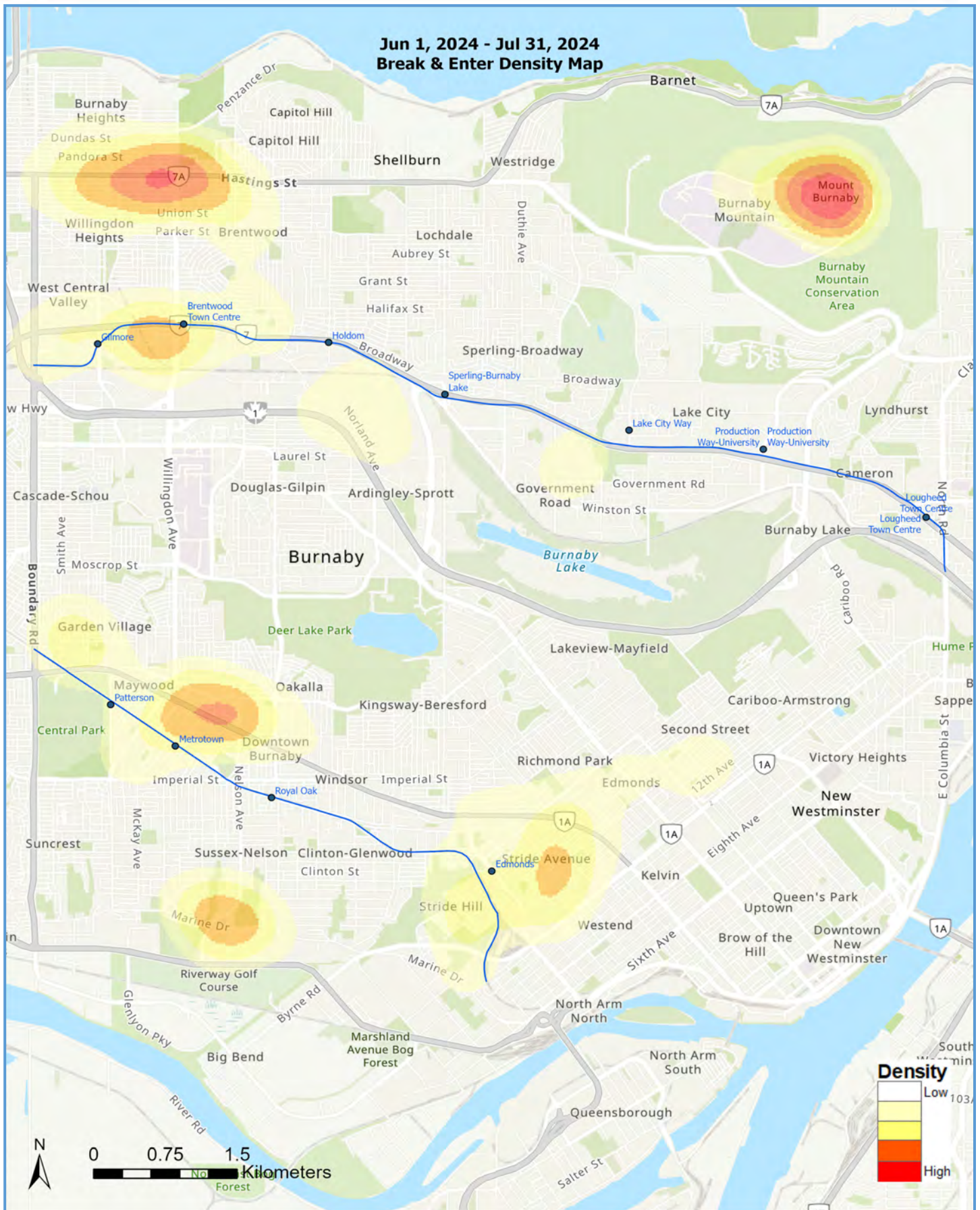


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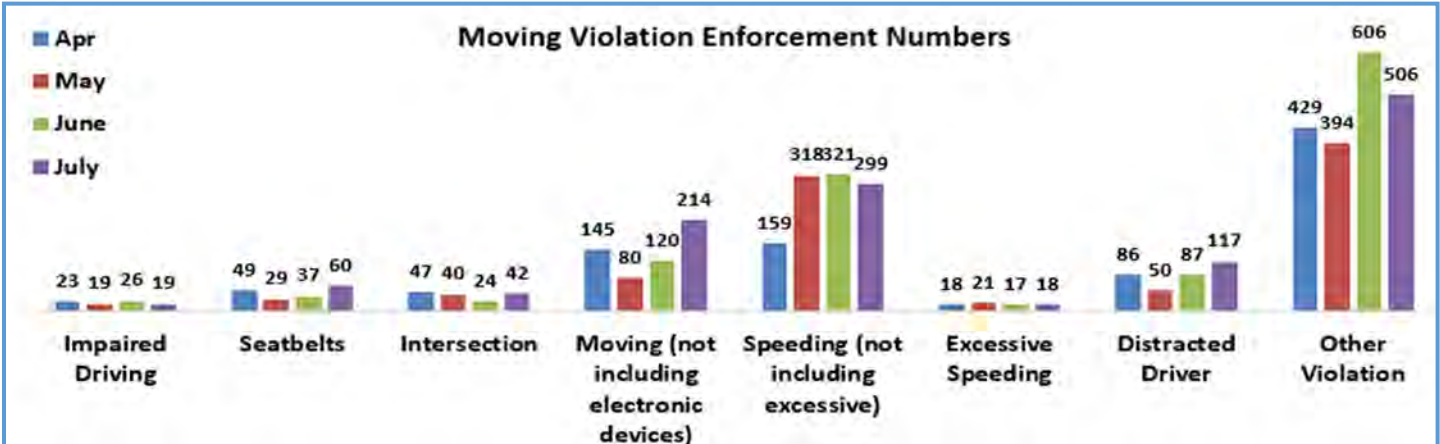


