



**Community Safety Committee
Electronic Meeting**

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

**Tuesday, April 14, 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 March 10, 2026.*



NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

May 12, 2026, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room.

LAW AND COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

1. **BUSINESS LICENCE ACTIVITY REPORT – 2025 YEAR IN REVIEW**
(File Ref. No. 12-8060-01) (REDMS No. 8287277)

CS-16

See Page CS-16 for full report

Designated Speaker: Mark Corrado

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the report titled “Business Licence Activity Report – 2025 Year in Review” dated March 6, 2026, from the Director, Community Bylaws & Licencing, be received for information.



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2. **COMMUNITY BYLAWS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – FEBRUARY 2026**

(File Ref. No. 12-8375-02) (REDMS No. 8359522)

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See Page CS-21 for full report

Designated Speaker: Mark Corrado

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the report titled “Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – February 2026”, dated March 17, 2026, from the Director, Community Bylaws & Licencing, be received for information.

3. **RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT - FEBRUARY 2026**

(File Ref. No. 09-5140-01) (REDMS No. 8350647)

CS-28

See Page CS-28 for full report

Designated Speaker: Fire Chief Jim Wishlove

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – February 2026”, dated March 9, 2026, from the Fire Chief, be received for information.

4. **FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

Designated Speaker: Fire Chief Jim Wishlove

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5. **RCMP MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT - FEBRUARY 2026**
(File Ref. No. 09-5030-01) (REDMS No. 8335600)

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Designated Speaker: Chief Supt. Dave Chauhan

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the report titled “RCMP Monthly Activity Report – February 2026”, dated March 11, 2026, from the Officer in Charge, be received for information.

6. **2026-2027 RICHMOND RCMP DETACHMENT ANNUAL PERFORMANCE PLAN COMMUNITY PRIORITIES**
(File Ref. No. 09-5030-01) (REDMS No. 8323952)

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See Page CS-65 for full report

Designated Speaker: Chief Supt. Dave Chauhan

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the priorities, Property Crime, Organized Crime, Road Safety and Vulnerable Persons, listed in the report titled “2026-2027 Richmond RCMP Detachment Annual Performance Plan – Community Priorities”, dated March 10, 2026, from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP, be endorsed for inclusion in the Richmond RCMP Detachment’s fiscal year 2026-2027 (April 1, 2026, to March 31, 2027) Annual Performance Plan.

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

Designated Speaker: Chief Supt. Dave Chauhan

8. **MANAGER’S REPORT**

ADJOURNMENT



Community Safety Committee

Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2026
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.

AGENDA ADDITION

It was moved and seconded
That "Update on the Ministry of Transportation and Transit Unsheltered Sites" be added as item 6A.

CARRIED

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded
That the minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee held on February 10, 2026, be adopted.

CARRIED

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DELEGATIONS

1. Captain Kylie MacDonald, Fire and Life Safety Educator, Richmond Fire-Rescue (RFR), with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation (attached to and forming part of these minutes as Schedule 1), provided a brief overview and update on education and outreach initiatives the RFR team has delivered to the community over the past four years, including some of the unique topics and areas of positive response.

LAW AND COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

2. **COMMUNITY BYLAWS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – JANUARY 2026**

(File Ref. No. 12-8375-02) (REDMS No. 8315728)

A brief discussion ensued with respect to the City’s regulations related to Boulevard Maintenance Regulation Bylaw No. 7174. Staff advised they will follow up with information on when that bylaw was created and noted further the Regulation of Highways and Material on Highways Bylaw No. 10226, created within the last two years, where there is cross-over as well where artificial turf would be constituted unauthorized.

Staff noted Dog License renewals were sent out later this year as a result of delays experienced with Canada Post.

It was moved and seconded

That the report titled “Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – January 2026”, dated February 10, 2026, from the Director, Community Bylaws & Licencing, be received for information.

CARRIED

In response to a query from Committee with respect to an article published in the Richmond News on March 9, 2026, regarding a BC firm on Mitchell Island that was penalized for releasing effluent filled with toxic metals and compounds into the Fraser River, staff noted (i) the City was not informed of the penalty issued by the Ministry of Environment and Parks in advance of the news article, (ii) staff have opened an investigation and will be making efforts to reach out directly to the Ministry of Environment and Parks, and investigate potential business license violations.

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3. **RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – JANUARY 2026**

(File Ref. No. 09-5140-01) (REDMS No. 8316072)

In response to queries from Committee, Fire Chief Wishlove noted (i) the average on-scene time for crew is 29 minutes for emergency calls and does not include travel time or preparation/clean up time, (ii) all Richmond firehalls are rated to withstand major disasters, (iii) the oldest firehall, No. 6 and Westminster Highway, is currently undergoing a renovation, the second oldest firehall, 9400 No. 4 Road, underwent renovations several years ago to bring it up to extreme post disaster standards, (iv) the Sea Island Community Centre was deemed not suitable as a reception centre or group lodging facility during an emergency due to the low accessibility factor as a result of there being a number of stairs required to access the largest rooms located upstairs, and (v) with respect to calls for service for overdoses, the calls for service resulting from the usage of alcohol, inhaled products and prescription misuse are typically higher than for opioid use as they are more readily available.

It was moved and seconded

That the report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – January 2026”, dated February 13, 2026, from the Fire Chief, be received for information.

CARRIED

4. **FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

Chief Wishlove reported the posting for replacement firefighters went out in January for just over two weeks in anticipation of any known and pending retirements. Onboarding and internal training of the successful applicants will take place in August.

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5. **RCMP MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – JANUARY 2026**

(File Ref. No. 09-5030-01) (REDMS No. 8295225)

In response to queries from Committee, Chief Supt. Chauhan noted (i) the reduction in the number of residential and commercial break and enters, robberies and theft from automobiles is a direct result of the sustained collective efforts through monthly crime reduction initiatives, where every member unit assumes ownership in addressing crime, (ii) most of the drug seizures that are handled are reported at the airport, (iii) 166 mental health calls is the lowest number the Richmond RCMP have recorded since January 2019, some can be attributed to certain individuals previously generating in excess of 30+ calls per month who are in different care facilities now, and (iv) customers have reported being defrauded by travel agency Vegas Vacations, for which the Economic Crime Unit has taken conduct of the investigation. Richmond RCMP staff will update Council on the results of the investigation.

It was moved and seconded

That the report titled “RCMP Monthly Activity Report – January 2026”, dated February 11, 2026, from the Officer in Charge, be received for information.

CARRIED

6. **RCMP/OIC BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

(i) Fraud and Distraction Theft

Chief Supt. Chauhan noted the recent reports of fraud and distraction theft targeting elderly citizens and advised that, with over 35 languages spoken by Richmond RCMP members and recognizing the importance of language and cultural connection, efforts are being made to engage with the community in their native languages to provide safety messages and educate them on the steps they can take to ensure they remain protected from these types of crimes through print/social media and community/business outreach (e.g. Cantonese television, Punjabi radio and visits to temples),

(ii) 5th Annual Richmond RCMP Youth Academy

Chief Supt. Chauhan reported the 5th Annual Richmond RCMP Youth Academy is currently in the planning stages to take place in August. 32 students from grades 10 through 12 will have the opportunity to undergo an immersive five-day training camp, learning first-hand experience in policing through real-world scenarios modelling police training in a safe and controlled environment. Application information will be available on the Richmond RCMP and Richmond School District No. 38 websites.

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6A. *Update on Ministry of Transportation and Transit Unsheltered Sites*

Staff provided an update on the two unsheltered sites located on Ministry of Transportation and Transit (MOTT) lands beneath the Oak Street Bridge and in the area east of No. 5 Road, noting there has been some progress on the Oak Street site. In particular, it was noted (i) the Oak Street site is attended weekly (at minimum) as part of the joint operations team with community partners, (ii) most recently there were only two individuals residing under the Oak Street Bridge, which present a more challenging case, and every opportunity is being afforded to assist them in taking advantage of the available services, and (iii) there has been some progress on the site located on No. 5 Road and Westminster Highway, which has four individuals at that location and staff are hopeful there will be a positive update shortly.

7. **MANAGER'S REPORT**

(i) *Response Regarding the Committee's Request for Information on Overdoses and Deaths from Overdoses*

Staff reported they had met with Dr. Meena Dawar, Medical Health Officer, Vancouver Coastal Health, to follow up on the City's written request to receive a heat map of the general proximity (not specific addresses) relating to overdoses and deaths from overdoses in Richmond, to append to the monthly report to Committee, for which there was no assurance given as staff were advised the request would disclose personal information.

It was moved and seconded

That Dr. Meena Dawar be invited to attend a meeting of the Community Safety Committee to specifically address the City's request for the receipt of information relating to the overdoses and deaths from overdoses in Richmond.

CARRIED

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ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded
That the meeting adjourn (5:32 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, March 10, 2026.

Councillor Alexa Loo
Chair

Lorraine Anderson
Legislative Services Associate



Richmond Fire-Rescue

Community Relations Initiatives



Community Engagement Highlights

- Over 120,000 People Reached In The Last Four Years
- Big Rig Implementation
- Collaborations with City and External Partners
- Website Creation
- Community Wellness Initiative (Medical ID)
- Local “Celebrity” Status, Branding and International Recognition

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Community Events

+50

Events
Thousands of People Reached

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Big Rig

Education

Booth

The Squad

- Big Rig Attraction
- Education booth set up
 - Branding from the squad
 - Vulnerability
 - Impactful conversations
 - Fire safety awareness
 - Fire department awareness
 - Community awareness



Online Education Program

Kindergarten/Grade 1 program

– 2023 Launch

+3800

Grade 2/3 Program

– 2024 Launch

Students Since 2023

Program Highlights

Age Specific information
International Attention

Local YouTube Star
Increased Public Awareness

Actionable Items

Innovative way of learning and fun
activities to increase retention

All Self Produced



Program completion initiatives – Big Rig, Turn out Gear, CPR
Awareness



Fire Side Chats

Community based presentations
Specific to group or building
Actionable items
Wide range of informations
Engaging conversations
Constant word of mouth referrals and repeat visits



Topics

Fire Safety Plans
Strata and Business
Responsibilities
Escape Planning
In unit safety and risky behaviours
Fire Extinguishers/
extinguishing fires
Calling 911
Smoke Detectors
Fire safety in the community



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People Reached
January 1st – March 10th 2026





Questions?

Community Relations Initiatives





City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee **Date:** March 6, 2026
From: Mark Corrado **File:** 12-8060-01/2025-Vol
 Director, Community Bylaws & Licencing 01
Re: **Business Licence Activity Report – 2025 Year in Review**

Staff Recommendation

That the report titled “Business Licence Activity Report – 2025 Year in Review” dated March 6, 2026, from the Director, Community Bylaws & Licencing, be received for information.

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

REPORT CONCURRENCE		
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Economic Development Finance Department	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
SENIOR STAFF REPORT REVIEW	INITIALS: 	APPROVED BY CAO

Staff Report

Origin

This report provides a review of business licence activity in 2025, including data from the third and fourth quarter, along with an update of Business Licencing activities in the City of Richmond.

This report supports Council’s Strategic Plan 2022-2026 Focus Area #2 Strategic and Sustainable Community Growth:

2.5 Work collaboratively and proactively to attract and retain businesses to support a diversified economic base.

This report supports Council’s Strategic Plan 2022-2026 Focus Area #4 Responsible Financial Management and Governance:

4.2 Seek improvements and efficiencies in all aspects of City business.

Analysis

Business Licencing Revenue

The City adopted the Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standard at the end of 2024. This standard changed how revenue was accounted for on a monthly accrual basis to a cash basis with the full amount now being recognized as soon as the effective start date of the licence. As a result, business licence revenue is now reported differently. Table 1 sets out January to June 2025 revenues and July to December 2025 revenues.

Table 1: 2025 Total Business Licence Departmental Revenue

	2025 Jan - Jun	2025 Jul - Dec	2025 Total
Revenue	\$ 2,922,403	\$ 2,570,343	\$5,492,746

Application Processing

The licencing application process is a crucial step since it confirms whether the businesses have the required approvals from agencies that regulate health, safety and other municipal, provincial or federal requirements. This process is overseen with thoroughness and efficiency, and the following measures of performance are used:

- **“Valid Licences”** is the number of businesses with valid licences.
- **“Expired Licences”** is the number of businesses that have not paid to renew their licence within 60 days of being sent an invoice. Staff follow up with these businesses regarding the outstanding licencing fees and confirm whether they are permanently closed.
- **“Pending/Change Applications”** are businesses that have applied for a new licence or a change request of an existing licence, and are waiting for their applications to be processed. Staff work to keep this number low by prioritizing these applications.

- **“Total Licences”** is the total number of business licences that are valid, expired (and being checked) and under application review.

Table 2 notes the total number of business licences and their status for 2024 and 2025. These statistics are measured quarterly, rather than annually, as the numbers fluctuate throughout the year due to a variety of factors, including varying numbers of daily application submissions, premise alteration requests, change requests, or permanent business closures.

Table 2: Number and Status of Business Licences in 2024 and 2025

	2024 Q1	2024 Q2	2024 Q3	2024 Q4	2025 Q1	2025 Q2	2025 Q3	2025 Q4
Valid Licences	13,982	14,007	14,518	14,317	13,708	14,368	14,427	14,882
Expired Licences	2,137	2,708	2,515	2,705	3,110	2,674	2,736	2,148
Pending/Change Applications	803	765	725	680	752	822	726	688
Total Licences	16,922	17,480	17,758	17,702	17,570	17,864	17,889	17,718

In the fourth quarter of 2025, total licences increased by 16 compared to the same quarter in 2024. Valid licences increased by 565 (4.0%), of note, between Q4 2024 and Q4 2025, the number of expired licences decreased by 557 (20.6%), reflecting efforts to follow up on outstanding/non-compliant businesses, confirming their status, and ensure the licences are captured in the right category. This includes targeted mail outs and strategic deployment of licence inspectors to hotspot areas with outstanding licence invoices.

Table 3 highlights the number of new business licences issued in each quarter. In 2025, a total of 2,105 new business licences were issued, representing an increase of 49 (2.4%) when contrasted with the 2,056 new licences issued in 2024. The slight increase indicates a positive trend in business activity despite the challenging economic environment.

Table 3: New Business Licences Issued By Quarter

	2024 Q1	2024 Q2	2024 Q3	2024 Q4	2025 Q1	2025 Q2	2025 Q3	2025 Q4
Total Issued	441	630	541	444	556	629	528	392

MyBusiness Portal

The City’s MyBusiness portal, launched in July 2022, enables business licence applicants/holders to renew, submit, or modify existing licences efficiently and effectively. Business engagement with the portal remains strong with approximately 74% of active businesses linking their licences to an account. At the end of 2025, approximately 10,753 businesses had registered with the portal to manage their licences. MyBusiness portal plays an important role in delivering a higher service level to the public, offering remote 24/7 access to the system.

Business Licence Enforcement

In 2025, Business Licence Inspectors issued 572 bylaw violations for various offences, including operating a business without a licence or contrary to licence conditions. Businesses operating without a valid licence are typically issued a warning and provided with steps to achieve compliance. If a follow-up inspection confirms continued non-compliance, a bylaw violation notice is issued. Enforcement activity can result in increased fine revenue or general licence revenue when tickets are converted from a finable violation notice to a warning if the business pays its outstanding business licence fees.

This strategy of targeting non-compliant businesses resulted in a considerable number of businesses opting to come into compliance rather than being subject to more bylaw enforcement. In many cases, discretion was implemented to convert finable violations into warning violations for businesses with no significant history of bylaw enforcement, provided they applied for, paid for, and obtained a licence in a timely manner. In 2025, a total of \$97,090 in enforcement revenue was collected. Table 4 highlights total enforcement revenues for 2024 and 2025.

Table 4: Business Licence Enforcement Revenue for 2024 and 2025

	2024 Jan - Jun	2024 Jul - Dec	2025 Jan - Jun	2025 Jul - Dec
Revenue from Tickets	\$ 51,700	\$ 35,095	\$ 51,790	\$ 45,300

Highlights from 2025

Counter Illicit Finance Alliance of British Columbia (CIFA-BC), and Joint Enforcement Initiative

Following the City’s acceptance to the Counter Illicit Finance Alliance of British Columbia (CIFA-BC) in September 2025, members of the BC Gaming Policy Enforcement Branch (GPEB) and the City’s Business Licence Department began information-sharing related to potential illegal gambling operations in Richmond. In November 2025, a Joint Inspection Team (JIT) was established with a mandate to target liquor primary establishments and suspected illegal gaming houses. After several weeks of coordination and operational planning, the JIT conducted a successful field operation on December 20, 2025. The operation resulted in the issuance of 17 Bylaw Violation Notice (BVNs) and 6 Municipal Ticket Information (MTIs), totaling \$9,400 in fines. This initiative marks the first major joint enforcement effort between GPEB and a City bylaw unit. Continued collaboration and operations will continue in 2026.

