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**Community Safety Committee  
Electronic Meeting**

**Anderson Room, City Hall  
6911 No. 3 Road**

**Tuesday, January 13, 2026  
4:00 p.m.**

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**MINUTES**

**CS-4**      *Motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee held on December 9, 2025.*



**NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE**

February 10, 2026, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room.

**LAW AND COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION**

1. **COMMUNITY BYLAWS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – NOVEMBER 2025**  
(File Ref. No. 12-8375-02) (REDMS No. 8254149)

**CS-10**

**See Page CS-10 for full report**

*Designated Speaker: Mark Corrado*

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### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

*That the report titled “Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – November 2025”, dated December 17, 2025, from the Director, Community Bylaws & Licensing, be received for information.*

#### 2. RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – NOVEMBER 2025

(File Ref. No. 09-5140-01) (REDMS No. 8248517)

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See Page CS-17 for full report

*Designated Speaker: Fire Chief Jim Wishlove*

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

*That the report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – November 2025”, dated December 17, 2025, from the Fire Chief, be received for information.*

#### 3. FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING

(Verbal Report)

*Designated Speaker: Fire Chief Jim Wishlove*

#### 4. RCMP MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – NOVEMBER 2025

(File Ref. No. 09-5030-01) (REDMS No. 8236455)

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See Page CS-38 for full report

*Designated Speaker: Chief Supt. Dave Chauhan*

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

*That the report titled “RCMP Monthly Activity Report – November 2025”, dated December 11, 2025, from the Officer in Charge, be received for information.*

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**5.     RCMP/OIC BRIEFING**  
(Verbal Report)

*Designated Speaker: Chief Supt. Dave Chauhan*

**6.     MANAGER'S REPORT**

**ADJOURNMENT**





## **Community Safety Committee**

Date: Tuesday, December 9, 2025

Place: Anderson Room  
Richmond City Hall

Present: Councillor Alexa Loo, Chair  
Councillor Andy Hobbs  
Councillor Laura Gillanders  
Councillor Kash Heed  
Councillor Bill McNulty

Also Present: Councillor Carol Day  
Councillor Michael Wolfe (by teleconference)

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

### **MINUTES**

It was moved and seconded

*That the minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee held on November 12, 2025 be adopted.*

**CARRIED**

### **AGENDA ADDITION**

The Chair advised that Unsheltered Sites on Crown Land be added to the agenda as Item No. 7A.

### **DELEGATION**

Ken Frail, Richmond Resident, spoke to the importance of hands-on fire extinguisher training in the context of fire prevention education and awareness, referencing his submission (copy on file, City Clerk's Office).

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Discussion ensued regarding (i) working with the Block Watch Coordinator as a point of contact, (ii) delivering an educational component through the Richmond Neighbourhood Block Party program, and (iii) the involvement of Richmond Fire-Rescue's Community Relations/Education staff at community events.

As a result of the discussion, the following **referral motion** was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

*That staff investigate the possibility of fire training with expired extinguishers, working with Block Watch as a contact point, including mechanisms to work with neighbourhood block parties and providing information or outreach programs for fire safety, and report back.*

**CARRIED**

## LAW AND COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

### 1. COMMUNITY BYLAWS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – OCTOBER 2025

(File Ref. No. 12-8375-02) (REDMS No. 8216982)

It was moved and seconded

*That the report titled “Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – October 2025”, dated November 17, 2025, from the Director, Community Bylaws & Licencing, be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

### 2. RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – OCTOBER 2025

(File Ref. No. 09-5140-01) (REDMS No. 8217029)

Committee commended Richmond Fire-Rescue (RFR) and Richmond's Emergency Programs for their response to a recent fire at the Fraser Place Apartments.

In response to queries from Committee, staff advised that a detailed breakdown of the medical incidents for October 2024 and 2025 is presented using tables by sub-type, and staff can provide a year to date comparison to previous years.

Discussion ensued regarding (i) emergency response incidents related to hazardous materials, (ii) providing resources and support services when responding to overdose/poisoning incidents, (iii) statistics from the Ministry of Health regarding ambulance response to emergency medical calls for service, (iv) statistics related to opioid overdoses, and (v) emergency response protocol.

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It was moved and seconded

*That the report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – October 2025”, dated November 14, 2025, from the Fire Chief, be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

### 3. AWARD OF CONTRACT 8412P FOR A JOINT MOBILE COMMAND UNIT

(File Ref. No. 09-5140-01) (REDMS No. 8180535)

In response to queries from Committee, staff advised that (i) the Mobile Command Unit (MCU) to service the City would be operated jointly by the Richmond Detachment RCMP and RFR, (ii) by following regular, recommended maintenance and appropriate deployment, the average lifespan of a MCU may exceed 15 years, while the technology and communications systems and equipment may require periodic upgrades, (iii) due to the unique design and deployment of this type of a vehicle within the emergency response and management environment, staff may request additional funding from Council should the MCU require additional outfitting requirements, and (iv) funding for the MCU is available within the Council approved 2024 Public Safety Mobile Command and Communication Centre Capital Budget of \$1,815,000, and any unused funding from the Council approved budget would be returned to the original funding source.

Discussion ensued regarding (i) proactive deployment of the MCU, including at community events, (ii) the total cost to award Contract 8412P, and (iii) the City's Procurement Policy with respect to additional outfitting requirements.

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That Contract 8412P for a Mobile Command Unit be awarded to Intercontinental Truck Body (B.C.) Inc. for a total cost of \$1,347,325 excluding taxes as described in the report titled “Award of Contract 8412P for a Joint Mobile Command Unit” dated November 10, 2025, from the Fire Chief of Richmond Fire-Rescue and the Officer in Charge of the Richmond RCMP; and*
- (2) *That the Chief Administrative Officer and General Manager of Law and Community Safety be authorized to execute the contract and all related documentation with Intercontinental Truck Body (B.C.) Inc.*

**CARRIED**

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### 4. FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING

(Verbal Report)

#### *(i) Fire at Fraser Place Apartments*

Fire Chief Wishlove commended RFR crews for their hard work and professionalism in responding to the Fraser Place Apartments fire, as well as in the strong relationships with and support from the RCMP Detachment, Emergency Programs, Steveston Community Centre, and Canadian Red Cross volunteers.

In response to a query from Committee, staff advised that RFR received support from Vancouver Fire Rescue Services during the Fraser Place Apartments fire.

### 5. RCMP MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – OCTOBER 2025

(File Ref. No. 09-5030-01) (REDMS No. 8201697)

In response to a query from Committee, staff advised that of the 267 mental health-related incidents in October 2025, one caller generated seven incidents.

Discussion ensued regarding (i) the Boost and Bust operation targeting retail theft at local businesses, which resulted in multiple arrests of suspects, most of whom reside in other jurisdictions, (ii) suspects being released from custody with conditions such as avoiding certain stores or areas, and a promise to appear (iii) mental health-related incidents and the average hospital wait times for police apprehensions, (iv) education and prevention related to child exploitation and the BC Integrated Child Exploitation Unit's collaborative efforts with other police agencies, and (v) the number of commercial break and enters and the overall safe environment for businesses in Richmond.

Discussion ensued regarding long hospital wait times, as those apprehended under the Mental Health Act must remain in police custody until they are in care.

As a result of the discussion, the following **motion** was introduced:

It was moved and seconded

*That a letter be written to the Board Chair and President and Chief Executive Officer of Vancouver Coastal Health outlining information with respect to excessive wait times for individuals arrested under the Mental Health Act by Richmond RCMP, and proactively look at solutions.*

The question on the motion was not called as discussion ensued regarding the assessment of British Columbia Association of Chiefs of Police on hospital waits for mental health apprehensions.

The question on the motion was then called and it was **CARRIED**.

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It was moved and seconded

*That the report titled "RCMP Monthly Activity Report – October 2025", dated November 9, 2025, from the Officer in Charge, be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

**6. RCMP/OIC BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

*(i) Approval of Additional Positions for Richmond RCMP*

Staff highlighted that City Council recently approved the proposed 2026 operating budget which includes the hiring of four Richmond RCMP officers, noting that the support for additional positions is greatly appreciated.

*(ii) Richmond RCMP Toy Drive*

Staff highlighted that the Richmond RCMP is celebrating the overwhelming generosity of the community after the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Toy Drive broke previous records, raising over \$33,000 and collecting approximately 1,500 pounds of toys for the Richmond Christmas Fund.

## DEPUTY CAO'S OFFICE

**7. REFERRAL RESPONSE: RESULTS OF THE ALDERBRIDGE NEIGHBOURHOOD DISCUSSIONS**

(File Ref. No. 08-4057-05) (REDMS No. 8191388)

Discussion ensued regarding (i) neighbourhood discussions held with those living and working in the Alderbridge Neighbourhood, with a total of 39 residents attending the sessions, (ii) RainCity's staffing levels to manage the operations of Alderbridge Supportive Housing and the need for more staffing, (iii) the number of attendees compared to the number of invitations mailed, (iv) the concerns expressed by those participating in the discussions, (v) the ongoing collaboration between the City and BC Housing, (vi) the limited availability of affordable housing and the importance of having options along a housing continuum, (vii) the reduction in calls for service to Alderbridge Supportive Housing, and (viii) the City's response to issues raised and improvements to date.

It was moved and seconded

*That the report titled "Referral Response: Results of the Alderbridge Neighbourhood Discussions" dated November 12, 2025, from Director, Housing, be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

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### 7A. UNSHELTERED SITES ON CROWN LAND

(File Ref. No. ) (REDMS No. )

Discussion ensued regarding (i) generator use on-site and the need for a hazardous materials plan, a spill plan, and a fire response plan when items such as generators are used, (ii) numerous fire safety and emergency vehicle access issues to the unsheltered sites, (iii) the City opposing claims by the Ministry of Transportation and Transit that they are not bound by City bylaws, and (iv) how to prevent recurrence.

In response to a query from Committee, staff advised that the City is closely monitoring the sites and are moving forward, with the RCMP, RFR, the City's Bylaw Department, and other operational groups planning to organize an operational team to ensure compliance and pursue the removal of dangerous items.

It was moved and seconded

*That the verbal report regarding Unsheltered Sites on Crown Land be received for information.*

**CARRIED**

### 8. MANAGER'S REPORT

None.

### ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

*That the meeting adjourn (5:38 p.m.).*

**CARRIED**

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Tuesday, December 9, 2025.

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Councillor Alexa Loo  
Chair

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Shannon Unrau  
Legislative Services Associate



# City of Richmond

## Report to Committee

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**To:** Community Safety Committee **Date:** December 17, 2025  
**From:** Mark Corrado **File:** 12-8375-02/2025-Vol  
Director, Community Bylaws & Licensing 01  
**Re:** **Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – November 2025**

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### Staff Recommendation

That the report titled “Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – November 2025”, dated December 17, 2025, from the Director, Community Bylaws & Licensing, be received for information.

Mark Corrado  
Director, Community Bylaws & Licensing  
(604-204-8673)

REPORT CONCURRENCE		
ROUTED TO:	CONCURRENCE	CONCURRENCE OF GENERAL MANAGER
Finance Department	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	 Ed Warzel, Acting General Manager
SENIOR STAFF REPORT REVIEW	INITIALS:	APPROVED BY CAO 

## Staff Report

### Origin

This monthly report highlights activities, information, and statistics related to calls for service from the Property Use, Parking Enforcement, and Animal Protection units of Community Bylaws.

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2022-2026 Focus Area # 3 A Safe and Prepared Community:

*3.2 Leverage strategic partnerships and community-based approaches for comprehensive safety services.*

*3.4 Ensure civic infrastructure, assets and resources are effectively maintained and continue to meet the needs of the community as it grows.*

### Analysis

#### Property Use Calls for Service

In November 2025, a total of 121 calls for service were opened for investigation, which represented an 9.0 percent increase (111) from the same period last year. Depending on the nature of the investigation, staff often liaise with multiple departments and other government agencies to conduct a through review of a received complaint. Among 24 potential calls for service categories, Figure 1 highlights the most common calls for service received for Property Use officers to follow up on and investigate.

**Figure 1: Property Use Calls For Service - November Year-To-Date Comparison**

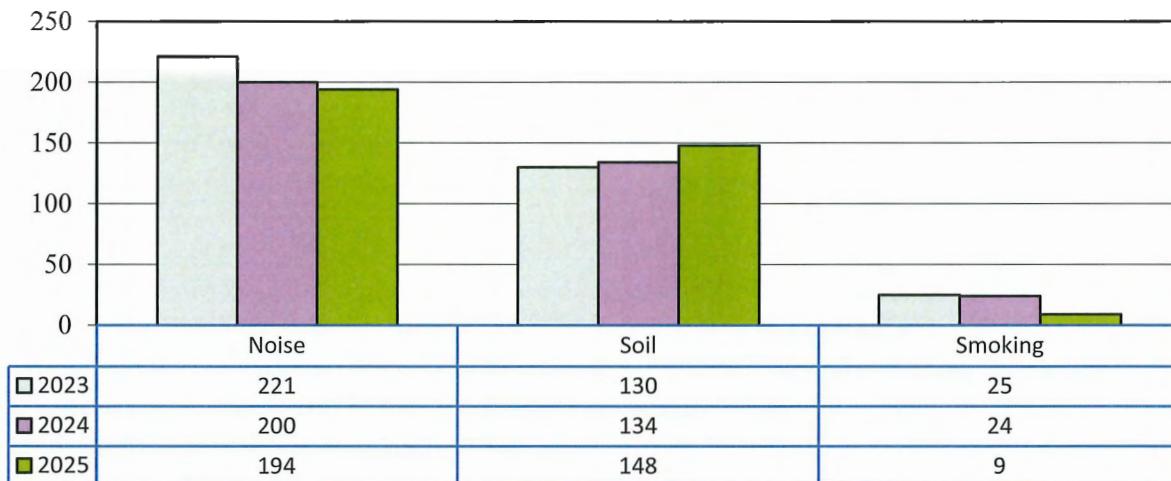


In November, there were 16 service calls on unsightly premises, mainly due to long grass, and 25 service calls for boulevard maintenance issues related to sidewalk obstruction and overgrowth of trees and hedges. Staff work with property owners to establish a timeline and set expectations for cleanup to ensure compliance. In most cases, voluntary compliance is achieved. When this does not occur, bylaw staff coordinate with public works to take remedial action and bill the costs to the property owner.

#### Other Community Bylaws Calls for Service

Figure 2 shows a three-year breakdown of other calls for service that are closely related to Property Use matters.