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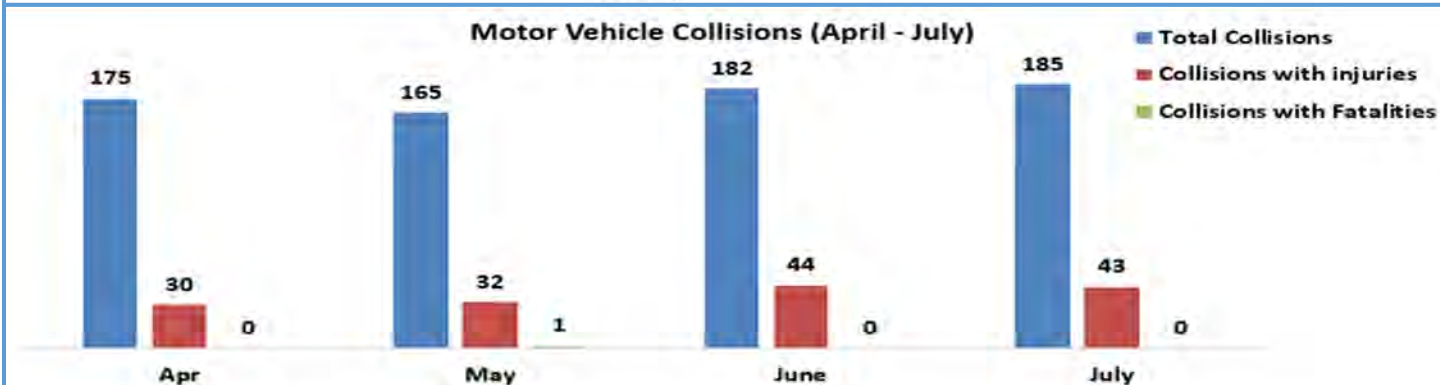
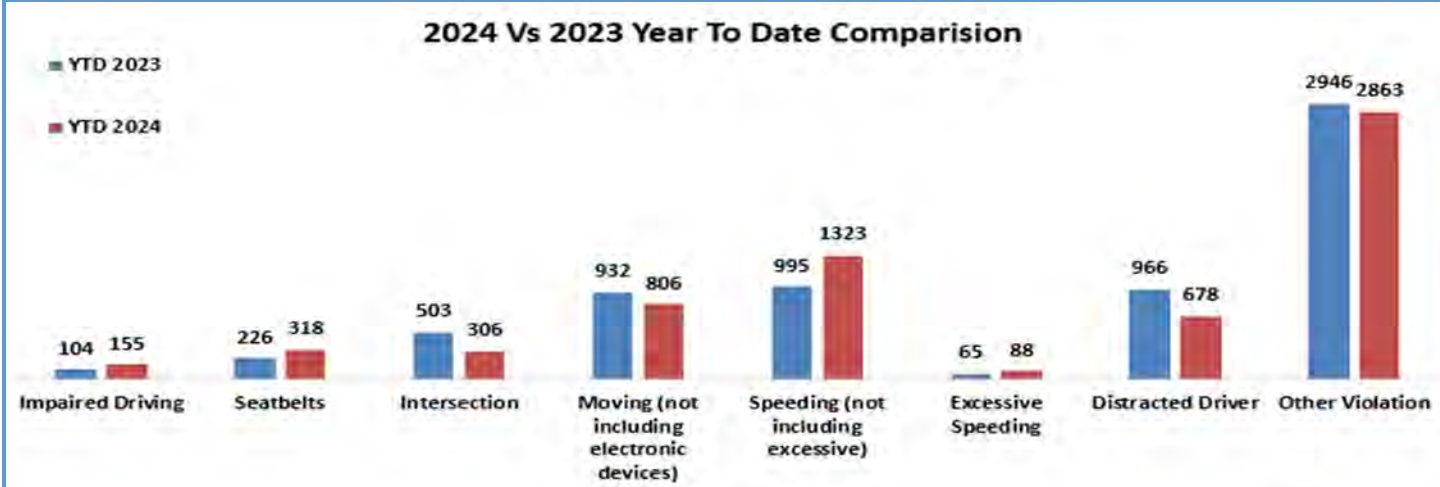


Traffic Services Statistics



Top 5 Violations in the "Other Category" (April - July)

April		May	
Fail to produce DL/Insurance	40	Fail to produce DL/Insurance	53
No DL/operate contrary to class	29	Fail to display L or N sign	25
Fail to display L or N sign	29	No DL/operate contrary to class	22
No Insurance	32	Display and use of number plates	50
Lamps	33	No Insurance	29
June		July	
Fail to produce DL/Insurance	71	Fail to produce DL/Insurance	53
No DL/operate contrary to class	32	Lamps	30
Fail to display Plate	36	Fail to display L or N sign	42
Fail to display L or N sign	56	No DL/operate contrary to class	32
Insecure Cargo	37	Insecure Cargo	36





Traffic Services

During the months of April to July, Traffic Services continued conducting enforcement initiatives in line with the detachment Strategic Plan and Annual Performance Plan (APP). With no designated Provincial Enforcement initiative scheduled for April and May, Traffic officers focused much of their efforts on high risk driving operations including Speeding, Intersection infractions, Impaired Driving and Distracted Driving offences. June and July were designated for Impaired Driving enforcement on the BC Association of Chiefs of Police (BCACP) Provincial Enforcement Calendar. As such, Traffic Services spent a substantial amount of time on this initiative during these two months.

Speeding Enforcement

In April Traffic Services conducted 21 Speed enforcement operations at known locations for high speeds and higher than average excessive speed. At one operation, four (4) excessive speed Violation Tickets (VT) were issued along with 7-day vehicle impoundment. Some notable speeding enforcement operations occurred at the following locations:

Apr 19, Marine Way at Joffre Ave – 15 speeding VTs

Apr 19, Second St. Elementary – 6 speeding VTs

Apr 21, Southridge Dr at Byrne Park Dr – 11 speeding VTs

Apr 28, Royal Oak at Deer Lake Pkwy – 23 speeding VTs

Apr 29, Gaglardi Way at University Dr – 10 speeding including 4 excessive-top speed 133 KM in a 60 zone



In May, Traffic Services conducted 40 planned speed enforcement operations in various locations in Burnaby during which they issued a large number of VTs for speeding including a number of VTs for excessive speed. In June, officers conducted 34 planned speed enforcement operations at locations such as Inlet Dr and Bayview, and Hastings St and Burnaby Mountain Pkwy. A total of 321 VTs were issued to drivers for speeding as well as 17 VTs for excessive speeding. Traffic officers continued with their speeding enforcement in July conducting 34 planned enforcement operations which resulted in numerous VTS being issued to drivers.

Impaired Enforcement

In April, Traffic officers set up four (4) sobriety roadblocks to check drivers for drinking and driving. During these operations over 20 drivers were tested, as a result of which, one (1) 90-day driving prohibition, and a 24-hour suspension notices were issued. In May, the officers set up five (5) sobriety roadblocks on May 17, 18, 20, 26 and 31. The operations resulted in five (5) 90-day prohibition notices and two (2) 24-hour suspension notices being issued. June and July being designated months for impaired enforcement, the officers conducted a higher number of enforcement operations. In June, Traffic officers conducted 15 sobriety roadblocks while in July, 12 checkpoints were set up to check drivers for drinking and driving. As a result of these operations, 13 90-day prohibition notices, three (3) 3-day prohibition notices, one (1) 24-hour and two (2) 12-hour suspension notices were issued to drivers.



Constable Scarecrow Deployment

On April 3, Constable Scarecrow was deployed at the school zones at Suncrest and South Slope Elementary schools. A total of 5 VTs were issued for speeding. In addition, a comment by a flag person in the area suggested that as a result of this operation, the amount of speeding in the area was down dramatically.