Delinquent Business Licence Process

In collaboration with IT, an automated email notification process was implemented in Q3 of 2025, targeting businesses with licences expired beyond the 60-day grace period. A total of 2,051 notices were sent, prompting 922 businesses to submit payment, representing a 45% compliance response rate. The initiative generated \$222,608 in recovered revenue and demonstrated the effectiveness of leveraging automation to strengthen regulatory compliance, improve operational efficiency, and enhance revenue performance. Overall, the process is considered highly successful, delivering strong, measurable outcomes and establishing a scalable model for future compliance initiatives.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

This report provides the Community Safety Committee with an overview of business licence activity and revenue collected by the Business Licencing Department for 2025. Overall, revenues for 2025 remain strong despite a challenging economic climate. The increase in valid licences from year over year remains a positive indicator of Richmond's economic health and reflects staff's proactive efforts to follow up with businesses operating without a valid licence.



Mark Corrado
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(604-204-8673)



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee **Date:** March 17, 2026
From: Mark Corrado **File:** 12-8375-02/2025-Vol
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REPORT CONCURRENCE		
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Finance Department	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
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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.

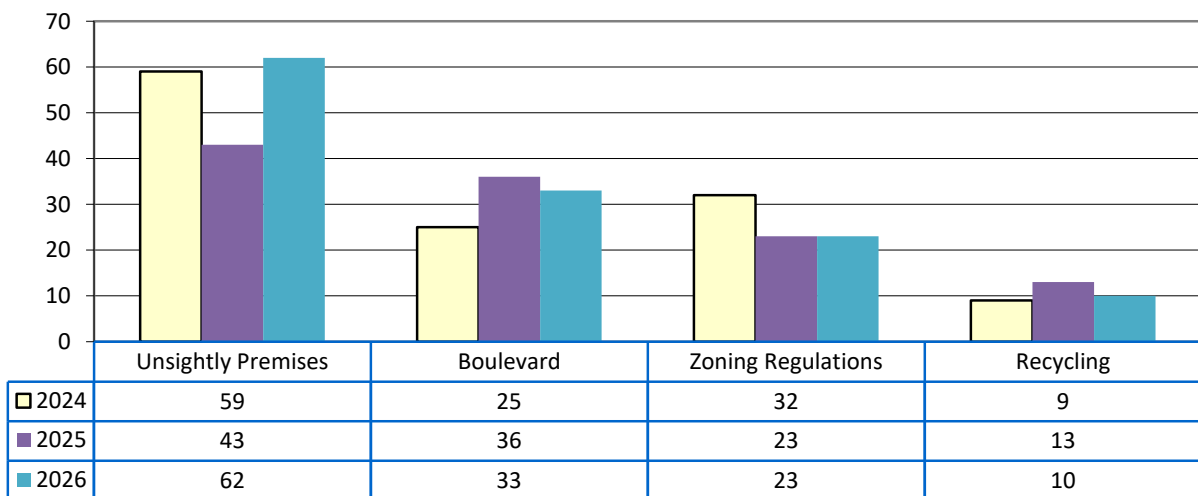
3.4 Ensure civic infrastructure, assets and resources are effectively maintained and continue to meet the needs of the community as it grows.

Analysis

Property Use Calls for Service

In February 2026, a total of 88 calls for service were opened for investigation, which represented a 17.8 percent decrease (107) 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 thorough 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.

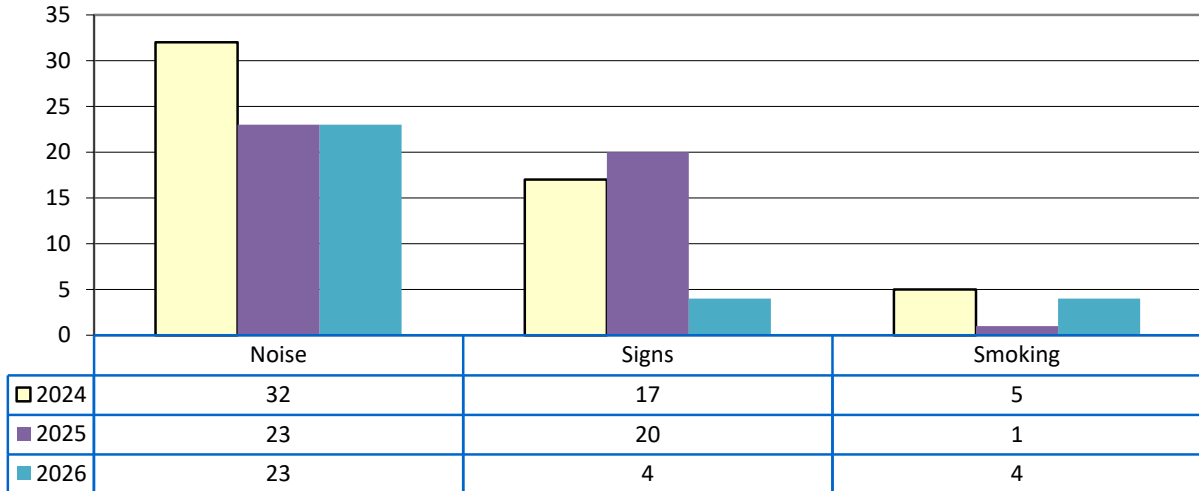
Figure 1: Property Use Calls for Service - February Year-To-Date Comparison



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: Other Calls for Service - February 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 105 site inspections in the month of February.

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

- 11040 Blundell Road
- 5691 Oliver Drive
- 5671 Oliver Drive
- 5551 Oliver Drive
- 5611 Oliver Drive
- 5591 Oliver Drive
- 14611 Westminster Highway
- 16200 blk Westminster Highway

The following properties are now in compliance:

- 13191 Blundell Road
- 16960 River Road

There are approximately 24 soil deposit proposals under various stages of the application process and staff continue to monitor 16 approved sites. Staff are currently addressing approximately 58 properties that are considered non-compliant.

Bylaw Prosecutions

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

Parking Enforcement

In February, staff responded to 386 calls for service, representing a modest increase of 0.5 percent compared to the same period last year (384 calls). Parking enforcement revenue increased by 7.8 percent, primarily driven by higher demand for monthly parking permits. The number of parking violations issued also rose significantly, up 61.7 percent, reflecting expanded staff coverage and a greater ability to conduct proactive patrols in targeted areas. To support the Commercial Truck Permit Pilot Program, additional proactive patrols were conducted outside of regular operating hours, further enhancing enforcement efforts and program compliance.

Officers completed 29 school patrols during the month. These patrols are scheduled in advance on a rotating basis, with priority given to locations identified through historical trends and service requests from the Richmond School District and the public. Monthly parking enforcement revenue is presented in Figure 3, while Figure 4 illustrates the number of parking violations issued.

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

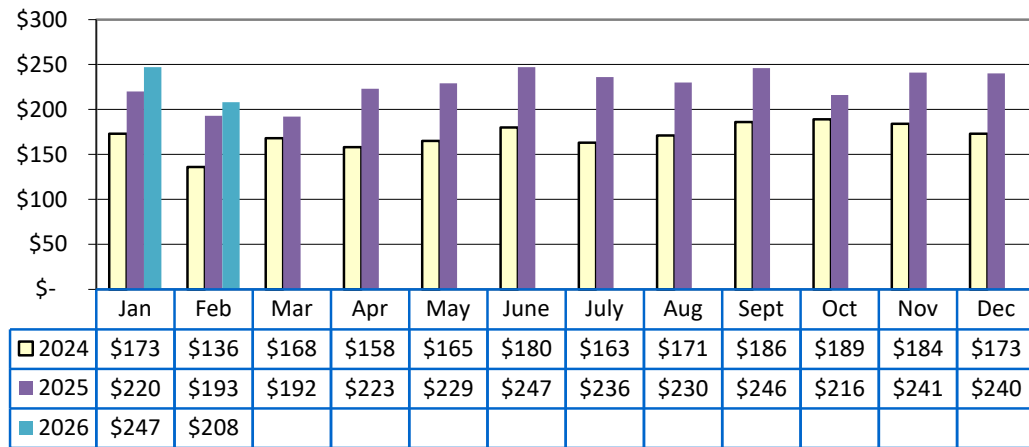
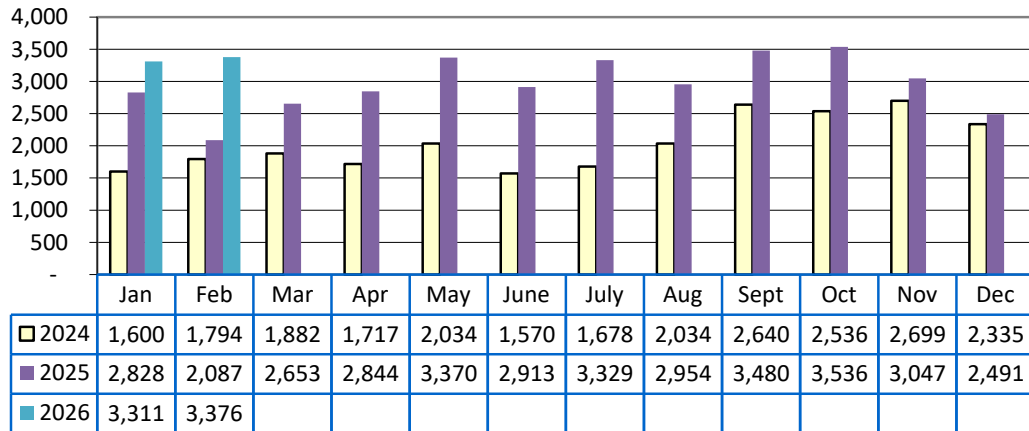


Figure 4: Parking Violation Issuance Comparison



Animal Protection and Dog Licencing

For the month of February, 1,206 valid dog licences were issued, including both new applications and renewals. This represents 18.2 percent of the 6,648 licences on record from the previous year. Year to date, a total of 3,573 dogs have been licensed under the 2026 dog licensing program, accounting for 53.8 percent of last year’s total. The high number of licences issued this month suggests that follow-up communication regarding the extended deadline to May 1 has been effective.

In February, BC SPCA Officers responded to 123 calls for service related to animal control and dog licensing violations. Officers also proactively conducted 70 park patrols across various parks, dikes, and school grounds. The most frequently patrolled locations included Garry Point Park, the West and South Dyke Trail, A.R. MacNeill Secondary, No. 3 Road Bark Park, Gilbert Beach, and South Arm Park. In addition to enforcement activities, these patrols serve an important educational role by increasing public awareness and promoting compliance with animal control regulations.

The BC SPCA’s Compassionate Program also provides ongoing month-to-month support to individuals in need. In February, the program assisted two individuals who reached out directly for support. Staff provided essential supplies such as pet food, blankets, kitty litter, leashes, and other items for animal welfare.

Ticketing

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

Table 1: Community Bylaw Offences

Ticket Issuance (BVN’s & MTI’s)	February	YTD
Zoning Offences	62	100
Building Regulation Offences	19	34
Animal/Dog Licencing Offences	6	19
Unsightly Premises Offences	6	8
Sign Offences	6	8
Regulation of Material on Highways Offences	6	6
Soil Deposit and Removal Offences	5	19
Noise Offences	2	4
Parks Offences	1	3
Watercourse Protection Offences	0	0
Solid Waste and Recycling Offences	0	0
Demolition Waste and Recyclable Materials Offences	0	0
Watering Offences	0	0
Total	113	201

Bylaw Adjudication

Adjudication hearings were held on February 26, 2026, addressing 11 disputed violations. Of these, two violations related to animal control regulations were dismissed. At this time, no additional hearings are scheduled pending validation of dispute requests through the screening process.

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

		YTD Budget February 2026	YTD Actual February 2026
Property Use	Revenue ¹	\$73,030	\$53,106
	Expenses	\$329,889	\$214,365
	Net Revenue (Expense)	(\$256,859)	(\$161,259)
Parking	Revenue ²	\$379,612	\$449,101
	Expenses	\$375,190	\$397,672
	Net Revenue (Expense)	\$4,422	\$51,429
Animal Protection	Revenue ³	\$181,464	\$121,167
	Expenses	\$246,829	\$228,025
	Net Revenue (Expense)	(\$65,365)	(\$106,858)

Financial Impact

None.

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

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

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

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 February.



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



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee

Date: March 9, 2026

From: Jim Wishlove
Fire Chief

File: 09-5140-01/2026-Vol
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Re: Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – February 2026

Staff Recommendation

That the report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – February 2026”, dated March 9, 2026, from the Fire Chief, be received for information.

Jim Wishlove
Fire Chief
(604-303-2715)

Att. 1

REPORT CONCURRENCE
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Origin

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

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 February 2026 incidents¹:

Structure Fire on Bridgeport Road

On February 10, 2026, RFR emergency crews responded to the report of a fire in a single-family residential property. On arrival, there was smoke in the area of the address and first-in crews encountered a lot of heavy smoke and fire in the parking area at the back of the property. The fire response was upgraded and crews attacked the fire, which involved two motor homes and two vehicles. There were no occupants in any of the vehicles. The fires were extinguished. A Fire Investigator attended to identify the cause and origin of the fire.

Structure Fire on Glenacres Drive

On February 14, 2026, RFR emergency crews responded to the report of a fire on the second floor of an apartment building. On arrival, it was discovered that the fire had been extinguished. Crews carried out ventilation and site overhaul. All but one of the residents were able to return back into their properties. A Fire Investigator attended to identify the cause and origin of the fire.

Marine Vessel Fire near Graybar Road

On February 20, 2026, RFR emergency crews responded to the report of a boat fire near Graybar Road. On arrival, the first in crews found a 20 ft boat fully engulfed in flames. Crews attacked and extinguished the fire and checked for any hot spots or fire extension. A nearby dock sustained some damage. BC Emergency Health Services (BCEHS) treated one patient for smoke inhalation. There were no other reported injuries. A Fire Investigator attended to identify the cause and origin of the fire.

¹ Unless otherwise noted, no injuries were reported by the public or RFR personnel in the listed incidents.

Structure Fire on Blundell Road

On February 21, 2026, RFR emergency crews responded to the report of a structure fire, with a possible occupant trapped inside the structure. On arrival, the first-in crews found a fire in progress and made entry to carry out a primary search of the structure to locate the missing person. Crews found and removed the patient, who was transferred to BCEHS for treatment and further transport to hospital. Crews then attacked and extinguish the fire and, once the fire was controlled began to demobilize the site. Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) was initiated for staff who were involved in the rescue and resuscitation of the patient. There were no other reported injuries. A Fire Investigator attended to identify the cause and origin of the fire.

Structure Fire on Sexsmith Road

On February 22, 2026, RFR emergency crews responded to the report of a structure fire. On arrival, the first-in crews found the fire, along with multiple hazards around the property. A primary search was completed from the exterior of the single story home, which appeared to be vacant. The fire was extinguished and crews checked for hot spots. A Fire Investigator attended to identify the cause and origin of the fire.

Emergency Response

Table 1 provides incident data and comparisons for February 2025 and February 2026. In February 2026, there were 897 reported incidents of all types, representing an overall decrease of fifteen per cent compared to the previous year.

Table 1: Total Incidents - February 2026					
	Incident Totals February (2026)	Incident Totals February (2025)	Number Change from February 2025 to 2026	Percentage Change from February 2025 to 2026	5 Year Average for February
Active Alarm	149	183	-34	-19	154
Explosion	0	1	-1	-100	1
Fire	34	23	+11	+48	32
Hazardous Materials	6	6	0	0	7
Medical	473	592	-119	-20	490
Motor Vehicle Incident	80	85	-5	-6	73
Public Hazard	4	3	+1	+33	7
Public Service	83	80	+3	+4	86
Response Cancelled/Unfounded	62	78	-16	-21	57
Specialized Transport	6	5	+1	+20	5
Technical Rescue	0	0	0	0	0
Total	897	1056	-159	-15	912

The average time on scene for emergency response crews in February 2026 was 30 minutes per event, the average time on scene in February 2025 was 29 minutes. The time spent on the scene can vary due to the complexity and severity of each incident.

In February 2026, 34 fire incidents were reported to the BC Office of the Fire Commissioner, up from 23 in February 2025. The average number of fires reported each February over the last five years is 32.

Fire damage and property losses during February 2026 are estimated at \$129,275. The total building/asset and content value at risk is estimated at \$8,633,300, and the total value preserved from damage is \$8,504,025. These numbers translate to 98 per cent of the value protected (Table 2).

