

# BURNABY RCMP PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

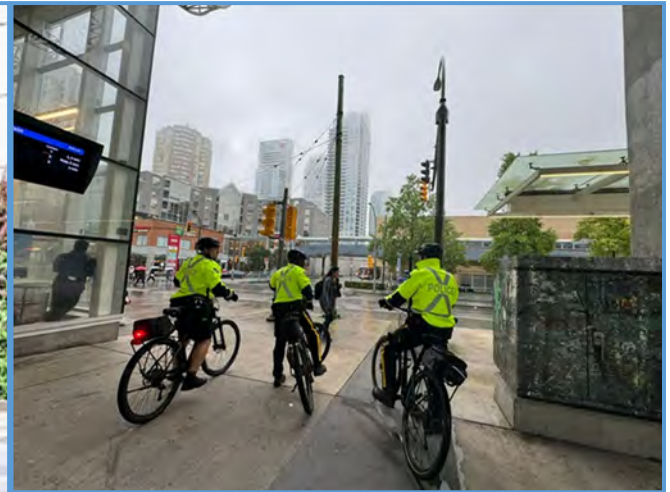
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*Partners for a Safe Community*

AUG-SEP 2024



Constable Scarecrow on duty at Halifax/Willingdon intersection on Aug 4 working hard to keep drivers from using their cell phones



Bike officers on patrol



The Cops for Cancer – Tour de Coast riders stopped in Burnaby on Sep 19. Sgt. Neil Jones represent the detachment in this fundraising event





# Message from the Chief



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

The summer months of August and September were busy time for Burnaby RCMP staff, with employees responding to calls for service as well as attending community events across Burnaby during the busy summer season, allowing them to connect with the public and have positive interactions with our community.

Our Traffic Services officers continued enforcement initiatives focused on high-risk driving and enhancing road safety in Burnaby. In line with our detachment Annual Performance Plan, Traffic Services conducted numerous impaired driving road-blocks, speeding, distracted driving and other traffic violation enforcement. With the start of school year in September, Traffic officers partnered with the Youth Section and conducted extra enforcement operations in the school zones to improve road safety around our schools.

Our Drugs and Organized Crime Section (DOCS) completed two long and complex investigations resulting in seizure of a large quantity of various illegal drugs. In August, the investigators executed two search warrants at residences in Surrey and Coquitlam in relation to a Burnaby drug trafficking organization, resulting in approximately 10,000 Hydromorphone pills, over a kilogram of cocaine and over \$80,000 cash being seized. In September, DOCS executed three search warrants in Burnaby, Surrey and Langley which led to discovery and dismantling of a fentanyl producing clandestine lab and seizure of approximately eight kilograms of fentanyl.

Our Gang Enforcement Team officers continued their efforts to disrupt and deter gang activities in our community. In August and September, 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 seizure of various pre-packaged illegal drugs ready for distribution, contraband tobacco, crime vehicle and large amounts of cash.

Our Prolific Offender Suppression Team (POST) conducted several complex investigations during this period. In September, POST investigated a series of break & enter and theft targeting apartment buildings which resulted in the identification of a suspect and execution of a search warrant to his residence where numerous stolen items and some crime clothes were discovered and seized.

Our Community Response Team (CRT) continued with their crime reduction strategies during this report period. The unit conducted a Boost and Bust operation in early August focusing on two retail stores in Metrotown which had been targeted by prolific shoplifters recently. During the 2-hour operation, investigators made 3 arrests and recovered more than \$5400 worth of stolen merchandise.

The detachment's Police Mental Health Outreach Team (PMHOT) continued with its regular work of providing support to the vulnerable people in our community through collaborative efforts with our partner agencies. 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 220 calls during the months of August and September.

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 21 and 22 of this report.

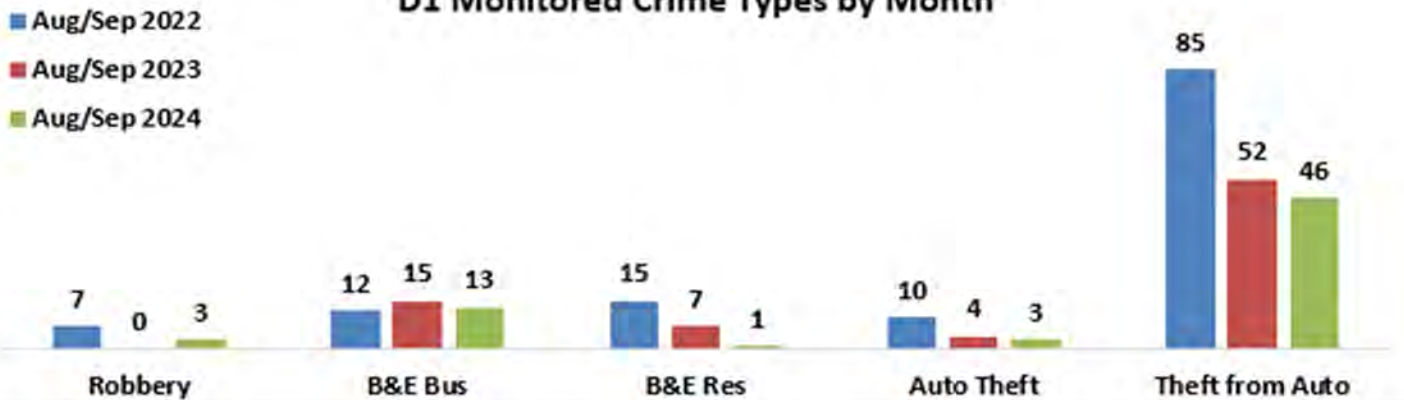
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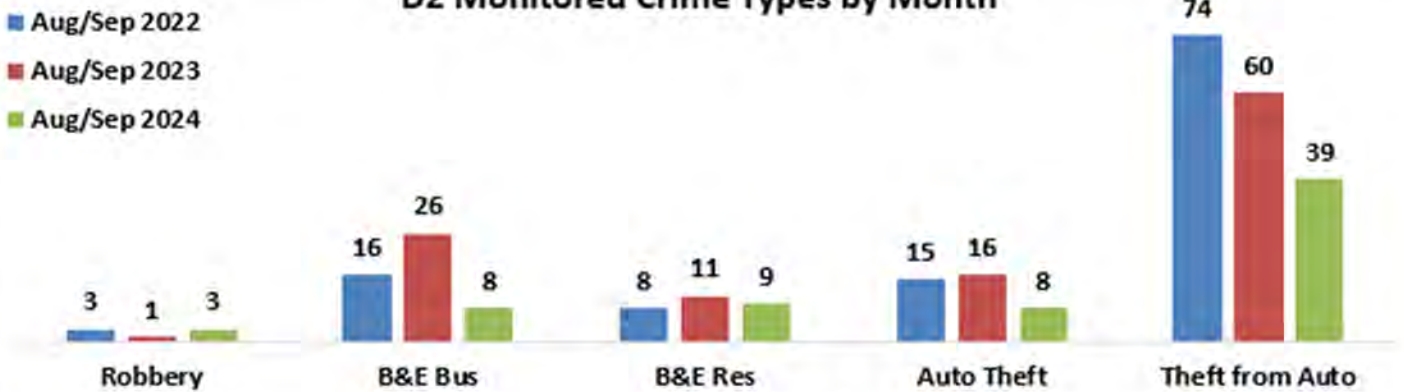