Traffic Services

Commercial Vehicle Enforcement (CVE):

During this 4-month period, from April to July, and in line with our on-going Annual Performance Plan commitment, Burnaby Traffic Services conducted numerous CVE operations including many joint enforcement operations with other enforcement agencies. In April, six (6) CVE operations, including four (4) joint operations were conducted which resulted in 109 inspections, 73 trucks being placed out of service and 165 Violation Tickets (VT) being issued to drivers. In May, Traffic officers dedicated eight (8) operations focusing on Commercial Vehicle enforcement and safety including those held from May 14 to 16 which saw the Lower Mainland Commercial Vehicle Enforcement (LMDCVE) group, which includes representatives from agencies across the Lower Mainland, host commercial vehicle enforcement checks in Burnaby, New Westminster, Delta and Surrey as part of the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance's (CVSA) 'International Roadcheck' initiative. These operations resulted in 140 inspections, 79 trucks being placed out of order due to significant safety defects and 140 VTs being issued to drivers. CVE operations continued during June and July. The officers conducted 18 CVE operations, mostly in partnership with other law enforcement agencies, which resulted in 272 inspections, 177 trucks being placed out of service and 503 VTs being issued to drivers. All these CVE operations, including the joint operations, were conducted in various locations in Burnaby.



Intersection and Pedestrian/Cyclist Safety:

High risk driving also includes running red lights, disobeying stop signs and disobeying Traffic Control Devices at or near intersections. These risky driving manoeuvres put pedestrians and other vulnerable road users at risk. Intersection safety in general tends to increase pedestrian safety. In April, Burnaby Traffic conducted nine (9) intersection focused enforcement operations resulting in a number of VTs being issued to drivers. These operations continued into the months of May, June and July. In total of 21 Intersection Safety enforcement operations were conducted at various locations in Burnaby during these three months resulting in 64 VTs being issued to violating drivers.

Distracted Driving Enforcement

In April, Burnaby Traffic Services conducted 12 dedicated distracted driving operations resulting in 86 VTs being issued for using cell phone while operating a vehicle. In May, officers conducted nine (9) such operations, in June, nine (9) operations and in July, another eight (8) Distracted Driving enforcement operations were conducted resulting in a total of 111 violation tickets for mainly using cellphones while driving and a few VTs for other offences were issued.





Investigative Services

Burnaby Gang Enforcement Team (BGET)

During the months of April to July, Burnaby Gang Enforcement Team (BGET) officers continued with their great work of proactive patrols in known crime reach areas, monitoring gang affiliated individuals and conducting criminal investigations which led to seizure of weapons, drugs and other crime related items. Below are some highlights:

Drugs Trafficking / Drugs Seizure

-On April 24, BGET observed a vehicle failing to signal on a left turn. A traffic stop was conducted where the driver was identified and several indicators of drug trafficking were observed. The driver was arrested and BGET located \$1090 CDN cash, 60 dilaudid pills, cellphones, drug scoresheets, and a large bag containing fentanyl, crystal meth, crack and powder cocaine were seized. The file is still under investigation.

-On April 21, BGET observed a vehicle travelling with a burnt-out brake light. A vehicle stop was conducted. The driver had a switchblade knife concealed in his waistband. The officers arrested the driver for Possession of a Concealed Weapon for Dangerous Purpose. A search incidental to arrest yielded a quantity of dilaudid pills and \$8745 CDN cash wrapped in individual bundles in a manner consistent with drug trafficking. A hatchet was located underneath the driver's seat within arms reach. A total of 3 cellphones were located in the vehicle. Cell phone messages were consistent with drug trafficking. The driver was issued with a violation ticket for the traffic offence. The investigation continues.

On May 1, BGET observed a spray-painted vehicle that didn't match the color of the vehicle listed on the police database. A vehicle stop was conducted and it was discovered the driver had a history of violent offences and being involved in the Gang Conflict. A small bag of crystal meth was observed in the vehicle as well, contrary to the CDSA exemption. The driver was arrested for possession of a controlled substance. Furthermore, police located a suspected radio jammer in the glovebox along with a knife. The radio device was determined to be a frequency cloning device to clone car keys, garage door openers, contrary to the Radio Telecommunications Act. The device was seized for further investigation.

On May 25, BGET observed a vehicle conduct an improper lane change contrary to the Motor Vehicle Act. A traffic stop was conducted and the occupants were identified to have been involved in recent incidents of the Gang Conflict. The occupants were shifting in their seats and it was suspected they were attempting to conceal or move something to the rear center console area in the vehicle. Given the circumstances and history of the occupants, an officer safety pat down was conducted. A large amount of methamphetamine was located behind the centre console. Parties were arrested for Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking and 4 Kilos of meth, a hook knife beside the driver seat, 4 cell-phones, approximately \$700 CDN cash were seized. The investigation is ongoing.

On May 15, BGET conducted a vehicle stop for a vehicle with front window tint. The driver had a previous history for being involved in money laundering and organized crime. When he reached into his man purse, large stacks of \$100 and \$20 bills were observed wrapped in elastic bands. The driver was arrested for Possession of Property Obtained by Crime. A search incidental to arrest yielded over \$70,000 in Canadian cash. The bundling of cash was inconsistent with normal banking and money handling practises and it was alleged that it was being delivered to an unidentified client in Burnaby. The file is still under investigation.





Investigative Services

Prolific Offender Suppression Team

The Prolific Offenders Suppression Team (POST) is a specialized investigative unit which focuses on monitoring and investigating property crime repeat offenders. During this report period, POST officers conducted several investigations. Below are the highlights of activities by POST during April to July:

Major Catalytic Converter Theft—Charges approved

Due to the rapid increase in catalytic converter thefts in 2019, the Burnaby RCMP Prolific Offender Suppression Team (POST) entered into a complex investigation into the trafficking of catalytic converters in the Lower Mainland. A mobile metal recycler and tow truck driver in Surrey was identified as a suspect who purchases stolen catalytic converters from numerous property crime offenders. The investigation revealed that the suspect would ship the stolen catalytic converters to a metal recycler in Ohio. Analysis of suspect's banking, business and phone records further revealed that he was paid just shy of 2 million dollars for the sale of approximately 7,240 catalytic converters. After a lengthy investigation, the suspect was arrested on June 1, 2023 and four search warrants were executed on his residence, place of business, industrial yard and associate's residence. During the execution of the warrants, POST recovered a total of 437 catalytic converters and \$219,925.00. Since June 1, 2023 Police and ICBC records have shown a continued decrease in catalytic converter thefts throughout the Lower Mainland. On May 31, 2024, crown counsel approved charges of attempt to possess stolen property over \$5000 and attempt traffic stolen property over \$5000 against the suspect.