Table 2: Fire Incidents By Type and Loss Estimates - February 2026						
Incident Type Breakdown	Incident Volume	Estimated Building/Asset Value (\$)	Estimated Building/Asset Loss (\$)	Estimated Content Value (\$)	Estimated Content Loss (\$)	Estimated Total Value Preserved (\$)
Single Family Residence	5	35,000	-	243,080	-	278,080
Multi-Family Residence	4	35,000	50	9,995	-	44,945
Commercial	4	7,025,000	3,500	1,100,000	-	8,121,500
Outdoor	16	225	225	-	-	-
Vehicle/Vessel	5	175,000	115,500	10,000	10,000	59,500
Totals²	34	7,270,225	119,275	1,363,075	10,000	8,504,025

RFR Public Outreach & Education

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

- February 10, Fire Hall and vehicle tours were provided for the Embers (Girl Guide) group. Over 20 attendees participated in the event.
- February 11 & 18, provided fire and life safety presentation to Imperial Village Strata group, including discussions and questions about fire safety inside their building. Provided education to the residents about their fire safety plan to help them gain more specific knowledge of their building. Over 70 members of the public attended.
- February 12, over 100 cadets at BCIT Aerospace were provided with fire service career information, as well as fire and life safety education. This was followed by a tour of #4 firehall and fire extinguisher training.

² 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.

- February 21, provided FireSmart information at the Richmond Public Library. The education booth was set up at Richmond Public Library to discuss FireSmart initiatives in the city and what people can do at home to mitigate the risk of fires. Over 150 members of the public attended.
- February 28, in collaboration with the RCMP and volunteers, RFR attended along with the Big Rig for the RCMP Car Seat Day. Over 50 vehicles were checked to ensure their car seats were properly installed.

Emergency Programs

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

- February 5 – presented at the Integrated Partnership for Regional Emergency Management (IPREM) 'Planning Meeting for Decision Making Exercise' at Regional Administrators Advisory Committee (RAAC). This outcome will lead to coordinate actions during the upcoming training exercise involving all the CAO's of the lower mainland. The exercise helps ensure smooth communication between municipalities during a crisis.
- February 16 – coordinated the response with Richmond Public Works and YVR Operations for a burst water main near a property at Vancouver Airport South Terminal, with over one foot of depth flooding observed. There were no known impacts to City services or operations.
- February 18 - participated in an Integrated Partnership for Regional Emergency Management (IPREM) tabletop exercise on the Regional Decision Making Model for the CAOs of all membership local authorities, focusing on mutual aid for regional communications staffing. Richmond Emergency Programs utilized web-based Emergency Operations Centre (WebEOC) software and developed all associated scenario-briefing materials.
- February 21 - provided Emergency Support Services (ESS) Supplier Mutual Aid. Staff supported the City of Vancouver by coordinating accommodation for two adults through a City of Richmond hotel supplier.
- February 27 - participated in a YVR planning meeting for FIFA. This meeting served as the initial planning session for the integrated emergency exercise involving YVR and the City of Richmond in preparation for FIFA-related operations.
- Feb 28 to Mar 1 - collaborated with the 39th Service Battalion in a 'Domestic Response' Training Exercise to stress-test the WebEOC software system in a joint civilian-military environment. The trial successfully demonstrated a Common Operating Picture (COP), streamlining real-time resource tracking and inter-agency communication between Emergency Programs and military logistics. It was also an excellent opportunity to learn more about how our partners with the Canadian Armed Forces operate and what resources that they have available to provide aid during an emergency.

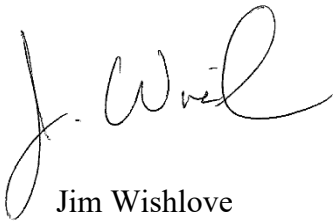
Financial Impact

Richmond Fire-Rescue continues to monitor all budget implications to ensure fiscal responsibility and oversight.

Conclusion

During February 2026, the City continued to experience normalized calls for service for medical event types. RFR continues to improve the capacity and response capability to prioritize higher acuity calls for service, and trialling a risk-based approach with the E-Comm Calls Priority Re-assignment Pilot, to having the closest resources redeployed to specific event types.

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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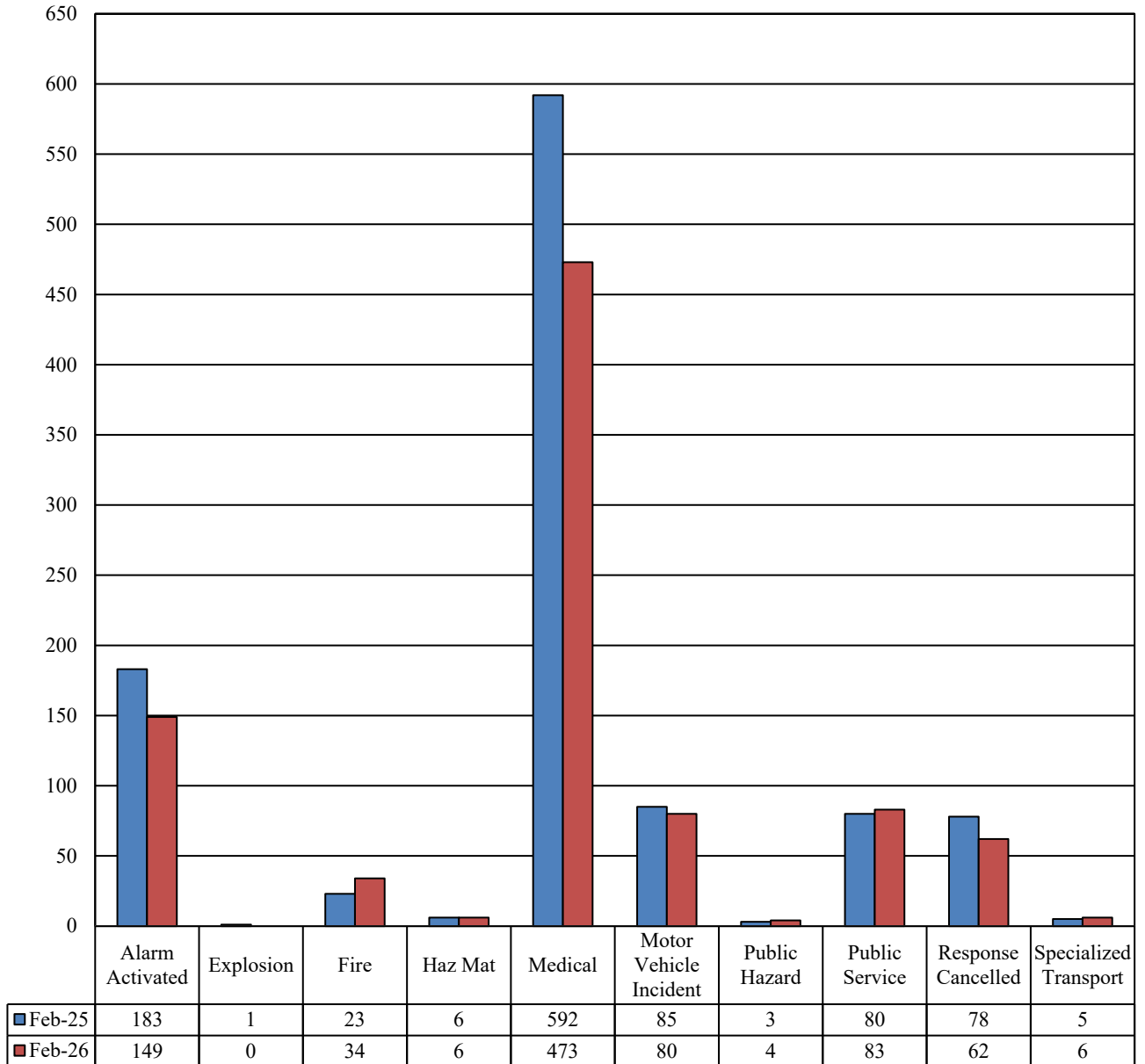
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Emergency Response Activity for February 2026

Incident Volumes

The following chart provides a month-to-month comparison of incidents occurring in February 2025 and 2026. In February 2026, there were 897 total incidents, compared to 1,056 in February 2025. This represents an overall decrease of 15 per cent between last year and 2026.

Table 3: February 2025 & February 2026 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 53 per cent of the total emergency responses from RFR during February 2026. A detailed breakdown of the medical incidents for February 2025 and 2026, by sub-type, is set out in the following table. There were 473 medical incidents in February 2026 compared to 592 in February 2025, a decrease of 20 per cent.

Table 4a: February 2025 & February 2026 Medical Calls by Type

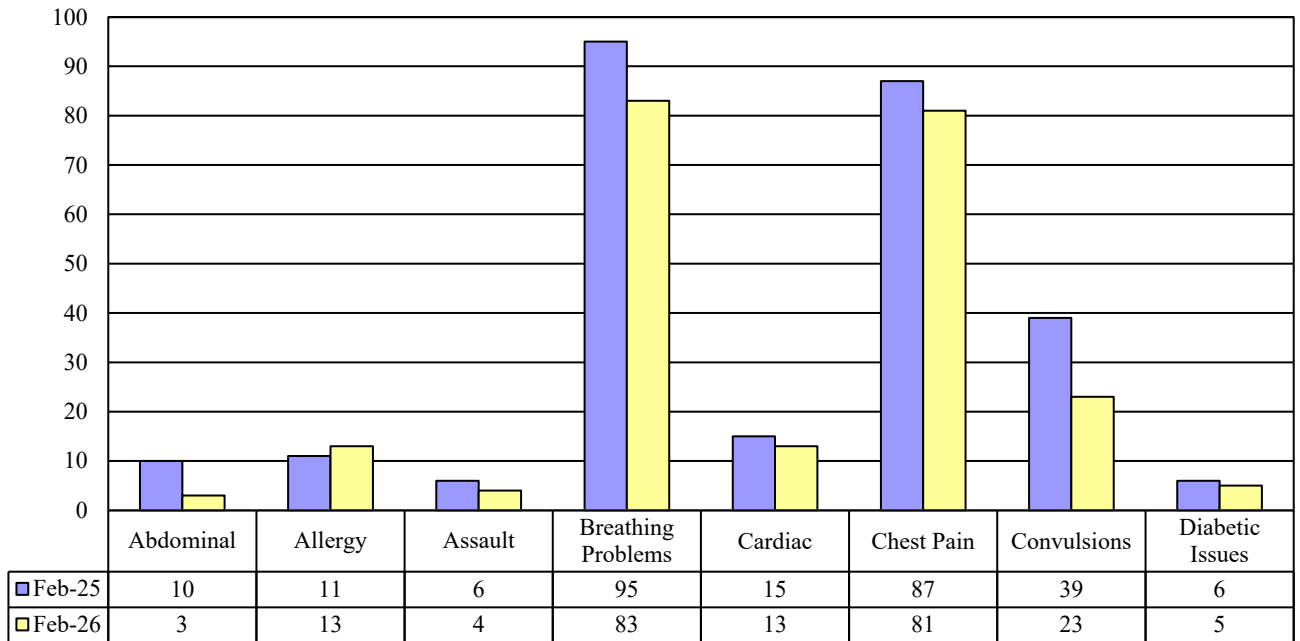
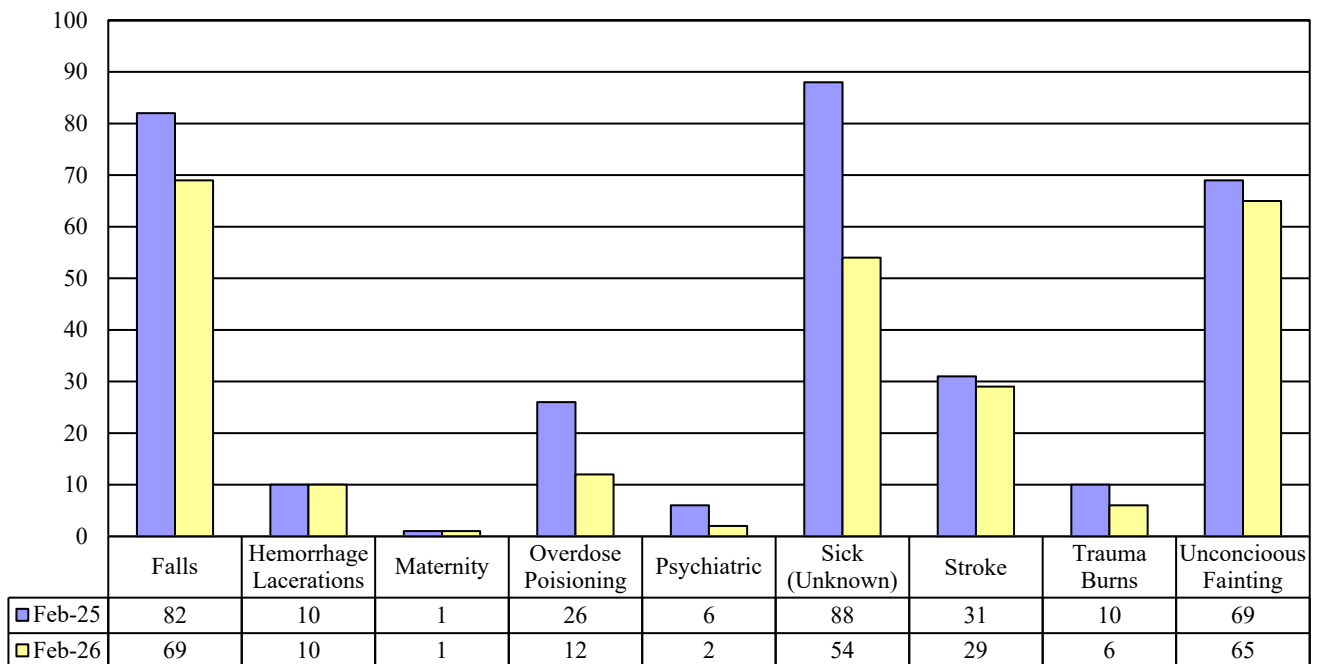


Table 4b: February 2025 & February 2026 Medical Calls by Type



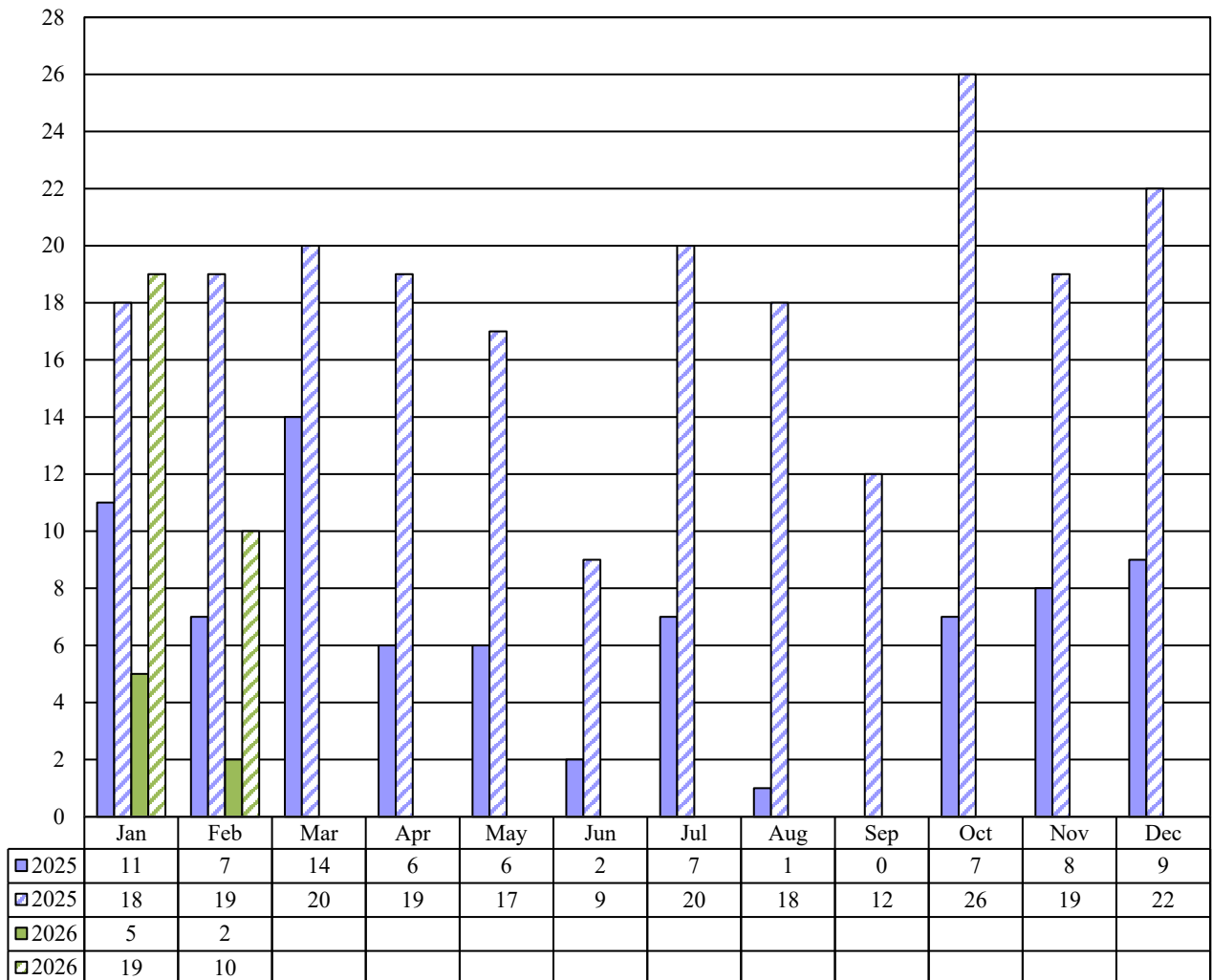
Overdoses

The following tables provide a breakdown of overdose/poisoning incident volume by month for 2025 and 2026. The tables include Opioid and Other overdose incidents (other incidents include alcohol, medications, unknown or refusal of treatment, and other drug types).

