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Subject: Response to MO-004S-A – UCT Quarterly Reporting

Introduction

This report is offered in response to the 2026 Statement of Legislative Intent (SLI) [MO-004S-A](#), which requests that the Mayor’s Office provide quarterly reports regarding activities and performance of the Unified Care Team (UCT) and any collaborating departments that manage the City's response to unsanctioned encampments.

The UCT is committed to engaging in continuous learning, using quantitative and qualitative data to learn from our efforts and improve our approach. Based on those learnings, we may adjust the items reported in future reports to ensure we are sharing information that provides the most complete picture of our work with Council and our partners.

Elements of the UCT Homelessness SLI Report

This quarterly homelessness report provides a progress update on the City's multi-agency approach, while responding to the SLI’s request for metrics. Below you will find an overview of the areas in which we will track and report performance.

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Our end of year report analyzes the performance of each strategy across the five neighborhoods, with the goal of using data-driven insights to inform future decision-making, resource allocation, and enhanced service delivery. If you have questions regarding the contents of this report, please contact the Unified Care Team by emailing UnifiedCareTeam@seattle.gov.

Neighborhood Teams

The UCT is divided into neighborhood teams, each with its own geographic focus area. These dedicated teams coordinate outreach and referrals to shelter, mitigate trash and debris, lead beautification efforts, and work with the community to restore public spaces. This approach enhances the ability of the teams to

build relationships with all the stakeholders in their area — people experiencing homelessness, service providers, housed residents, businesses, etc. This structure allows the neighborhood teams to be nimble and responsive to emerging and unique neighborhood needs.

Customer Service & Responsiveness

Triaging community concerns in a timely manner ensures UCT is responding to the changing conditions on the ground.

- In 2025, over 18,000 customers filed over 76,000 reports of unauthorized encampments in Seattle, representing a 55% increase in unauthorized encampment reports from 2024.
- Contributing factors to the increase could be increased media coverage of the Find It, Fix It (FIFI) application, and council members encouraging their constituents to use the app.
- UCT’s prioritization process creates more equitable outcomes for Seattle residents. Although areas of Seattle that are noted as “race and social equity priority areas” for city services made up only 43% of the service requests UCT received in 2025, equity priority areas made up 67% of site resolutions, 51% of outreach visits, and 61% of site cleanings.
- Despite the rising number of requests, which do not impact how quickly a location is resolved, UCT continues to meet its customer responsiveness targets. UCT triages 100% of service requests within 3 days and inspects 92% of the sites flagged in the requests within 10 days.