Figure 2: Property Use Calls For Service - November Year-To-Date Comparison



#### Soil Activity

Staff are responsible for responding to public complaints and issues of non-compliance related to unauthorized filling; monitoring permitted soil deposits and removal sites; and inspecting properties that are undergoing remediation to come into compliance with applicable City bylaws. Staff conducted 115 site inspections in the month of November.

Stop Work and/or Removal Orders issued for the following properties:

- 11400 No. 2 Road
- 8671 No. 5 Road
- 6360 No. 6 Road
- 8191 No. 6 Road
- 9651 No. 6 Road
- 9655 No. 6 Road
- 9391 Lasko Road
- 14300 Burrows Road
- 17400 Fedoruk Road
- 6660 Sidaway Road
- 10900 Sidaway Road
- 11600 Granville Road
- 13531 Blundell Road
- 13620 Westminster Highway
- 20371 Westminster Highway
- 20391 Westminster Highway

The following properties are now in compliance:

- 8720 No. 5 Road
- 11400 No. 2 Road
- 18700 River Road

There are approximately 29 soil deposit proposals under various stages of the application process and staff continue to monitor 17 approved sites. Staff are currently addressing approximately 48 properties that are considered non-compliant.

#### Bylaw Prosecutions

No new bylaw charges were sworn in the month of November.

#### Parking Enforcement

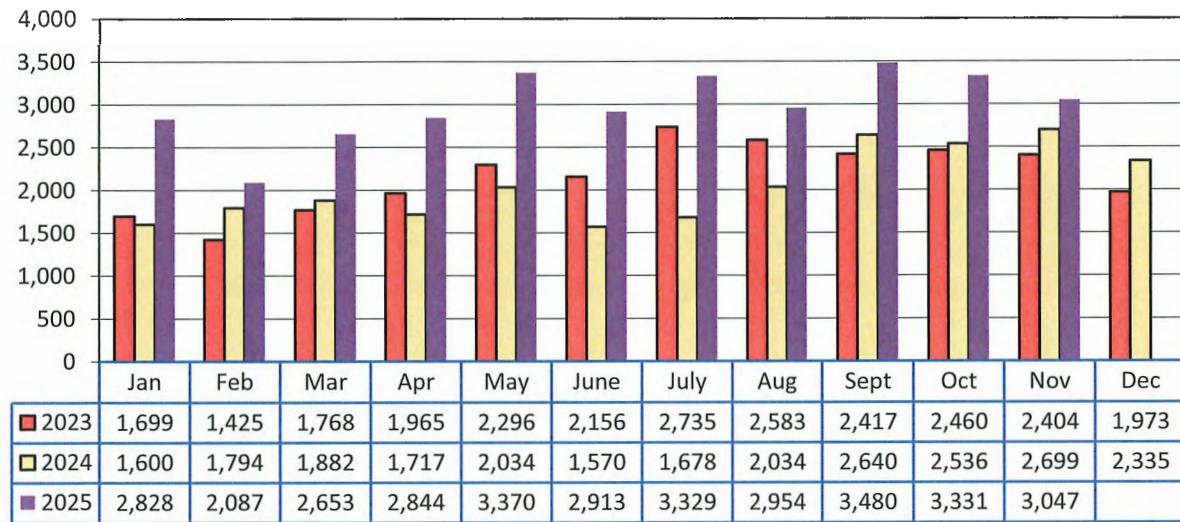
In November, staff responded to 335 calls for service, representing a 5.4 percent decrease from the same period last year (354 calls). Parking enforcement revenue increased by 31.0 percent, while the number of parking violations increased by 12.9 percent.

Officers conducted 21 school patrols in November. Patrols are pre-scheduled a month in advance on a rotational basis, prioritizing locations based on historical activity and service requests by the Richmond School District and the public. Monthly parking enforcement revenue is highlighted in Figure 3. Figure 4 highlights the monthly parking violation issuance.

Figure 3: Parking Enforcement Revenue Comparison (000's)



Figure 4: Parking Violation Issuance Comparison



#### Animal Protection and Dog Licencing

As of November 1, 2025, approximately 6,648 valid dog licences were issued, representing 88.6 percent of the 7,500 licences on file the previous year. A total of 43 dog licences were issued this month. BC SPCA Officers responded to 115 calls for service related to animal control and dog licencing violations in November, bringing the year-to-date total to 1,524. Officers conducted 85 park patrols across various parks, dikes, and school grounds. The top patrolled locations in November were Garry Point Park, MacNeill Neighbourhood Park, Thomas Kidd Elementary School Park, Steveston Community Park, McNair Neighbourhood Park and Garden City Field Park.

In addition to enforcement actions, these patrols serve an educational purpose by increasing awareness and compliance. In collaboration with the Parks Department, staff are reviewing hotspot parks and school grounds to assess options for improving signage. Staff will continue to monitor patrol activity and adjust deployment to focus on areas with the highest demand.

### Ticketing

Table 1 reflects non-parking related Bylaw ticket issuance for the month of November.

Table 1: Community Bylaw Offences

<b>Ticket Issuance (BVN's &amp; MTI's)</b>	<b>November</b>	<b>YTD</b>
Soil Deposit and Removal Offences	32	177
Zoning Offences	5	95
Building Regulation Offences	3	103
Unsightly Premises Offences	1	103
Noise Offences	1	19
Animal/Dog Licencing Offences	0	125
Sign Offences	0	2
Watercourse Protection Offences	0	26
Demolition Waste and Recyclable Materials Offences	0	2
Solid Waste and Recycling Offences	0	5
Parks Offences	0	5
Regulation of Material on Highways Offences	0	0
Watering Offences	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>662</b>

### Bylaw Adjudication

The next adjudication hearings are scheduled for January 21 and 22, 2026. Due to the Province's recent updates to adjudication scheduling guidelines, hearing durations must now reflect whether a bylaw offence is classified as standard or complex. Parking violations are considered standard and require shorter time blocks, whereas other bylaw files may be complex and need more time, resulting in the need for two hearings this month to accommodate both streams efficiently.

### Revenue and Expenses

Revenues across Property Use, Parking Enforcement, and Animal Services continue to reflect seasonal activity patterns and targeted enforcement efforts. In Property Use, soil permit applications and volume fees tend to peak during Q2 and Q3, contributing to higher revenue during the summer construction season. In addition, Parking Enforcement revenue remains driven by the City's pay parking program, supported by steady ticketing activity and monthly permits. Animal Services revenue is supported by the dog licensing program, with increased compliance resulting from prior years' proactive account audits and canvassing initiatives.

On the expense side, costs are primarily related to staffing, enforcement activities, and program administration. Seasonal enforcement demands, public education campaigns, and operational requirements for animal care also contribute to fluctuations in expenses throughout the year. Table 2 outlines the net revenue and expenses for property use, parking enforcement and animal protection services.

Table 2: Property Use, Parking and Animal Protection Services Net Revenue and Expenses

<b>Property Use</b>		<b>YTD Budget November 2025</b>	<b>YTD Actual November 2025</b>
	Revenue <sup>1</sup>	\$460,346	\$430,755
	Expenses	\$1,749,292	\$1,233,728
	<b>Net Revenue (Expense)</b>	<b>(\$1,288,946)</b>	<b>(\$802,973)</b>
<b>Parking</b>	Revenue <sup>2</sup>	\$2,060,600	\$2,583,019
	Expenses	\$1,888,633	\$2,008,573
	<b>Net Revenue (Expense)</b>	<b>\$171,967</b>	<b>\$574,446</b>
<b>Animal Protection</b>	Revenue <sup>3</sup>	\$276,300	\$285,589
	Expenses	\$1,358,133	\$1,290,418
	<b>Net Revenue (Expense)</b>	<b>(\$1,081,833)</b>	<b>(\$1,004,829)</b>

### Financial Impact

None.

### Conclusion

Staff and contracted service providers administer and enforce 41 unique bylaws, covering a diverse range of various regulated community activities and service use, notably land use, noise, soil deposit/removal, short-term rentals, parking permits and enforcement, unsightly premises and animal protection services. This report provides a summary of departmental activity in November.



Mark Corrado  
Director, Community Bylaws and Licensing  
(604-204-8673)

<sup>1</sup> Property Use Revenue is primarily generated from soil permit applications and volume fees, property related bylaw tickets and court fines from bylaw prosecutions.

<sup>2</sup> Parking Enforcement revenue is largely derived from parking meters, monthly parking permits, and ticketing activity.

<sup>3</sup> Animal Services revenue comes from the dog licencing fees and animal control-related tickets.



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## Report to Committee

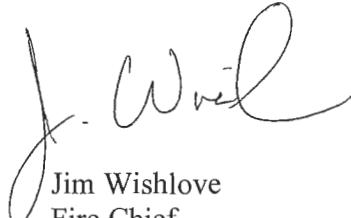
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**To:** Community Safety Committee **Date:** December 17, 2025  
**From:** Jim Wishlove **File** 09-5140-01/2025-Vol  
Fire Chief 01  
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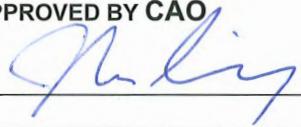
### Staff Recommendation

That the report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – November 2025”, dated December 17, 2025, from the Fire Chief, be received for information.



Jim Wishlove  
Fire Chief  
(604-303-2715)

Att. 1

REPORT CONCURRENCE	
CONCURRENCE OF GENERAL MANAGER	
 Ed Warzel, Acting General Manager	
SENIOR STAFF REPORT REVIEW	INITIALS: 
APPROVED BY CAO	
	

**Staff Report****Origin**

This report highlights activities, information, and statistics related to calls for service in the community and Richmond Fire-Rescue's community safety and prevention initiatives in November 2025.

This monthly report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2022-2026, Focus Area #3, A Safe and Prepared Community:

*Community safety and preparedness through effective planning, strategic partnerships and proactive programs.*

**Analysis****Significant Events**

Richmond Fire-Rescue (RFR) emergency response crews minimized harm, limited damage and stopped fire spread from the point of origin, and performed life-saving interventions in these notable November 2025 incidents<sup>1</sup>:

***Structure fire on No. 6 Road***

On November 11, 2025, RFR emergency crews responded to an RV trailer fire on No. 6 Road, located next to a barn. Upon arrival, crews quickly attacked the fire. The fire was extinguished with limited damage to the siding of the nearby barn. A Fire Investigator attended to identify the cause and origin of the fire.

***Structure fire on Alderbridge Way***

On November 18, 2025, RFR emergency crews responded to a fire inside a residential unit on Alderbridge Way. The first-in crew located a cooking appliance that had been involved in a fire and quickly resolved the situation. The residents were relocated within the same complex to protect their health and safety. A Fire Investigator attended to identify the cause and origin of the fire.

***Gas leak on Smith Drive***

On November 18, 2025, RFR emergency crews responded to reports of a natural gas leak in a townhouse complex on Smith Drive. Emergency crews established safety protocols and secured the scene. Six (6) families were evacuated from their homes while awaiting the arrival of utility service. Utility services arrived on scene and isolated the gas leak. Emergency crews conducted air monitoring before allowing residents to return home.

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<sup>1</sup> Unless otherwise noted, no injuries were reported by the public or RFR personnel in the listed incidents.  
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*Sprinkler activation on Blundell Road*

On November 20, 2025, RFR emergency crews responded to a sprinkler activation on Blundell Road. The evaluation concluded that there was no active fire risk. The sprinkler system was activated due to a butane lighter incident. Emergency crews worked to isolate and mitigate the water flow and reduce the damage to the property. The building was placed on a fire watch, and the fire protection company attended to repair and reset the sprinkler system. Crews remained on scene to perform water removal to alleviate further damage.

*Motor Vehicle Incident on Lismore Avenue*

On November 25, 2025, RFR emergency crews responded to a vehicle that had breached the garage structure of a house, exiting into the yard behind the house. Upon investigation, it was determined that the house may have been structurally unstable; therefore, a security firm was called and attended to secure the property. The residents were evacuated and provided Emergency Support Services. The driver received medical assistance from BC Emergency Health Services and was transported to Richmond General Hospital. A Fire Investigator and a structural engineer attended to evaluate the property.

*Structure Fire on McLennan Avenue*

On November 28, 2025, RFR emergency crews responded to a structure fire on McLennan Avenue. Upon arrival, crews found an outdoor fire in front of an abandoned property. Crews quickly extinguished the fire to prevent it from spreading to nearby properties. RCMP also attended and took over responsibility of the scene as an individual was located inside the property. A Fire Investigator attended to identify the cause and origin of the fire.

*Structure Fire on 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue*

On the evening of December 2, 2025, RFR Emergency Response crews were dispatched to a multi-family apartment building on 7th Avenue in Steveston. Upon arrival, crews encountered numerous residents evacuating and flames visible from several suites on the top floor. RFR dispatched all available resources to the scene to manage the fire and evacuate the remaining occupants of the building. RFR subsequently requested standby support from Vancouver Fire & Rescue Services to cover the city's vacant fire halls. RFR Emergency Programs personnel were also dispatched to assist and support the displaced evacuees. With the help of the Steveston Community Centre, the Emergency Programs team set up a reception center, where they, along with volunteers from the Canadian Red Cross, welcomed 37 individuals evacuated from the building. A total of 23 evacuees received ongoing support, including housing and food, while seven individuals were offered long-term accommodation. Over several hours, RFR fire crews extinguished the fire. They then began the process of containing the damaged suites and initiating the investigation. More details will be available once the investigation is complete.

Emergency Response

Table 1 provides incident data and comparisons for November 2024 and November 2025. In November 2025, there were 970 reported incidents of all types, representing an overall decrease of eleven per cent compared to the previous year.

**Table 1: Total Incidents - November 2025**

	Incident Totals November (2025)	Incident Totals November (2024)	Number Change from November 2024 to 2025	Percentage Change from November 2024 to 2025	5 Year Average for November
Active Alarm	147	192	-45	-23	174
Explosion	1	3	-2	-67	1
Fire	24	30	-6	-20	33
Hazardous Materials	13	7	+6	+86	7
Medical	506	573	-67	-12	517
Motor Vehicle Incident	88	82	+6	+7	86
Public Hazard	9	19	-10	-53	14
Public Service	97	97	0	0	100
Response Cancelled/Unfounded	82	84	-2	-2	74
Specialized Transport	3	7	-4	-57	3
Technical Rescue	0	1	-1	-100	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>1,095</b>	<b>-125</b>	<b>-11</b>	<b>1,011</b>

The average time on scene for emergency response crews in November 2025 was 28 minutes per event, down from 29 minutes in November 2024. The time spent on the scene can vary due to the complexity and severity of each incident.

In November 2025, 24 fire incidents were reported to the BC Office of the Fire Commissioner, down from 30 in November 2024. The average number of fires reported each November over the last five years is 33.