During February 2026, RFR staff administered Naloxone on one occasion.

Table 4c: Overdose / Poisoning Incidents by Type – February 2026													
Year	Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2025	Opioid	11	7	14	6	6	2	7	1	0	7	8	9
	Other	18	19	20	19	17	9	20	18	12	26	19	22
2026	Opioid	5	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	19	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Table 4d: 2025 & 2026 Overdose / Poisoning Incident Types



Fire Investigations

The fire investigation statistics for February 2026 are listed below:

Table 5: Total Fire Investigation Statistics – February 2026			
	Suspicious	Accidental	Undetermined
Residential - Single-family	-	4	1
Residential - Multi-family	-	2	2
Commercial/Industrial	1	2	1
Outdoor	10	6	-
Vehicle	1	3	1
Totals	12	17	5

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

Table 6: Hazardous Materials Incidents by Type – February 2026	
	Details
Gases (Natural / Propane)	6
Totals	6

The following charts provide year-to-year comparisons of total incident volumes for fires, medical, motor vehicle, and overdose/poisoning incidents in February, including year averages from 2017 to 2026.

Table 7a: Total Fire Calls for Service in February and year averages from 2017 to 2026

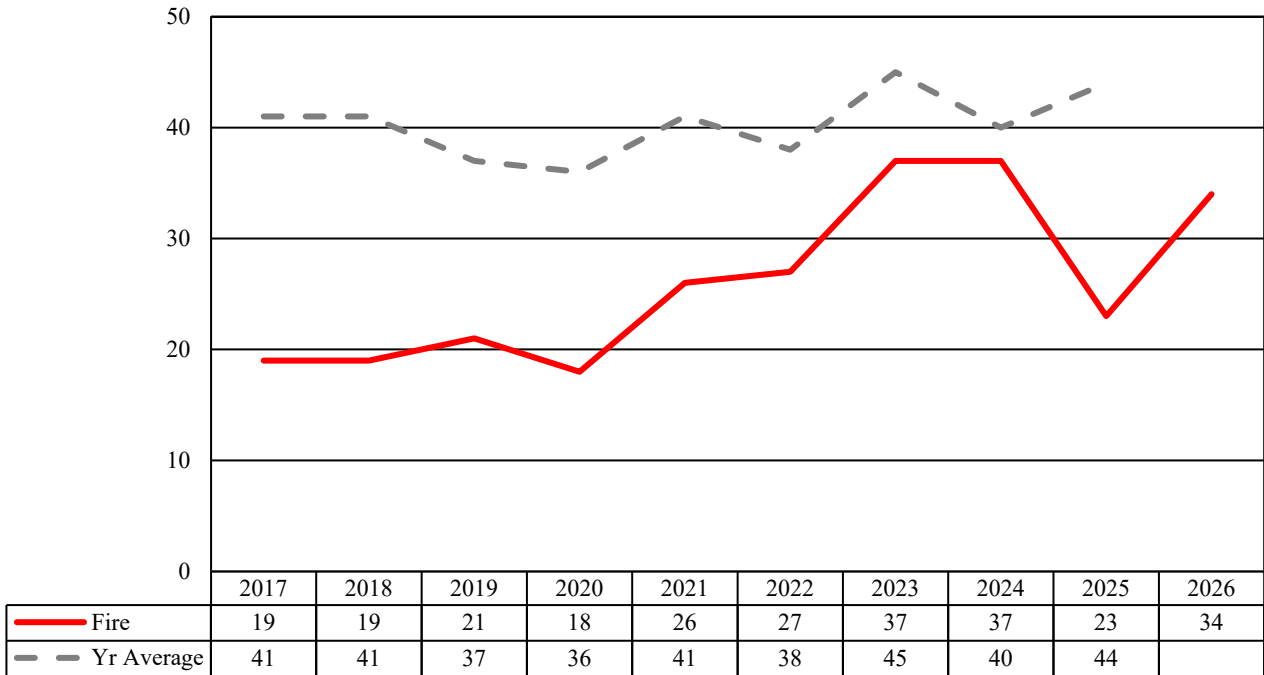
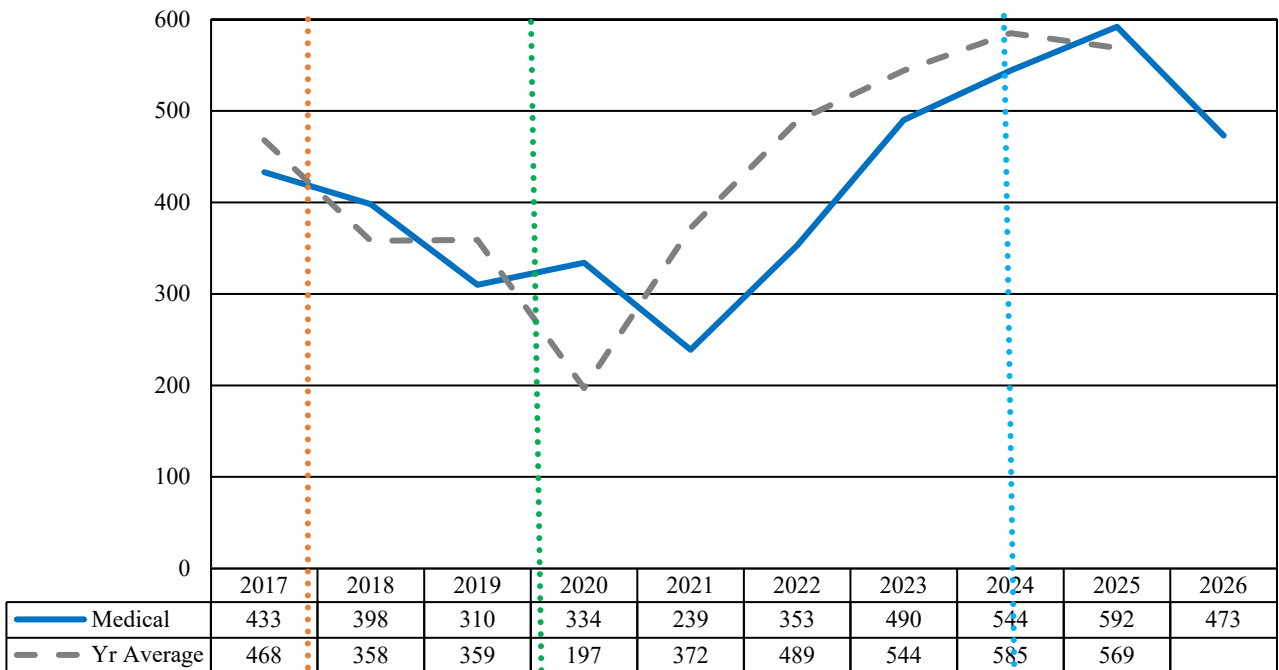


Table 7b: Total Medical Calls for Service in February and year averages from 2017 to 2026



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 Incidents (MVI) Calls for Service in February and year averages from 2017 to 2026



Table 7d: Total Overdose/Poisoning(ODP) Calls for Service in February and year averages from 2017 to 2026

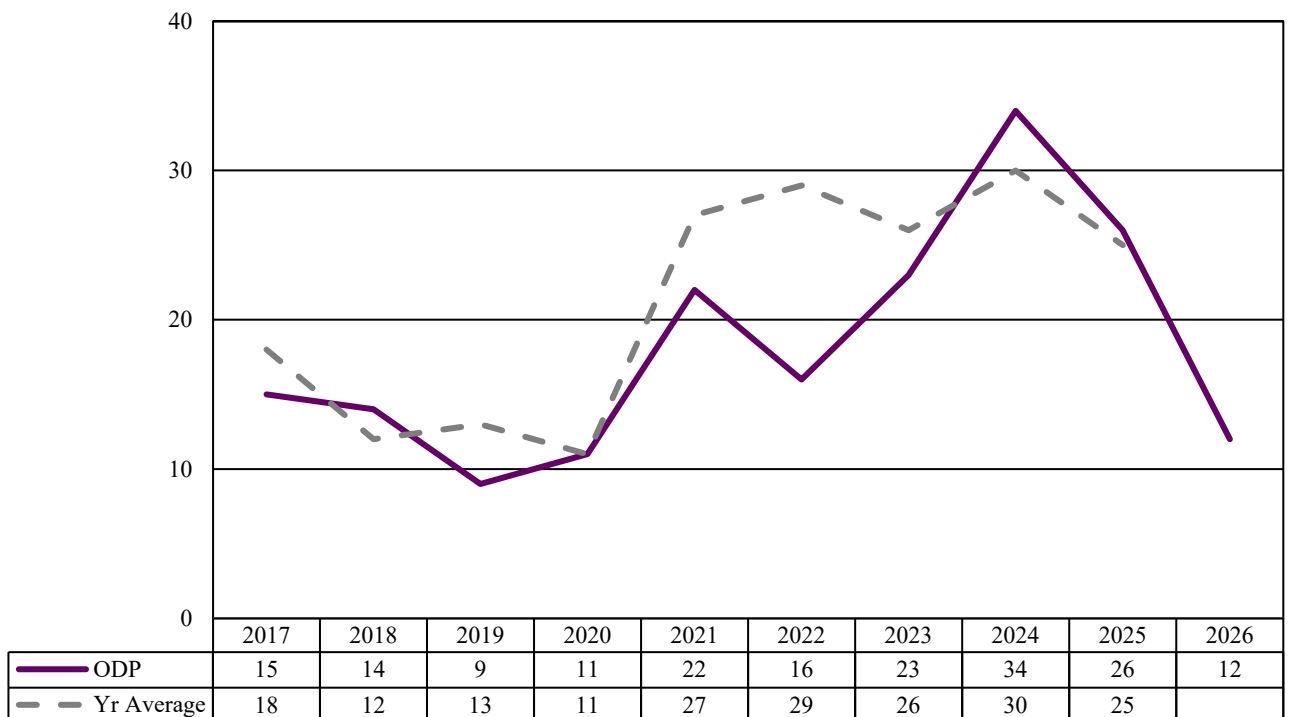


Figure 1b: Density of reportable fire incidents attended in February 2026 (total 34)

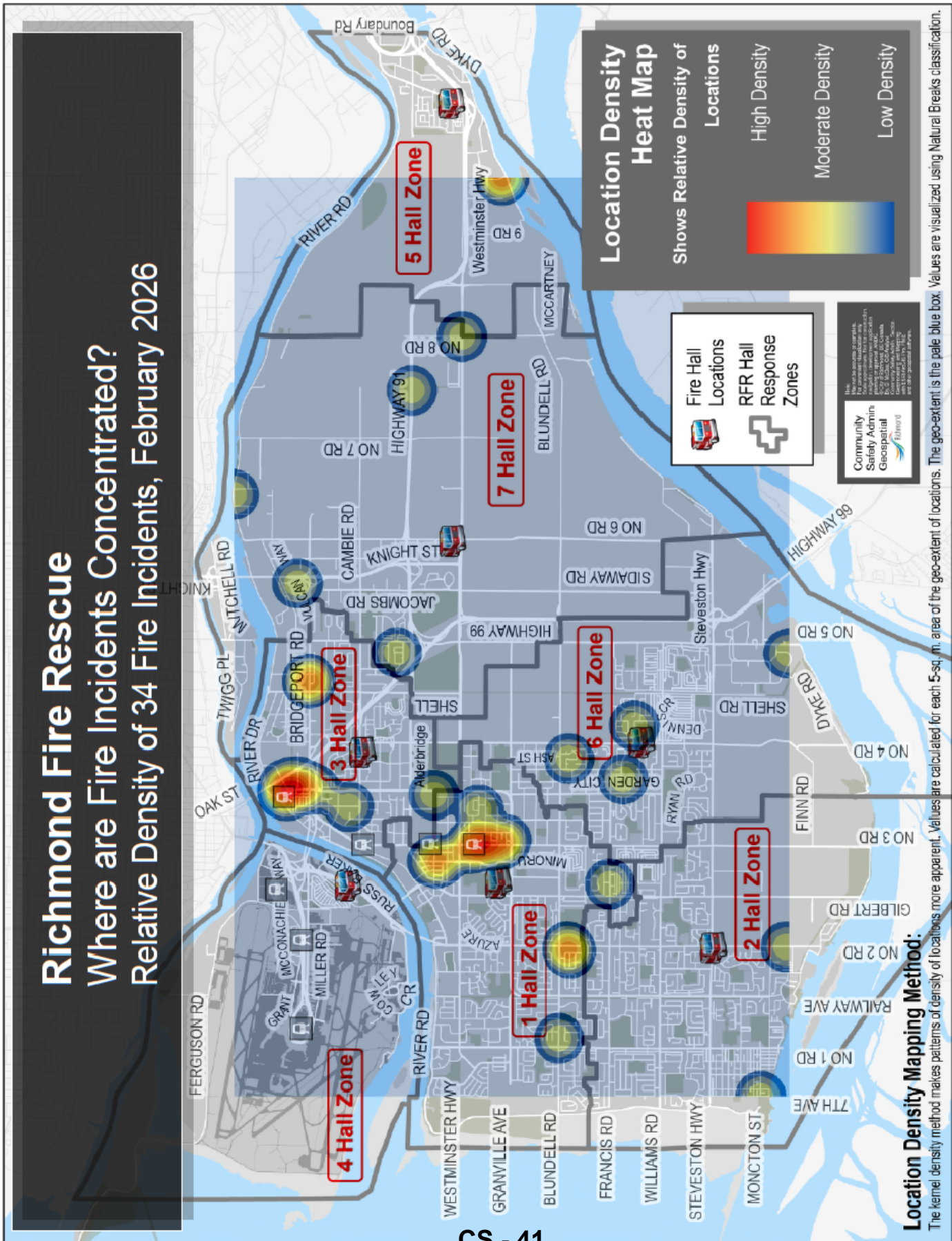


Figure 2a: Location of reportable medical incidents attended in February 2026 (total 473)

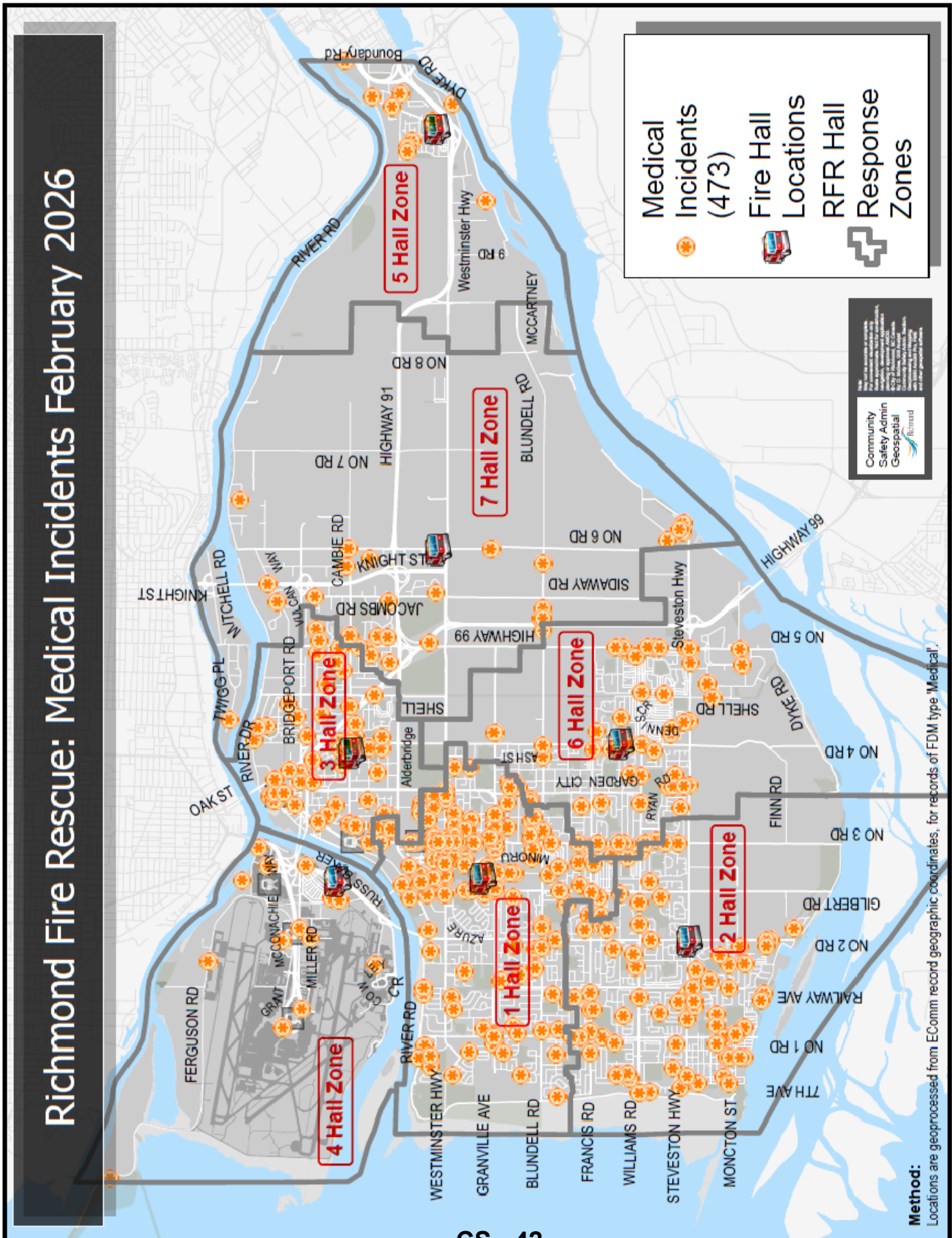


Figure 2b: Density of reportable medical incidents attended in February 2026 (total 473)

