

Weekly Report

Date: Friday, March 3, 2017

Links:

- **Homeless Needs Assessment** - <http://humaninterests.seattle.gov/2017/03/03/city-of-seattle-2016-homeless-needs-assessment/>

MISSION UPDATES:

Mission 1: Make an additional 200+ safer living spaces available

Lead: Jason Johnson, HSD Deputy Director

- Real-time shelter availability process will be in place for the Navigation Team at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, March 6.
- Georgetown and Meyers Way sanctioned encampment sites were permitted and contracted.
 - Georgetown site expected to accept people next week.
 - Meyers Way site is waiting for soil testing results. Expected to have 50 tent capacity.
- Announced the successful proposal of the Bridging the Gap RFP; the contract was awarded to Compass Housing in the amount of \$1.3 million. This new low-barrier shelter will eventually have 100 beds on a 24/7 schedule. It will serve all populations (M/W/Couples).

Mission 2: Reduce Trash

Lead: Ken Snipes, Seattle Public Utilities Solid Waste Director

- Organized the various agencies involved in the mission into an effective structure (mainly WSDOT and City of Seattle).
- Current planning work with Mission 3 on the closure of the Royal Brougham encampment which is set to take place on Tuesday, March 7.
- Continued to tackle tasks associated with the non-encampment work plan.

Mission 3: Connect people with services and mitigate most hazardous encampments

Lead: Scott Lindsay, Navigation Team, Mayor's Public Safety Advisor

- Finalized list of top 40 most challenging and hazardous encampments; created a map with encampment locations.
- Participated in site clean-ups:
 - Emerson
 - Gasworks
 - Mercer Street / I-5 areas

Seattle EOC Homelessness Response Activation

- Prepared for the scheduled closure of the encampment located at Royal Brougham and Airport Way, including providing outreach and storage services
- Temporarily closed the Royal Brougham encampment on Monday, February 27 because of explosion hazard from the propane truck crash on I-5. Closure included organizing day shelter for the camp residents.

Mission 4: Implement Revised MDARs –

Lead: Chris Potter, Finance and Administrative Services Operations Director

- Coordinated final edits to proposed encampment removal rules for release the week of March 6.
- Released comprehensive list of public comments to interested parties.

Mission 7: Maintain Situational Awareness -

Lead: Chris Potter, Finance and Administrative Services Operations Director

- Developed mapping tools to support activation.
- Identified key metrics and began development of quantitative reporting structure

Mission 8: Employee Training and Communication –

Lead: Cassandra da Costa, Seattle Dept. of Human Resources Labor Relations

- Developed city-wide general training requirements for employees working at encampment sites.
- Began analysis of special training requirements associated with implementing new encampment rules.

Mission 9: Communications

Lead: Julie Moore, Communications Team, FAS

- Communications Team continues to respond to inquiries regarding trash around the City; they continue to work closely with SPU to respond to questions.
- Communications Team plans to be on-site on Tuesday, March 7 for the closure of the encampment at Royal Brougham and Airport Way.
- Updated Multi-Departmental Administrative Rules (MDARs) release planning.