




# A vibrant, safe and secure Calgary

INCREASED SAFETY	IMPROVED SOCIAL SUPPORT ACCESS AND NAVIGATION	RESILIENT PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES	 <b>KEY MESSAGES</b>
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## Activities and updates

- Calgary Police Service (CPS):
- District 5 Mountain Bike Unit patrolling transit seized several weapons including bear spray and a taser.
- Alpha House Ambassadors:
- Operating in the Business Improvement Areas of 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Beltline, Chinatown and Victoria Park.
  - ~100 business interactions, ~680 client interactions, and ~40 needle pickups.
- Washroom Attendant Pilot Project (Olympic Plaza and Century Gardens):
- Partnered with Hiregood, an established washroom attendant program in Edmonton, they provided consultation and mentorship to the washroom attendants.
  - ~ 5170 interactions and ~1150 referrals to support services.

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- HELP (formerly DOAP) Call Diversion program:
- Diverted ~300 calls from CPS in District 1, to Alpha House’s HELP Team, who responded by providing resources such as referrals, transports, and housing supports.
- City peace officers:
- Officers received ~750 calls for encampments and connected three individuals to housing supports.
- Calgary Homeless Foundation’s Transit Outreach Initiative:
- Monthly outreach event held at alternating LRT stations.
  - Event held at Westbrook LRT with ~10 outreach services who supported ~40 individuals with basic needs and health supplies.

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- 4<sup>th</sup> Street Lilac Festival (June 4):
- Hosted by 4<sup>th</sup> Street Business Improvement Area, this one-day event provided an array of musicians, vendors and family friendly activities.
  - ~80,000 in attendance.
- Festival of Colors (June 17):
- International Society for Krishna Consciousness hosted this annual India event with live entertainment, food and displays of colours.
  - ~2,000 in attendance in June.
- Blackfoot Tipi Transfer Ceremony (June 21):
- Hosted at Prince’s Island Park with representation from the Treaty Seven Nations and the Metis.
  - The event included a cultural celebration with drummers, dancers and food.
  - ~1,000 in attendance.

- The City of Calgary and Calgary Police Services are focused on creating safer public spaces by reducing crime and social disorder through collaborative actions.*
- The City and partners continue to address real and perceived safety and security issues through coordinated information and resources.*
- The Coordinated Community Extreme Weather Response has transitioned to supporting unhoused Calgarians during extreme heat by focusing on coordination of outreach groups and basic safety needs.*
- Calgarians continue to build strong connections in their communities through summer events and activities.*

## CITY-WIDE DATA POINTS OF INTEREST

In June:

- Calgary Transit peace officers responded to ~2,950 social disorder calls, down 14% from May.
- 211 received ~790 calls for mental health and substance abuse services, remaining stable for June.