Theft from Auto

During July of 2024, numerous thefts from vehicles had occurred on Burnaby's North side. POST assumed conduct of the theft series. Through video canvassing, POST investigators identified the suspect and crime vehicle. The suspect was known to Police having committed a similar crime series 5 years prior. POST investigators identified more than 10 thefts and 7 credit card frauds committed by the same suspect totalling more than \$50,000. On August 16, POST investigators executed a residential search warrant at the suspect's residence in Burnaby where they located crime clothing worn by the suspect during several offences as well as stolen property. The suspect was arrested and his crime vehicle was seized. During a warned statement, the suspect admitted to several of the thefts. He was later released from custody with charges pending.

Theft of E-Scooter

On June 12, 2024 a Burnaby citizen reported his E-Scooter stolen from his residence. The victim then reported on June 25, 2024 that he had located his stolen E-Scooter for sale on Facebook Marketplace. The Prolific Offender Suppression Team (POST) took conduct of the investigation and identified the thief through social media. A search warrant was executed at the suspect's residence where the stolen E-Scooter was recovered. The suspect was arrested, interviewed and released with a court date. The same suspect was responsible for numerous E-Scooter thefts in the Lower Mainland.





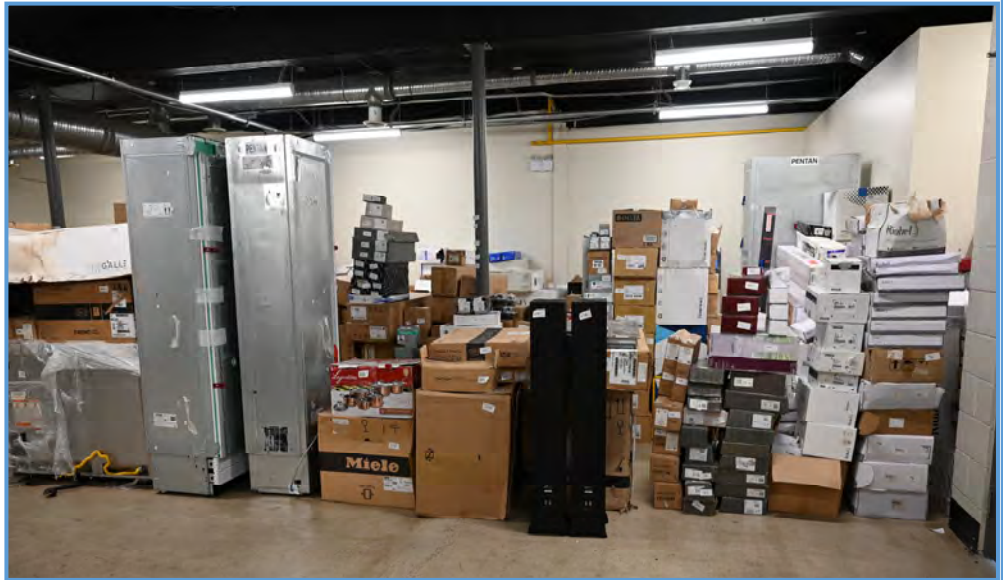
Investigative Services

Strike Force Unit

The Burnaby RCMP Strike Force is a multi-faceted investigative unit which focuses on investigating robberies involving financial institutions and jewelry stores, serial robbery investigations and multi-jurisdictional robberies. As well, the unit is responsible for investigating complex property crime such as serial break & enter offences. Below are the highlights of investigations by Strike Force Unit during April to July:

Serial Break & Enter to Residences under Construction

In September of 2022, Strike Force began investigating a series of Break and Enters into homes under construction where mostly high end appliances were stolen. As a result of their investigation, the investigators identified a suspect they believed responsible for events across the Lower Mainland, including but not limited to, West Vancouver, Burnaby, Coquitlam, White Rock, Delta and Surrey. In early February of 2023 Strike Force executed multiple search warrants



at properties located in Ridge Meadows, Abbotsford and the Kootenays area, resulting in the seizure of over \$350,000 worth of stolen items and arrest of a 44 year old male. Several criminal charges were recommended against the male. On July 10, 2024, the suspect was convicted for three (3) counts of Break & Enter and four (4) counts of Possession of Stolen Property. The accused received an eight-year jail sentence.

Robbery

On July 22, 2024, Burnaby RCMP responded to a robbery with a firearm at the McDonald's near Edmonds. Two suspects approached a youth victim and offered to buy his scooter. When the youth victim declined, one of the suspects displayed the butt of a handgun that was concealed in his waistband. The suspects then took off with the scooter.

Strike Force investigators conducted an investigation resulting in identification of the suspects. A Search Warrant was executed at a residence in Burnaby which resulted in recovery of various articles of crime clothing worn by both suspects. The file is currently under further investigation as the suspects are believed to have committed further Robberies.

Multiple Break & Enters and Theft

Between May 31 to June 5, 2024, Burnaby RCMP responded to multiple calls reporting theft of bike rack, a stolen vehicle, a stolen motorcycle and multiple break and enters. Strike Force Unit assumed conduct of investigation. As a result of a thorough investigation using various police techniques, review of video footage and surveillance assisted police to identify the suspect who resided in Burnaby.



Community Programs

Community Response Team (CRT)

CRT officers continued with their great work conducting proactive and investigative policing during the months of April to July. The following are some examples of files investigated and events attended by the unit during this period:

Major Shoplifting

-April 2024. Burnaby CRT was contacted by Loss Prevention (LPO) at the Home Depot (3950 Henning Dr) in regards to a theft in progress. Police arrested and identified a male and female while recovering stolen items (\$900 value recovered) along with stolen credit cards. Charges recommended for Theft and Possession of Stolen Property.

-April 2024. Burnaby CRT attended a theft in progress at the Lougheed Walmart (9855 Austin Rd). Police located the suspect and arrested him for theft. \$600 in stolen merchandise was recovered. Charges for Theft recommended against the suspect.



Boost and Bust, Anti-shoplifting initiative

-May 2024. Burnaby CRT and Bike Unit along with Metrotown Security and LPOs conducted a Boost & Bust initiative at Metrotown Mall. The enforcement project resulted in generation of 65 files, 28 new charges and the recovery of \$13,941.95 in recovered products. The project was a success and stakeholders were very pleased with the work done by police.

-June 6 & 7, 2024. CRT conducted another Boost & Bust operation at Metrotown to combat high value thefts. 6 arrests were made and \$7394.28 recovered in stolen merchandise. Two prolific offenders were arrested for breach of release orders.



Recovery of stolen vehicle

April 2024. Burnaby CRT observed a stolen grey Honda while conducting targeted enforcement at the 4700 Blk Kingsway Ave. Police conducted covert surveillance and maintained a visual of the stolen Honda while it entered Metrotown. Burnaby CRT engaged the assistance of General Duty and other LMD partners and conducted a coordinated takedown. The stolen Honda attempted to flee and rammed into several police vehicles. Single occupant male was identified and arrested who has a history of drug trafficking and weapon offences. Stolen Honda was recovered & RO notified. Charges recommended for PSP, Assault PO and Breach of UTA.