Fire damage and property losses during November 2025 are estimated at \$61,730. The total building/asset and content value at risk is estimated at \$1,133,895, and the total value preserved from damage is \$1,072,165. These numbers translate to 95 per cent of the value protected (Table 2), which is a much higher preservation rate than the 51 per cent observed in 2024.

**Table 2: Fire Incidents By Type and Loss Estimates - November 2025**

<b>Incident Type Breakdown</b>	<b>Incident Volume</b>	<b>Estimated Building/Asset Value (\$)</b>	<b>Estimated Building/Asset Loss (\$)</b>	<b>Estimated Content Value (\$)</b>	<b>Estimated Content Loss (\$)</b>	<b>Estimated Total Value Preserved (\$)</b>
Single Family Residence	3	35,000	-	24,475	-	59,475
Multi-Family Residence	3	473,200	20,000	331,215	-	784,415
Commercial/Industrial	1	155,750	35,000	109,025	5,000	224,775
Outdoor	15	5,230	1,730	-	-	3,500
Vehicle/Vessel	2	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>24</b>	<b>669,180</b>	<b>56,730</b>	<b>464,715</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>1,072,165</b>

RFR Public Outreach & Education

During November, RFR staff conducted the following public outreach and education activities:

- November 1 & 2, RFR supported our union partners at the Richmond Firefighters Charitable Society with a community fundraising event hosted at the Steveston Fire Hall No. 2; staffing an information booth to distribute fire and life safety information and providing the Community Relations Fire Truck for community engagement. Over 600 community members attended this IAFF Local 1286-led event.
- November 4, RFR provided fire and life safety information to The Village Strata Council. Education specific to the strata building, including fire safety preparedness, mobility issues, evacuation and fire safety plans, was discussed with the strata council.
- November 4, Fire Hall and vehicle tours were provided for groups of new Canadians (SUCCESS). Over 25 attendees participated in the event.
- November 5, RFR Community Outreach partnered with the RCMP and ICBC to promote the “be safe, be seen” campaign. The pedestrian visibility campaign included handing out reflectors to the general public in high-traffic areas. Over 1,000 pedestrians participated.
- November 5, RFR participated in the City’s Take Our Kids to Work Day 2025. Providing fire and life safety education and a fire hall tour for a group of 23 teenagers.
- November 6, RFR visited Thompson Elementary to provide a Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) demonstration to a class that completed the grade 2/3 online education program created by the RFR Community Outreach Team.

<sup>2</sup> The dollar losses shown in this table are preliminary estimates. They are derived from RFR's record management system and are subject to change due to delays in reporting and confirmation of actual losses from private insurance agencies (as available). Values under a threshold limit of \$1,000 will not be noted in the table.

- November 14 RFR provided fire and life safety education at the Richmond Disability Centre to people with disabilities who live semi-independently in the community. Over 15 attendees participated.
- November 14, RFR provided a hall tour and fire and life safety education to 12 children from Tomorrow's Topkids Child Care Center.
- November 15, RFR provided fire and life safety to a Britannia Strata who had recently experienced a fire, including presentations on evacuation and fire safety plans.
- November 19, RFR participated in the ICBC pedestrian visibility campaign with Minoru Centre for Active Living (MCAL) and the RCMP. Over 300 members of the public participated.
- November 22, RFR partnered with the RCMP for the annual Toy Drive event. Over 2,500 participants attended the toy gifting and monetary donation event for the Richmond Cares Richmond Gives campaign.
- November 26, RFR visited Brighouse Elementary to provide a Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) demonstration to a class of 43 students who completed the RFR grade 2/3 online education program.

#### Emergency Programs

Emergency Programs (EP) staff participated in the following engagement activities in November:

- On November 6, EP participated in a Seniors' Neighbourhood Café event at Kiwanis Towers. Approximately 80 attendees received information on preparedness, local hazards, and how to sign up for the Emergency Notification System (ENS).
- On November 7, EP attended the City Centre and Lang Centre preschools to teach children about earthquakes and the 'drop, cover, and hold on' drill. Information on emergency supplies and signing up for the ENS was provided for the children to take home to their parents.
- On November 12, EP presented to members of the Community Action Program for Children, through the Touchstone Family Association, and spoke to 18 parents and caregivers of children aged 0-6 years old about emergency preparedness with a focus on earthquakes.
- On November 17 and 24, EP, in collaboration with the Justice Institute of British Columbia (JIBC), hosted a two-day Emergency Operations Centre familiarization session for the Richmond Fire-Rescue senior leadership team.
- On November 20, EP provided a presentation to the Meadow Walk Housing Co-Op on emergency preparedness to 13 residents.

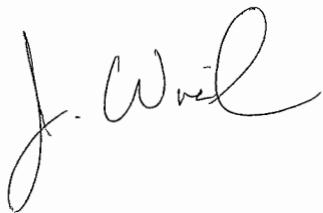
- On November 23, EP participated in an Emergency Support Services (ESS) exercise hosted by the City of Vancouver ESS team, where they set up a reception centre and group lodging.

**Financial Impact**

None.

**Conclusion**

Richmond Fire-Rescue continues to monitor activities to identify and develop public outreach programs that respond to emerging trends and opportunities and promote effective prevention behaviours.



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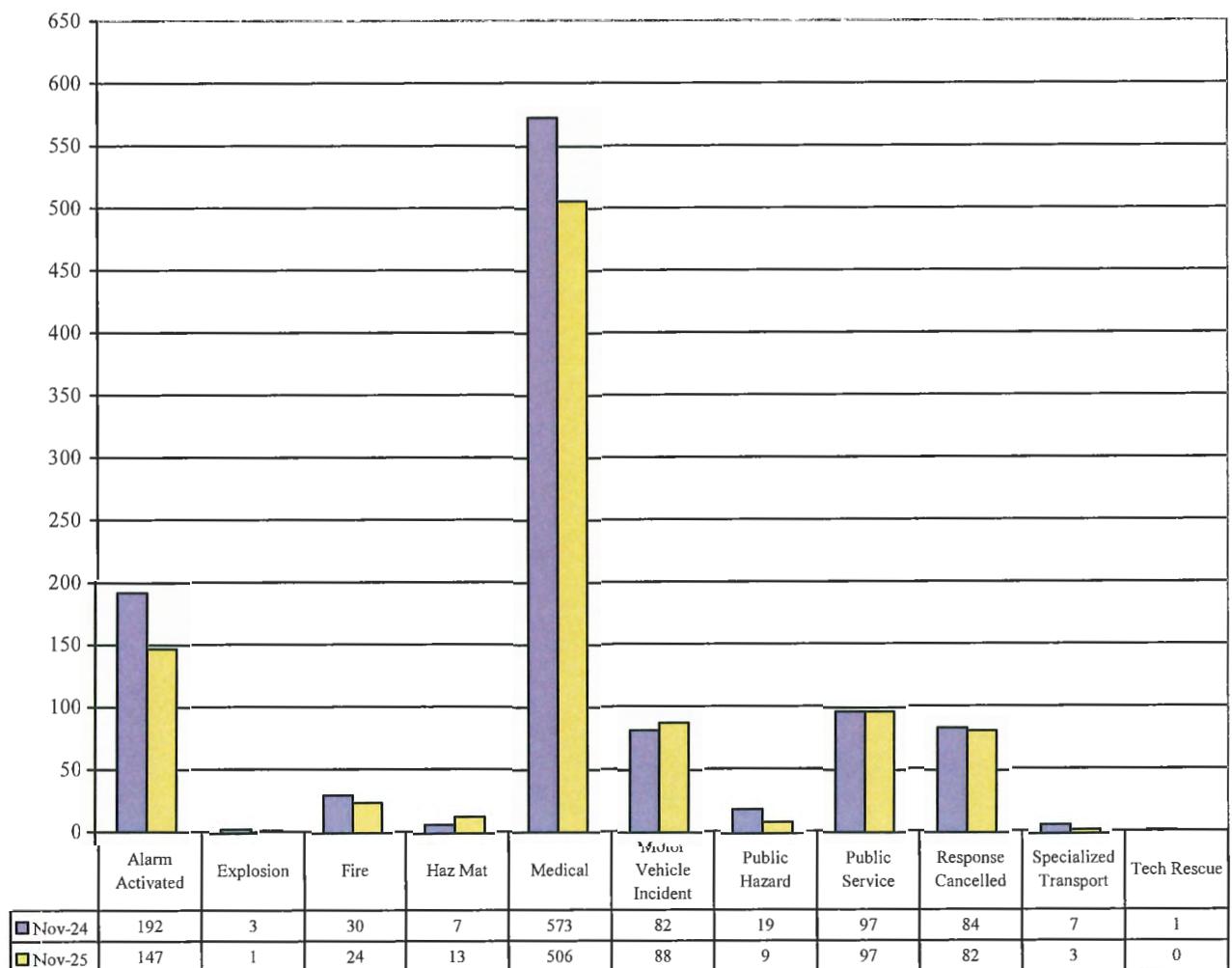
Att. 1: Emergency Response Activity for November 2025.

## Emergency Response Activity for November 2025

### Incident Volumes

The following chart provides a month-to-month comparison of incidents occurring in November 2024 and 2025. In November 2025, there were 970 total incidents, compared to 1,095 in November 2024. This represents an overall decrease of 11 per cent between last year and 2025.

Table 3: November 2024 & November 2025 Incident Volumes



#### Incident Type Legend:

**HazMat:** includes fuel or vapour; spills, leaks, or containment

**Medical** includes cardiac arrest, emergency response, home or industrial accidents

**Public Hazard** includes object removal or power lines down

**Public Service** includes assisting the public, ambulance or police, locked in/out, special events, trapped in an elevator, and water removal.

### First Responder Totals

Medical first-responder incidents accounted for 52 per cent of the total emergency responses for RFR during November 2025. A detailed breakdown of the medical incidents for November 2024 and 2025, by sub-type, is set out in the following table. There were 506 medical incidents in November 2025 compared to 573 in November 2024, a decrease of 12 per cent.

Table 4a: November 2024 & November 2025 Medical Calls by Type

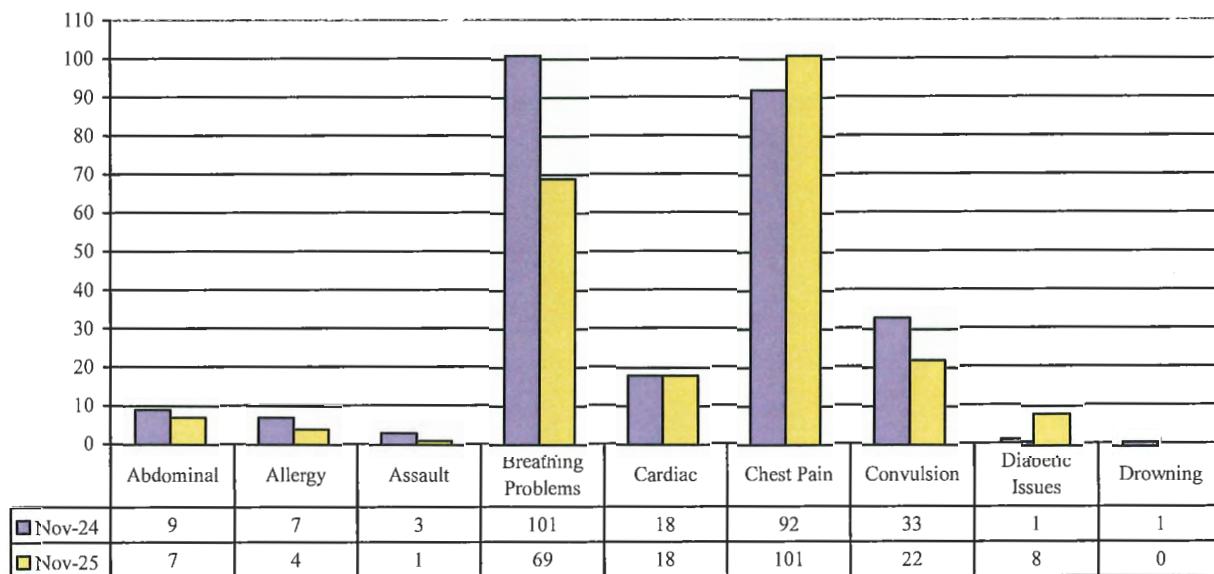
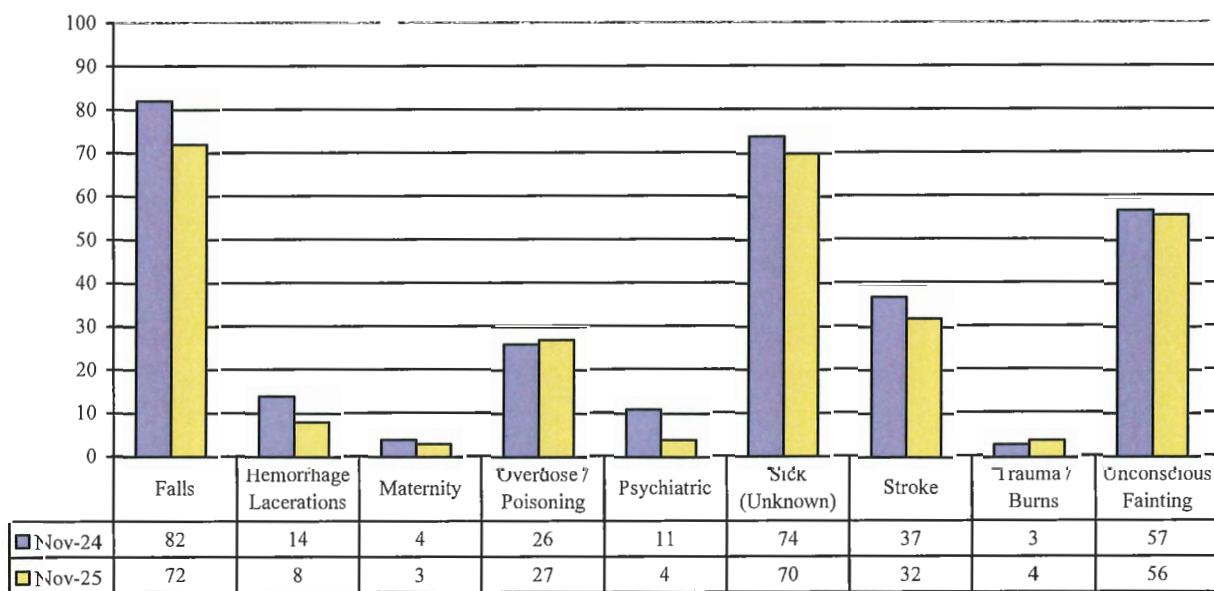