# Crime Reduction Stats by Month

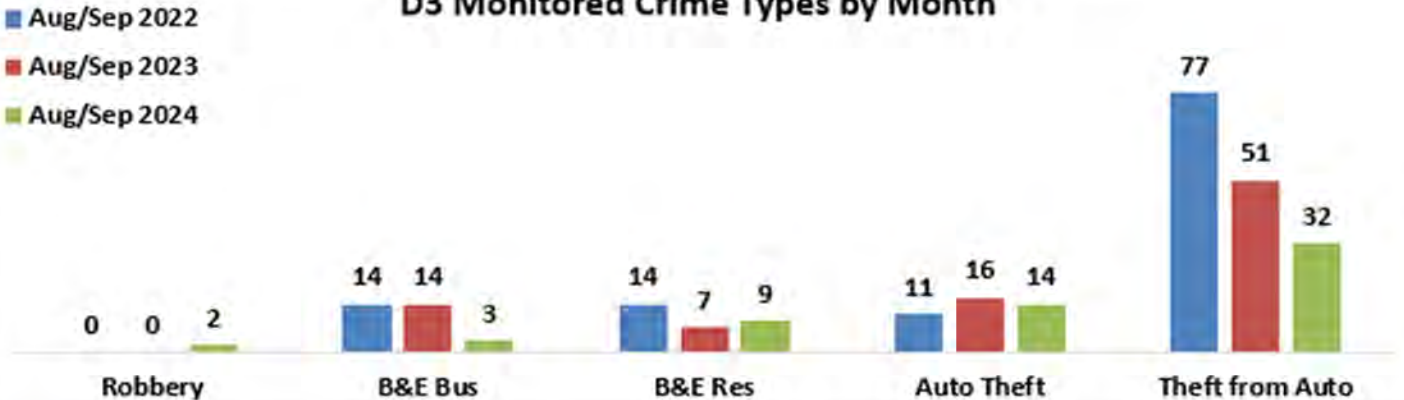
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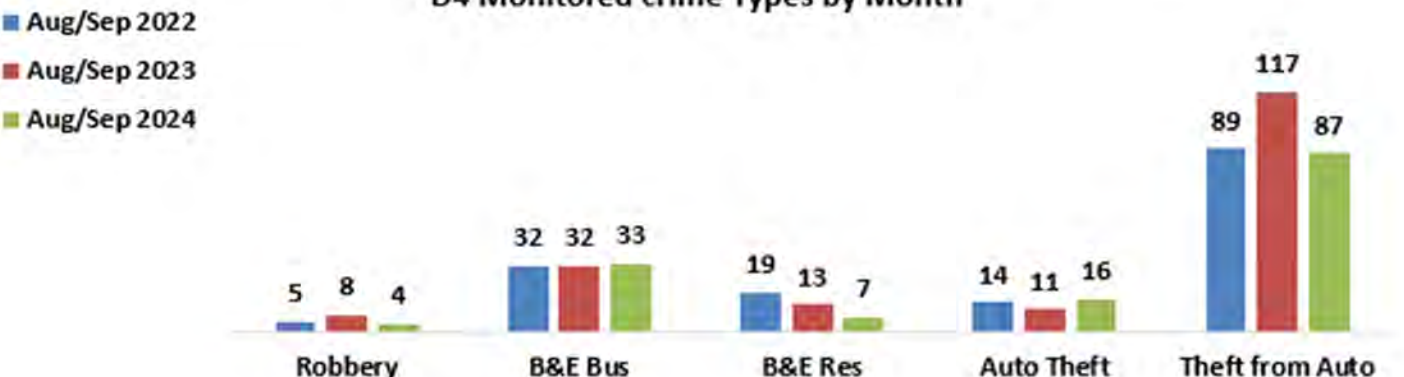
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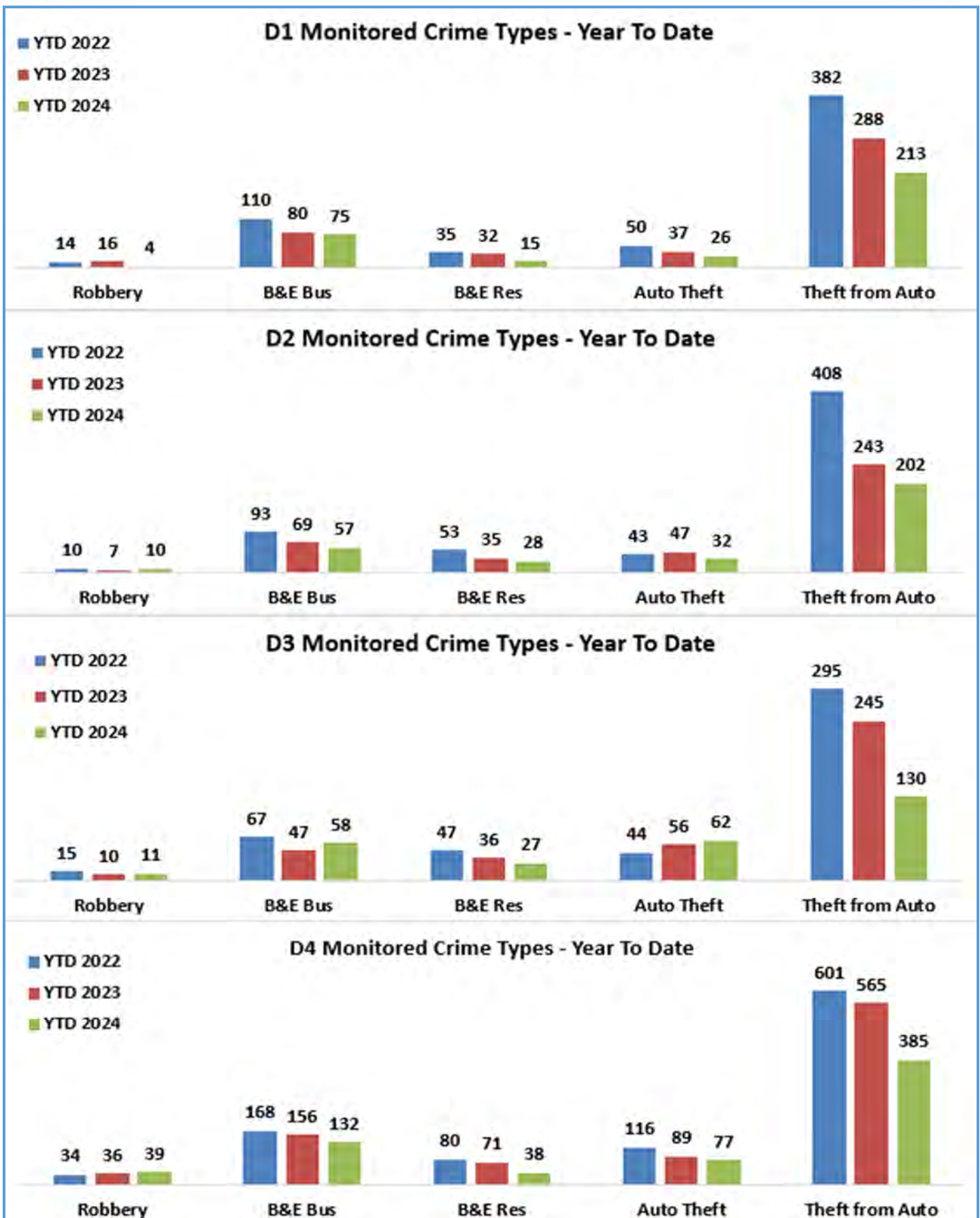