Arrest on Warrants

-April 2024. Burnaby CRT executed an arrest warrant for sexual assault. Police assisted Vancouver Police and located the male. Male was arrested and transported to Vancouver where he was held in custody in relation to his warrant.

-April 2024. Burnaby CRT stopped a male for riding an electric scooter without the required helmet near the Patterson Skytrain station. Male was identified having an outstanding warrant for FTC. Police arrested the male where he was transported to jail and held for court.

-May 2024. Burnaby CRT observed and recognized two (2) known prolific shoplifters at Metrotown (4700 Kingsway Ave) from retail theft project "PROJECT BARCODE". Checks revealed the female had an outstanding warrant from Vancouver Police. Female was arrested and custody was transferred to VPD.

-May 2024. Burnaby CRT conducted proactive enforcement where a male with an endorsed warrant was located at the 5500 Blk Lougheed Hwy. Male became assaultive and fought with Police but was quickly subdued and taken into custody.

-May 2024. Burnaby CRT conducted foot patrols and located a female pushing past the faregates at Metrotown Skytrain station (4401 Beresford St). Female was identified having a warrant and was subsequently arrested and transported to jail where she was held for court.

-May 2024. Burnaby CRT conducted proactive patrols and located a male smoking contrary to the Burnaby smoking bylaws. The male was identified having a warrant from Vancouver alongside a history of property crime offences. Police arrested the male and met with Vancouver Police where custody of the male was transferred.

-CRT was conducting foot patrols on North Road and observed a male known individual. Queries on the person showed he had an outstanding warrant for fail to comply with undertaking, assault with weapon and uttering threats out of New Westminster. The suspect was arrested, given Charter Rights for the above-mentioned offences and transported to Cells for Court.



Community Programs

Police Mental Health Outreach Team (PMHOT)

The Burnaby RCMP PMHOT officers continued their efforts to support their clients during the months of April to July. Below chart reflects the statistics on the team’s proactive efforts during this report period:

Files actioned	Joint Mental Health Outreach with Fraser Health Nurse	Homeless Camp/Client Outreach	Files Attended by MICR
129	13	94	582

During this report period PMHOT visited numerous vulnerable individuals at homeless camps throughout the City of Burnaby. PMHOT also assisted Burnaby Mental Health with supervised injections for some patients with a violent history. Below examples highlight the files attended to by PMHOT and the Mobile Integrated Crisis Response (MICR).

Mental Health Act

-On May 10, MICR responded to a suicidal male across from the Douglas Shelter. On arrival the male was in a mental health crisis. MICR nurse immediately recognized signs of benzodiazepine/alcohol withdrawal and requested police to notify EHS to attend quickly. Male was refusing medical assistance. The male was apprehended and transported to hospital where he was certified.

-On June 10, MICR responded to a call from the Crisis Line, advising that a male was having thoughts about jumping in front of a vehicle. MICR attended to assess the male. It was determined he was having a bad day, and these type of thoughts were on-going for a year or so. The male eventually calmed down, and was willing to work with the resources that MICR could provide along with agreeing to a safety plan.

Collaboration with partner agencies

On April 24, PMHOT attended Progressive Housing located at 4100 Ledger Street. Progressive Housing was having concerns with unwanted guests at the housing complex and also wished to increase the partnership between Progressive Housing, the Police, and build stronger ties with the community. Strategies were developed for the unwanted guests with Progressive Housing and Police each playing a role. As a result, a monthly meeting between Progressive Housing, the community and the police will take place beginning May 2024 at the Housing Unit Gazebo.

Homeless Encampment/Trespass Act

-On May 8, PMHOT attended 2275 Douglas Road for an unwanted person file. A male had set up camp on a commercial private property. The male was offered resources to which he accepted. He was advised he could not stay on private property. The male advised he would depart the area. PMHOT spoke with the property manager who agreed to give the male some time to move his items. The male was cooperative with police, thanking PMHOT for being respectful and that police had regained his trust given the respectful manner in which he was spoken to. All items were moved by the male who departed the area.

-On June 25, PMHOT attended an encampment located at Lougheed Highway and Lozells Avenue. A known male had set up camp in the area on City Park land. During a site visit, PMHOT located partially buried pieces of plywood with nails sticking out of them. The boards were removed for destruction and the male on site was warned about placing such items in the area.



Community Programs

Burnaby Bike Unit

The Burnaby RCMP Bike unit continued with their patrols in hotspots throughout the City and conducted a number of criminal investigations during this report period. Below are some highlights:

Check Well-Being

-On May 3, Bike Unit officers were conducting proactive traffic enforcement at Dow Ave and Beresford St when they noticed a large plume of black smoke. Members believed there might be a hazardous fire in the area. Upon patrolling the area, officers located a transit bus which was stopped and in flames. Burnaby Fire Department arrived and put out the fire. The bus driver confirmed he got all the passengers off the bus safely with no injuries. Members secured the area and conducted traffic control on the site until no longer required.

-On June 13, Bike Unit officers were conducting patrols in the alleyway behind The Neighbourhood Church at 7135 Walker Ave when they observed an unconscious male was laying on the ground of the church's community garden. Police roused the male who was initially unresponsive. The male was conscious and his well-being was confirmed. Police observed two used needles with drugs residue laying next to him. The male declined EHS, and he returned to the Neighbourhood church where he received support.

-On July 4, Bike Unit officers were patrolling at Metrotown Mall when they were approached by a security guard at the night market event reporting a visually impaired female needing assistance to find her way home via transit system. The female stated she was having difficulty navigating to the closest transit system. Police escorted her to the Metrotown Skytrain station and coordinated with the Skytrain attendant, who stated they would ensure she reached her destination safely.

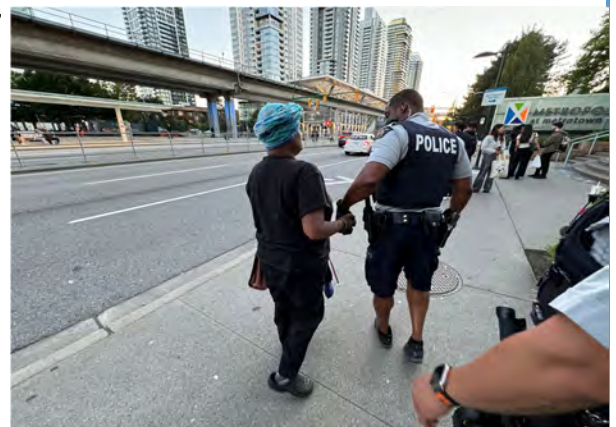
Unendorsed Warrant:

-On April 16, Bike officers on patrol observed a female slumped over on the sidewalk near McKay Ave / Hazel St, with her dog off-leash, running around, contrary to Burnaby bylaws. Members conducted a wellbeing check of the female and found her to be conscious, coherent and in no need of police assistance. However, Police checks revealed that the female had an outstanding warrant. Subsequently, the officers arrested the female and transported her to Burnaby Cells. SPCA assisted with the dog until the warrant was executed.