Figure 1: Customer Service Requests by Month

Total number of Unauthorized Encampments Customer Service Requests submitted

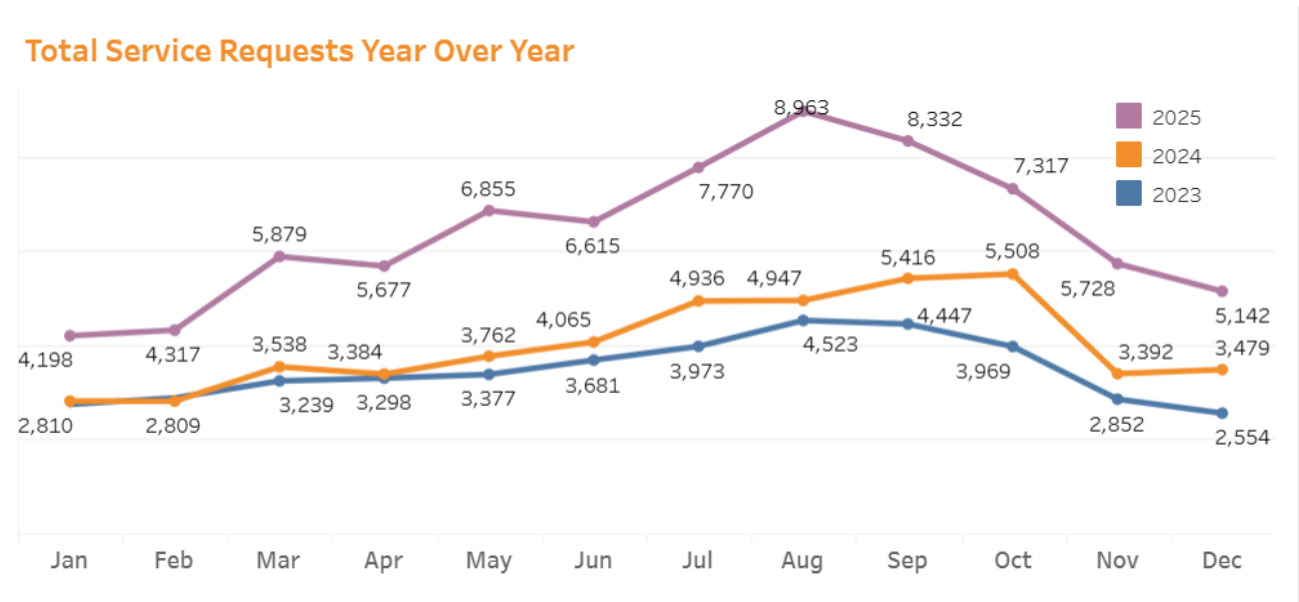


Figure 2: Customer Service Requests by Quarter

Total number of Customer Service Requests related to Unauthorized Encampments.

UCT Neighborhood	# of requests received Q1 2025	# of requests received Q2 2025	# of requests received Q3 2025	# of requests received Q4 2025	2025 Total
Northwest	4,309	6,378	8,268	6,559	25,514
North/NE	2,443	3,683	5,301	3,196	14,623
Southwest	2,289	2,636	2,697	2,055	9,678
Southeast	1,637	1,960	3,154	2,977	9,727
Central	3,705	4,475	5,636	3,398	17,214
Citywide	14,383	19,132	25,056	18,185	76,756

Figure 3: Percentage of Sites Inspected Within 10 Days

Percent of sites inspected within the goal timeframe of 10 business days after the service request was triaged for inspection.

UCT Neighborhood	% of sites inspected within 10 days Q1 2025	% of sites inspected within 10 days Q2 2025	% of sites inspected within 10 days Q3 2025	% of sites inspected within 10 days Q4 2025	2025 Total
Northwest	99%	99%	87%	85%	93%
North/NE	97%	95%	87%	83%	91%
Southwest	81%	94%	100%	100%	94%
Southeast	64%	96%	98%	98%	89%
Central	98%	97%	90%	90%	94%
Citywide	88%	96%	92%	91%	92%