Table 4b: November 2024 & November 2025 Medical Calls by Type



## Overdoses

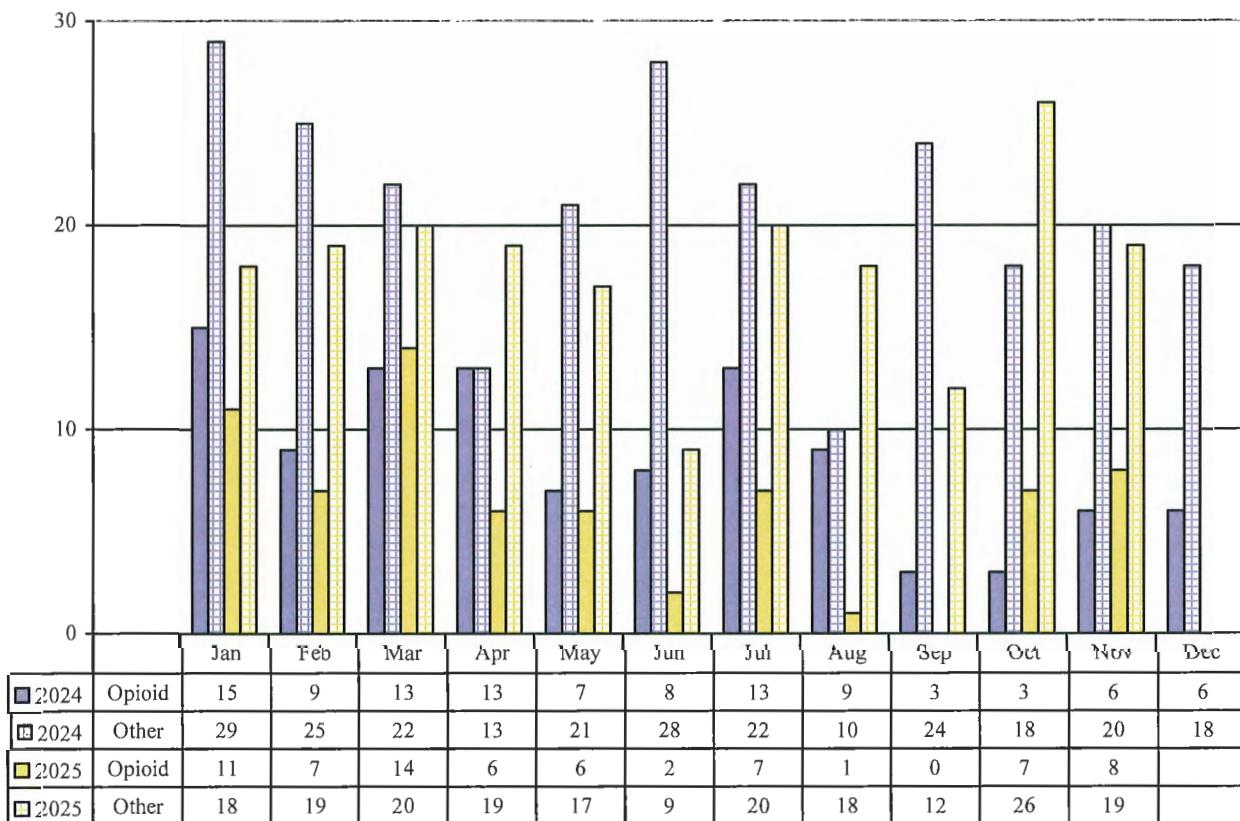
The following tables provide a breakdown of overdose/poisoning incident volume by month for 2024 and 2025. The tables include Opioid and Other overdose incidents (other incidents include alcohol, medications, unknown or refusal of treatment, and other drug types).

During November 2025, RFR staff administered Naloxone on five occasions.

**Table 4c: Overdose / Poisoning Incidents by Type – November 2025**

Year	Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2024	Opioid	15	9	13	13	7	8	13	9	3	3	6	6
	Other	29	25	22	13	21	28	22	10	24	18	20	18
2025	Opioid	11	7	14	6	6	2	7	1	0	7	8	
	Other	18	19	20	19	17	9	20	18	12	26	19	

**Table 4d: 2024 and 2025 Overdose / Poisioning Incidents Type**



Fire Investigations

The fire investigation statistics for November 2025 are listed below:

<b>Table 5: Total Fire Investigation Statistics – November 2025</b>			
	<b>Suspicious</b>	<b>Accidental</b>	<b>Undetermined</b>
Residential - Single-family	-	2	1
Residential - Multi-family	-	3	-
Commercial/Industrial	-	1	-
Outdoor	7	6	2
Vehicle	-	-	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>5</b>

Richmond Fire-Rescue investigators report all suspicious fires to the RCMP, while working alongside the RCMP to address potential risks to the community and coordinate appropriate fire investigations.

Hazardous Materials

<b>Table 6: Hazardous Materials Incidents by Type – November 2025</b>	
	<b>Details</b>
Flammable/Combustible Liquids	2
Gases (Natural / Propane)	11
<b>Totals</b>	<b>13</b>

The following charts provide year-to-year comparisons of total incident volumes for fires, medical, motor vehicle, and overdose/poisoning incidents in November, including year averages from 2016 to 2024.

Table 7a: Total Fire Calls for Service in November and year averages from 2016 to 2025

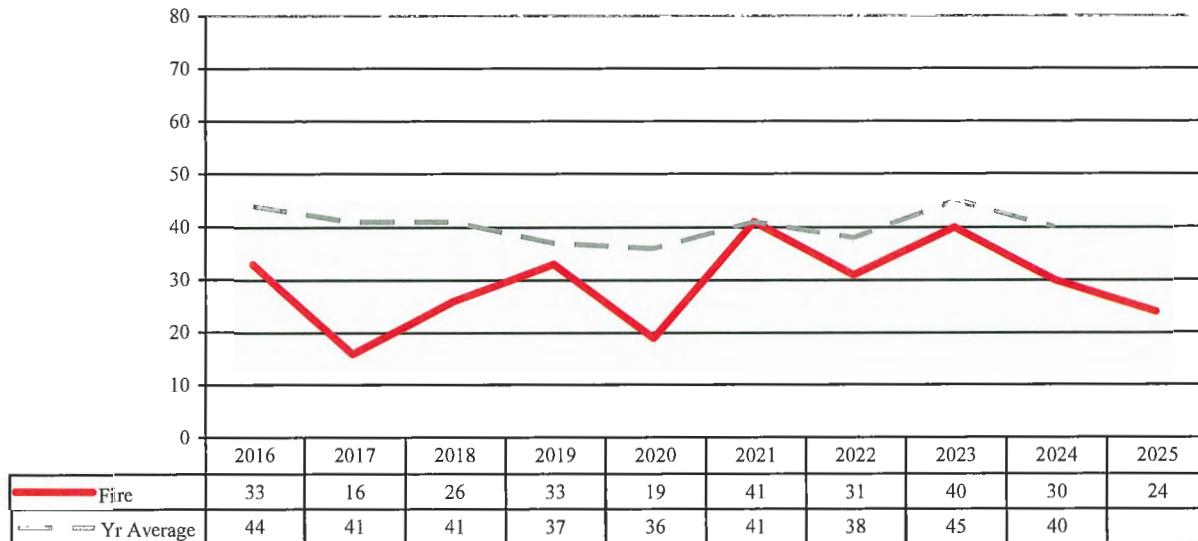


Table 7b: Total Medical Calls for Service in November and year averages from 2016 to 2025

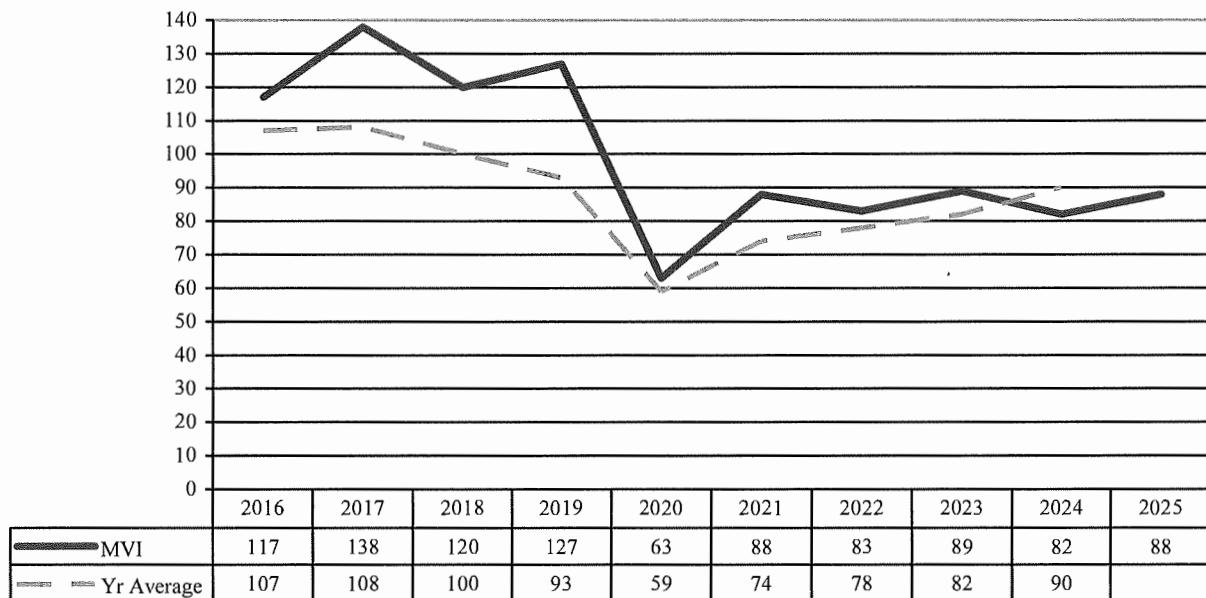


Changes to BC Emergency Health Services Clinical Response Model dispatch system (2017-2018)

Start of COVID-19 Pandemic

July 26, 2024 - Provincial Health Officer ended public health emergency for COVID-19

**Table 7c: Total Motor Vehicle Incident (MVI) Calls for Service in November  
and year averages from 2016 to 2025**



**Table 7d: Total Overdose/Poisoning (ODP) Calls for Service in November  
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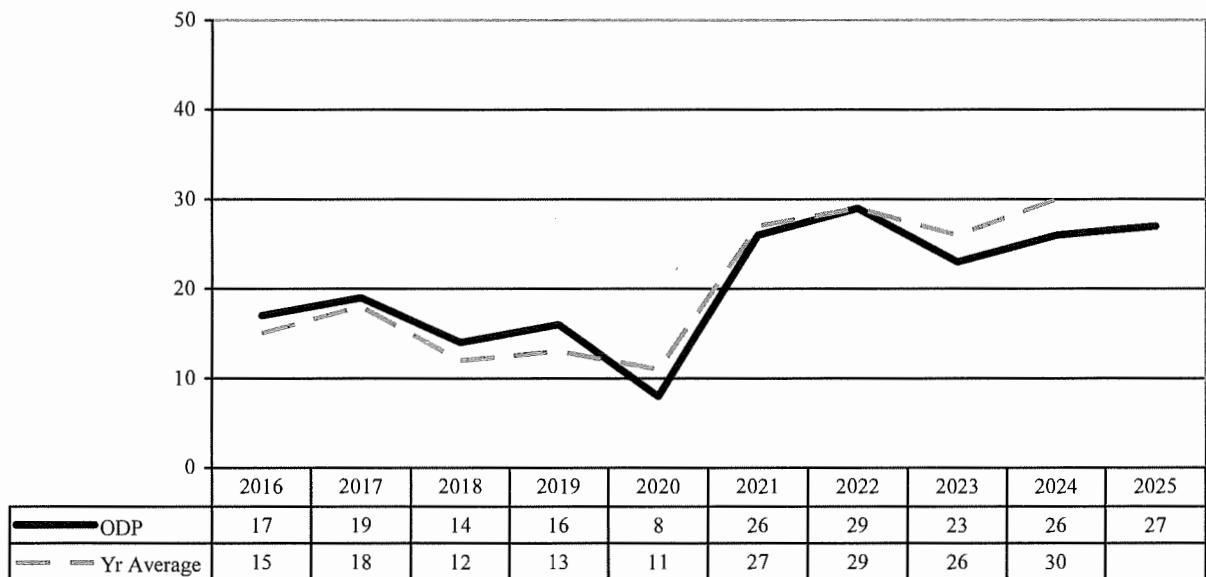


Figure 1a: Location of reportable fire incidents attended in November 2025 (total 24)

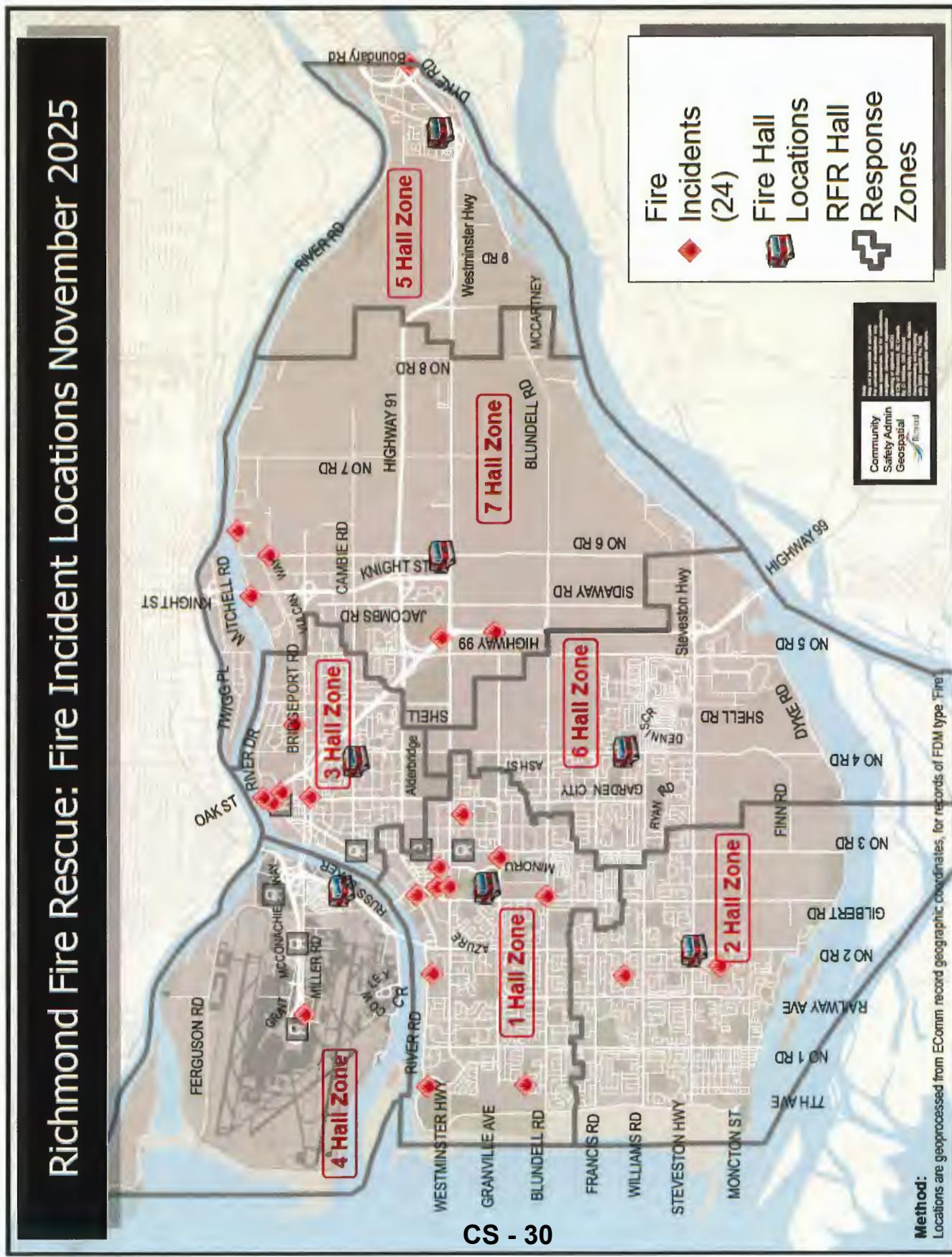


Figure 1b: Density of reportable fire incidents attended in November 2025 (total 24)