-On June 19, Bike officers were conducting patrols at the Metrotown Centre performing targeted enforcement around the Dolphin fountain, an area known for high criminal activity. Police observed two males within the common area smoking cigarettes. Police spoke with the males, and both parties voluntarily provided their personal details. Police checks confirmed both males had extensive negative contacts with police. One of the males was found to have an outstanding warrant. He was arrested and transported to Cells.

Community Engagement

On May 25, Burnaby Bike Unit assisted with the Laurel Street works yard opening and community festivities. They set up tents and displayed their equipment, stickers and tattoos for the kids. They interacted with community members. The Bike unit put on cycling displays and skills and showed the kids how to be safe on their bikes.





Community Programs

Burnaby Youth Section

Youth Section officers continued with their proactive policing as well as criminal investigations during the months of April to July. The table (right) provides the statistics on the unit's activities during this report period:

Choose Your Ride events

There was lots going on during the month of May for Burnaby RCMP Youth Section. Not only did they attend 30 calls for service at schools, they managed to host 6 Choose Your Ride events at some of the local high schools. Choose Your Ride promotes good decision making during the high school graduation season, which includes an anti-drinking and driving component.

Youth officers were present in Red Serge at graduation ceremonies held at Burnaby High Schools to congratulate and support the graduating students.



June marked the end of the regular school year and kept Youth Section Officer busy with attendance requests from various schools. Whether it was to attend to a year-end picnic at Cascade



Heights Elementary, a grade 7 graduation ceremony at Morley Elementary or on a more serious note, to talk about personal and traffic safety at Chaffey-Burke Elementary.

July marked the beginning of Summer Session at many Burnaby High Schools and Elementary Schools. The Summer Sessions attracted students from Burnaby and the neighbouring communities of Coquitlam and New Westminster. This resulted in 10 calls for service at local schools. Youth Officers continued to reach out to at-risk-youth to ensure their well being over the summer school break. Youth Officer spent time conducting community outreach by attending youth focussed events such as the BC Youth Lacrosse Tournament, Edmonds Community School Summer Camp and hosting the very popular Burnaby RCMP Soccer Camp.

Months of April-July	Total
Calls for Service (mandate)	95
Assist Frontline Files	21
Assist Other (not Frontline)	17
Meet with At Risk Youth	65
Pro-Active School Visit	124
Curfew Checks	1
Internet Safety Presentations	0
School Presentation Other	12
Traffic Enforcement/School Zones	31
Foot Patrols	3
Community Partner Engagement	33



In April, Youth Section Officers set up an information booth at Metropolis at Metrotown Mall to promote RCMP policing career



Community Programs

Crime Prevention

Burnaby RCMP Crime Prevention/Victim Services Unit is the primary unit to coordinate the detachment's outreach activities with community groups. Members in this unit often work with other units at the detachment to attend various community events to interact with the public, promote recruitment, provide awareness sessions and etc. Below are some highlights of the unit's outreach activities during the months of April to July:

May 14-19, Police Week

Police Week is a way for police to connect with their communities and increase awareness about the services they provide. Community policing is at the heart of Police Week, as it's an opportunity for police and community members to get to know each other. This year we attended four different locations throughout the week.

- Day 1 Northgate Village Shopping Centre
- Day 2 Highgate Village Shopping Centre
- Day 3 Solo District Shopping
- Day 4 Metropolis Shopping Center



EID Festival (End of Ramadan Celebration)

Burnaby RCMP were invited to participate in the Eid Festival which took place June 17, at Swangard Stadium. E Division recruiting Unit also attended and shared a booth with Burnaby RCMP members



Scandinavian Mid Summer Festival

Burnaby RCMP members were invited to attend the annual Scandinavian Mid Summer Festival which was held on June 22 & 23 at the Scandinavian Centre. Members attended for both days of the festival, set up a booth and had many friendly interactions with attendees at the event.





Community Programs

Crime Prevention (Continued)

Pinoy Festival, June 22

Members of the Community Response Team (CRT) from District 4 office attended the 2024 Pinoy Festival which was held at Swangard Stadium. Some of the officers attended the event in Red Serge. Police set up a booth and conducted many friendly interactions with people at the event.



Canada Day Celebration at Ismaili Centre – Strength through Diversity

Burnaby RCMP were invited to participate in Celebrating Canada – Strength Through Diversity event at the Ismaili Centre. Burnaby RCMP set up a Community Programs booth where members interacted with attendees and provided information on recruiting questions to join the RCMP and for the Auxiliary Constable Program. Several members of the detachment senior management team, including the OIC, attended the event as well.



Fiji Festival, July 13, Swangard Stadium

Burnaby RCMP members were invited to attend the Fiji Festival held at Swangard Stadium on July 13. The members attended the event in red serge, and assisted with the opening ceremony by marching along with the dignitaries onto the stage for the Yagona ceremony and National Anthem.

Edmonds World Party Multicultural Event, July 13, Edmonds Park

Burnaby RCMP were invited to participate in the first Edmonds World Party Multicultural Event organized by the Alegria Soy Cultural and Community Society. Members set up a Community Programs booth and had friendly interaction with attendees including many youths. Members provided information on the recruiting process and made connections with the community.



Community Programs

Youth Services Unit

Counselling and restorative justice programs at Youth Services received 40 appropriate referrals during the months of April, May, June and July. There were 20 counselling and 20 restorative justice referrals.

Some of the reasons for referrals to the restorative justice and counselling programs are as the following:

- Bullying/ Harassment
- Parent-Teen Conflict
- Assault
- Mood Disorders
- Anxiety Disorders
- Addictive Behaviours
- Shoplifting/ Robbery
- Trauma- Related Disorders

During the aforementioned months, both new and existing clients have been actively engaged in their care plans and intervention plans supported by therapists. These children, youth and their parents got therapy, psycho-education and case-management through which clients were referred to some other services in the community as well.



The detachment Restorative Justice coordinator is conducting a mock RJ Circle for a group of employees to explain the process

Restorative justice team members were fully engaged in offering intervention circles for files referred to Youth Services by the RCMP as well as intervention and prevention circles at schools within the Burnaby School District catchment promoting healthy relationships while targeting issues in the following areas:

- Racism
- Bullying/ Harassment
- Name calling

Through collaboration of counselling and restorative justice program staff, some of the clients got services in both areas, following thorough needs analysis and assessments, while also engaging their parents and/ or school support teams. This has happened through team consultations and case sharing meetings within the Youth Services Unit and under clinical supervision.