Tent, RV, and Active Sites

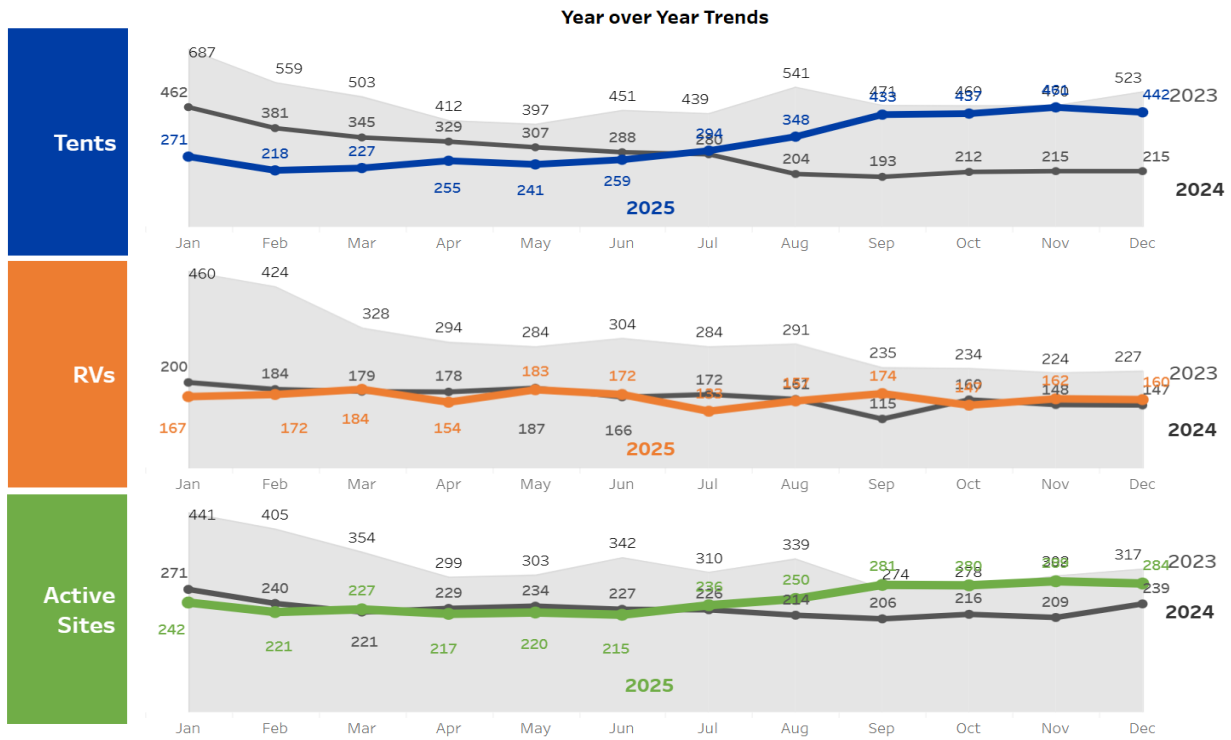
Tracking data on active encampments through frequent site inspections helps us understand UCT impact on keeping public spaces open and accessible.

- UCT data provides important near real-time information about conditions on the ground. This gives us valuable insights to understand changes in conditions and trends that may be occurring citywide.
- We see a rise in the number of active encampment sites and tent counts at active sites at the end of 2025 compared to the end of 2024 for the majority of UCT neighborhoods.
- Possible contributing factors to the citywide increase in active sites and tent counts are:
 - **A lack of shelter to offer:** In 2025, UCT had 100 fewer set-aside shelter beds on average to refer people into than in 2024, significantly impacting the ability of the outreach team to both make meaningful offers and move people inside.

- **Cuts to benefits:** In 2025, there have been cuts to federal benefits such as grants, SNAP, and housing vouchers, which increased the number of vulnerable households in the area or made already vulnerable households increasingly vulnerable. Staff have heard from some people at encampments that they were evicted or recently lost their housing vouchers.
- **WSDOT resolutions:** WSDOT has been regularly resolving sites within its jurisdiction without offering shelter since January 2025. The number of encampments and tents within City jurisdiction has increased, while WSDOT’s active site counts have been kept lower.
- **“No sit, no lie” laws:** Field teams believe other cities enforcing the “no sit, no lie” laws may result in more people experiencing homelessness in Seattle.

Figure 4: Year-over-Year Trends in Active Encampment Sites

Monthly Snapshot Count of Tents, RVs, and Active sites.



Active Sites – Refers to an unauthorized encampment site where any number of tents, structures, lived-in RVs or vehicles is present, as documented by UCT field inspectors.

Figure 5: Tents and RVs at Active Sites, and Active Sites Snapshot by UCT Neighborhood as of the last Friday of each quarter in 2025.