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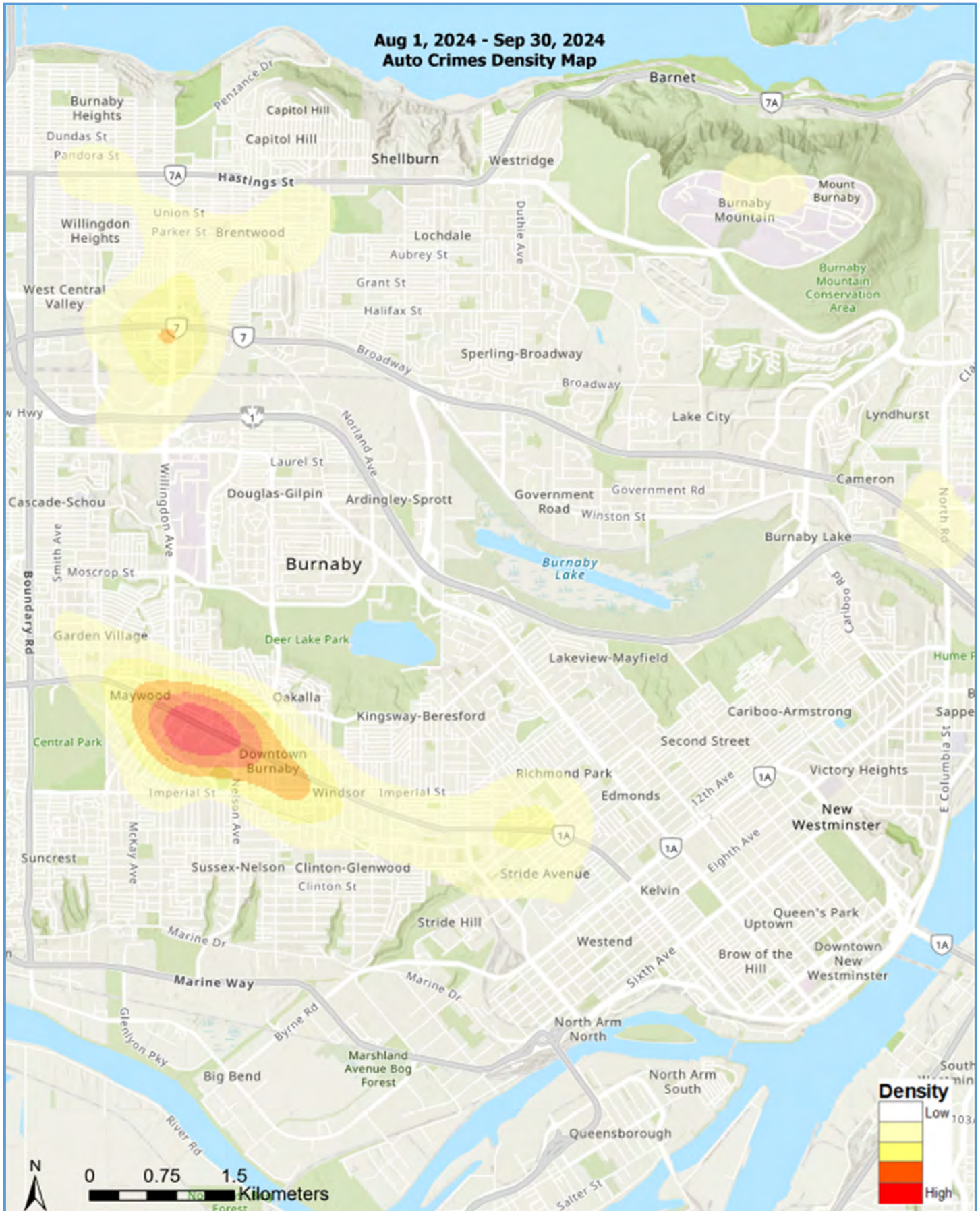
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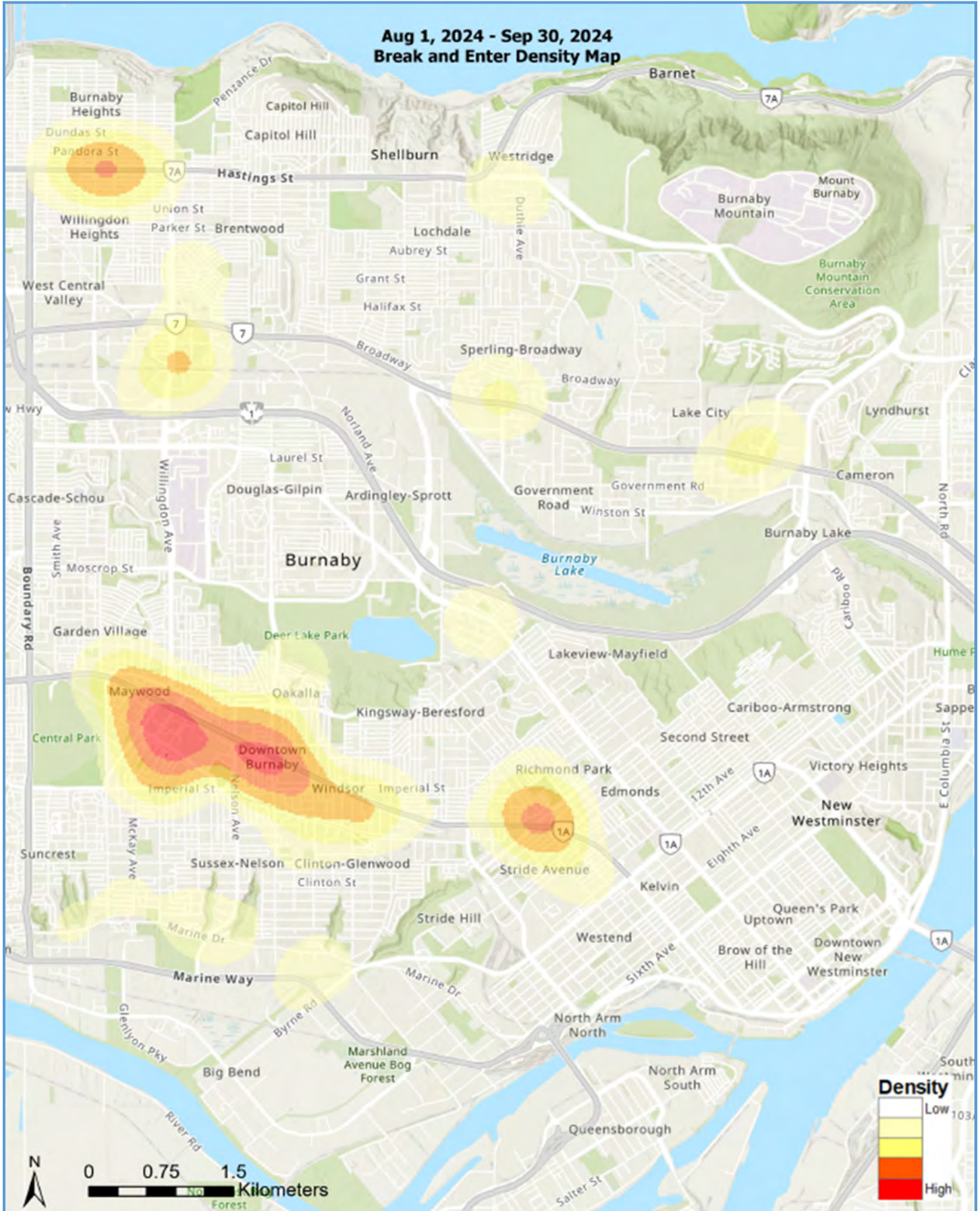
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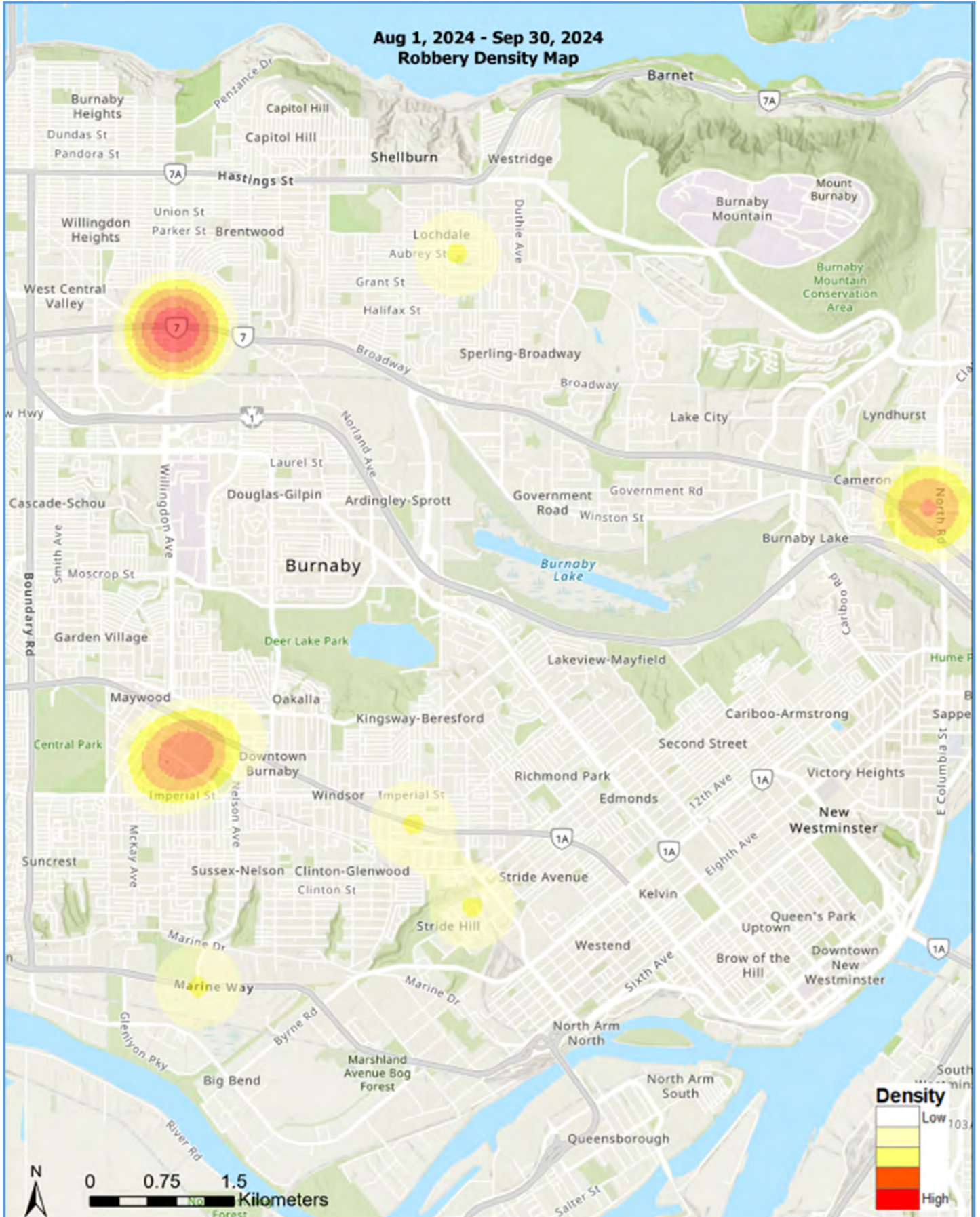
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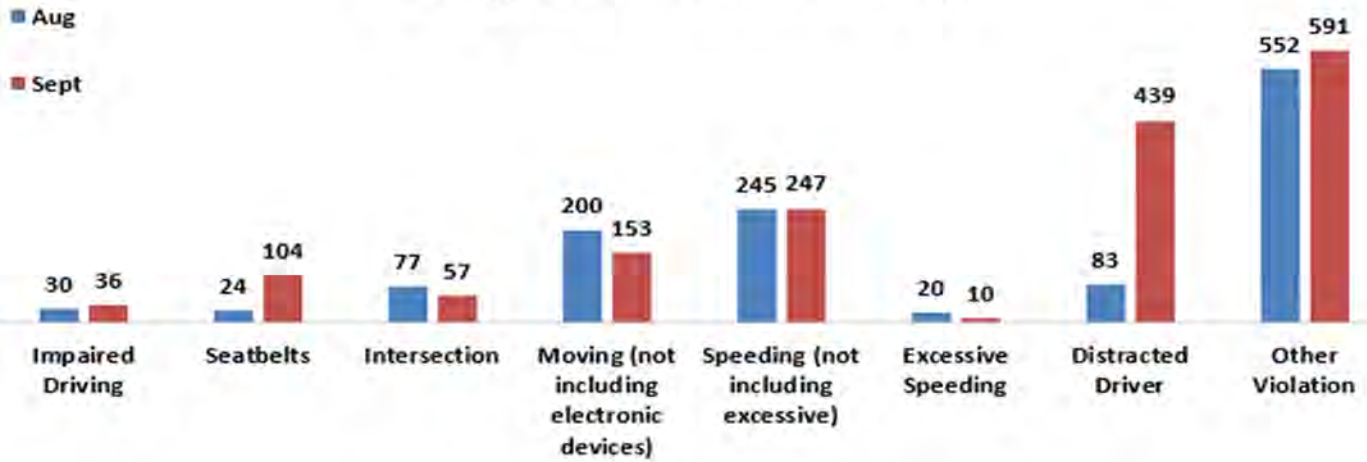
# Crime Density Map