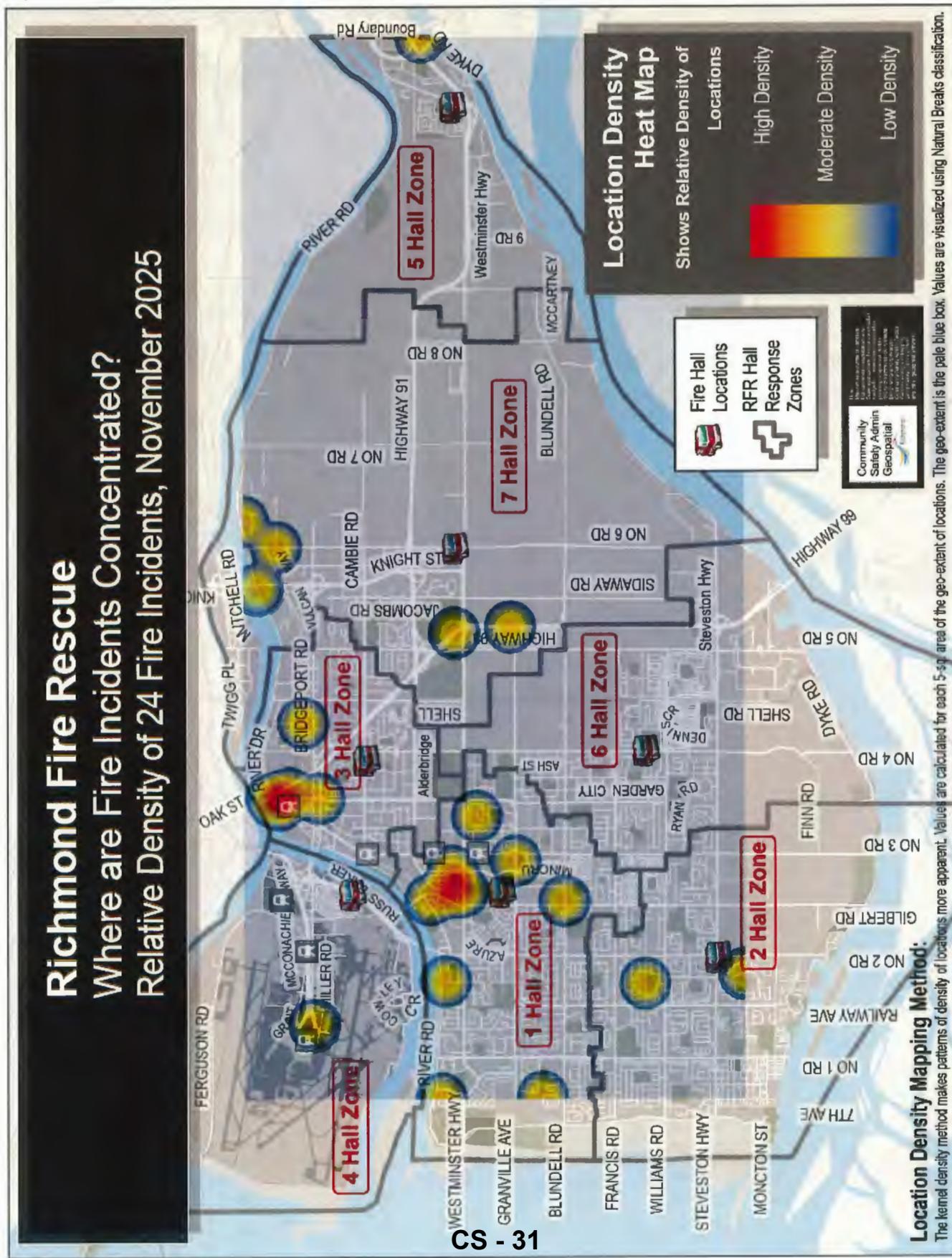


Figure 2a: Location of reportable medical incidents attended in November 2025 (total 506)

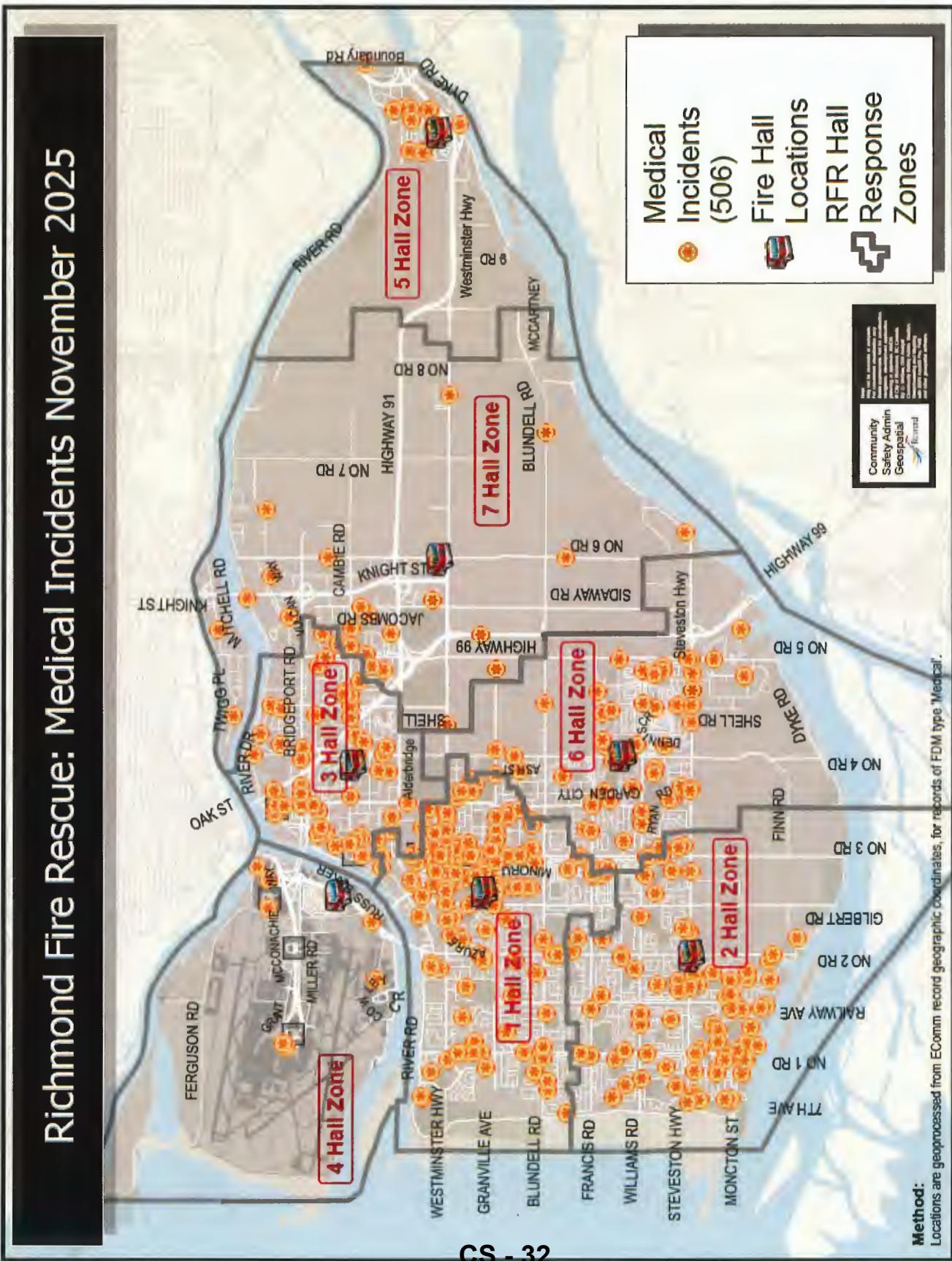


Figure 2b: Density of reportable medical incidents attended in November 2025 (total 506)

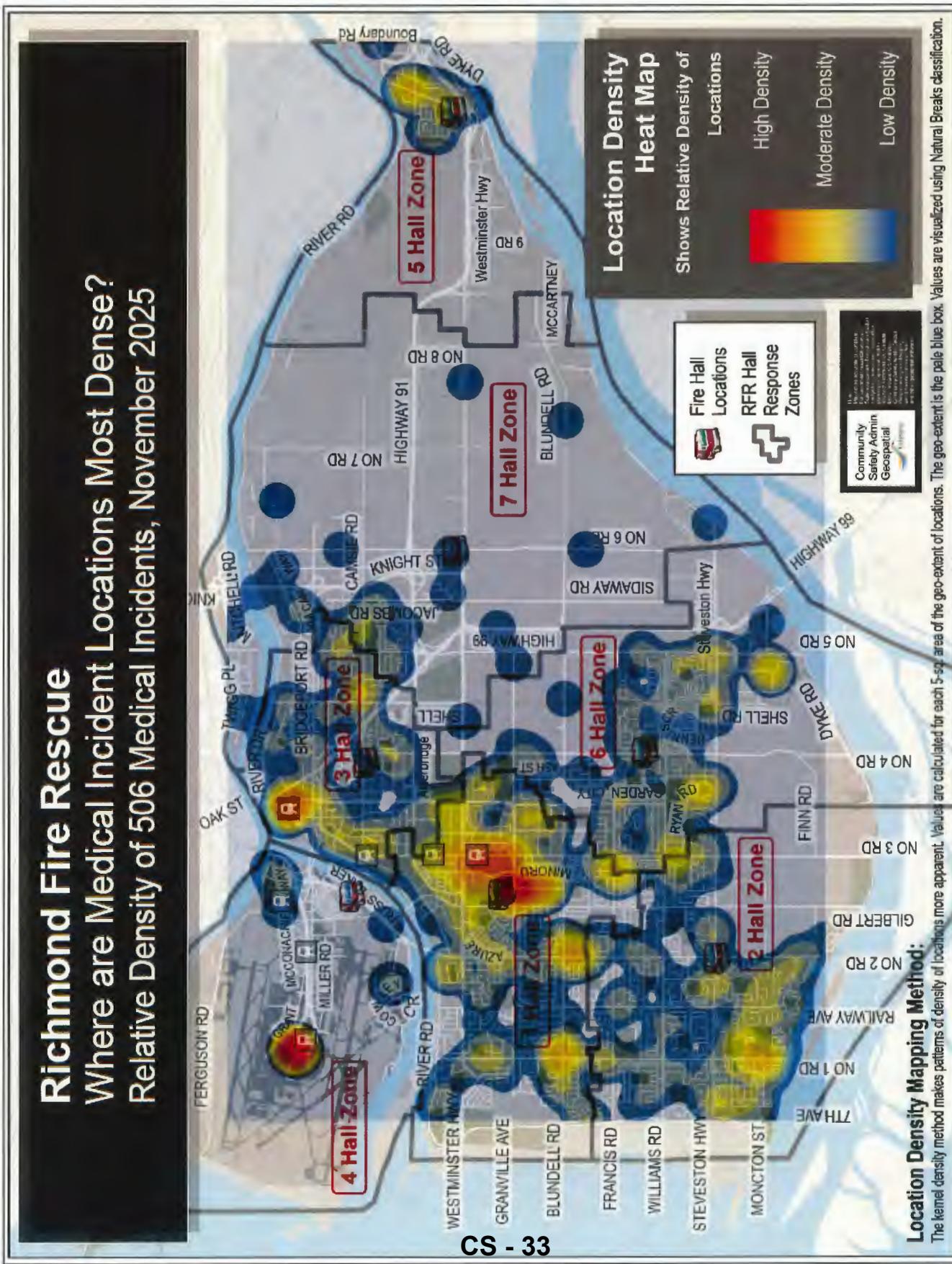


Figure 3a: Location of reportable motor vehicle incidents (MVIs) attended in November 2025 (total 88)