UCT Neighborhood	Count of Tents Snapshot				Count of RVs at Active Sites Snapshot				Count of Active Encampment Sites Snapshot			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Northwest	51	49	109	85	30	36	27	25	51	53	68	75

North/NE	25	45	68	46	14	5	2	5	29	27	38	36
Southwest	99	92	126	149	111	94	93	97	81	67	82	80
Southeast	32	57	86	128	22	24	34	31	47	47	63	61
Central	20	16	44	34	7	13	18	2	19	21	30	32
Citywide	227	259	433	442	184	172	174	160	227	215	281	284

Encampment Resolutions and Removals

Addressing encampments through varied approaches utilizing a prioritization system and qualitative information from field staff ensures sites with high public impact are addressed equitably.

- UCT resolves encampments through multiple approaches, depending on safety risks and hazard concerns. UCT uses a public impact score to determine which method best serves the site.
 - **Scheduled resolutions** are sites that are not an obstruction or immediate hazard and are scheduled for resolution based on their public impact score for prioritization. Site mitigation needs are assessed and addressed until the removal date, including removal of trash, debris, and other hazardous objects or materials. Outreach efforts can help draw down the site, typically extending over multiple weeks prior to the resolution date.
 - **Advanced-notice obstruction removals** - Whenever possible, obstructions and hazardous situations that require removal are posted with 24- or 48-hour notice of impending actions.
 - **Immediate removal** - If the site creates an obstruction or presents a hazardous situation that requires immediate removal, notice is not provided.
- UCT completed roughly the same number of scheduled resolutions in 2025 as in 2024, while completing more RV remediations and immediate hazard/obstruction removals. Southwest was the neighborhood with the most resolutions and Northwest was the neighborhood with the most unique sites resolved in 2025.
- RV Remediation is a removal process that specifically addresses recreational vehicles and other vehicles that appear to be lived-in that do not adhere to the 72-hour parking ordinance. There are several layers of activity that support the RV and vehicle community before a removal.
 - Whenever possible, outreach is provided through the City outreach team and/or the UHeights Vehicle Residents Outreach (VRO) support.
 - The Seattle Public Utilities (SPU-UCT) team provides fuel, jumpstarts, and other services that assist vehicles to keep moving. These services are provided at least 2 days in advance and day of the removal. The goal is to allow people to keep their vehicles and stay in compliance with City parking regulations.
- During the third quarter, UCT participated in a multi-department effort led by the Mayor’s Office, focusing on the microneighborhood of South Capitol Hill in response to considerable public safety and disorder complaints from the local community.
 - From July 26 through October 10, UCT resolved sites in this focus area 81 times, cleared 244 tents, made 202 offers of shelter, and offers were accepted 30 times.

- The number of resolutions in Northwest and North/NE slightly decreased in Q3 due to this focus work and limited SPD resources to support UCT. Southwest and Southeast have separate teams that were not impacted by the focus phase.
- During the focus phase, tent and active site counts declined and stayed lower through the end of 2025. The surrounding area in the Central Neighborhood experienced a rise in active sites and tents during the focus period.
- In Q4 of 2025, UCT moved to 7-day coverage, focused on sites that rapidly repopulate to reduce public impacts, remove accumulated trash & debris, and restore mobility access.
 - UCT completed 130 immediate hazard obstructions and 12 advanced notice obstructions on weekends in 2025. The weekend encampment resolutions focused on sites that tend to repopulate quickly.
 - UCT made 791 weekend outreach visits (9% of the total for 2025) to 293 sites in 2025. Outreach counselors connect with people on site to understand their needs for shelter and other services.
 - Total weekend activities in Q4 account for 11% of all activities completed in 2025, providing increased opportunities for outreach, debris mitigation, completing inspections, and resolving encampments.