# Traffic Services Statistics

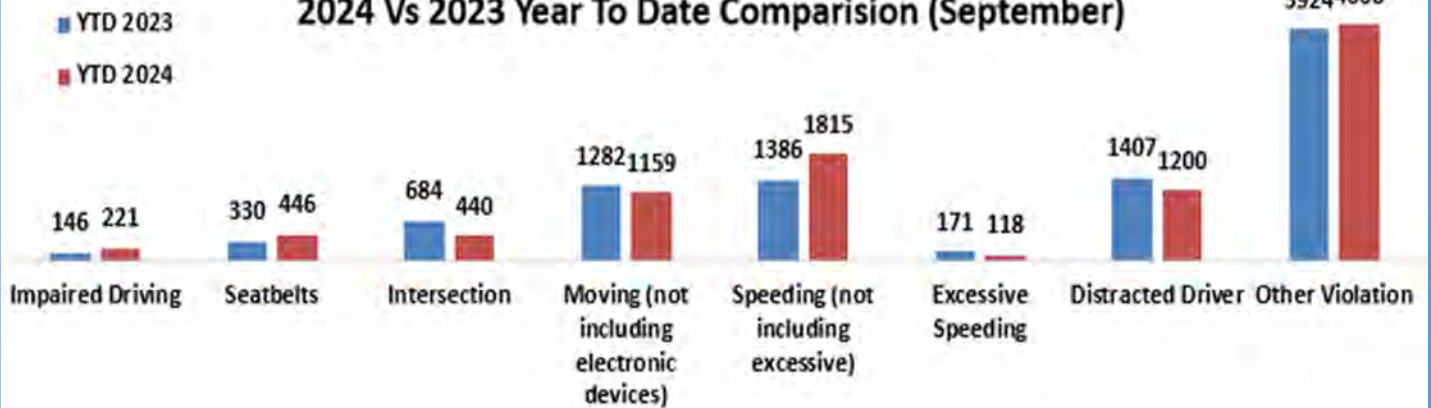
### Moving Violation Enforcement Numbers



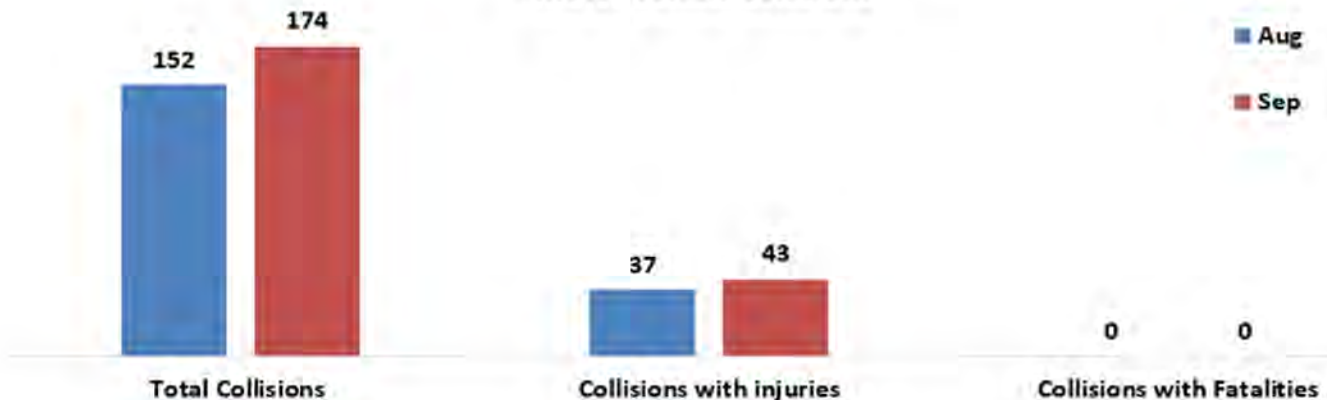
### Top 5 Violations in the "Other Category" (August - September)

	August	September
Fail to produce DL/Insurance	55	78
Fail to display L or N sign	54	63
No Insurance	43	54
No Drivers Licence	30	50
Lamps	28	34

### 2024 Vs 2023 Year To Date Comparison (September)



### Motor Vehicle Collisions







# Traffic Services

During the months of August and September, Traffic Services continued conducting enforcement initiatives in line with the detachment Strategic Plan and Annual Performance Plan (APP). The designated Provincial Enforcement initiative for August was Impaired Driving which resulted in removing 30 impaired drivers off the road during this month. In September, the dedicated BC Association of Chiefs of Police (BCACP) Provincial Enforcement initiative was Distracted Driving and Occupant Restraint. Traffic officers spent a substantial amount of time on this initiative during September, as well as enforcing other high-risk driving initiatives throughout the City.