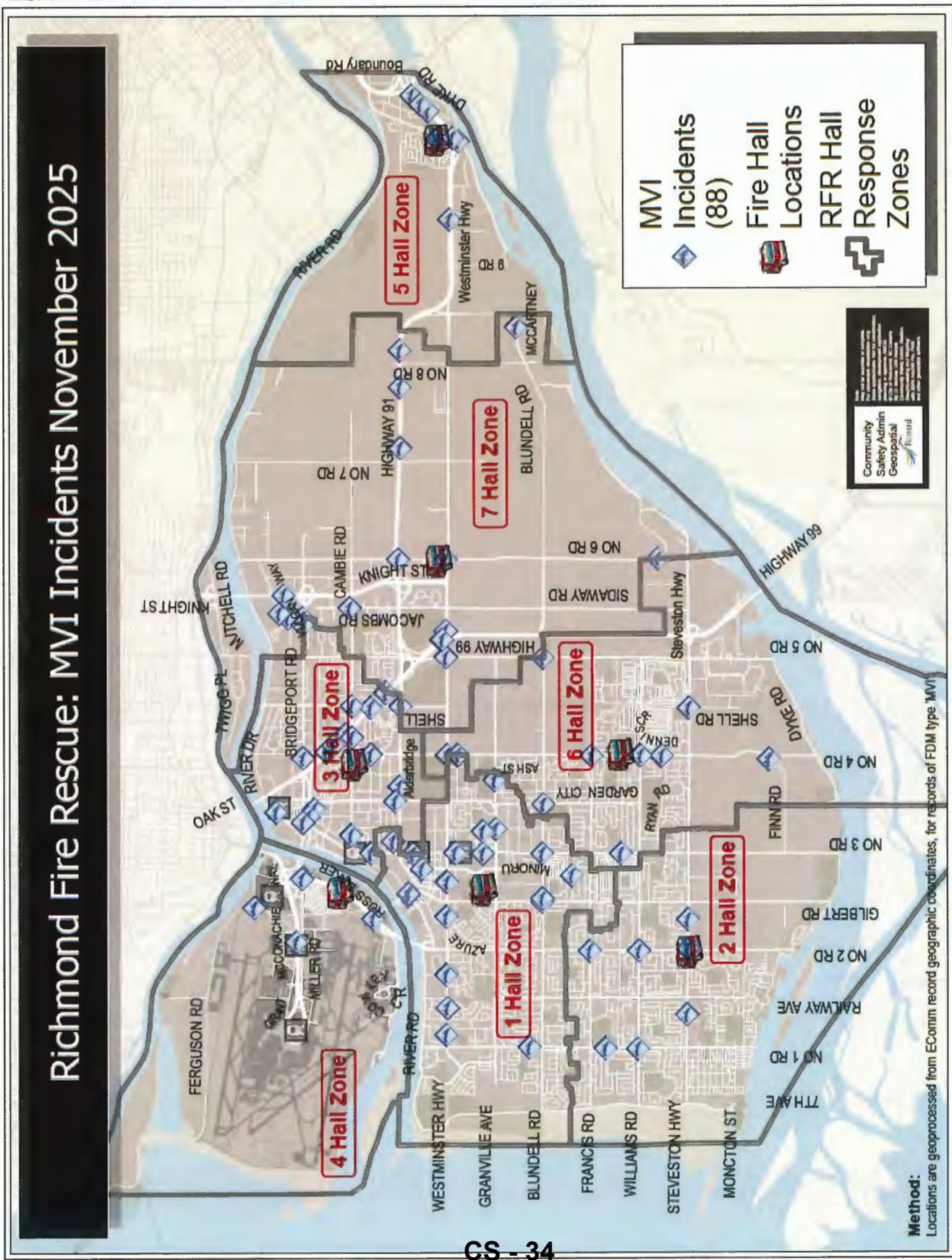


Figure 3b: Density of reportable motor vehicle incidents (MVI) attended in November 2025 (total 88)

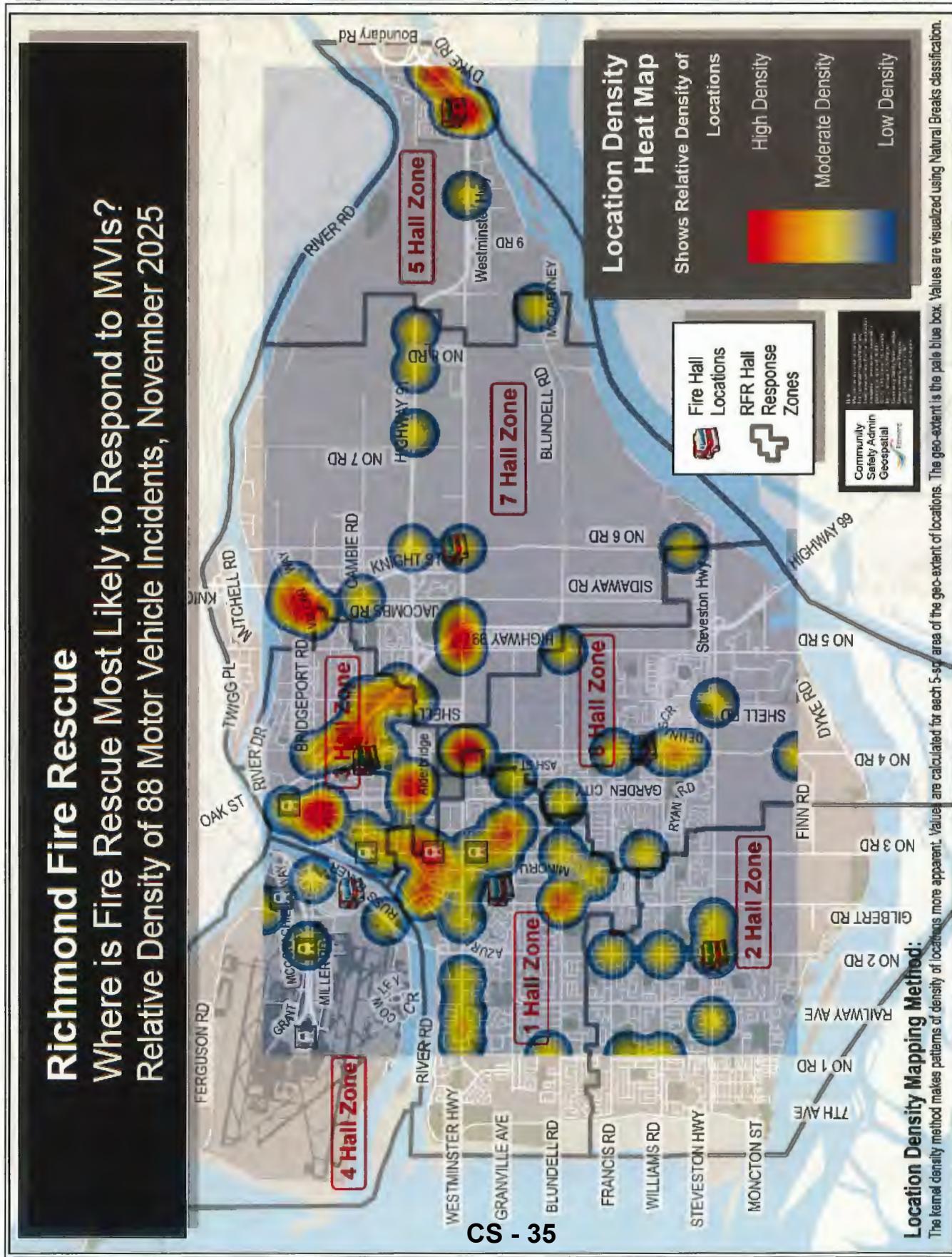


Figure 4a: Location of reportable overdose/poisoning incidents attended in November 2025 (total 27)

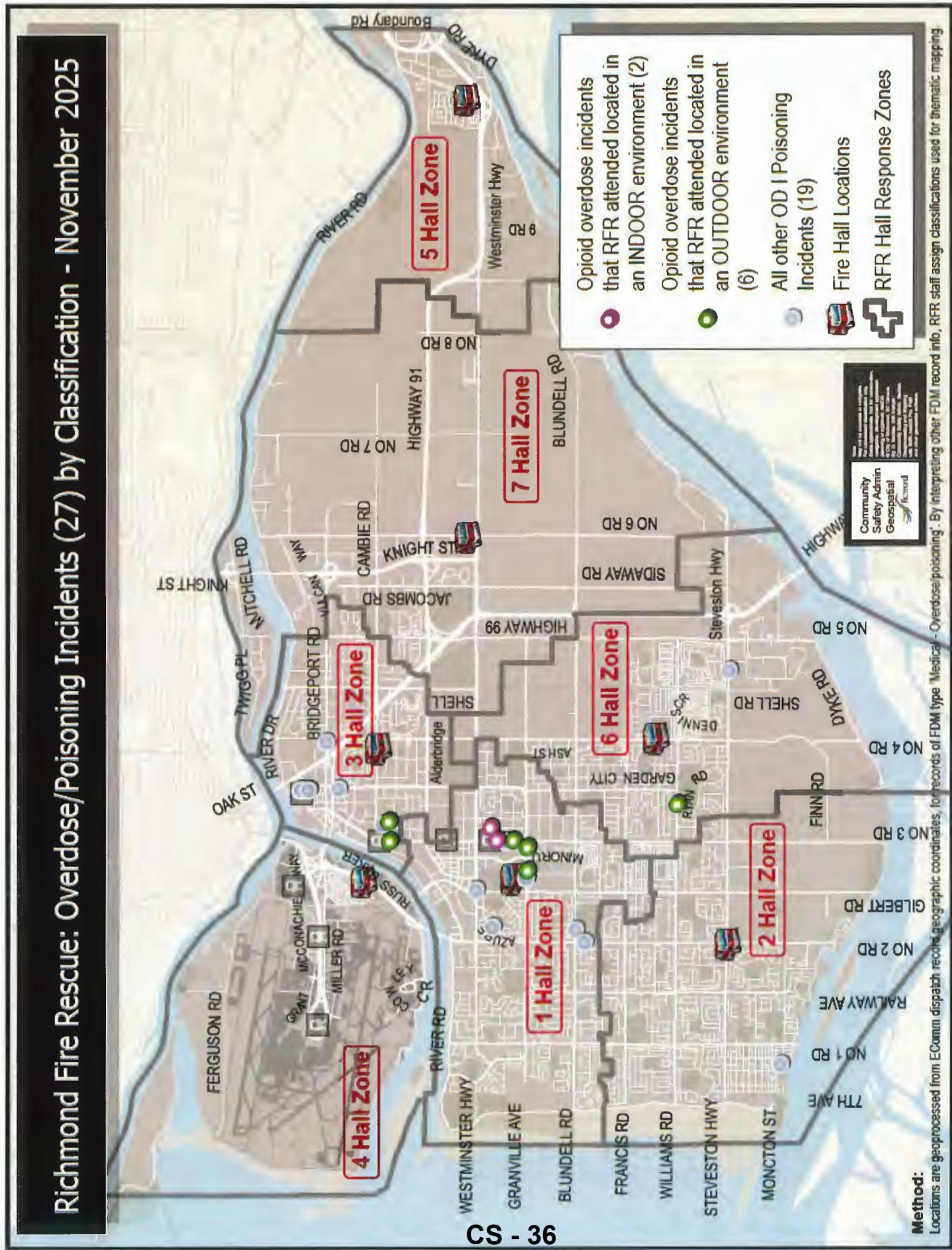
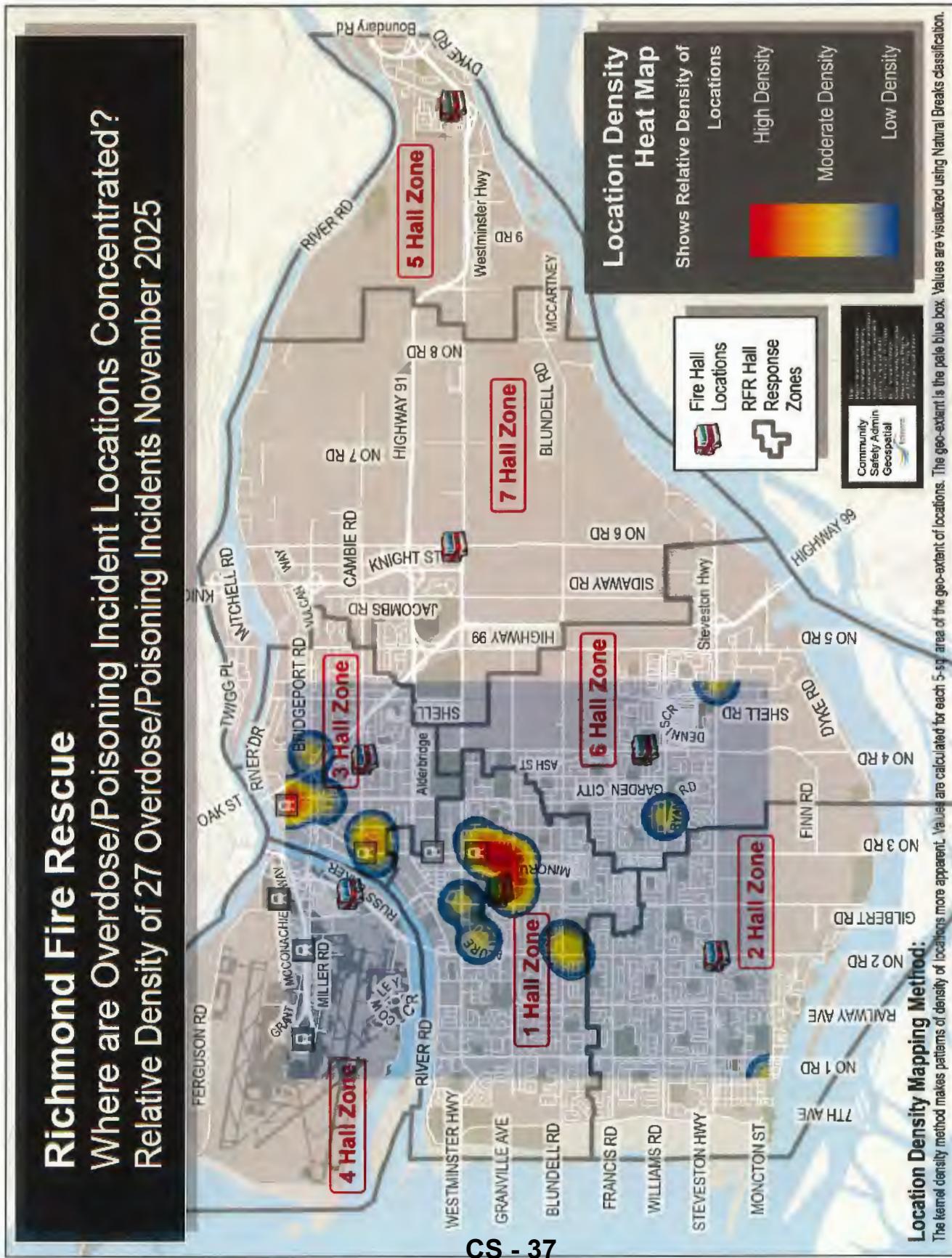


Figure 4b: Density of reportable overdose/poisoning incidents attended in November 2025 (total 27)





# City of Richmond

## Report to Committee

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**To:** Community Safety Committee **Date:** December 11, 2025  
**From:** Dave Chauhan **File:** 09-5030-01/2025-Vol  
Chief Superintendent, Officer in Charge 01  
**Re:** **RCMP Monthly Activity Report – November 2025**

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### Staff Recommendation

That the report titled “RCMP Monthly Activity Report – November 2025”, dated December 11, 2025, from the Officer in Charge, be received for information.