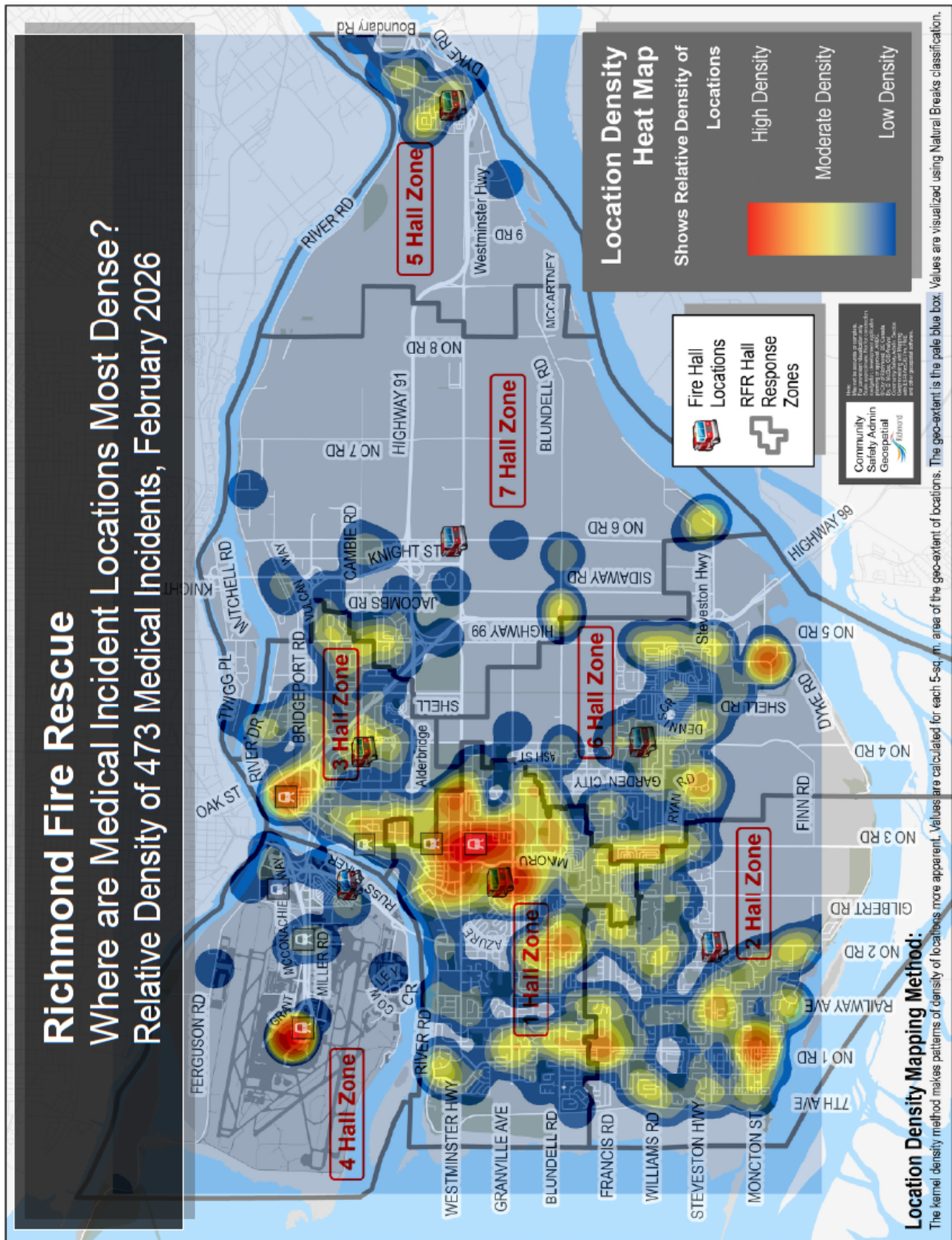


Figure 3a: Location of reportable motor vehicle incidents (MVIs) attended in February 2026 (total 80)

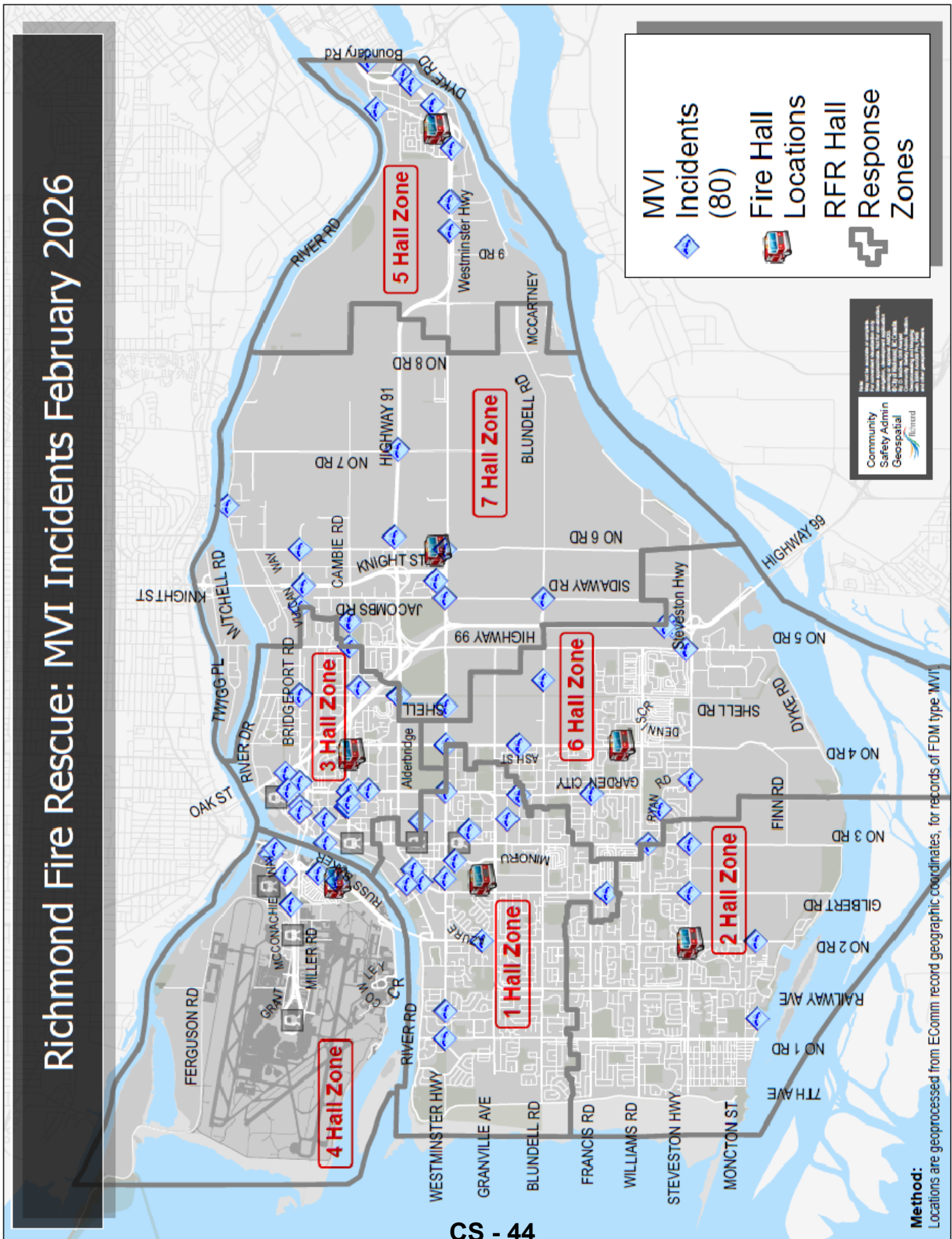


Figure 3b: Density of reportable motor vehicle incidents (MVIs) attended in February 2026 (total 80)

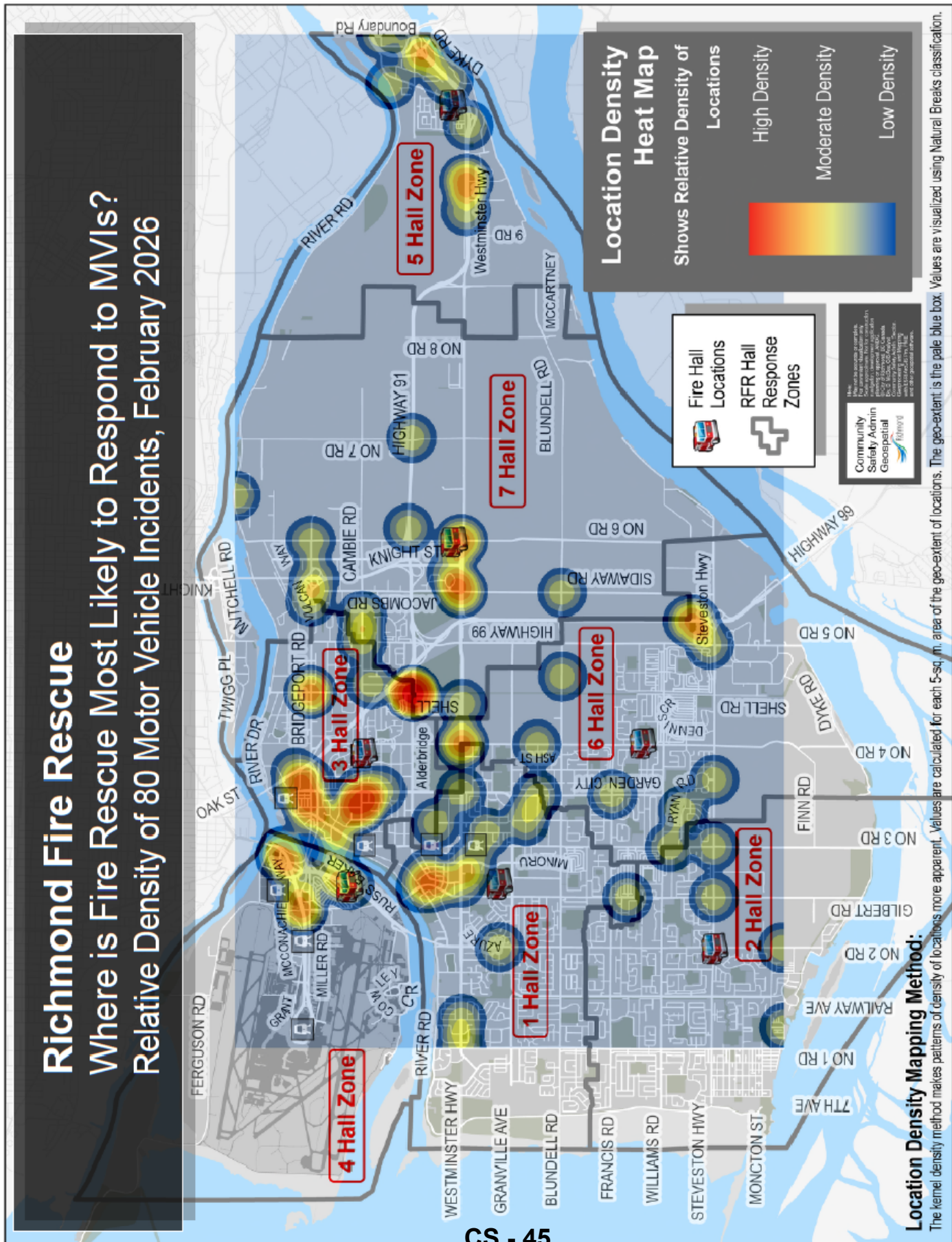
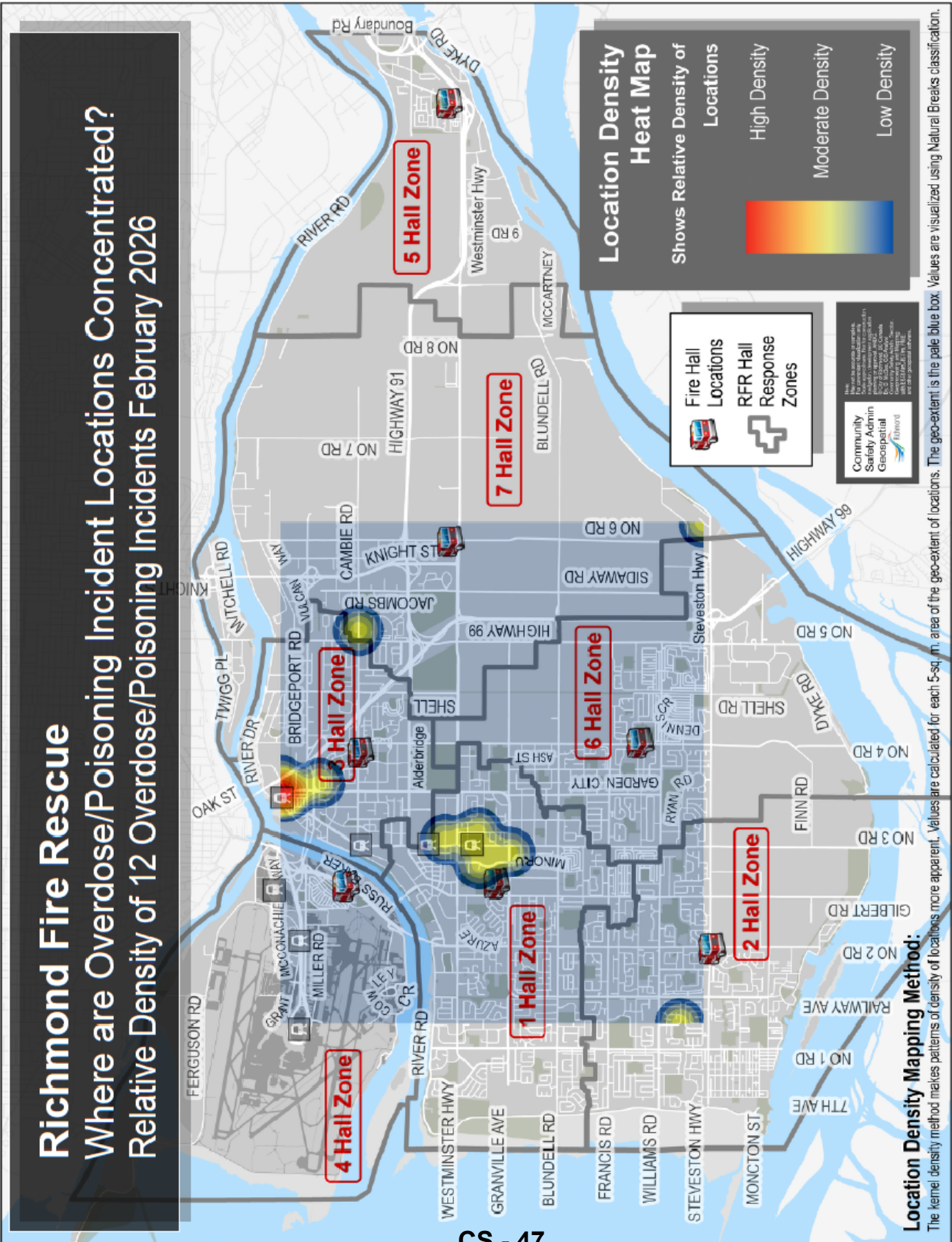


Figure 4b: Density of reportable overdose/poisoning incidents attended in February 2026 (total 12)





City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee **Date:** March 11, 2026
From: Dave Chauhan **File:** 09-5030-01/2025-Vol
Chief Superintendent, Officer in Charge 01
Re: RCMP Monthly Activity Report – February 2026

Staff Recommendation

That the report titled “RCMP Monthly Activity Report – February 2026”, dated March 11, 2026, from the Officer in Charge, be received for information.