## Speeding Enforcement

During the month of August, Traffic Services conducted 24 dedicated speeding enforcement operations which resulted in 265 speeding tickets being issued to the violating drivers. These operations were conducted on Aug 5, 8, 9, 14, 27 and 30 at various locations in Burnaby known for speeding violations. These locations included intersections of Boundary Rd at Rumble St, Royal Oak at Deer Lake Pkwy, and Gaglardi Way near University Dr. The officers issued 6 VTs for excessive speeding during these operations.



In September, Traffic Services conducted 25 planned speed enforcement operations in various locations in Burnaby during which they issued 157 violation tickets to drivers. The most notable speeding enforcement operation occurred on September 12 at Deer Lake, Morley & Nelson Elementary School resulting in 37 speeding VTs being issued to drivers.

## Impaired Enforcement

In August, Traffic members continued to focus on impaired enforcement achieving the second highest numbers to date this year. Officers set up sobriety roadblocks in an attempt to proactively stop and take impaired drivers off the road. Roadblocks were conducted on main roadways and where Traffic officers strategically believed that they could be most effective, as well, safely manage the flow of traffic. Traffic officers adjusted their shift to conduct sobriety checks both in the early morning hours and into the late evening hours, and during the BC Day long weekend. During the month of August, 14 sobriety roadblocks were conducted in various locations resulting in a total of 56 breath samples being obtained for testing, resulting in 5 90-Day prohibition notices, 4 3-Day prohibition notices, 3 24-hour suspension notices and 1 12-hour suspension notice.

In September, Burnaby Traffic Services conducted 12 sobriety roadblocks operations which resulted in a total of 164 breath samples being obtained, 8 roadside prohibition notices as well as 2 warnings being issued to the violating drivers. In addition, the officers issued 7 24-hour suspension notices.



## Automated Licence Plate Recognition (ALPR)

During the month of August, Traffic officers deployed the two ALPR devices 6 times which resulted in 25 violation tickets, including 4 VTs for No Insurance and 2 for No Drivers Licence being issued to the violating drivers. In September, the ALPR device was deployed 10 times resulting in 54 violation tickets being issued.





# Traffic Services

## Commercial Vehicle Enforcement (CVE):

During August, Burnaby Traffic Services conducted 5 Commercial Vehicle Enforcement operations, including 2 large scale joint operations with partner agencies. These operations were held at locations known for heavy commercial vehicles traffic. A total of 223 inspections were conducted, 118 vehicles were placed out of service and 268 violation tickets were issued to violating drivers. In September, 3 inter-agency operations were conducted, which resulted in a total of 35 inspections, 22 Trucks placed out of service, 108 violations identified and 65 violation tickets were issued to the violating drivers.



## Intersection and Pedestrian/Cyclist Safety:

High risk driving 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 August, Burnaby Traffic officers conducted four (4) intersection focused enforcement operations resulting in 77 violation tickets. Statistics provided in this report shows a sharp increase in number of VTs in this category in August. That was due to numerous complaints by residents about drivers running stop signs. In response, Traffic officers conducted enforcement action at certain intersections to stop the violating drivers. As such, on Aug 10 and 11, at the intersection of Gilmore Ave and Albert St, the officers issued a total of 34 VTs for Fail to Obey Stop Sign. In September, Burnaby Traffic officers conducted five (5) dedicated intersection safety operations resulting in 31 violation tickets being issued to drivers.

## Distracted Driving Enforcement

High risk driving also includes the use of cellular phones while driving. This behaviour puts all road users at risk. Burnaby Traffic Services conducted eight (8) enforcement operations in August to check drivers for using cell phone while driving. In total 83 VTs were issued to the violating drivers. In September, Burnaby Traffic officers conducted 25 dedicated distracted driving operations resulting in a total of 376 violation tickets being issued for using a cell phone while operating a vehicle.



## Educational/Awareness sessions in the community:

On August 25, Traffic officers set up a Child Car Seat Safety Clinic, in partnership with the BCAA, at Bonsor Recreation Centre. Several families came by to get help with their child car seat and learn how to install them.







# Investigative Services

## Burnaby Gang Enforcement Team (BGET)

During the months of August and September, 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 July 20, BGET observed a vehicle with a burnt-out taillight. A traffic stop was conducted where the driver was identified and several indicators of drug trafficking were observed. BGET officers arrested the driver and searched the vehicle. Five ounces of crack cocaine, fentanyl, meth, and a large number of oxycodone pills were seized. An ACURA RSX was seized as used in the commission of the offence. Criminal charges are pending.

-On August 20, BGET observed a vehicle associated to the drug trade being driven contrary to restrictions. A vehicle stop was conducted and it was determined the driver was to be served with a driving prohibition. Police checks showed the driver had a history of violent offences. He appeared to be concealing something under his multi layer clothing. BGET investigators conducted a search of the suspect for officer safety and located a bag contained pre-packaged drugs and \$2930 in cash. The driver was arrested for Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking and the items were seized.

-On September 29, BGET officers conducted a vehicle stop on for traffic violation. Officers observed several boxes of beer/liquor and contraband Tobacco in the car being covered under a sheet. The driver was arrested under the Customs and Excise Act. A search incidental to arrest revealed several bundles of \$100 bills (CAD \$23,000), wrapped in elastic bands, which was inconsistent with normal banking practices. The driver was issued a Violation Ticket under the MVA and he was released on scene pending investigation.





# Investigative Services

## Burnaby Drugs and Organized Crime Section (DOCS)

During the two months period of August and September, Burnaby Drugs and Organized Crime Section investigators continued with their great work of investigating complex drugs related files resulting in discovery of a clandestine lab and seizure of large amounts of illegal drugs. Below are the highlights:

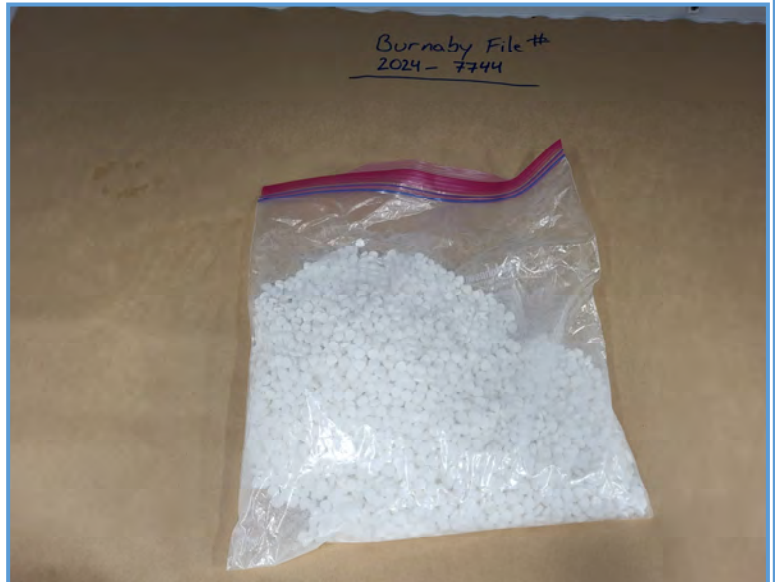
### Drugs Trafficking / Drugs Seizure

-On August 7, 2024, Burnaby DOCS executed 2 search warrants under the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (CDSA) and arrested 3 persons in Surrey and Coquitlam related to a Burnaby drug trafficking organization. The group was shipping drugs across Canada and to the north as well as locally. Two of those arrested had been targets of investigation by DOCS in recent years and one is still facing drug trafficking charges from a 2021 DOCS file. The items seized were;

- 9,555 Hydromorphone pills;
- 1.15 kilograms of Cocaine;
- 25.51 grams of ketamine;
- 12,547 Alprazolam pills;
- Over \$80,000 Canadian currency

The file remains in disclosure for submission to the Crown Counsel in order to get charges approved.

-On September 6, 2024, Burnaby Drugs and Organized Crime section ( DOCS) executed 4 search warrants under the CDSA in Burnaby, Surrey and Langley related to production of fentanyl. A large Clandestine Lab capable of producing multi kilograms of high potency fentanyl was dismantled with the assistance of E Division Clan Lab team (CLEAR). Two persons were arrested at the lab and two more are outstanding. Approximately 8 kilograms of finished product (fentanyl) was seized in the lab. This group was related to another fentanyl lab that was discovered in Burnaby in May 2024. The file remains in disclosure for submission to the Crown Counsel in order to get charges approved.