Community Programs

Victim Services Unit (VSU)

The Burnaby RCMP Victim Services Unit continued their great work during the months of April to July, providing support to those in need. VSU consists of 13 active auxiliary workers, 3 full time caseworkers, an assistant coordinator and program coordinator. Victim Services attends a variety of in-office and after-hours crisis callouts.

During this report period, a total of 669 files were created, staff members attended 119 callouts supporting 199 clients, for a total of 188 hours of immediate crisis support. The type of callouts our program attended during this reporting period were adult/youth/child sexual assault; Intimate Partner Violence; Sudden Death; Sudden Death Overdose; Motor Vehicle Incidents, Assault; Breach/Harassment; NOK & Mental Health.

During this report period, VSU staff attended various meetings at the detachment and in the community in support of operational and non-operational tasks. These meetings and training sessions included:

- Records Management Training – City of Burnaby
- Meeting with community representatives & Vancouver Court Support to receive Thank You card. Discussed Criminal Justice System, Corrections Canada and the impact this crime had on the community.
- Indigenous Awareness course – Online course
- Leading from the Front Lines – City of Burnaby
- Bi-monthly meeting with Vancouver Court Support
- City of Burnaby Customer Service Training
- Modernization of RCMP Conduct Measures Presentation
- Western Conference on Safety

Resources Update

The Victim Services unit has filled two of the three full-time positions and are awaiting the Security Clearance for the third employee.



Community Thank You Card presented to VS staff

Community Events

Police Week – Staff attended outside of all four Community Police Offices throughout the week to meet with citizens.

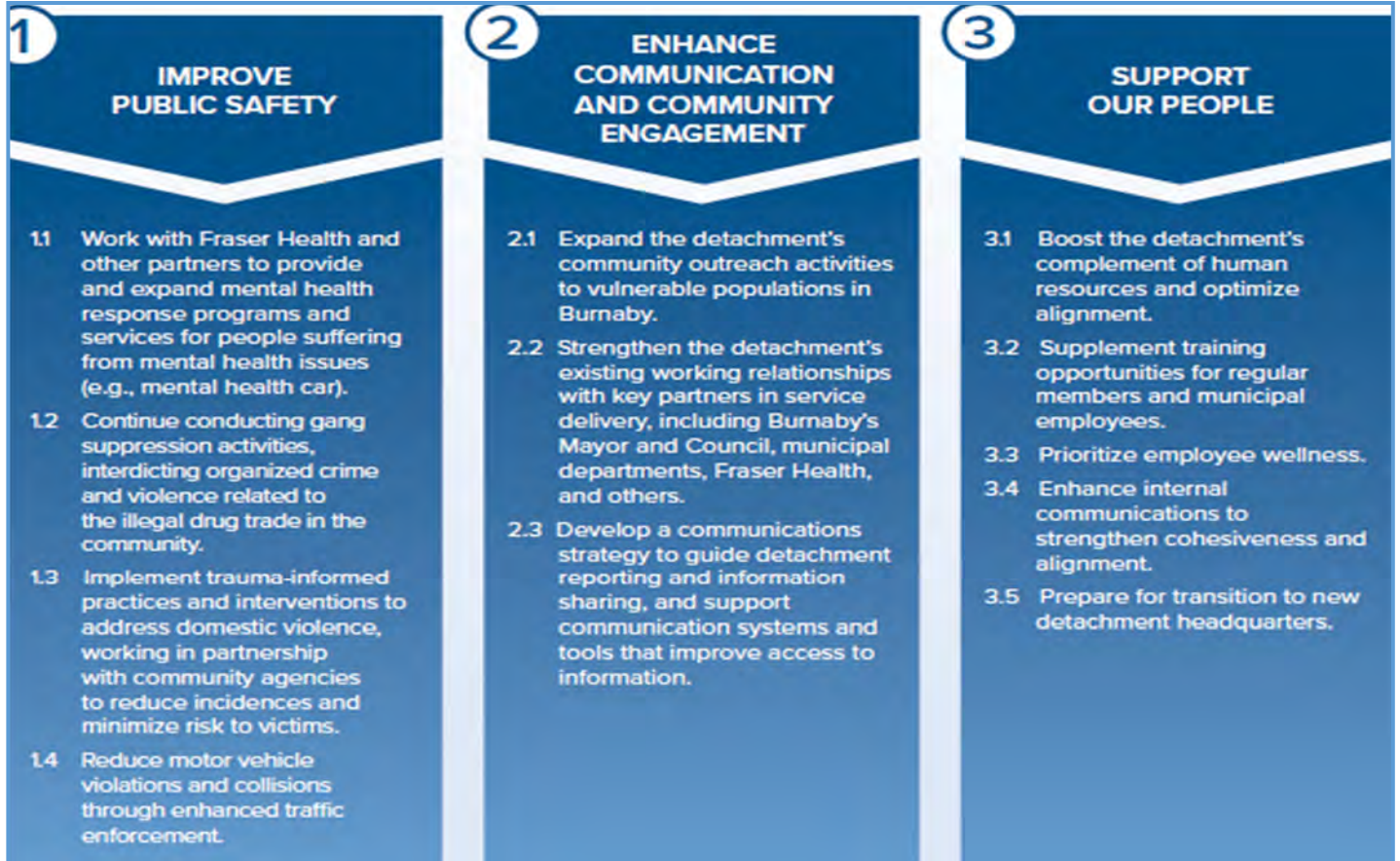
Victims of Crime Week – Victim Services and Restorative Justice set up a Kiosk at Metrotown. They engaged with the public to discuss what resources and supports both programs are able to provide.





Strategic Plan Update

Burnaby RCMP Detachment Strategic Plan, 2023 - 2026, at a glance



Strategic Priority 1: Improve Public Safety

Our Police Mental Health Outreach Team (PMHOT) continued actively collaborating with their partner agencies to provide support for their clients affected by homelessness and/or mental health issues. PMHOT officers conducted 94 homeless encampments visits with the City of Burnaby and homelessness agencies. As well, the team attended 13 joint outreach visits of individuals with mental health issues with a Fraser Health Mental Health nurse. The MICR (Car L67) was on duty everyday, from 10:00-22:00, attending to calls for service related to Mental Health issues. MICR attended close to 600 calls during this report period.

Our Prolific Offender Suppression Team (POST) investigators were busy investigating several high profile property crime files during this report period. The team took on a complex Theft from Auto investigation involving several separate incidents of theft from vehicles and credit card frauds committed by the same suspect totalling more than \$50,000. The suspect was identified, arrested and charged for several criminal offences.

Our Gang Enforcement Team continued with their targeted and proactive policing during this period. BGET investigators conducted several investigations which resulted in seizure of a quantity of illegal drugs pre-packaged for sale, crime vehicle, cell phones, cash and weapons. In one of the cases, BGET stopped a vehicle for erratic driving and ended up seizing four (4) kilos of methamphetamine which was concealed in the vehicle.

