

Coordinated Encampment Response Team Weekly Update Report

Week 38 – September 14 to September 20, 2026

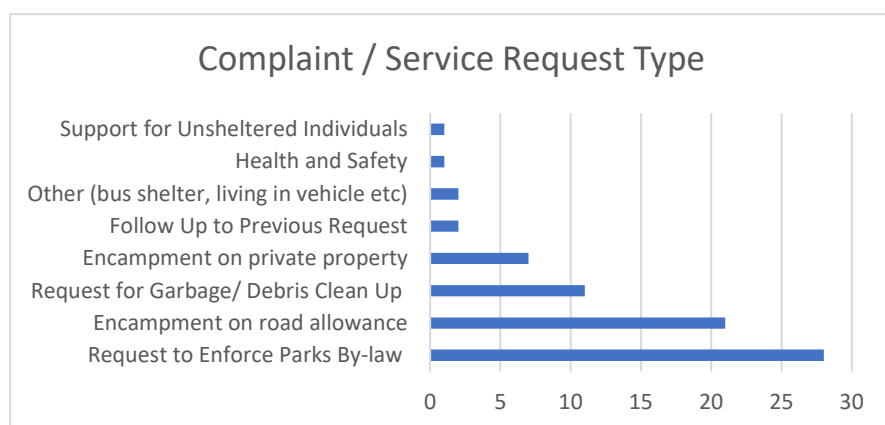
Complaints & Requests for Service

Total Complaints & Service Requests		
Week 38	Previous Week	Previous Month Average
73	76	37

Most Frequently Identified Locations		
Brenda Duke Greenspace	Lifesavers Park	Woodlands Park

Complaint/Service Request Type	
Request to Enforce Parks By-law	61%
Encampment on road allowance	46%
Request for Garbage/ Debris Clean Up	24%
Encampment on private property	15%
Follow Up to Previous Request	4%
Other (bus shelter, living in vehicle)	4%
Health and Safety Concerns	2%
Support for Unsheltered Individuals	2%

Source of Complaint/Service Request	
Concerned Citizen	98%
Internal – Municipal Law Enforcement	17%
Councillor's Office	13%
Internal – Corporate Security Services	9%
BIA or Local Business	7%
Community Partners	4%
Hamilton Police Service	4%
Internal - Housing Services	2%
Internal - Transit	2%
Internal – Waste Enforcement	2%



Complaints/ Service Request Types

Some locations that are identified through complaint or service request may encompass more than one municipal address, a broad geographical area, a road allowance without a municipal address, or a private property location. As such, these locations are identified using broader categories, including Private Properties, City Owned and Public Properties, Road Allowances and Alleyways. From September 14 - 20, 2026, Municipal Law Enforcement received complaints and service requests about the following specific locations that are identified below.

Private Property	Barton St E, Dunsmere Rd, George St, St. Matthews St, Gainsborough Dr, Cope St
City Property	Kenilworth Reservoir – 111 Kenilworth Access
Road Allowances	Jackson St W / MacNab St S, Main St E / Wellington St S, Hillyard St / Munroe St, Hess St N / Stuart St, Barton St E / Ferguson Ave N, King St E / Wellington St S, Lloyd St / Chapple St, Main St W / MacNab St S, Barton St E / Sanford Ave N, Oak Ave / Barton St E, West Ave N / King William St
Alleyways	off Arthur Ave N btw Arthur Ave N and Stirton St off St. Matthews St btw Barton St E and Birge St
Bus Shelter	Upper James St at Mohawk Rd E
Municipal Parking Lot	Lot 79 – 406 Barton St E Lot 36 – 20 Mulberry St Stadium Parking Lot E – 14 Chapple St

Action Tracker

The Action Tracker includes information with respect to the status of new or existing complaints and requests for service that have been received by Licensing and By-law Services during the reporting period from September 14 - 20, 2026. Occasionally, after a site has been designated by staff as cleared, different individual(s) may move into the same location and erect a new tent. Any time new tents are discovered in an area that has been previously cleared, the process will restart with officers attending to confirm the presence of an encampment and notifying HFSO of an individual that may require support. As such, a site may appear on the tracker more than once. Once a private property owner has been notified of the process, they are responsible for contacting the appropriate enforcement body.

Please note that the Action Tracker does not reflect data collected by the Hamilton Police Service. Please note the following:

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HFSO	Housing Focused Street Outreach
HPS	Hamilton Police Service
*	Only applicable to private property and road allowances

Enhanced Service within 1km of the Tiffany/ Barton Temporary Outdoor Shelter and listed Parks in Ward 3 in the Proximity of Added Shelter Spaces

In recognition of the disproportionate impact of encampments within these communities and the staff attention that is required to maintain compliance with the Parks By-law within the specified City parks on an ongoing basis, effective March 6, 2025, Municipal Law Enforcement Officers will continue to proactively monitor the 1km radius area and the identified parks once per week to ensure ongoing compliance. Additional site visits will be conducted, Notices of Trespass issued and engagement with Hamilton Police Service will occur where necessary.