# 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 the months of August and September.

### Theft from Auto—Prolific Offender

On July 6, a Burnaby resident had her vehicle broken into on the 3900 block of McGill Street. Multiple items were stolen, including a backpack which had an Apple AirTag inside. The theft was caught on CCTV which showed a male associated to a dark coloured van

involved in the theft. The stolen AirTag tracked to a residence in North Burnaby which had the same make and model vehicle as the one observed on the CCTV footage. It was determined that the vehicle belonged to a well-known Burnaby prolific offender. Burnaby RCMP Prolific Offender Suppression Team (POST), using CCTV footages, associated the suspect to five additional thefts and credit card frauds. On August 16, a search warrant was executed at the suspect's residence where crime



clothing and several stolen items from the theft offences were recovered. The suspect was arrested and released on an Undertaking to appear in court at a later date. Charges of Theft Over \$5000, Theft Under \$5000, Possession of Property Obtained by Crime, and Fraud have been recommended to Vancouver Provincial Crown Counsel office.

### Theft from apartment buildings

Between September 13 and September 19, 2024, a suspect broke into three separate apartment buildings. The suspect targeted the mail room and underground parkades where he broke into vehicles and storage rooms. On September 17, the suspect used a stolen credit card at a McDonald restaurant. This credit card had been stolen from a car parked in one of the building's parkades. The Burnaby RCMP Prolific Offender Suppression Team (POST) took conduct of the investigations and identified the suspect responsible for the offences. On September 20, a residential search warrant was granted for the suspect's house. The suspect was arrested during execution of the search warrant and numerous stolen items, including the clothes worn by the suspect while committing the offences, were recovered. Subsequently, the suspect was interviewed during which he confessed to the offences. Several criminal charges against the suspect have been recommended to the Crown Counsel office.



# Community Programs

## Community Response Team (CRT)

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

### Illicit Tobacco Investigation

In late July/ early August, CRT initiated an investigation involving the illicit sale of tobacco products after initially investigating a retail theft ring. Through various investigative techniques, CRT investigators identified the primary suspects involved and discovered a residence where the products believed to be located. Judicial authorizations were obtained allowing investigators to execute a search warrant on the suspect's residence. The search yielded hundreds of illicit tobacco cartons, 1 pound of marijuana and over \$23,000 in Canadian currency. Additionally, numerous pieces of clothing believed to be tied to retail theft were located as well.

### Boost and Bust, Anti-shoplifting initiative

On August 3, CRT and the Bike Unit conducted a "Boost and Bust" operation at Metrotown mall, focusing on Lululemon and Sunglass Hut. Both stores consistently experience high level of theft from their stores. Over the span of two hours, investigators made four arrests and recovered over \$5,400 worth of stolen Lululemon merchandise. Charges of Theft were forwarded to the BC Prosecution Service.

### Proactive Enforcement

On September 4, a CRT officer was on proactive patrol in the area of Kingsway and Nelson Ave. The officer observed a lone male who appeared to be casing an electric bike that was locked up on a bike rack. The male was also openly smoking Fentanyl within close proximity to a building. The officer approached the male and arrested him under the provisions of the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act. Subsequent to the arrest, the male voluntarily stated that he was on probation and had conditions not to possess tools, which he did at the time of arrest. Officer discretion was used and the male relinquished his tools and released on scene. The owners of the electric bike were extremely grateful for the quick action taken by police.

### Repeat Offender Arrested

On September 25, CRT investigators conducted targeted enforcement for a prolific shoplifter that had committed multiple thefts from Lens Crafters and Sunglass Hut, Metrotown. During the operation, investigators spotted the male and conducted surveillance. Observations made indicated the male was going to commit an offence and as the male had been previously identified for other known offences, members quickly moved in and arrested the male without incident. The male was transported to jail and held for a bail hearing.

### Public Engagement Events:

On August 28, CRT Members attended the Willingdon Community Fair located at Willingdon Community Centre where members engaged with the public, provided an inside look at a police vehicle and provided stickers and swag to the community members.







# Community Programs

## Police Mental Health Outreach Team (PMHOT)

The Burnaby RCMP PMHOT officers continued their efforts to support their clients during the months of August and September.

Files actioned	Files Attended by MICR
63	224

During the months of August and September, PMHOT actioned 63 files which included visiting 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. During this report period, the Mobile Integrated Crisis Response (MICR) team assisted with 224 files.

### Mental Health Act

-In August, PMHOT and MICR both attended the Douglas Road Shelter at the request of the Progressive Housing manager who had reported that one of his clients with sever mental health was making comments about hurting children. MICR liaised with the on duty nurse for the shelter who issued a Form 4 (apprehension warrant). The male was apprehended and multiple harmful items were removed from his person. Subsequently, the male was transported to hospital and was certified.

-On September 14, MICR responded to a check well being of a male yelling and throwing items. The male stated that he was seeing radio waves and holograms from Mars, and that he believed he was being set up by the police and the government. The male had been previously diagnosed with a Mental Health condition and was not taking his medications. The male was apprehended under the Mental Health Act and certified.

-On September 20, MICR responded to a call for service where a youth didn't feel safe at home, was stressed, and was experimenting with alcohol. The parents reported the youth to be aggressive, breaking things and yelling causing their younger sibling to be fearful. The youth was apprehended, but not certified at hospital. The MICR nurse spent considerable time working with the hospital to provide proper care for the youth. Eventually, the hospital ERT team was engaged to care for the youth.

### Collaboration with partner agencies

-In August, Fraser Health requested PMHOT to attend their site to assist with an injection of a male known to be violent towards nurses. During the injection, the male, who is living with severe mental health, began to verbally challenge the nurse. Then, the male started grabbing other drug vials and boxes that had been left out by Fraser Health Staff. Members intervened and de-escalated the situation. The male left the location after receiving his injections.

-On September 12, PMHOT, City Parks staff and third party contractors attended a now abandoned camp in the area of 8500 Glenlyon parkway. The previous unsheltered occupant was found deceased nine days earlier. The camp had a large amount of hazards given the terrain, drug paraphernalia, rotting garbage, human waste and body fluids from decomposition. The file highlights the extreme hazards the RCMP, and City staff handle on a weekly basis.

-On September 13, PMHOT and Community Response Team (CRT) supported the City of Burnaby Property Use Coordinators, Intervention Support Workers, Parks staff and third party contractors with multiple camp cleanups in the area of Byrne Creek Ravine Park. There had been multiple complaints from the residents regarding the camps. Two unsheltered persons were entrenched in the area and initially refusing shelters and/or to move. PMHOT de-escalated the situation, built rapport, and convinced both parties to accept a shelter space. The area was cleaned and restored.



# 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:

### Shoplifting at Metrotown - Prolific offender

On August 23, Burnaby RCMP received a report of theft under \$5000 at Metrotown mall Best Buy store. The Bike Unit officers were on patrol in the area at the time and they responded to the call right away. The officers located and arrested the suspect. It was determined that the suspect had 279 negative entries on police database for various property offences, breach of peace and mental health related files. As well, he had various conditions to not possess weapons, tools, and no go to specified addresses as well as multiple criminal conviction for assault, break and enter with intent, assault with a weapon, and mischief spanning all within 2022 to 2024 within the Vancouver area.



### Outreach to unhoused encampments

In September, the Bike Unit officers assisted the Integrated Homeless Action Response Team (IHART) with locating known encampments around Burnaby. The officers attended multiple locations, including Central Park and the flats, where multiple encampments were found hidden in the bushes and along the water way. Bike officers worked with IHART staff to create community partnerships with the individuals living in the encampments and provide them with resources for housing, food and water.

### Human Trafficking for Sexual Exploitation

On September 11, the Bike officers were on proactive patrols at Metrotown Skytrain Station when they noticed a young female, standing next to a male, that was in police custody for Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking. Police queries revealed that the female was possibly a victim of human trafficking for sexual exploitation. There was no visible signs of physical injuries or duress. The officers further investigated the matter to ensure the female was not at any risk. The female did not exhibit any behavior indicative of immediate danger. She was questioned separately, she did not request assistance, denied being in any form of danger, and stated she was travelling on her own free will. A file was created to track the association with the male.

