

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE February 3, 2023

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Homeless Encampment Decommission Update**

The purpose of the following memorandum is to provide a high-level overview of the encampment decommissioning process started on January 27, 2023, which was briefed by memorandum to City Council on January 26, 2023.

As of this memorandum, the Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS) and its partners have collaboratively offered and connected area unsheltered residents to services via the Dallas R.E.A.L. Time Rapid Rehousing Initiative (DRTRR). Seventy-two (72) individuals are temporarily housed at an undisclosed location where they are receiving case management and navigation into permanent housing. Some individuals were not yet ready to enter housing at the time of closing and were further engaged by provider outreach staff, through which more decided to accept housing. We anticipate that the transition to permanent housing will take roughly ninety (90) days and will provide updates throughout the process.

The locations below were thoroughly cleaned and will have a second cleaning this Friday, February 3, 2023, pending any further inclement weather. With the help of the Dallas Marshals, the Dallas Police Department, and the H.A.R.T. team, the decommissioned areas will be kept clear indefinitely.

Locations:

- 1613 Baylor Street
- 2912 Hickory Street
- 2633 Hickory Street
- Tx DOT Property
 - 2600 block of Hickory Street
 - 2600 block of Dawson Street
 - 2600 block of Louise Avenue
 - 1600 block of Chestnut Street
 - 1600 block of Baylor Street
 - 1700 block of Baylor Street

As stated previously, the purpose of the decommissioning was to provide a holistic solution to address homelessness sustainably by closing the site, via the DRTRR. The planned decommissioning of this site was previously scheduled for February 2023, therefore, OHS and its partners were able to collaboratively offer the area unsheltered

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residents temporary housing in order to receive services via the DRTRR and immediately close the site.

If you have any questions regarding this process, please reach out to me or Office of Homeless Solutions Director, Christine Crossley at (972) 358-1850.

Putting Service First,



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