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

Att. 3

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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

Boost and Bust

On February 15, 2026, Richmond RCMP officers conducted a Boost and Bust operation targeting property crime in Richmond's downtown core, resulting in the arrest of 14 suspects.¹ Police have recommended charges against 10 offenders, and have referred two youths to the restorative justice program.

Distraction Thefts

On February 17, 2026, the Richmond RCMP issued a public warning concerning increasing distraction thefts targeting seniors. There were 13 incidents reported in Richmond between December 2025 and early February 2026. While some reported incidents did not result in theft, the behaviours closely match known distraction-theft patterns observed across the region.

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

Youth Academy Announcement

On February 20, 2026, the Richmond RCMP began recruiting for the 2026 Youth Academy, seeking motivated students in Grades 10 to 12. The six-day immersive program, designed for students interested in a career in law enforcement or a related field, will be held from August 10 to 15, 2026.

Drug Sentence

On February 24, 2026, the Richmond RCMP issued a media release advising that police recently concluded a multi-year investigation into a crime group responsible for several synthetic drug production labs in the city. The primary target received a 10-year jail sentence, a lifetime firearms prohibition, and a forfeiture order for the seized items.



Figure 1: Drug lab seizure

Analysis of Police Statistics²

Arson

There was one reported arson in February 2026, representing a decrease of six incidents from the previous month. Year to date, arsons are up by two incidents compared to the same period in 2025. The number of arsons this month is within the average range.

Assault Serious (Assault with a Weapon)

There were nine serious assaults in February 2026, representing a 50 per cent decrease from the previous month. Year to date, serious assaults are down 16 per cent compared to the same period in 2025. The number of serious assaults this month is below the average range.

One-third of serious assaults reported in February 2026 were domestic incidents.

Auto Theft

There were seven auto thefts in February 2026, representing a 50 per cent decrease from the previous month. Year to date, auto thefts are down 38 per cent compared to the same period in 2025. The number of auto thefts this month is below the average range.

Mental Health

There were 176 mental health-related incidents in February 2026, representing a six per cent increase from the previous month. Year to date, the number of mental health-related incidents is

² Unless otherwise noted, no patterns or trends have been identified in this month's statistics. In January 2026, statistics were re-collected for all crime categories, dating back to 2019. This was done to account for any changes to scoring or delayed reports and to ensure data is up-to-date and accurate. For this reason, there will be variations from previously reported statistics.

down 20 per cent compared to the same period in 2025. The number of mental health-related incidents this month is below the average range.

There were 44 police apprehensions, which is below average. The average hospital wait time, at 115 minutes, was within the expected range. Nine individuals were responsible for two or more calls in February, with one caller generating three incidents.

Residential Break and Enter

There were 18 break and enters to residences in February 2026, which is a six per cent increase from the previous month. Year to date, residential break and enters are down 20 per cent compared to the same period in 2025. The number of residential break and enters this month is within the average range.

Commercial Break and Enter

In February 2026, there were 23 break and enters to businesses, representing a 12 per cent decrease from the previous month. Year to date, commercial break and enters are down two per cent compared to the same period in 2025. The number of commercial break and enters this month is within the average range.

Robbery

There were five robberies reported in February 2026, representing an increase of one incident from the previous month. Year to date, robberies are up by two incidents compared to the same period in 2025. The number of robberies this month is within the average range.

Three of the robberies reported this month involved a weapon.

Sexual Offences

There were 17 sexual offence files in February 2026, representing an 11 per cent decrease from the previous month. Year to date, sexual offences are up 29 per cent compared to the same period in 2025. The number of sexual offences this month is within the average range.

Thirty-five per cent of the offences reported in February 2026 were sexual assaults, 35 per cent were possession of child sex abuse materials, and 21 per cent were indecent acts/exposing.

Shoplifting

There were 207 reported shoplifting thefts in February 2026, representing a 16 per cent increase from the previous month. Year to date, shoplifting thefts are up 70 per cent compared to the same period in 2025. The number of shoplifting thefts this month is above the average range.

Theft from Automobile

There were 63 thefts from automobiles in February 2026, representing a 29 per cent increase from the previous month. Year to date, the thefts from automobiles are down 10 per cent

compared to the same period in 2025. The number of thefts from automobiles this month is within the average range.

Drugs

In February 2026, there were 33 drug offences, representing a 27 per cent increase from the previous month. Year to date, drug offences are up four per cent compared to the same period in 2025. 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

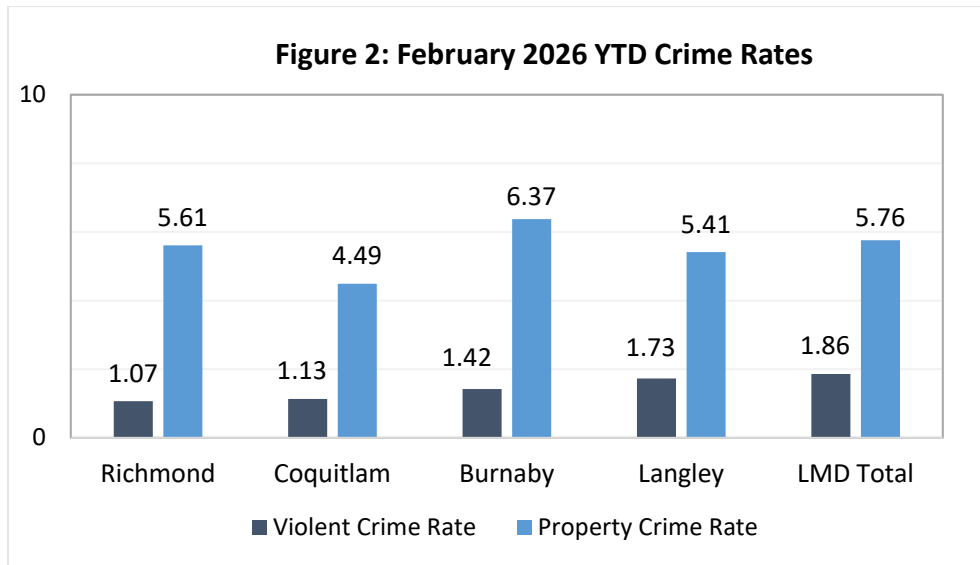
Table 1: Drug-Related Calls for Service

Month	Total Number of Calls – 2025	Total Number of Calls – 2026	Suspected	Confirmed
January	71	39	22	17
February	38	24	11	13
March	49			
April	58			
May	57			
June	70			
July	40			
August	59			
September	57			
October	39			
November	52			
December	42			
Total	632	63	33	30

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 the February 2026 crime rates for the four largest municipalities in the Lower Mainland District (LMD), which are policed by the RCMP.³ The property and violent crime rates in Richmond were below the LMD average.



Block Watch

At the end of February 2026, the Block Watch program had 299 groups, totalling 6,665 participants. Currently, the program includes 419 captains and co-captains. On February 26, 2026, Block Watch Staff and RCMP officers delivered training to a new Block Watch group on identifying suspicious activity, target hardening, and program expectations.

Communications Unit

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

- Eight media releases were issued, including one promoting the 2026 Youth Academy.
- 42 social media posts were made on X, including information on E-Comm’s multilingual 9-1-1 awareness campaign, crime trends, and road safety.



Figure 3: 2026 Youth Academy

³ Based on PRIME query by Richmond Crime Analysis Unit on March 2, 2026

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 February, volunteer highlights included:

- The deployment of one bike patrol, totalling 12 hours.
- A total of 26 Fail to Stop deployments took place, resulting in 1,685 information letters issued.
- There were three Speed Watch deployments, during which 66 information letters were issued.
- February 21 – Volunteers assisted RCMP officers with a Lunar New Year event at Lansdowne Centre, engaging with attendees and distributing crime prevention resources.
- February 21 – Volunteers participated in a Crime Watch shift, conducting patrols for suspicious activities, stolen vehicles and impaired drivers, leading to referrals to police.
- February 26 – 20 Volunteers participated in the Volunteer Symposium at the Richmond Nature Park. RCMP officers, City staff, and ICBC representatives recognized the valuable community safety contributions of volunteers.
- February 28 – Volunteers assisted RCMP officers with a car seat safety clinic at Firehall No. 1, checking 25 car seats. Volunteers also distributed crime prevention resources.



Figure 4: Car Seat Safety Clinic

Crime Prevention Unit

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

- A total of 273 Place of Worship patrols were conducted.
- RCMP officers conducted fraud awareness presentations at the Hamilton and South Arm Community Centres, Pathways Clubhouse and Maple Residences.
- RCMP officers participated in the Pink Shirt Day campaign, promoting kindness and anti-bullying awareness.



Figure 5: Pink Shirt 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 901 violation tickets were issued in February. Figure 6 provides statistics for the top five infractions for which violation tickets were issued in February:

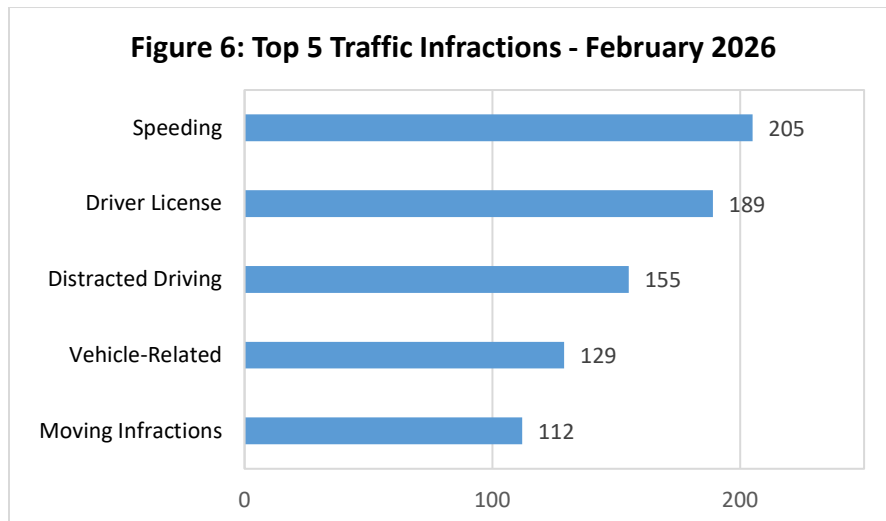


Table 2 presents the number of motor vehicle collisions involving injuries and fatalities reported between January 1, 2022, and February 28, 2026.

Table 2 – Motor Vehicle Collisions		
Year	Collisions with Non-Fatal Injuries	Fatalities
2022	406	1
2023	436	3
2024	455	2
2025	395	2
2026 (YTD) ⁴	97	1

Victim Services

In February 2026, Richmond RCMP Victim Services met with 43 new clients and attended four crime/trauma scenes after hours. The unit currently maintains an active caseload of 56 files. In February, Victim Services responded to several cases involving medical-related sudden deaths, sexual offences, and vehicle collisions.

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 February, Youth Section highlights included:

- RCMP officers in the Youth Section conducted 111 proactive school visits at secondary schools and 199 visits at elementary schools. Police officers engaged with students during recess, lunch and morning and afternoon supervision.
- DARE classes continued for the second term of the 2025-2026 school year. A total of 491 students in 16 classes are participating in the program.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

In February 2026, the Richmond RCMP conducted several notable investigations, including a series of distraction thefts and a large-scale Boost and Bust operation. Police statistics for this month indicate that most crime types were within the average ranges, except for serious assaults, auto thefts and mental health-related incidents, which were below average. Shoplifting thefts were elevated this month.

⁴ A fatal collision was recorded on January 12, 2026.

March 11, 2026

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In February, the Richmond RCMP and volunteers continued to promote crime prevention and road safety initiatives. 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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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
- For more information, visit 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

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

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.

FEBRUARY 2026 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.

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 due to crime trends, patterns, or spikes, it will be noted in **red** if higher and **blue** if below.

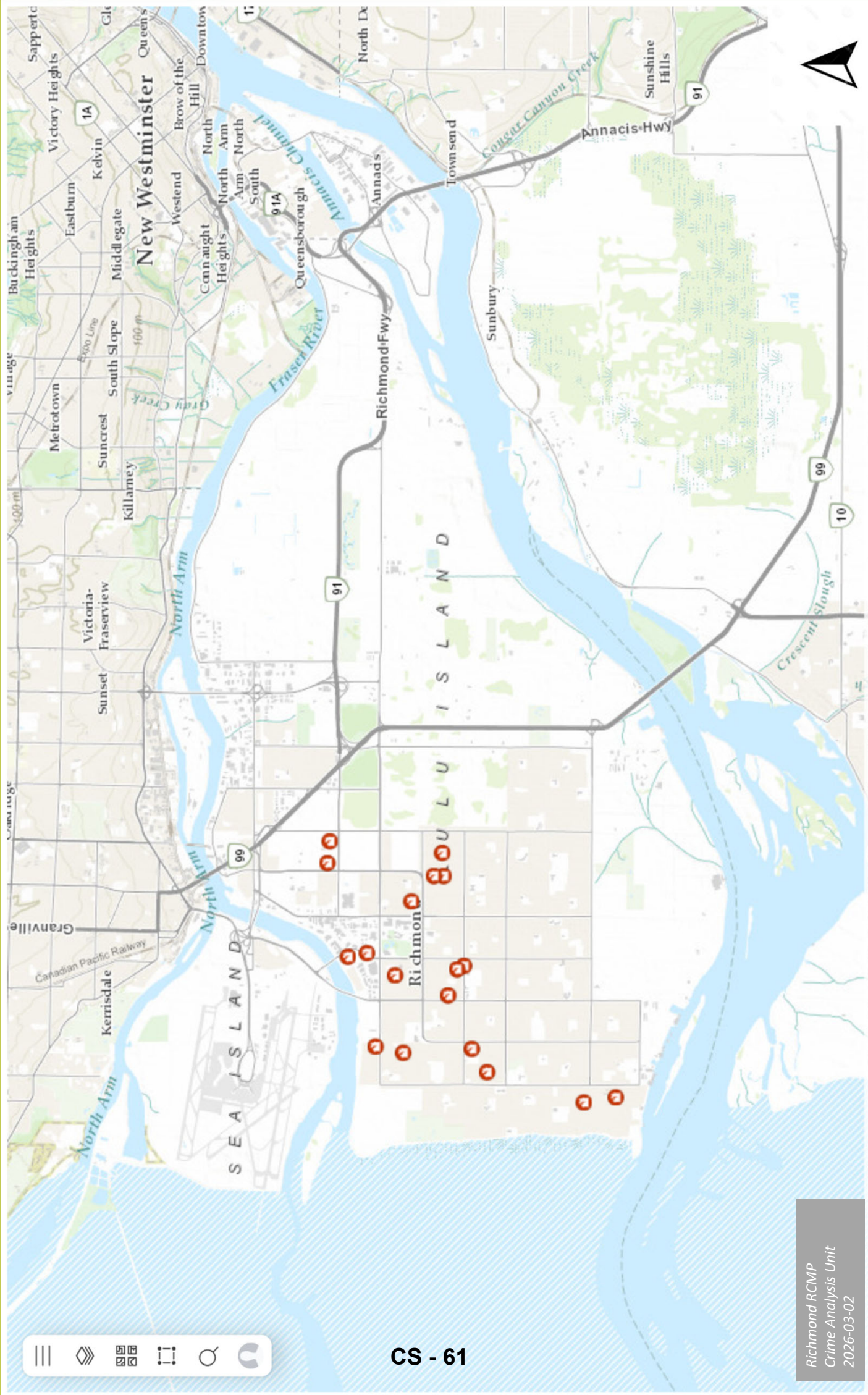
February 2026 Statistics - Richmond RCMP								
Criminal Code Offences	Current Period	5 Year Avg	5 Year Min	5 Year Max	2025 YTD	2026 YTD	25/26 % Chg	25/26 Count Diff
OTHER CC OFFENCES	286	300.2	225	317	581	612	5%	31
PERSONS VIOLENT CRIME	117	154.1	128	170	350	244	-30%	-106
PROPERTY CRIME	660	626.6	528	641	1227	1350	10%	123
Total	1047	1,045.8	843	1079	2087	2157	3%	70
Violent Crime Groups	Current Period	5 Year Avg	5 Year Min	5 Year Max	2025 YTD	2026 YTD	25/26 % Chg	25/26 Count Diff
ASSAULT COMMON	34	53.4	44	75	142	75	-47%	-67
SEX OFFENCES	17	18.2	8	18	28	36	29%	8
ASSAULT SERIOUS	9	20.2	12	23	32	27	-16%	-5
ROBBERY	5	4.9	3	8	7	9	29%	2
Property Crime Groups	Current Period	5 Year Avg	5 Year Min	5 Year Max	2025 YTD	2026 YTD	25/26 % Chg	25/26 Count Diff
AUTO THEFT	7	21.1	15	24	34	21	-38%	-13
BREAK & ENTER BUSINESS	23	26.1	20	42	44	43	-2%	-1
BREAK & ENTER RESIDENCE	18	22.2	15	27	44	35	-20%	-9
FRAUD	80	86.0	76	112	229	184	-20%	-45
SHOPLIFTING	207	111.3	82	156	227	386	70%	159
THEFT FROM AUTO	63	104.0	47	131	124	112	-10%	-12
THEFT-OTHER	139	107.0	73	110	261	301	15%	40
Other Criminal Code	Current Period	5 Year Avg	5 Year Min	5 Year Max	2025 YTD	2026 YTD	25/26 % Chg	25/26 Count Diff
ARSON	1	6.6	1	12	6	8	33%	2
CAUSE DISTURBANCE	196	206.5	142	231	423	409	-3%	-14
COLLISION	162	163.2	110	167	343	342	-0%	-1
All Series 4000 Offences	Current Period	5 Year Avg	5 Year Min	5 Year Max	2025 YTD	2026 YTD	25/26 % Chg	25/26 Count Diff
CDSA OFFENCES	33	38.2	18	47	57	59	4%	2
MHA	Current Period	5 Year Avg	5 Year Min	5 Year Max	2025 YTD	2026 YTD	25/26 % Chg	25/26 Count Diff
MHA	176	216.5	187	224	430	342	-20%	-88