### Community Engagement

The Burnaby Bike Unit officers attended several community events during this report period. In August, the officers attended the African Sports & Cultural Alliance Soccer Tournament and the Edmonds City Fair.







# Community Programs

## Burnaby Youth Section

Youth Section officers continued with their proactive policing as well as criminal investigations during the months of August and September. The lower than usual activity numbers is due to summer holidays. The table (right) reflects the unit's activities during this report period:

### Youth Soccer Camp

The Burnaby RCMP Youth Section ran two soccer camps in August (Aug 6 to 8 and Aug 20 to 22) at Confederation Park for youth between the ages of 8 and 13. The first of these two camps was the first ever all girl's soccer camp, in response to feedback from last year's participants. The two camps attracted approximately 60 youths each.

### Community School Safety Presentation

Youth officers attended the summer camp at Edmonds Community School and spoke with students aged 7-12 who are all new to Canada. The Youth officers spoke to the kids about internet safety, how to call Police and when to call, how to be safe riding bikes & scooters to and from school.

Months of August-September	Total
Calls for Service (mandate)	11
Assist Frontline Files	15
Assist Other (not Frontline)	3
Meet with At Risk Youth	21
Pro-Active School Visit	33
Curfew Checks	0
Internet Safety Presentations	0
School Presentation Other	13
Traffic Enforcement/School Zones	23
Foot Patrols	1
Community Partner Engagement	4



September was the start of the regular school year in Burnaby and as always Burnaby Youth Section partnered with the Burnaby Traffic Section to remind drivers to slow down in school zones. Youth Section officers attended almost all elementary and high schools in the district during this blitz handing out educational pamphlets and issuing tickets to the worst offenders.



# 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 August and September:

**-2024 Burnaby Neighbourhood House South Summer Social :** On August 1, Burnaby RCMP Members participated in the 2024 Burnaby Neighbourhood House South Summer Social held on Beresford.

**-African Sports and Cultural Alliance Event:** On August 17 and 18, Burnaby RCMP Members attended the 30th African Sports and Cultural Alliance event. Members had a friendly interaction with the attendees.

**-Edmonds City Fair and Classic Car Show:** On August 17, Burnaby RCMP Members attended the annual Edmonds City Fair and Classic Car Show. Members attended in Red Serge and the police vehicle was a popular attraction with a lineup of children who wanted to sit in it.

**-Little Hearts Childcare Presentation:** Youth Section member attended the Little Hearts Childcare and gave a presentation on safety.

**-Willingdon Community Fair:** On August 28, Members of Burnaby Detachment's CRT attended the Willingdon Community Fair. CRT members had friendly interaction with the attendees and had a PC for the children to interact with.

**-Block Watch Block Party:** On August 28, the Burnaby RCMP Bikes Corporal attended the Block Watch Block Party with Crime Prevention Unit and spoke about current crime trends as well as frauds and scams.

**-Ethiopian Summer Festival:** On August 31, Burnaby RCMP members attended the Ethiopian Summer Festival held at Edmonds Park and had friendly interactions with the attendees as well as providing information and material on RCMP recruiting.

### **-Newcomers Resource Fair**

On September 19, Crime Prevention Members and Municipal employees attended the Newcomers Resource Fair held at the Ismaili Centre. The Members had friendly interaction with attendees and made some good connections with other community partners.

### **Truth and Reconciliation Event**

On September 26, a special cultural sharing was provided to the Burnaby RCMP by the Tseil-Waututh Nation. Burnaby RCMP worked together with the Tseil-Waututh Nation to facilitate this unique experience. The event was to honour the Truth and Reconciliation Day, especially those who attended residential schools or were affected by them. This was the first time the Tseil-Waututh Nation had this type of cultural sharing with the Burnaby RCMP and the detachment was honoured to have this experience. The event was a deeply impactful experience for those in attendance and an important part of the journey on the road to reconciliation, learning and finding new paths forward together. The event started off with bannock and coffee, shared stories and music from representatives of the Tseil-Waututh Nation, and concluded with a shared meal.







# Community Programs

## Youth Services Unit

Counselling and restorative justice programs at Youth Services received 10 appropriate referrals during the months of August and September. There were 10 counselling and 2 restorative justice referrals.

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

- Parent-Teen Conflict
- Assault
- Mood Disorders
- Anxiety Disorders
- Addictive Behaviours
- 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.

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 addressing issues in the following areas:

- Assault
- Shoplifting

Through collaboration of counselling and restorative justice program staff, some of the clients got services in both areas, following needs analysis and assessments, while also engaging their parents and/ or school support teams. This has happened through active 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 August and September, providing support to those in need. VSU consists of 10 active auxiliary workers, 3 full time caseworkers, an assistant coordinator and the program coordinator. Victim Services attends a variety of in-office and after-hours crisis callouts.

During this report period, a total of 326 files were created, staff members attended 58 crisis callouts supporting 91 clients, for a total of 91.75 hours of immediate crisis support.

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

- Mental Health & Violence Risk Workshop
- PSRT Seminar – staff wellness & support
- Crown Counsel meetings with clients of homicide file; domestic violence and sexual assault
- Consultation for Community Safety meeting
- Cst YANG Legacy Committee meeting
- Wellness Committee & Health & Safety Committee meetings

### Community Events

Staff members from Victim Services took part at the Newcomer Resources Fair held on Sep 19 at the Ismaili Centre. This event was supported and attended by numerous other partner agencies to provide information to community members, mainly newcomers.



Victim Services staff assisted in planning the annual fundraising BBQ event in honour of Cst. Yang, the fallen Burnaby RCMP member. Approximately \$4500 was raised for the PADS.

### 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. One of the long-term auxiliary workers has resigned effective the end of November. The unit is in process of hiring 5 auxiliary positions to assist with after-hours crisis support.