Figure 6: Count Scheduled Resolutions, and Percent Offers of Shelter

*Scheduled resolutions refers to all work associated with resolving scheduled unauthorized encampments, including removal or trash and debris, storage of personal belongings, outreach engagement for weeks prior to resolution date, and may include heavy equipment and traffic control plans. **Offers of shelter are made per MDARs, and additionally, as shelter is available at all other resolutions.***

Scheduled Resolutions						
UCT Neighborhood	# of Resolutions	# of Resolutions	# of Resolutions	# of Resolutions	2025 Total Resolutions	% with Offers of Shelter where individuals are present at resolution Q1 thru Q4 2025
	Q1 2025	Q2 2025	Q3 2025	Q4 2025		
Northwest	2	17	8	12	39	64%
North/NE	1	4	6	10	21	85%
Southwest	15	14	25	13	67	97%
Southeast	5	12	11	5	33	90%
Central	1	0	5	3	9	100%
Citywide	24	47	55	43	169	87%

Figure 7: Count of RV Remediations and Percent Offers of Shelter

RV Remediation refers to all work associated with resolving encampments where RVs/vehicles are present, including assisting working vehicles so they can comply with parking rules and move away from the area, post-removal cleanup, and towing of inoperable/abandoned vehicles. While not required by the MDARs, offers of shelter are made to all individuals when available.

RV Remediations						
UCT Neighborhood	# of Remediations Q1 2025	# of Remediations Q2 2025	# of Remediations Q3 2025	# of Remediations Q4 2025	2025 YTD Remediations	2025 Total % With Offers of Shelter Where Individuals were Present
Northwest	6	7	7	6	26	33%
North/NE	2	1	1	2	6	50%
Southwest	19	29	35	15	98	100%
Southeast	5	1	1	4	11	100%
Central	4	2	5	4	15	78%
Citywide	36	40	49	31	156	85%

Figure 8: Count of Immediate Hazard and Obstruction Removals

Immediate hazard and obstruction removals - Refers to all work associated with removing unauthorized encampments at sites that pose a threat to public health and safety or interfere with the public’s access to City-owned and City-controlled property, facilities, and rights-of-way. Includes removal of trash and debris, storage of personal belongings, and whenever possible, offers of available shelter.

- While UCT policy is to offer shelter whenever possible, the reduction in shelter availability has resulted in offers at obstructions and hazard removals being made 41% of the time. Limited resources have increased the need to focus on service matching to support successful placement with the right resources. The existing outreach framework will be better supported as new shelter resources are made available.

Advanced Notice Obstruction and Immediate Hazard and Obstruction Removals									
UCT Neighborhood	# of removals Q1 2025	% With Offers of Shelter Q1 2025	# of removals Q2 2025	% With Offers of Shelter Q2 2025	# of removals Q3 2025	% With Offers of Shelter Q3 2025	# of removals Q4 2025	% With Offers of Shelter Q4 2025	Total # of Removals
Northwest	185	65%	212	67%	158	44%	207	38%	762
North/NE	59	53%	49	49%	45	70%	54	29%	207
Southwest	162	56%	225	43%	324	41%	313	43%	1,024
Southeast	57	72%	76	36%	51	45%	72	41%	256
Central	43	51%	45	70%	102	68%	85	48%	275

Citywide	506	60%	607	53%	680	49%	731	41%	2,524
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- UCT completed 2,893 resolutions across 509 sites in 2025. The top 10 sites (2% of total sites) made up 38% of the total resolutions.

Figure 9: Count of unique sites where at least one encampment resolution or RV Remediation occurred during the reporting period

A site that repopulates may be resolved more than once in a quarter. The yearly number is the number of unique sites for the year, not a sum of the previous quarters

Unique sites resolved					
UCT Neighborhood	# of Sites Q1 2025	# of Sites Q2 2025	# of Sites Q3 2025	# of Sites Q4 2025	2025 # of Sites (not a sum)
Northwest	57	97	80	78	168
North/NE	35	30	32	32	80
Southwest	57	59	68	40	108
Southeast	23	38	36	35	69
Central	29	31	45	42	84
Citywide	201	255	261	227	509

Figure 10: Sites with the most UCT actions

Listed below are five sites in each neighborhood that had the most UCT actions in 2025. Actions include all types of encampment resolutions: scheduled resolutions, RV remediations, resolutions by outreach, immediate hazard resolutions, and obstruction resolutions. Site cleanings, inspections, outreach visits, and postings are not included in the “action” counts below.