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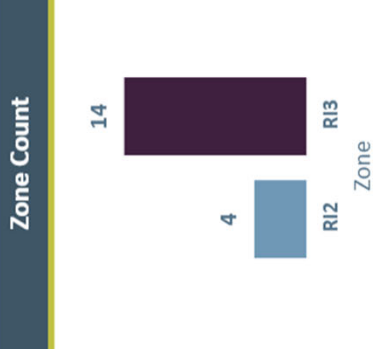
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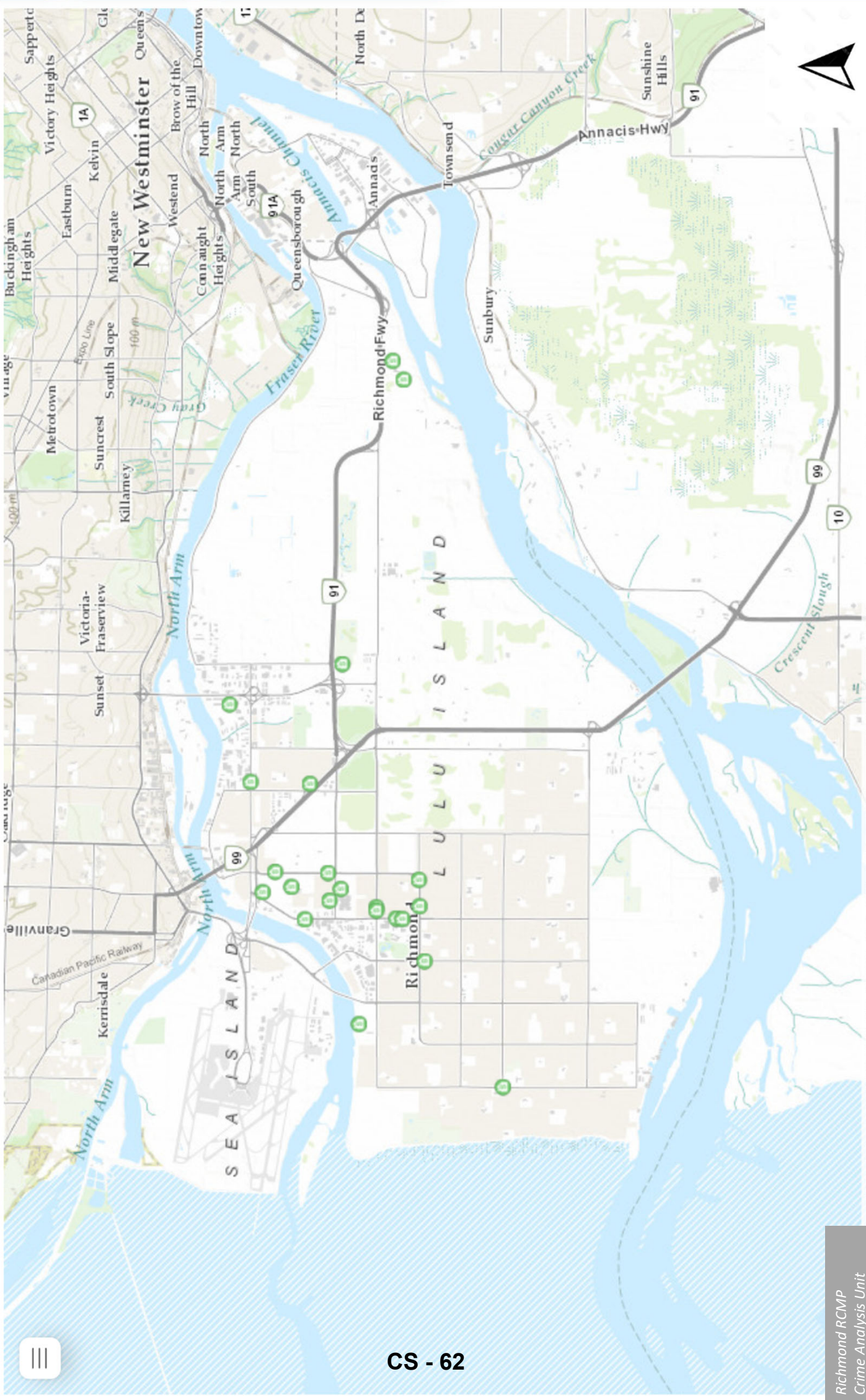
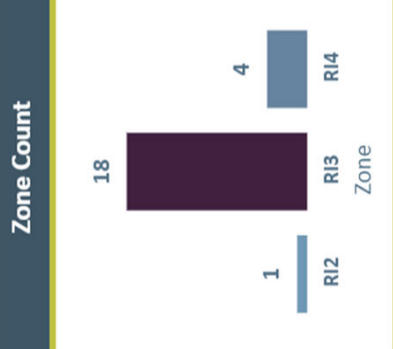
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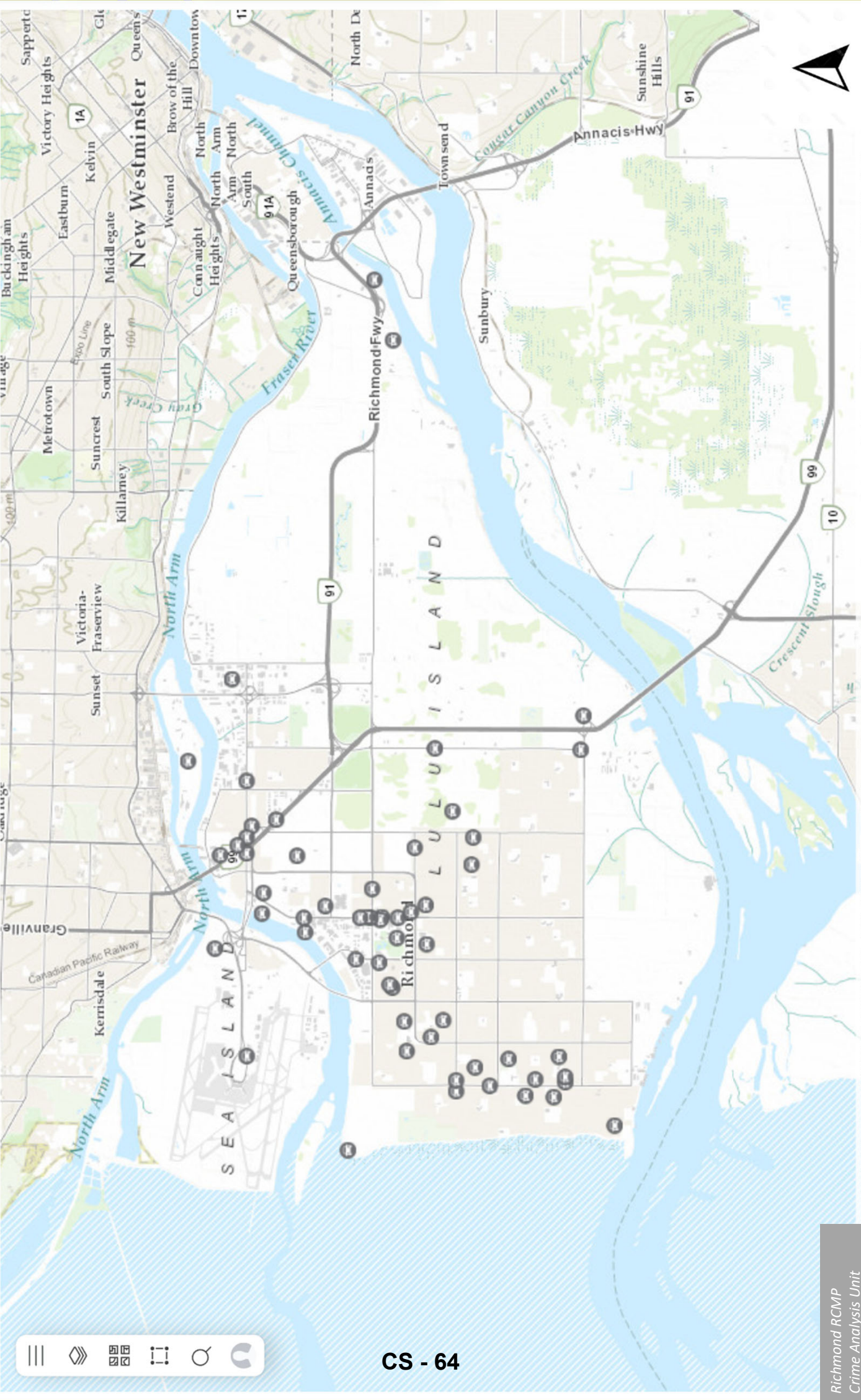
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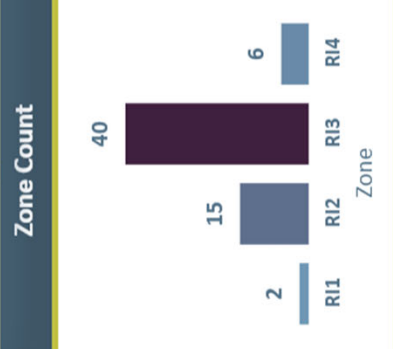
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City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Community Safety Committee **Date:** March 10, 2026



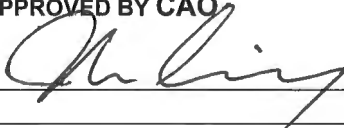
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Chief Superintendent, Officer in Charge 01

Re: **2026-2027 Richmond RCMP Detachment Annual Performance Plan
Community Priorities**

Recommendation from the OIC

That the priorities, Property Crime, Organized Crime, Road Safety and Vulnerable Persons, listed in the report titled “2026-2027 Richmond RCMP Detachment Annual Performance Plan – Community Priorities”, dated March 10, 2026, from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP, be endorsed for inclusion in the Richmond RCMP Detachment’s fiscal year 2026-2027 (April 1, 2026, to March 31, 2027) Annual Performance Plan.

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Report

Origin

The Officer in Charge (OIC) of the Richmond RCMP Detachment (Richmond Detachment) is committed to aligning the Richmond Detachment's strategic goals with the City of Richmond's vision "to be the most appealing, livable and well-managed community in Canada" and the RCMP's vision to promote safe communities. As such, the Richmond Detachment requests Council's endorsement of the priorities included in its Annual Performance Plan (APP) for the 2026-2027 fiscal year (April 1, 2026, to March 31, 2027).

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.

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

Findings of Fact

Background

As part of the Strategic Policy and Planning Directorate's mandate, all RCMP units, including the Richmond Detachment, launch a new APP each fiscal year. This process facilitates the continuous improvement of management and administrative practices across the organization and enhances strategic planning and performance management. Local APPs are informed by organizational priorities, crime trends, and stakeholder discussions to identify areas for continued improvement.

The priorities recommended for the APP take into consideration internal RCMP strategic directives, including the 2024-2027 RCMP Strategic Plan, which serves as a roadmap for the continued modernization of the RCMP.¹ They also align with the strategic pillars identified in the 2021-2025 Richmond RCMP Detachment Strategic Plan.²

- People
- Promoting Public Safety
- Targeted Enforcement

¹ Our next chapter: The RCMP 2024-2027 strategic plan, <https://rcmp.ca/en/corporate-information/publications-and-manuals/our-next-chapter-rcmp-2024-27-strategic-plan>

² The Richmond RCMP 2026-2030 Strategic Plan will be released later in 2026.

The APP enables a comprehensive, tailored, and measured approach to strategic planning and performance management at the Richmond Detachment.³ It ensures that policing initiatives align with the City of Richmond and RCMP strategic priorities and enables the OIC to effectively evaluate and manage police resources, programs, and operations. The APP also provides a valuable consultation and reporting mechanism for the City, the Commanding Officer of the RCMP “E” Division, and Richmond Detachment staff.

Planning

The OIC regularly engages with Council, City staff, and stakeholders to identify opportunities to improve service delivery in the community. Policing priorities are identified through a comprehensive strategic planning framework, which coordinates policing objectives with the City’s unique needs and the RCMP’s national, provincial, and district initiatives. Measurements, targets and integrated risk assessments for policing initiatives are also created annually to monitor performance and manage opportunities and risks.

Quarterly Performance Updates

Every quarter, Council receives an update on the status of the APP, highlighting progress of objectives and policing initiatives. The quarterly update includes a summary of actions supporting each priority and outlines any opportunities or challenges which may have emerged.

Annual Performance Plan Features

The APP is designed to enhance planning, management and administrative practices for RCMP Units and Detachments and provides the foundation for the following five organizational initiatives:⁴

- Contract and Aboriginal Policing Community Plans;
- Integrated Risk Management;
- Unit Level Quality Assurance;
- Performance Management; and
- Performance Improvement.

Analysis

Community Priorities

The community priorities outlined in the APP are selected through an ongoing strategic planning process, which includes analyzing police statistics and emerging public safety issues, reviewing existing programs and initiatives, and drawing on contributions from regular discussions with stakeholders.

³ The priorities recommended for the APP are not intended to serve as an exhaustive list of the Richmond Detachment’s policing objectives.

⁴ As per RCMP Administrative Manual Chapter 18.2 Annual Performance Plan

Initiatives supporting each selected priority are developed through a collaborative planning process, in which performance measures are determined to evaluate the initiatives’ success and impacts. This process facilitates an effective response to the identified objectives and provides an opportunity to demonstrate accountability to stakeholders and the broader community.

After assessing the impacts of the previous year’s APP and analyzing recent crime trends and stakeholder feedback, the OIC is recommending that Council align this year’s priorities with those of the previous year to maintain the Richmond Detachment’s commitment to these strategic priorities while also continuing to develop the responses and initiatives promoting these objectives. As such, the OIC is recommending continuing with the following four priorities for this year’s APP (April 1, 2026, to March 31, 2027):

1. Property Crime;
2. Organized Crime;
3. Road Safety; and
4. Vulnerable Persons.

These four priorities are sufficiently broad in scope to cover emerging trends and community concerns.

The remainder of the report justifies continuing with the established priorities.

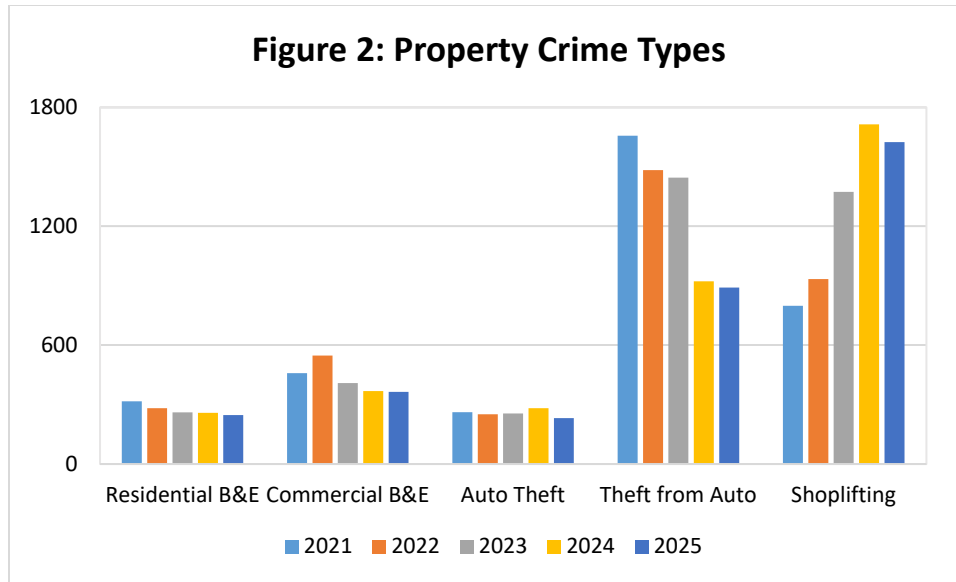
Property Crime

Statistical analysis of property crime incidents for the last five years has identified a rising trend, following reductions during the COVID-19 pandemic.⁵ As public behaviours returned to pre-pandemic patterns, property crimes began to increase, returning to previous levels. Given this trend, property crime remains a community priority.