Dave Chauhan  
Chief Superintendent, Officer in Charge  
(604-278-1212)

Att. 3

REPORT CONCURRENCE	
<b>CONCURRENCE OF GENERAL MANAGER</b>	
Ed Warzel, Acting General Manager	
<b>SENIOR STAFF REPORT REVIEW</b>	INITIALS: 
<b>APPROVED BY CAO</b>	

## **Staff Report**

### **Origin**

At the request of the Community Safety Committee, the Officer in Charge will keep Council informed on matters pertaining to policing in the Richmond community. This monthly activity report for the RCMP provides information on each of the following areas:

1. Activities and Noteworthy Files
2. Analysis of Police Statistics
3. Crime Trends Across Jurisdictions
4. Block Watch
5. Communications Unit
6. Community Police Station Programs
7. Crime Prevention Unit
8. Road Safety Unit
9. Victim Services
10. Youth Section

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2022-2026 Focus Area #3: A Safe and Prepared Community:

*Community safety and preparedness through effective planning, strategic partnerships and proactive programs.*

### **Analysis**

#### Activities and Noteworthy Files

##### *Theft Prevention*

On November 3, 2025, the Richmond RCMP issued a media release outlining helpful theft-prevention strategies ahead of the holiday season. Tips include keeping valuables out of sight, using a home alarm, and ensuring doors and windows are locked. The campaign featured a new 42-second video highlighting quick and effective ways to reduce the risk of break-ins this winter.

##### *Break and Enter*

On November 5, 2025, Richmond RCMP officers responded to a report of a break and enter in the 5300 block of No. 3 Road. The suspects drove an SUV through the mall's entrance and attempted to enter a jewelry store. They were unsuccessful in their attempts and fled from the scene. No one was injured in the incident, which remains under investigation.

### *Boost and Bust Operation*

On November 12, 2025, Richmond RCMP officers conducted a Boost and Bust operation targeting retail theft at local businesses.<sup>1</sup> A total of 10 suspects were arrested, all of whom were offered referrals to social services. Over \$3,000 in merchandise was recovered, with clothing and food being the most targeted items.

### *Toy Drive*

On November 22, 2025, the Richmond RCMP hosted its 11th Annual Christmas Toy Drive in partnership with Richmond Cares, Richmond Gives. The fundraising event, sponsored by Coca-Cola, was held outside of Lansdowne Centre and featured mini donuts for supporters who made donations. Over \$33,000 in cash and 1,500 pounds in toys were collected in support of the Richmond Christmas Fund.



Figure 1: Toy Drive

### *Grandparent Scam*

On November 27, 2025, the Richmond RCMP issued a media release warning the public following an increase in reports of grandparent scams. Fraudsters in these schemes often target seniors and use high-pressure tactics to convince the victim to send money to “help” a family member in distress. In a recent case, the victim lost more than \$37,000.

### Analysis of Police Statistics<sup>2</sup>

#### *Arson*

There were six reported arsons in November 2025, an increase of two from the previous month. Year to date, arsons are down 31 per cent compared to the same period in 2024.<sup>3</sup>

#### *Assault Serious (Assault with a Weapon)*

There were nine serious assaults in November 2025, representing a 36 per cent decrease from the previous month. Year to date, the number of serious assaults is down four per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of serious assaults this month is below the average range.

<sup>1</sup> Boost and Bust projects involve police partnering with local businesses and loss prevention officers to target retail theft.

<sup>2</sup> Unless otherwise noted, no patterns or trends have been identified in this month’s statistics.

<sup>3</sup> In January 2024, a new Uniform Crime Reporting Survey (UCR) code was introduced for intentionally set fires that do not meet the *Criminal Code* definition of Arson. This new UCR code prevents comparison to multi-year arson counts and averages.

Thirty-three per cent of serious assaults reported in November 2025 involved family members. There were no unprovoked incidents involving strangers.

*Auto Theft*

There were 23 auto thefts in November 2025, representing a 77 per cent increase from the previous month. Year to date, auto thefts are down 17 per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of auto thefts this month is within the average range.

*Mental Health*

There were 236 mental health-related incidents in November 2025, representing a 12 per cent decrease from the previous month. Year to date, mental health-related incidents are up five per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of mental health-related incidents this month is within the average range.

There were 56 police apprehensions, and the average hospital wait time was 119 minutes; both statistics are within the average ranges. Twenty individuals were responsible for two or more calls in November, with one caller generating five incidents.

*Residential Break and Enter*

There were 20 break and enters to residences in November 2025, which is a five per cent decrease from the previous month. Year to date, residential break and enters are down 11 per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of residential break and enters this month is within the average range.

*Commercial Break and Enter*

In November 2025, there were 24 break and enters to businesses, a 33 per cent increase from the previous month. Year to date, commercial break and enters are up 23 per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of commercial break and enters this month is within the average range.

*Robbery*

There were five robberies reported in November 2025, an increase of one incident from the previous month. Year to date, robberies are up two per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of robberies this month is within the average range.

Two of the incidents reported in November 2025 involved weapons. All incidents remain under investigation.

*Sexual Offences*

There were 20 sexual offence files in November 2025, representing a 54 per cent decrease from the previous month. Year to date, sexual offences are up nine per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of sexual offences this month is within the average range.

Fifty-five per cent of the offences reported in November 2025 were sexual assaults, and 15 per cent were indecent acts/exposing.

*Shoplifting*

There were 148 reported shoplifting thefts in November 2025, a two per cent increase from the previous month. Year to date, shoplifting thefts are down eight per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of shoplifting thefts this month is above the average range.

*Theft from Automobile*

There were 59 thefts from automobiles in November 2025, representing an eight per cent decrease from the previous month. Year to date, the number of thefts from automobiles is down two per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of thefts from automobiles this month is below the average range.

*Drugs*

In November 2025, there were 26 drug offences, representing an 18 per cent increase from the previous month. Year to date, drug offences are up 26 per cent compared to the same period in 2024. The number of drug incidents this month is within the average range.

*Drug-Related "Social Disorder" Calls*

Public complaints related to drug use fall under various call categories, including nuisance, cause disturbance, mischief, unwanted person, suspicious person, and check well-being. Table 1 presents the number of police calls for service related to a public complaint of suspected drug use.

Table 1: Drug-Related Calls for Service

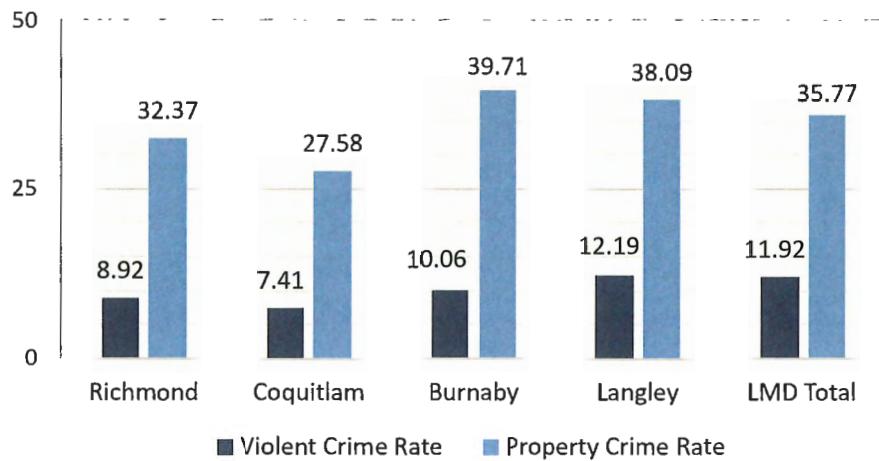
Month	Total Number of Drug-Related Calls	Suspected	Confirmed
January	71	42	29
February	38	23	15
March	49	31	18
April	58	41	17
May	57	36	21
June	70	44	26
July	40	20	20
August	59	44	15
September	57	35	22
October	39	26	13
November	52	40	12

Confirmed incidents refer to files where direct observation of drug use or apparent signs of intoxication is noted. Most calls involved incidents where drug use was suspected, including reports of unwanted persons who were possibly under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

### Crime Trends Across Jurisdictions

Figure 2 presents crime rates in November 2025 for the four largest municipalities in the Lower Mainland District (LMD), which the RCMP polices.<sup>4</sup> The property and violent crime rates in Richmond were below the LMD average.

**Figure 2: November 2025 YTD Crime Rates**



### Block Watch

At the end of November 2025, the Block Watch program had 301 groups, totalling 6,723 participants. Currently, the program includes 421 captains and co-captains. On November 4, 2025, Block Watch staff delivered a safety talk to a S.U.C.C.E.S.S. newcomer group, covering how to identify suspicious activity and when to report incidents to the police.

<sup>4</sup> Based on PRIME query by Richmond Crime Analysis Unit on December 4, 2025

### Communications Unit

The Communications Unit provides public safety and crime-prevention messaging to enhance community awareness of policing-related issues. During November, the Communications Unit conducted the following:

- A campaign promoting the 2025 Toy Drive.
- 13 media releases were issued, including five related to property crimes.
- 31 social media posts were made on X, including pedestrian safety messaging.



Figure 3: Toy Drive Promotion

### Community Police Office Programs

Community police offices continue to enhance the Richmond Detachment's policing services by providing a range of crime-prevention resources and community safety initiatives. City staff and volunteers implement safety initiatives to raise awareness of crime-prevention programs, promote community engagement, and enhance police accessibility. These initiatives help reduce anxiety and fear related to crime. The program activities vary from month to month, reflecting weather conditions, seasonal initiatives and the availability of volunteers.

During November, volunteer highlights included:

- The deployment of two van patrols, totalling eight hours.
- A total of 24 Fail to Stop deployments took place, resulting in 1,168 information letters issued.
- Speed Watch was conducted on 1,437 vehicles, resulting in 33 information letters.
- November 5 – Volunteers participated in pedestrian safety outreach, alongside RCMP officers, ICBC, and Metro Vancouver Transit Police. Volunteers distributed safety reflectors to promote visibility in the fall and winter months.
- November 11 – Volunteers assisted with foot patrols, pedestrian control and observing for suspicious activities at Richmond City Hall for Remembrance Day.



Figure 4: Pedestrian Safety Outreach  
assisted with foot patrols, pedestrian control and observing for suspicious activities at Richmond City Hall for Remembrance Day.

- November 13 – Volunteers assisted Block Watch staff with conducting Business Link outreach at Aberdeen Centre, promoting enrollment in the Business Link program and helping raise awareness of seasonal theft trends
- November 16 – Volunteers assisted Block Watch staff and the Economic Crime Unit with Fraud Prevention outreach at the T&T Supermarket at Lansdowne Centre. Two engagement tables were set up, featuring information on recent fraud trends.
- November 19 – RCMP officers and volunteers engaged with seniors at the Minoru Centre for Active Living during the Seniors Wellness Clinic. There were 450 face-to-face contacts, and 571 safety reflectors were distributed.
- November 22 – Volunteers assisted RCMP officers with the annual Richmond RCMP Toy Drive by helping set up equipment and staffing the community engagement booth.
- November 26 – Volunteers assisted Block Watch Staff with a Block Watch Pop-Up event at a new apartment complex, recruiting new participants to the program.

#### Crime Prevention Unit

The Crime Prevention Unit reduces crime and enhances community engagement through public awareness and education initiatives. During November, the Crime Prevention Unit participated in various activities, including diversity and inclusion initiatives, road safety deployments and the following events:

- A total of 225 Place of Worship patrols were conducted.
- On November 5, 2025, RCMP officers, in collaboration with Metro Vancouver Transit Police, City Bylaws, and ICBC, conducted a large-scale pedestrian safety outreach event at the Brighouse Canada Line Station. Over 3,300 safety reflectors were distributed.
- On November 11, 2025, RCMP officers participated in Remembrance Day commemorations, including marching in Red Serge.



Figure 5: Remembrance Day

### Road Safety Unit

The Road Safety Unit makes Richmond's roads safer through evidence-based traffic enforcement, investigations into serious vehicle collisions, and public education programs. A total of 791 violation tickets were issued in November. Figure 6 provides statistics for the top five infractions for which violation tickets were issued in November:

**Figure 6: Top 5 Traffic Infractions - November 2025**

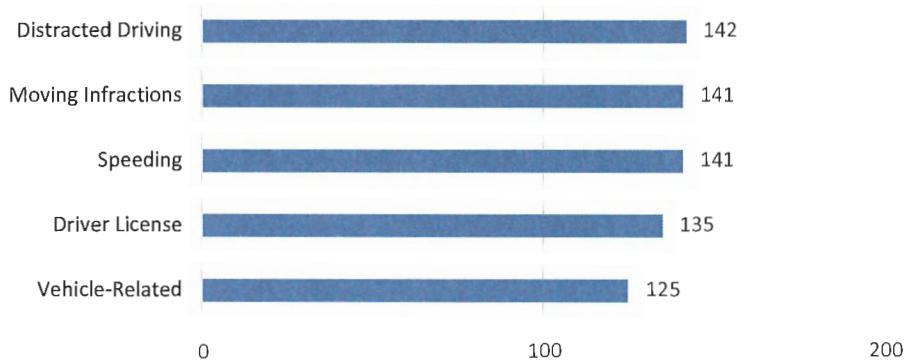


Table 2 presents the number of motor vehicle collisions involving injuries and fatalities reported between January 1, 2021, and November 30, 2025.

**Table 2 – Motor Vehicle Collisions**

Year	Collisions with Non-Fatal Injuries	Fatalities
2021 <sup>5</sup>	355	4
2022	406	1
2023	436	3
2024	455	2
2025 (YTD) <sup>6</sup>	363	1

### Victim Services

In November 2025, Richmond RCMP Victim Services met with 56 new clients and attended five crime/trauma scenes after hours. The unit currently maintains an active caseload of 87 files. In November, Victim Services responded to several cases involving medical-related sudden deaths, intimate partner violence, and property crimes.

<sup>5</sup> Motor Vehicle collisions decreased during the pandemic due to changes in behaviour patterns and fewer vehicles on the roads.

<sup>6</sup> A fatal collision occurred on July 7, 2025.

### Youth Section

The Richmond RCMP Detachment's Youth Section focuses on strategies that promote safe and healthy behaviours essential to developing productive, civic-minded adults. During November, Youth Section highlights included:

- RCMP officers in the Youth Section conducted 130 proactive school visits at secondary schools and 222 visits at elementary schools. Police officers engaged with students during recess, lunch and morning and afternoon supervision.
- DARE classes continued for the first term of the 2025-2026 school year. A total of 473 students in 16 classes are participating in the program.

### **Financial Impact**

None.