The identified parks that are monitored once per week are:

Bayfront Park	Victoria Park	Bishop's Park	298 Hunter Street East (green space west of
Central Park	JC Beemer/	Claremont Access	Claremont Access)
Pier 4 Park	Tweedsmuir Park	Parkettes	Rail Trail between extension of Wellington St S
Dundurn Park	Carter Park	Myrtle Park	and Sherman Ave S
			Strachan Linear Park

Parks that have been proactively monitored throughout the week will show up on Action Tracker in bold.

Ward	Location	Address*	Date Identified to CERT	Date Trespass Notice(s) Issued	Compliance Timeframe	# of Trespass Notice(s) Issued	Status	Date
3	Alleyway	off Arthur Ave N btw Arthur Ave N and Stirton St	15-Sep-26				Observation - Violation Found	15-Sep-26
5	Battlefield Creek		Proactive				No violation found	15-Sep-26
2	Bayfront Park		Proactive				No violation found	14-Sep-26
2	Bayfront Park		Proactive				No violation found	16-Sep-26
2	Beasley Park		15-Sep-26				Observation - Violation Found	16-Sep-26
2	Beasley Park		15-Sep-26				No violation found	17-Sep-26
3	Birch Park		15-Sep-26	15-Sep-26	1 Hour	1	Trespass Notice(s) Issued	15-Sep-26
3	Birch Park		15-Sep-26	17-Sep-26	1 Hour	3	Observation - Violation Found	17-Sep-26
3	Bishop's Park		Proactive				No violation found	15-Sep-26
8	Bus Shelter	Upper James St at Mohawk Rd W	17-Sep-26				No violation found	18-Sep-26

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Ward	Location	Address*	Date Identified to CERT	Date Trespass Notice(s) Issued	Compliance Timeframe	# of Trespass Notice(s) Issued	Status	Date
2	Carter Park		Proactive				No violation found	15-Sep-26
2	Central Park		Proactive				No violation found	15-Sep-26
2	Central Park		Proactive				No violation found	18-Sep-26
2	Claremont Access Parkettes		15-Sep-26				No violation found	15-Sep-26
1	Dundurn Park		Proactive				No violation found	15-Sep-26
3	Gage Park		14-Sep-26				No violation found	14-Sep-26
3	Gage Park		14-Sep-26				Observation - Violation Found	16-Sep-26
3	Green Space	Hillyard St / Munroe St	14-Sep-26	14-Sep-26	24 Hour	1	Trespass Notice(s) Issued	14-Sep-26
3	Green Space	Hillyard St / Munroe St	14-Sep-26				Observation - Violation Found	17-Sep-26
3	Green Space	298 Hunter Street East	Proactive				No violation found	15-Sep-26
3	J.C. Beemer Park/Tweed smuir Park		Proactive	14-Sep-26	Immediate	2	Trespass Notice(s) Issued	14-Sep-26
3	J.C. Beemer Park/Tweed smuir Park		Proactive	18-Sep-26	Immediate	1	Trespass Notice(s) Issued	18-Sep-26
3	Lifesaver's Park		16-Sep-26				Observation - Violation Found	17-Sep-26
8	LINC Bridge Footpath	Fiona Cres to Limeridge Rd W	16-Sep-26				No violation found	18-Sep-26
3	Myrtle Park		Proactive				No violation found	15-Sep-26
2	Pier 4 Park		Proactive				No violation found	14-Sep-26
3	Pinky Lewis Parkette		Proactive				Coordinated Clean-up	15-Sep-26
3	Powell Park		15-Sep-26	15-Sep-26	1 Hour	1	Trespass Notice(s) Issued and Notified HFSO	15-Sep-26
3	Powell Park		15-Sep-26				Observation - Violation Found	16-Sep-26
5	Private Property	Barton St E	17-Sep-26				No violation found	16-Sep-26
5	Private Property	Barton St E	17-Sep-26				Observation - Violation Found	16-Sep-26