Sites with the most UCT actions (Top 5 by neighborhood)						
UCT Neighborhood	Location Name	# of Actions Q1 2025	# of Actions Q2 2025	# of Actions Q3 2025	# of Actions Q4 2025	2025 # of Actions
Northwest	Cherry St between 6th Ave & 7th Ave	33	32	26	37	128
	Ballard Library	26	24	11	26	87
	NW 57th St from 20th Ave NW to 22nd Ave NW	20	17	24	24	85
	Ballard Commons Park	12	19	10	5	46
	2nd Ave from Blanchard St to Lenora St	9	3	6	10	28
North/NE	Albert Davis	4	8	13	18	43

	33rd Ave NE from NE 130th St and NE 125th St	8	8	0	4	20
	Lake City Mini Park	5	6	5	0	16
	Nesbit Ave N from N 90th St to N 85th St & N 88th St from Nesbit Ave N to Aurora Ave N	1	3	5	5	14
	Interurban Trail from N 128th St to N 125th St	0	1	2	4	7
Southwest	S Dearborn St from Maynard Ave S to 6th Ave S	24	37	42	58	161
	4th Ave from S Washington St to James St	16	32	39	52	139
	Pioneer Park	21	29	40	41	131
	Occidental Square	7	19	43	51	120
	Third Avenue from Cherry Street to James Street	34	21	26	13	94
Southeast	S Jackson St & S King St under I-5 Vicinity	3	10	0	16	29
	S Main St from Boren Ave S to 12th Ave S	0	7	9	4	20
	James St Southbound I-5 Off Ramp Vicinity	16	1	1	0	18
	Donnie Chin International Children's Park	2	9	4	1	16
	S Dearborn St from i-5 to S Rainier St	4	6	0	5	15
Central	Cal Anderson Park	6	5	38	39	88
	Broadway Hill Park	4	5	3	6	18
	Pratt Park	6	4	2	3	15
	Tashkent Park	6	4	3	2	15
	E Spruce St to E Fir St and from 14th Ave to 12th Ave	2	2	2	5	11

Outreach Coordination

Coordinating outreach enables us to better address the homelessness crisis by connecting our unhoused neighbors to services, shelter, and housing.

- In 2025, the UCT Outreach team finished the hiring process and have in place two counselors per Council District, for a total of 14 Outreach Counselors.
- One of the successes in 2025 is the increasing success of bringing people indoors, as shown by consistent, year-over-year growth in shelter enrollments (which demonstrated improved ability to match resources to individual needs through the neighborhood outreach model). The expansion of the Outreach team made this possible. Their relationship-building efforts help teams better connect people with resources, including direct placements into permanent housing for the first time.
- UCT's outreach model deploys seven District Outreach Teams, each consisting of a UCT Regional Coordinator, two UCT Outreach Counselors, contracted care coordinators, contracted vehicle outreach, and contracted behavioral health outreach. In addition to the district teams, there is population-specific outreach available citywide to connect with individuals of certain demographics (youth and families), or to provide culturally-specific services (black/African American and American Indian/Alaskan Native).
- Outreach teams work together to provide individuals with the services that match their outreach needs. Collaboration involves a weekly huddle in each district to coordinate efforts, case conference, determine shelter matches, and make referrals to the appropriate type of outreach. These coordinated efforts enable consistency and continuity for unhoused individuals residing in each neighborhood, which has proven effective in matching individuals with appropriate shelter and housing—and will be increasingly effective as new resources come online.
- In 2025, 55% of people who accepted shelter moved into shelter (Figure 11), 7% higher than in 2024. This continues to show that the neighborhood model enables outreach to better match known individuals with available shelter resources. As a reminder, confirmed shelter enrollments are challenging because nearly 25% of shelter enrollments lack personally identifiable information in HMIS, which means this percentage is likely higher than 55%.
- Of the 1,011 confirmed enrollments in 2025, 31 were to permanent housing locations, 2 were to safe havens, and 17 were to inpatient or recovery services.
- The Southwest and Northwest regions continue to have the highest numbers of offers and referrals, as they continue to be the two regions with the highest numbers of removals.
- The number of offers and offers accepted are both down year-over-year from 2024, because the total number of available shelter beds were also down.
- In 2025, the most common reason for declining a shelter offer was, “Does Not Want Communal Space.” We continue to have much higher acceptance rates to shelters that offer single occupancy units, rather than congregate spaces.
- In 2025, UCT outreach, in collaboration with contracted outreach partners, resolved 43 encampments through an outreach-led approach.
 - Outreach-led resolutions can occur when site conditions do not pose an immediate hazard or safety issue, which allows extended time to develop relationships and connect the right resource with each individual prior to resolution scheduling.
 - UCT's approach to leading with outreach continues to be refined as work progresses, and we anticipate expanding on this approach as new shelter resources come online.