### **Conclusion**

In November 2025, the Richmond RCMP conducted several notable investigations, including a break and enter at a jewelry store and a fraud trend targeting seniors. Police statistics for this month indicate that most crime types were within the average range, except for serious assaults, which were below average, and shoplifting, which was elevated.

In November, the Richmond RCMP and volunteers continued to promote crime prevention and road safety initiatives. The 11th Annual Toy Drive was successful in raising money and toys for the Richmond Christmas Fund. The Officer in Charge of the Richmond RCMP Detachment will continue to ensure that Richmond remains a safe and desirable community.



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Director, Police Services  
(604-207-4767)

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Att. 1: Community Policing Programs  
2: Crime Statistics  
3: Crime Maps

## Community Policing Programs Information

### Block Watch

- Community-based crime prevention program aimed at helping neighbors organize themselves to prevent crime.
- Residents can receive email alerts of neighbourhood residential break and enters by registering their email addresses at: [blockwatch@richmond.ca](mailto:blockwatch@richmond.ca)
- For more information, visit [www.richmond.ca/safety/police/prevention/blockwatch.htm](http://www.richmond.ca/safety/police/prevention/blockwatch.htm)

### Distracted Driving Program

- Trained volunteers monitor intersections and observe distracted drivers.
- A letter is sent to the registered owner of the offending vehicle with information on the safety risks associated to the observed behaviour and applicable fine amounts.
- For more information, visit [www.richmond.ca/safety/police/prevention/programs.htm](http://www.richmond.ca/safety/police/prevention/programs.htm)

### Fail to Stop

- Trained volunteers monitor areas that have been referred to the program by local businesses or residents where drivers are not making a full stop at the stop sign, or running a red light.
- An information letter is sent to the registered owner of the vehicle advising them the date, time and location and applicable fine amounts if the driver received a violation ticket.

### Lock Out Auto Crime

- Co-sponsored by the Insurance Corporation of BC (ICBC), volunteers patrol city streets and parking lots looking for automobile security vulnerabilities.
- Notices supplied by ICBC are issued to every vehicle inspected indicating to the owner what issues need to be addressed in order to keep the vehicle and contents secure.
- For more information, visit [www.richmond.ca/safety/police/personal/vehicle.htm](http://www.richmond.ca/safety/police/personal/vehicle.htm)

**Project 529**

- This program allows riders to easily and securely register their bikes. This up-to-date database of bikes alerts its registrants if a fellow 529 bike is stolen.
- Project 529 is a unique, multi-national registry that holds a database of all registered and stolen bikes.

**Speed Watch**

- Co-sponsored by ICBC, promotes safe driving habits by alerting drivers of their speed.
- Trained volunteers are equipped with radar and a speed watch reader board that gives drivers instant feedback regarding their speed.
- Volunteers record the license plate number and the speed, and a letter is sent to the registered owner of the offending vehicle. The letter includes the date, time and location and applicable fine amounts if the driver received a violation ticket.

**Spot the Target**

- This initiative consists of frequently stolen items being placed in the volunteer van for participants to identify in order to enhance awareness of thefts from automobiles.

**Stolen Auto Recovery**

- Co-sponsored by ICBC, trained volunteers equipped with portable computers identify stolen vehicles.
- These volunteers recover hundreds of stolen vehicles each year throughout the Lower Mainland.

**Volunteer Bike and Foot Patrol Program**

- Trained volunteers patrol Richmond neighbourhoods reporting suspicious activities and providing a visible deterrent to crime and public order issues.



## NOVEMBER 2025 STATISTICS - RICHMOND RCMP

The following information is a limited list of select crime-type samples, which does not comprise the entirety or assortment of all crimes captured by the RCMP. The statistics in this chart should be considered independently of the analysis provided as the data is unrelated to the research provided earlier in this report.

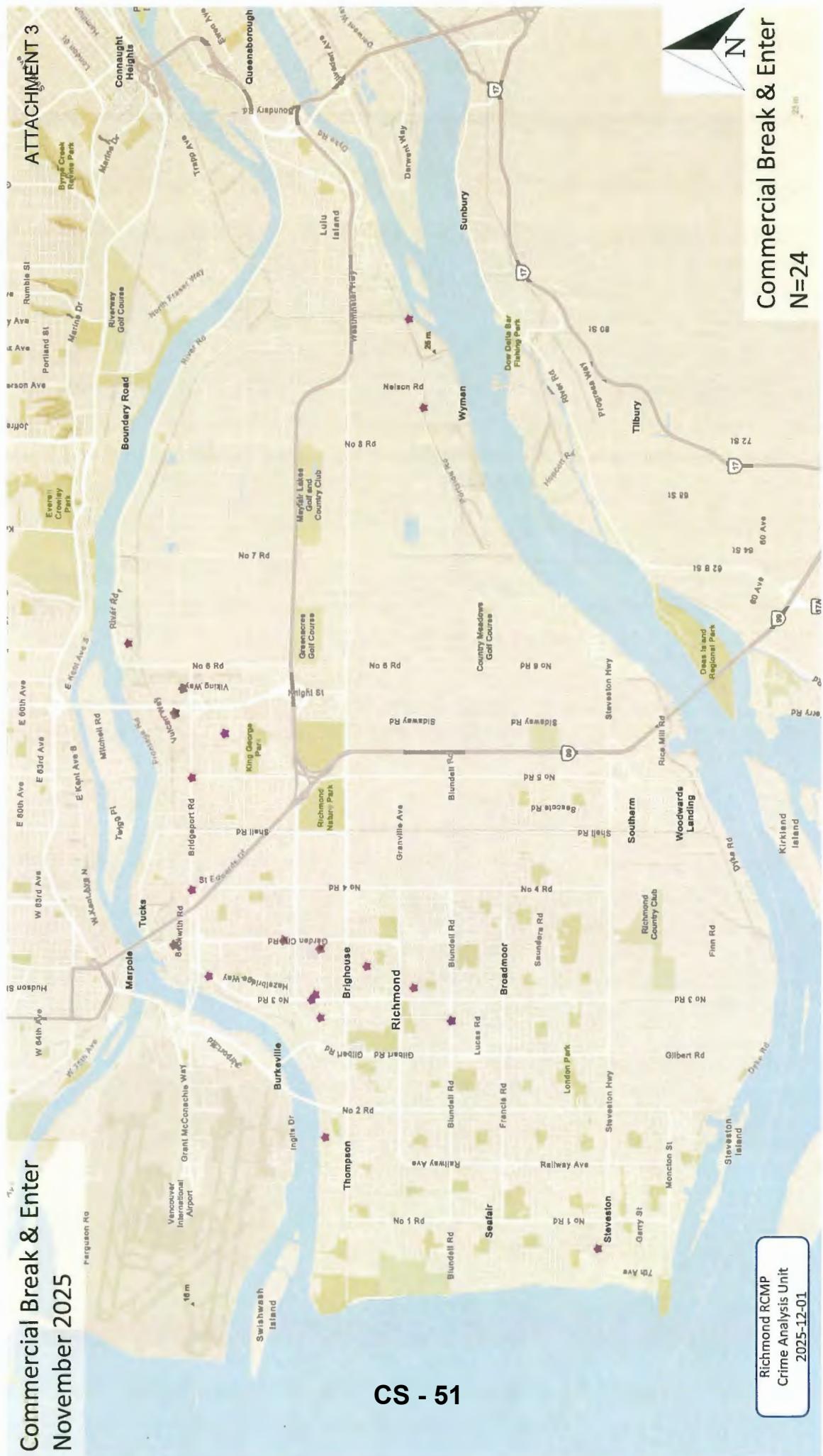
This chart identifies the monthly totals for founded Criminal Code incidents, excluding traffic-related Criminal Code incidents. Based on Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) scoring, there are three categories: (1) Violent Crime, (2) Property Crime, and (3) Other Criminal Code. Within each category, particular offence types are highlighted in this chart. In addition, monthly totals for Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (CDSA) Incidents and MHA-related calls for service are included. Individual UCR codes are indicated below the specific crime type.

The 5 year average is based on activity within a single month over the past 5 years. If the current monthly total for an offence falls outside the 5 year range (using one standard deviation) due to crime trends, patterns, or spikes, it will be noted in **red** if higher and **blue** if below. If the current monthly total for an offence is above the 5 year range due to primarily non-operational reasons such as the new UCR standards or other scoring issues, the total will be noted in **purple**.

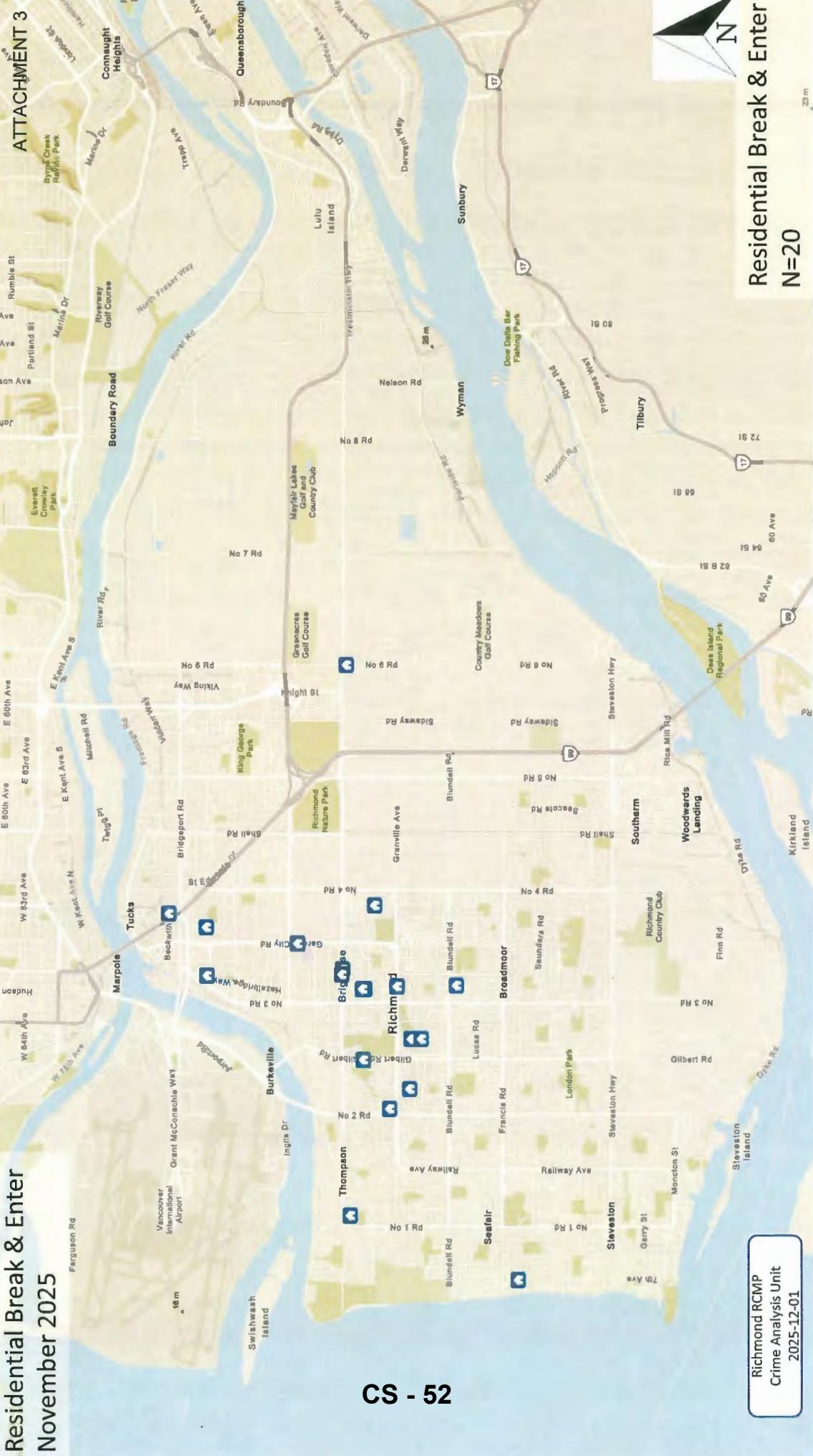
	Month	5-Yr Avg		Year to Date Totals			
		Nov - 25	5-Yr Range	2024	2025	% Change	# Change
<b>VIOLENT CRIME</b> (UCR 1000-Series Offences)	<b>133</b>	<b>148.2</b>	<b>135-161</b>	1750	1934	<b>11%</b>	184
Robbery	5	3.4	2-5	47	48	<b>2%</b>	1
Assault Common	<b>46</b>	57.4	50-65	527	675	<b>28%</b>	148
Assault Serious	<b>9</b>	17.0	14-20	207	199	-4%	-8
Sexual Offences	20	17.0	13-21	224	244	<b>9%</b>	20
<b>PROPERTY CRIME</b> (UCR 2000-Series Offences)	<b>619</b>	<b>573.6</b>	<b>511-636</b>	6912	6811	-1%	-101
Business B&E	24	21.6	16-28	215	264	<b>23%</b>	49
Residential B&E	20	25.8	14-37	235	209	-11%	-26
Auto Theft	23	22.0	18-26	260	216	-17%	-44
Theft from Auto	<b>59</b>	105.6	83-128	797	780	-2%	-17
Theft	<b>130</b>	93.4	70-117	1237	1386	<b>12%</b>	149
Shoplifting	<b>148</b>	83.6	58-109	1485	1359	-8%	-126
Fraud	82	77.8	62-94	1060	1061	<b>0%</b>	1
<b>OTHER CRIMINAL CODE</b> (UCR 3000-Series Offences)	<b>310</b>	<b>241.6</b>	<b>208-275</b>	3229	3130	-3%	-99
Arson	6	7.8	6-9	71	49	-31%	-22
Cause Disturbance	218	182.0	146-218	2470	2140	-13%	-330
Collisions - all	185	165.8	140-192	1811	1881	<b>4%</b>	70
<b>SUBTOTAL CC OFFENCES</b> (UCR 1000 to 3000 Series)	<b>1062</b>	<b>963.6</b>	<b>880-1047</b>	11951	11865	-1%	-86
<b>DRUGS</b> (UCR 4000-Series Offences)	26	34.4	22-47	222	280	<b>26%</b>	58
<b>MHA RELATED CALLS</b> (MHA files or Mental Health flag)	236	240.8	221-261	2741	2891	<b>5%</b>	150

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Commercial Break & Enter  
November 2025



**Residential Break & Enter  
November 2025**



**CS - 52**

Auto Theft  
November 2025



CS - 53

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Auto Theft  
N=23

Theft From Auto  
November 2025



CS - 54

Richmond RCMP  
Crime Analysis Unit  
2025-12-01

Theft From Auto  
N=59