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4	Private Property	Dunsmere Rd	15-Sep-26				No violation found	17-Sep-26
2	Private Property	George St	17-Sep-26				No violation found	17-Sep-26
5	Private Property	Keefer Court	Proactive				No violation found	15-Sep-26
5	Private Property	Nash Rd N	Proactive				No violation found	15-Sep-26
3	Private Property	St. Matthews St	15-Sep-26				Observation - Violation Found	18-Sep-26
3	Road allowance	Barton St E / Cheever St	16-Sep-26				No violation found	17-Sep-26
4	Road allowance	Barton St E / Paling Ave	17-Sep-26				Observation - Violation Found	18-Sep-26
3	Road allowance	Barton St E / Sanford Ave N	17-Sep-26				Observation - Violation Found	18-Sep-26
3	Road allowance	Birge St / St. Matthews St.	15-Sep-26	17-Sep-26	Immediate	1	Observation - Violation Found	17-Sep-26
2	Road allowance	Cannon St W / Caroline St N	16-Sep-26	17-Sep-26	Immediate	1	Observation - Violation Found	17-Sep-26
2	Road allowance	Cannon St W/Hess St N	16-Sep-26				Observation - Violation Found	17-Sep-26
2	Road allowance	Hess St N / Stuart St	14-Sep-26	14-Sep-26	1 Hour	1	Trespass Notice(s) Issued	14-Sep-26
2	Road allowance	Hess St N / Stuart St	14-Sep-26				Observation - Violation Found	16-Sep-26
2	Road allowance	Jackson St W / MacNab St S	Proactive	14-Sep-26	Immediate	2	Observation - Violation Found	14-Sep-26
2	Road allowance	Jackson St W / MacNab St S	Proactive	15-Sep-26	Immediate	4	Observation - Violation Found	15-Sep-26
2	Road allowance	Jackson St W / MacNab St S	Proactive	17-Sep-26	Immediate	1	Observation - Violation Found	17-Sep-26
2	Road allowance	Jackson St W / MacNab St S	Proactive	18-Sep-26	Immediate	2	Observation - Violation Found	18-Sep-26
3	Road allowance	Lloyd St / Chapple St	15-Sep-26				No violation found	16-Sep-26
3	Road allowance	Lloyd St / Chapple St	15-Sep-26				No violation found	18-Sep-26

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2	Road allowance	Main St E / Wellington St S	14-Sep-26				Observation - Violation Found	14-Sep-26
2	Road allowance	Main St E / Wellington St S	14-Sep-26				Observation - Violation Found	16-Sep-26
2	Road allowance	Main St W / MacNab St S	15-Sep-26				Coordinated Clean-up	15-Sep-26
2	Road allowance	Main St W / MacNab St S	15-Sep-26				Observation - Violation Found	18-Sep-26
4	Road allowance	Melvin Ave / Sumach St	16-Sep-26				Coordinated Clean-up	16-Sep-26
4	Road allowance	Melvin Ave / Sumach St	16-Sep-26				No violation found	17-Sep-26
2	Strachan Linear Park		Proactive				No violation found	15-Sep-26
1	Victoria Park		Proactive				No violation found	14-Sep-26
3	Woodlands Park		Proactive	14-Sep-26	1 Hour	2	Trespass Notice(s) Issued	14-Sep-26
3	Woodlands Park		Proactive				Observation - Violation Found	15-Sep-26
3	Woodlands Park		Proactive	17-Sep-26	1 Hour	4	Trespass Notice(s) Issued and Notified HFSO	17-Sep-26

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Hamilton Fire Department

Responses at Locations Involving Unsheltered Individuals

Response Type	Total Number of Incidents	Ward Breakdown
Accumulated Combustibles	2	Ward 5: 2 Incidents
Total	2	Ward 5: 2 Incidents
Injuries Reported		0

Additional Notes:

As of December 2024, the Hamilton Fire Department will report on weekly responses at locations involving unsheltered individuals. These responses will be broken down by response type and Ward.

Accumulated combustibles refer to any materials or belongings other than tents that may be on fire.

The data presented is between September 14-20, 2026.

Housing Focused Street Outreach Engagement Update

	Week 38	Previous Week
Total <i>non-unique</i> Interactions with Unsheltered Individuals by HFSO	166	78

Additional Notes:

HFSO engages with unsheltered individuals to improve access to basic needs and community supports such as housing, healthcare, food, and income supports. Interaction data is taken from the HIFIS database.

Shower Program Updates

	Week 38	Previous Week
Total individuals (non-unique) who were provided access to encampment-specific shower programs	5	3

Additional Notes:
Data includes unique visits of unsheltered individuals to any of the designated shower programs in the city. Currently, the shower programs are located at Pinky Lewis Rec Centre and Bennetto Community Centre.

Site Maintenance and Cleanups

	Week 38	Previous Week	2025 Weekly Average
Total encampment sites maintained and cleaned by Parks Section staff	16	10	26

	Week 38	Previous Week	2025 Weekly Average
Total encampment sites maintained and cleaned by an independent contractor or both Parks Section staff and an independent contractor	0	0	3

Additional Notes:
Data may include cleanups that occur after the duration of a trespass order has been exceeded, clean-arounds of active sites (as arranged with occupants), and cleaning of sites deemed abandoned by the Coordinated Response Team. As of June 10th, 2024, the cleanups and site maintenance activities performed by independent contractors will be reported. Locations visited by contractors or both contractors and Parks are specifically noted in bold below.

September 14, 2026	Jackson St W / MacNab St S, Brenda Duke Greenspace, Pinky Lewis Parkette, Main St E / Wellington St S
September 15, 2026	Jackson St W / MacNab St S, Main St E / MacNab St S, Hunter St W / MacNab St S, Pinky Lewis Parkette
September 16, 2026	Jackson St W / MacNab St S
September 17, 2026	Jackson St W / MacNab St S, Hunter St W / MacNab St S, Birge St / Cheever St, Cannon St W / Caroline St N
September 18, 2026	Jackson St W / MacNab St S, Main St E / MacNab St S, Barton St E / Paling Ave