Our Traffic section continued with their enforcement initiatives during this period. In line with our detachment's Annual Performance Plan, Traffic officers conducted various initiatives to discourage risky driving habits by drivers on Burnaby roads. Numerous Speeding enforcement, Sobriety roadblocks, Distracted Driving enforcement, Commercial Vehicle checks and Intersection Safety enforcement operations were conducted during this period to help increasing road safety in Burnaby.



Strategic Plan Update

Strategic Priority #2: Enhance Communication and Community Engagement

Burnaby RCMP PMHOT officers continued with proactive engagement with their partner agencies and support groups in the community in order to provide the needed service to the vulnerable people more effectively. Some of the collaborative work with other agencies included their attendance at Progressive Housing located at 4100 Ledger St in April to discuss their concern regarding unwanted guests at the housing complex. This meeting resulted in an agreement to hold monthly meetings to have a more effective partnership in the future. More details are provided on PMHOT collaborative activities on page 19.

Youth Section continued with their proactive policing engaging youths at schools and in the community. They ran six (6) Choose Your Ride events at various high schools in May and June to provide awareness to grade 12 students regarding drinking and driving. Youth officers, similar to previous years, attended graduation ceremonies in Red Serge in support of the graduating high school students. As well, Youth Section officers took the lead in holding the annual Youth Soccer Camp in July and August.

As part of the detachment's community outreach efforts, detachment staff members, including senior management team, attended several public events. To provide some examples; In April, May and June, a member of the detachment senior management team helped members of Squamish Nation and other partners to plan the canoe journey in summer. As well, the member took part in the Red Dress day ceremony held by Squamish Nation. In May, during the Police Week, detachment employees set up booth in various locations in the community and engaged with members of the public towards providing awareness and improving relationship with community groups. In June, a number of members, including members of senior management team, attended the Hats Off Day event to celebrate the occasion in support of local businesses and to engage with community members. In July, a large number of members attended at several Canada Day celebrations throughout Burnaby to celebrate the events with people.

Burnaby RCMP issued 26 news releases and 70 social media posts during this four-month reporting period. In April, the communications team published a news release that included a suspect sketch after a senior was sexually assaulted in Central Park, seeking the public's assistance in identifying the suspect. In July, they published a release on the extreme heat, as per their extreme heat response plan. The release and related social media posts provided the public with tips on how to stay safe during the heat and where the local cooling centres in Burnaby were located. There were additional social media posts highlighting the pro-active patrols RCMP officers in Burnaby were doing to ensure vulnerable persons were informed. Also, in July, the communications team updated the public on the annual Burnaby RCMP Soccer Camp, with 60 local youth in attendance. This was the first of three soccer camps planned for the summer. Burnaby RCMP Communications Team manages Facebook and X accounts, one account for both official languages. During this reporting period their social media posted traffic advisories, road safety check stats, events such as the Bubble Tea Festival and the Ismaili Centre's Diversity Event, pro-active patrols of the Bike Section and asking the public to assist in identifying a found drone, to name a few.

Strategic Priority #3: Support our People

During the months of April to July, the detachment Wellness activities continued. These activities included: Continuous messaging to all employees through OIC Weekly emails to inform everyone on current issues; communication to employees using Infoweb, continuous use of email and reader boards to provide information to employees and attendance of food trucks at the Detachment regularly to provide food and an opportunity for staff to meet socially outside and during lunch. In May, the detachment held its OIC Award ceremony, during which a number of employees were honoured with this award in appreciation of their hard work and dedication. In July, the detachment employees were invited to take part in a staff & family picnic held by the City of Burnaby.

The City of Burnaby Community Safety Building is well into detailed design. Using the Integrated Project Delivery method, bulk excavation and shoring is occurring concurrently with design and will be ongoing for the next few months. One notable milestone that has occurred was the Groundbreaking ceremony that was held at the end of June this year. The ceremony was held on the construction site and a number of City Officials attended as well as staff from the detachment.

Training Section offered several discretionary training sessions that were a combination of Roll Call, Workshops, presentations and New Member Training sessions. Training Section continued sending members through their mandatory trainings bringing the compliance rate on Annual Firearm Qualification to around 80% and on Operational Skills training to 85%. The set goals are exceeded for the fiscal year.



Report Crime Online!

The Burnaby RCMP Online Crime Reporting, launched around mid 2020, continues being used by members of the public. The online reporting makes it easier for people to file some of their non-emergency complaints through the online reporting. This initiative provides our frontline officers with more time to respond to higher priority calls that require police officer attendance. An online crime report can be completed through our website at Burnaby.rcmp.ca or through the City of Burnaby website online services at <https://www.burnaby.ca/Online-Services.html>.

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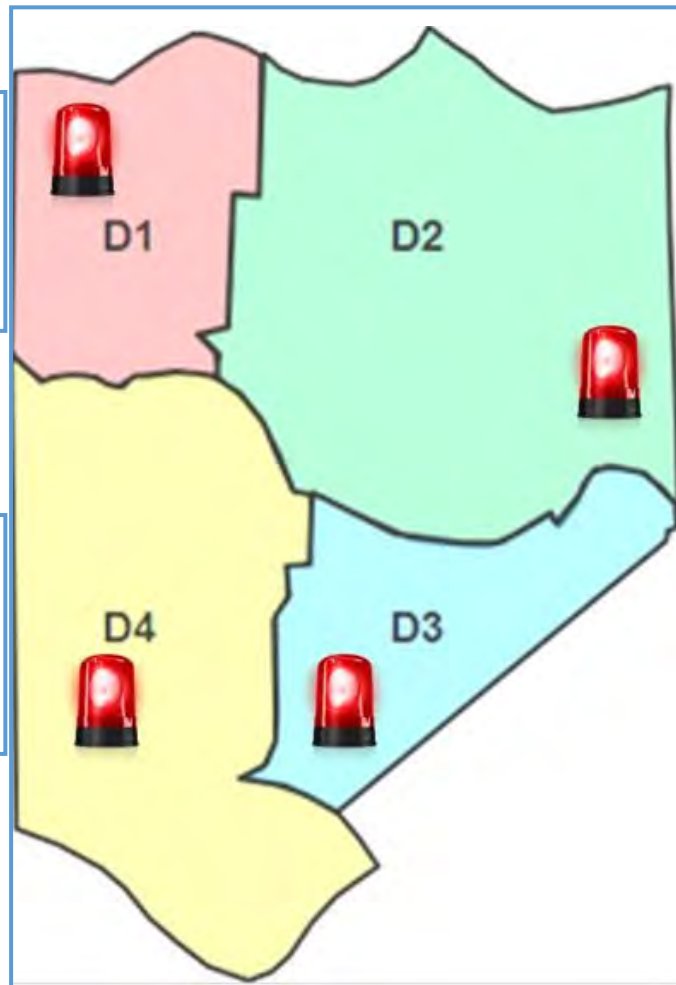
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