Figure 11: Offers of Shelter

Specific offers of available shelter extended to unsheltered individuals.

# of Offers of Shelter					
UCT Neighborhood	Q1 2025	Q2 2025	Q3 2025	Q4 2025	2025 Total
Northwest	357	563	364	330	1,614
North/NE	282	192	202	130	806
Southwest	508	730	794	602	2,634
Southeast	216	211	445	246	1,118
Central	121	225	407	165	918
Citywide	1,484	1,921	2,212	1,473	7,090

Figure 12: Offers Accepted and Referral Made

Offers of shelter accepted by unsheltered individuals, resulting in a referral to shelter.

# of Offers Accepted					
UCT Neighborhood	Q1 2025	Q2 2025	Q3 2025	Q4 2025	2025 Total
Northwest	96	198	141	149	584
North/NE	62	99	127	92	380
Southwest	117	114	122	121	474
Southeast	39	53	68	71	231
Central	25	42	68	42	177
Citywide	339	506	526	475	1,846

Figure 13: Confirmed Shelter Enrollments¹

Confirmed shelter enrollments as a result of a specific offer of available shelter.

¹ Enrollments are determined via a match between UCT and Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) data. This match is imperfect for several reasons. This includes approximately 21% of enrollments lacking personally identifiable information (PII) due to the HMIS data share; individuals providing different PII (such as a name) to UCT or HMIS; individuals enrolling at a shelter over 48 hours after a referral is made; agencies entering data entry late; or individuals enrolling at a different shelter from where they were referred. Enrollments for previous quarters will be updated throughout the year.

# of Confirmed Shelter Enrollments					
UCT Neighborhood	Q1 2025	Q2 2025	Q3 2025	Q4 2025	2025 Total
Northwest	52	103	78	88	321
North/NE	35	50	76	49	210
Southwest	49	57	71	70	247
Southeast	24	26	38	36	124
Central	15	26	40	28	109
Citywide	175	262	303	271	1,011

Figure 14: Provided Reasons for Declined Offers of Shelter

Provided Reason	Central	North/NE	Northwest	Southeast	Southwest	Citywide
Does Not Want Offered Shelter	2	1	25	20	57	105
Does Not Want Communal Space	75	5	11	42	60	193
Wants Placement with Partner/Family/Friends	10	14	37	23	56	140
Wants Permanent Housing	4	1	37	6	122	170
Unable/unwilling to engage with HSD Staff	8	0	3	20	27	58
Reports having housing/shelter*	8	0	12	13	29	62
Unknown	3	6	8	18	46	81
Desired Shelter is not available	0	2	14	5	20	41
Barred	1	1	4	2	13	21
Needs mental health resources	2	2	8	3	32	47
Uncertain/wants time to consider/follow up	0	2	7	9	3	21
Reports plans to leave city in the near future	0	0	0	1	9	10
Location	0	1	5	1	0	7
Unwilling to engage in program expectations	5	1	1	0	0	7
Needs recovery resources	0	0	1	1	2	4
History of Negative Experience with Shelter	0	1	0	2	0	3
Does not qualify for available beds	0	0	3	0	3	6
Vehicle/RV Related Issue	4	0	0	3	0	7
Pets Not Allowed	1	1	4	4	0	10