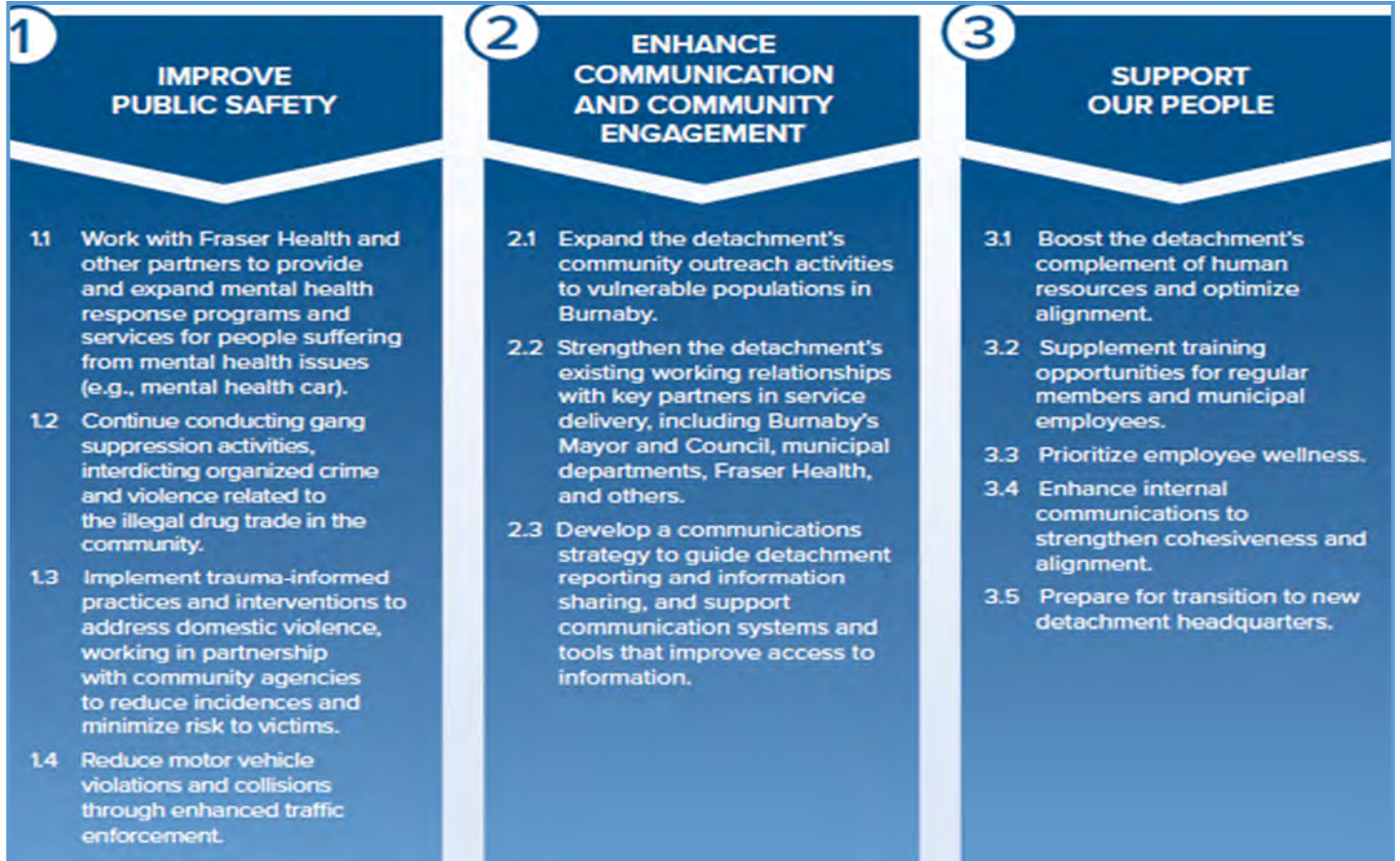






# Strategic Plan Update

## 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 actioned 63 files and visited numerous homeless encampments visits with the City of Burnaby and homelessness agencies. As well, the team assisted Burnaby mental health with supervised injections for some patients with violent history. 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 just over 220 calls during this report period.

Our Drugs and Organized Crime Section (DOCS) investigators were busy working on a couple of major drugs files which resulted in a large amount of drugs and uncovering a clandestine lab. DOCS executed two search warrants in August, as a result of which they seized a large amount of various illegal drugs and over \$80,000 cash. In another investigation, DOCS executed 4 search warrants in Burnaby, Surrey and Langley which resulted in discovery and dismantling of a clandestine lab capable of producing multi kilograms of high potency fentanyl. Approximately 8 kilograms of the finished product was seized during the operation.

Our Gang Enforcement Team continued with their targeted and proactive policing during this period. While on proactive patrol, BGET investigators conducted traffic stop of suspicious vehicles and ended up seizing a large quantity of illegal drugs. As a result of a vehicle stop in August, the investigators seized 5 ounces of crack cocaine, fentanyl, meth and large number of oxycodone pills. In addition, the investigators seized the crime vehicle that the suspect was driving. Please see more details on page 11 of this report.

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 were conducted.



# 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 PMHOT's attendance at an abandoned camp in the area of 8500 Glenlyon parkway along with the City Parks staff and contractors to clean up the hazardous garbage such as drug paraphernalia, rotting food, human waste and body fluids from decomposition. More details are provided on PMHOT collaborative activities on page 15.

Youth Section continued with their proactive policing engaging youths at schools and in the community. They ran two (2) more soccer camps in August to finish off their annual youth soccer camp events. Youth Section had held one soccer camp event in July. Approximately 150 youth took part in this year's soccer camps. With return of students to school in September, during the first two weeks, Youth Section officers partnered with Traffic Section to make a big presence in school zone to remind parent drivers of speed limits around schools. They conducted numerous speed enforcement operations in school zones during this period.

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 August, our members attended the Burnaby Neighbourhood House South Summer Social held on August 1, the African Sports and Cultural Alliance Event held on August 17 and 18, Edmonds City Fair and Classic Car Show held on August 17, Willingdon Community Fair and also Block Watch Block Party on August 28, and Ethiopian Summer Festival on August 31. In September, several detachment employees took part in the Newcomers Resource Fair on Sep 19, held at the Ismaili Center to support newcomer residents of Burnaby to provide them with awareness. On September 26, in line with supporting our Indigenous communities, the detachment held a Truth and Reconciliation event inviting several community leaders from the Tsleil-Waututh Nation to join our employees for coffee and lunch during which the employees got a chance to know more about residential schools tragedies the Indigenous children experienced in the past.

Burnaby RCMP issued 14 news releases and 33 social media posts during this two-month reporting period. In August, the communications team published a news release advising the public of a local man that had been charged in relation to the alleged online sextortion of multiple teenaged victims after a cross-country investigation led by Burnaby RCMP's Child Abuse and Sexual Offences (CASO) Unit. Resources were shared on the Burnaby RCMP website and all social media accounts. Also in August, through social media, they made the public aware of a Car Seat Safety Clinic. The team assisted Burnaby RCMP's Traffic Services in publicising the event as well as lining up individuals from the public with the service. In September, the communications team warned the public of an individual that was charged with sexual assault after police discovered a "cleaning ritual" scam. Throughout this reporting period, the communications team posted photos and updates of bike patrols, foot patrols and traffic services initiative on social media and on the Burnaby RCMP website.

## **Strategic Priority #3: Support our People**

During the months of August and September, 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. During this period, the Wellness Committee was re-launched and has already started its monthly meetings. The committee has arranged lunch time yoga for staff and members .

Training Section offered several discretionary training sessions which included 1 new Field Coach, 2 file coordinators, 1 commercial vehicle enforcement, 3 search warrant training, Detachment roll out of ATAK / Blue Force Tracking, 4 Roll Call training sessions on Check Wellbeing policy, 4 Roll Call sessions from Forensic Video Unit, 4 Roll Call sessions on Ransomware, and the Training Associate training attended by 3 Members.





# 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](http://Burnaby.rcmp.ca) or through the City of Burnaby website online services at <https://www.burnaby.ca/Online-Services.html>.

**Now Available!**

## REPORT CRIME ONLINE

**What can you report online?**

- » Damage to property under \$5,000
- » Hit and run to an unoccupied vehicle or property
- » Theft of property under \$5,000
- » Traffic complaints

*Let's Go Online!*  
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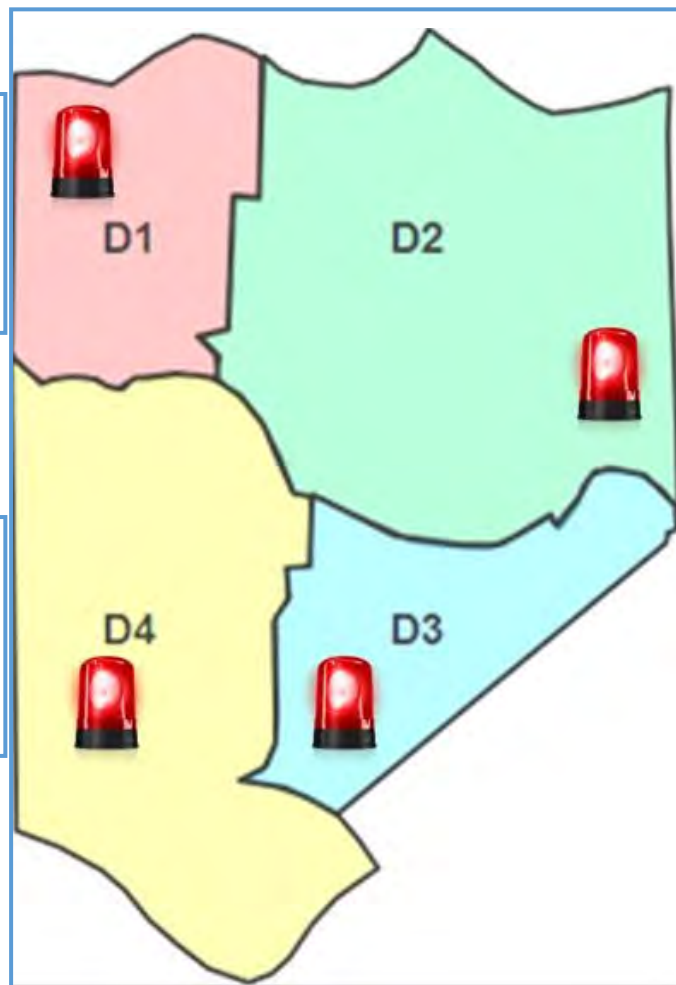
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