⁵ In January 2026, statistics were re-collected for all crime categories, dating back to 2019. This was done to account for any changes to scoring or delayed reports and to ensure data is up-to-date and accurate. For this reason, the number of property crimes varies from previously reported statistics.

While overall property crimes are trending upward, the types of property crime following this pattern vary.⁶ Shoplifting incidents have dramatically increased over the last five years; however, residential break-and-enters and thefts from automobiles have decreased. Incidents of auto theft have remained steady.



The Richmond Detachment continues to monitor these trends and respond accordingly, including issuing public messaging regarding crime trends. In 2025, “Boost and Bust” projects were regularly deployed to combat organized retail thefts.⁷ Police will continue to use these tools and expand existing crime prevention initiatives by enhancing public outreach and police visibility with regular foot patrols, business outreach and participation in various community events.

The Richmond Detachment’s robust crime-reduction strategy is built on intelligence-led crime analysis using the CompStat model to target property crime. CompStat provides a forum for analyzing crime statistics, highlighting accountability, and developing immediate responses and deployment strategies. These responsive measures also include managing prolific offenders, proactive policing initiatives, collaborations with partner agencies, targeted enforcement projects, and increased training for police officers. Police will continue to deploy these measures while also developing enhanced public engagement and communication strategies, including raising community awareness of crime-prevention resources and programs.

Community engagement efforts, including the Block Watch program, help enhance public perceptions of community safety. Presentations to different community groups, including seniors and newcomers to Canada, are an additional educational tool which will continue to be promoted. Volunteer programs such as Lock Out Auto Crime, Crime Watch, and bike patrols are

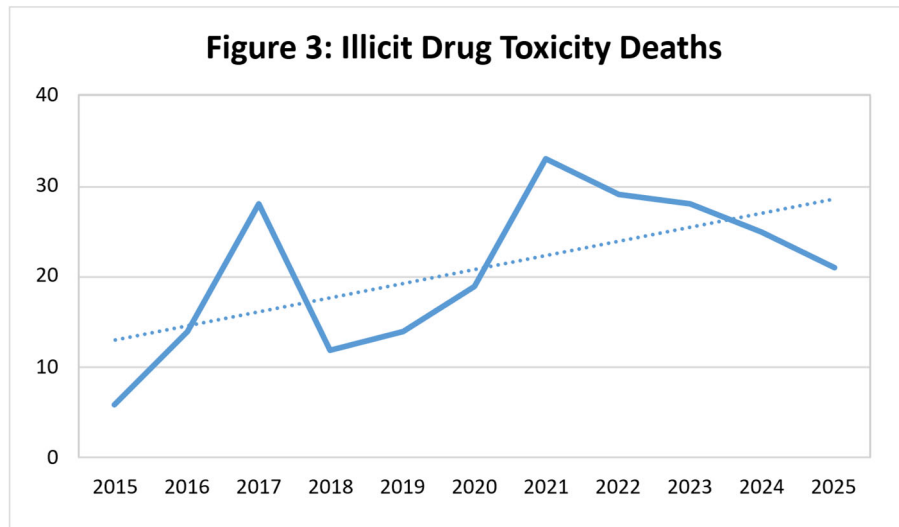
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⁷ Boost and Bust projects involve police partnering with local businesses and loss prevention officers to target retail thefts.

further measures that support crime prevention initiatives and will continue to be pursued this fiscal year.

Organized Crime

The Richmond Detachment has maintained organized crime as a community priority. While the overall violent crime rate remains low in Richmond, the OIC is committed to combating organized criminal activities, which include drug trafficking, drug production, fraudulent activities and money laundering. These activities pose numerous public safety concerns, including the dangers of clandestine drug labs and gang violence.



While drug offences have been decreasing, the number of deaths related to illicit drug toxicity in Richmond has been trending upward over the last 10 years.⁸ Police recognize the danger that these illegal drugs pose to the community, and specialized investigators have worked to target drug trafficking and drug production. In the 2025-2026 fiscal year, investigators conducted several significant organized crime-related investigations, including cases that led to the seizure of various quantities of drugs, cash, and weapons, resulting in notable arrests.

The Richmond Detachment continues to prioritize investigations and measures that disrupt organized crime, including gang suppression patrols, projects targeting illicit drug production and distribution, and asset forfeiture. On January 20, 2026, the final court matters concluded in a multi-year investigation into a crime group responsible for several synthetic drug production labs in the city. The primary target was sentenced to 10 years in jail, a lifetime firearms prohibition, and a forfeiture order for the seized items.

Investigators also continue to see emerging cybercrime trends, such as cryptocurrency fraud. These crimes often have a nexus to organized crime due to their sophisticated and organized nature and the potential for significant monetary gains for criminals. The Economic Crime Unit (ECU) has developed various investigative and awareness initiatives, including enhanced

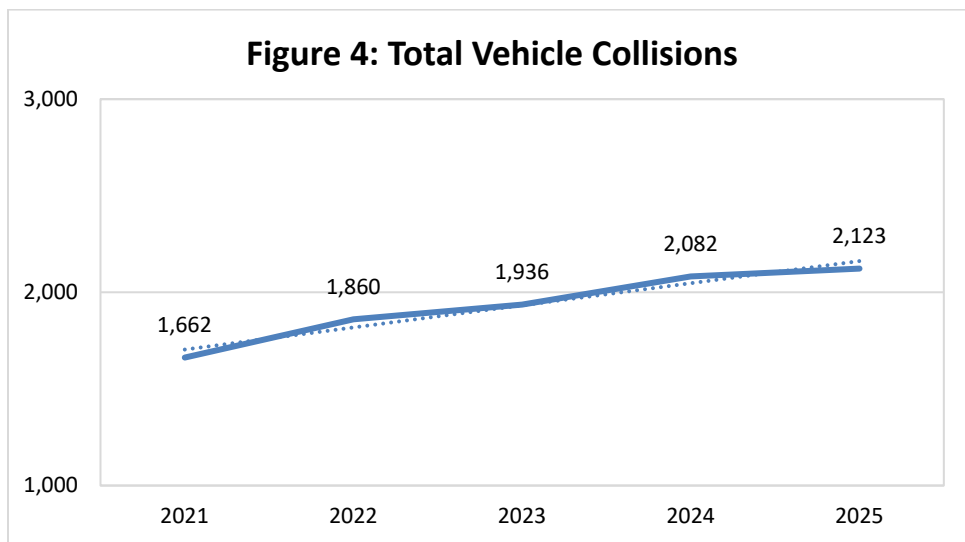
⁸ [Statistical Reports on Deaths in British Columbia - Province of British Columbia](#)

internal training sessions and distribution of public information resources available in English, French and Traditional Chinese. The ECU has also hosted public fraud awareness outreach, including an event on November 15, 2025, where ECU members and the Community Engagement Team (CET) engaged with 1,800 members of the public and educated them on fraud prevention at the T&T Super Market at Lansdowne Centre. Information was provided in multiple languages.

Road Safety

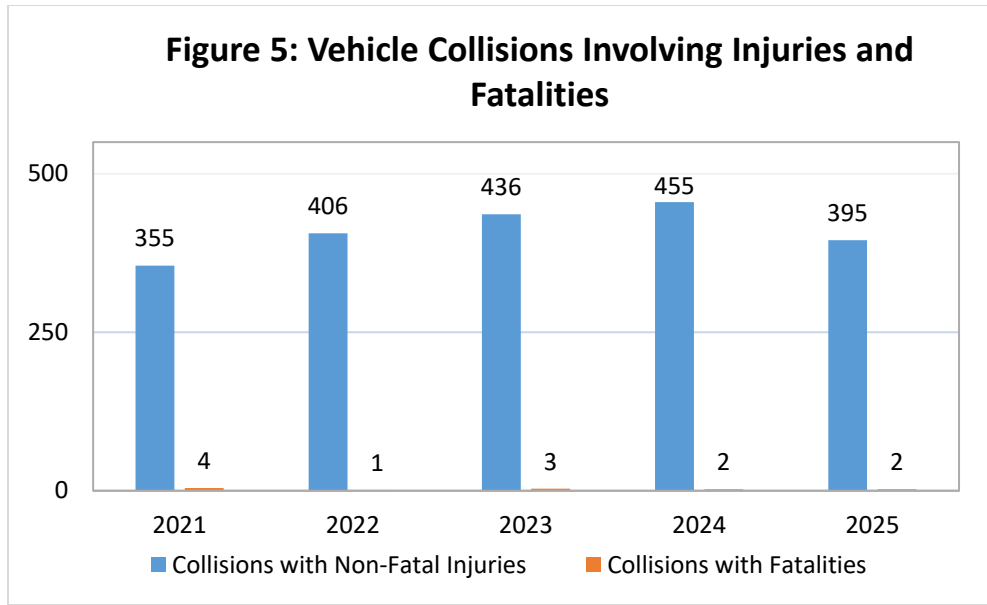
The Richmond Detachment has identified road safety as an ongoing community priority. It has continued to implement a comprehensive road safety strategy built on intelligence-led analysis, community policing volunteer engagement, public education campaigns, and ongoing proactive enforcement efforts.

Figure 4 presents the total vehicle collisions in Richmond between 2021 and 2025.⁹ There was a notable decrease in vehicle collisions during the pandemic; however, there has been a steady increase over the last 5 years.



Vehicle collisions decreased during the pandemic; however, overall traffic incidents, resulting in injuries and fatalities, have remained steady. The Richmond Detachment is closely monitoring this trend and continuing to prioritize road safety education and enforcement.

⁹ Data from PRIME, based on reports to Richmond RCMP. Previously, collision data included ICBC crash data, which is higher because police generally do not handle property-damage collisions with no injuries.



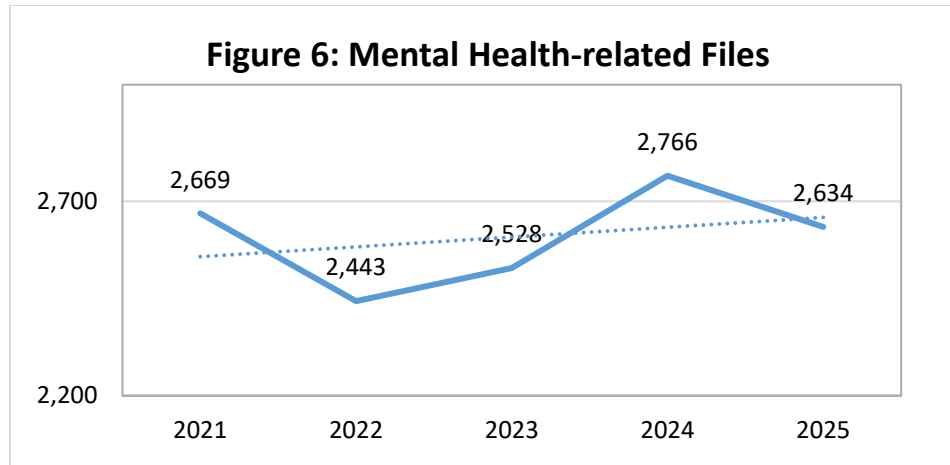
The Richmond Detachment is continuously promoting public education campaigns and leveraging social media to increase awareness of road safety topics, including distracted driving, speeding, impaired driving and pedestrian safety. This consistent messaging and ongoing targeted enforcement efforts will remain a priority this fiscal year. The CET and volunteers conduct road safety outreach and deployments targeting these concerns. These actions include Fail to Stop and Speed Watch deployments, car seat safety clinics, and pedestrian safety outreach events, during which thousands of safety reflectors have been distributed throughout Richmond.

Enforcement projects continue to be based on collision data and community feedback. The Richmond Detachment has also engaged partner agencies for a variety of joint operations. Policing agencies from other jurisdictions, City Bylaws and Passenger Transportation Enforcement Officers collaborate on projects targeting a range of safety issues. The 2025-2026 fiscal year included projects targeting illegal ride-hailing, e-bike and e-scooter safety, and commercial vehicle enforcement. In addition, the Youth Section continues to conduct regular enforcement projects in school zones.

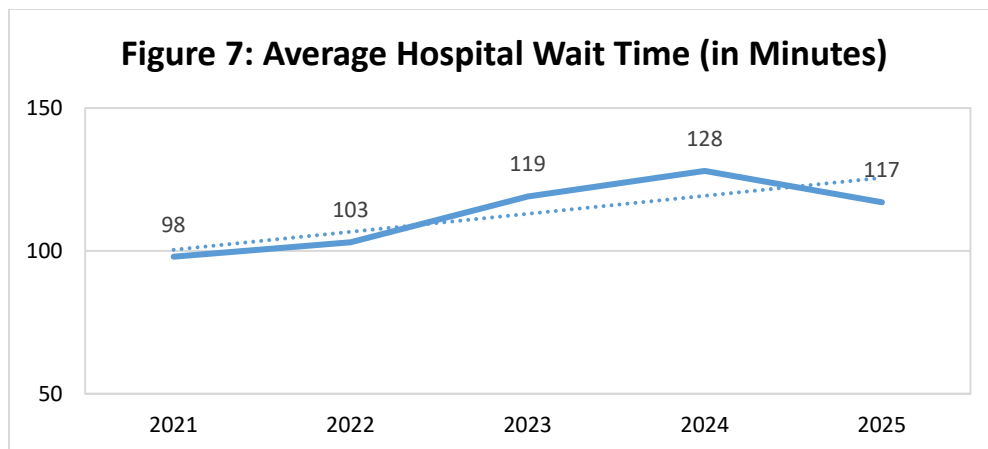
Vulnerable Persons

The Richmond Detachment has maintained vulnerable persons as a community priority. The five-year data shown in Figure 6 indicate a slight upward trend in the annual number of mental health-related calls for service in Richmond; however, there is substantial variability throughout this time frame.¹⁰

¹⁰ In January 2026, statistics were re-collected for all crime categories, dating back to 2019. This was done to account for any changes to scoring or delayed reports and to ensure data is up-to-date and accurate. For this reason, mental-health related data varies from previously reported statistics.



The average hospital wait time shows a rising trend, as depicted in Figure 7. This statistic highlights the increasing demands on policing resources and the complexity of calls, which are not fully captured by examining call-for-service data alone.



The Richmond Detachment has deployed various strategies to respond to these pressures and the complex social issues surrounding vulnerable persons, including mental health concerns, addiction and homelessness. The most prominent initiative is the Fox 67 Mental Health Car, operated in partnership with Vancouver Coastal Health. This program, which pairs a mental health nurse and a police officer to respond to calls involving mental health concerns, offers specialized support to clients in crisis.

The Vulnerable Persons Unit (VPU) strives to enhance partnerships and client support services by collaborating with stakeholders to find viable solutions to assist vulnerable clients. The VPU participates in various ongoing working groups and initiatives, including collaboration with the Assertive Community Treatment team and various partners within Vancouver Coastal Health.

Homelessness remains an ongoing safety concern. To address the multifaceted needs of individuals experiencing homelessness and develop sustainable solutions to these complex social issues, the VPU collaborates with partners, including the Joint Operations Team and the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction (MSDPR). VPU officers, alongside MSDPR and

City staff, conduct regular homeless outreach activities and work with community partners to provide information and facilitate connecting the unhoused with available support services. Police also provide support to the City of Richmond's Bylaw officers and Homelessness Outreach Workers who attend sheltering sites of individuals experiencing homelessness.

The Yankee 30 Youth Partnership Car program had its second full year of operations in 2025. This joint initiative involves police officers from Richmond RCMP's Youth Section working alongside youth probation officers and social workers to support at-risk youth and provide improved access to support services to guide them away from further criminal offences.

This fiscal year, the Richmond Detachment will continue to focus on collaborative responses to issues affecting vulnerable persons. It will also work to increase police training and awareness of these issues.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

Richmond Detachment requests that Council endorse the following as Community Priorities for inclusion in the 2026-2027 Annual Performance Plan (April 1, 2026, to March 31, 2027):

1. Property Crime;
2. Organized Crime;
3. Road Safety; and
4. Vulnerable Persons.

As described in the APP, the targeted activities will focus on intelligence-led policing, offender management, officer visibility, and crime reduction initiatives through community education, engagement, partnerships, and intervention and prevention programs.



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