Doesn't want to be alone/away from community	0	0	1	1	0	2
Shelter available is not ADA accessible	0	0	0	0	2	2
Storage Issue	0	0	0	1	0	1
Grand Total	123	38	181	175	481	998

**This number is underreported as of October 2025. HSD now collects if a person reports having housing OR living in shelter.*

Figure 15: Demographics of Referred People – Gender

Referral Demographics	Northwest	North/NE	Southwest	Southeast	Central	Total
Male	117	57	85	47	23	329
Female	27	27	31	20	13	118
Trans Female	3	1	0	0	0	4
Gender Non-Conforming	0	0	0	0	0	0
Data Not Collected	2	7	5	4	6	24
TOTAL	149	92	121	71	42	475

Figure 16: Demographics of Referred People - Race

Referral Demographics	Northwest	North/NE	Southwest	Southeast	Central	Total
American Indian or Alaska Native	6	7	4	2	0	19
Asian	1	1	2	4	1	9
Black/African American	39	20	25	14	7	105
White/Caucasian	69	31	51	21	14	186
Multiracial	5	5	1	3	1	15
Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	1	1	1	4	1	8
Hispanic/Latino	10	6	13	10	4	43

Data Not Collected	18	21	24	13	14	90
TOTAL	149	92	121	71	42	475

Mitigation of Trash and Public Health Hazards

Utilizing a multi-departmental approach to mitigating ongoing trash and debris in public spaces allows for effective citywide coverage.

- UCT site cleanings mitigate environmental, health, and fire hazards while making Seattle more accessible for everyone.
 - In 2025, UCT cleaned over 7,000 sites containing hazardous materials and over 750 sites within 50 feet of a waterway. Clearing hazardous materials more quickly mitigates environmental, fire, and health hazards.
 - The total number of encampment fires has steadily decreased since UCT has been active, and in 2025 there were half as many encampment fires as in 2022.
 - Site cleaning work also included over 1,300 cleanings of sites with insufficient clearance for a wheelchair to pass and over 4,400 cleanings of sites near facilities for children, the elderly, or other vulnerable groups, helping to make Seattle more accessible for everyone.
- In 2025, UCT weekend work accounted for over 3,200 site cleaning visits, picking up over 600,000 pounds of trash. This represents 17% of total site cleaning visits and 16% of total trash poundage for 2025.

Figure 17: Site Cleaning

Number of UCT visits to encampment sites for cleaning and trash mitigation

# of Site Cleaning Visits								
UCT Neighborhood	Q1	Q2		Q3		Q4		2025 Total
	All days	Week day	Week end	Week day	Week end	Week day	Week end	
Northwest	1,149	1,225	292	1,051	469	1,014	234	5,434
North/NE	685	809	264	655	326	652	171	3,562
Southwest	1,385	1,353	154	1,610	243	1,400	366	6,511
Southeast	649	611	76	788	53	736	107	3,020
Central	295	815	147	1,004	201	816	122	3,400
Citywide	4,163	4,815	933	5,108	1,292	4,618	1,000	21,930
		5,748		6,400		5,618		

Figure 18: Debris Collected

Estimated pounds of debris collected during site cleanings.

Pounds of Debris Collected								
UCT Neighborhood	Q1	Q2		Q3		Q4		2025 Total
	All days	Weekday	Weekend	Weekday	Weekend	Weekday	Weekend	
Northwest	133,099	160,323	19,499	120,905	18,096	169,450	30,192	651,564
North/NE	79,818	56,739	15,962	66,569	20,371	90,439	13,423	343,321
Southwest	374,126	384,360	99,785	465,112	103,553	358,998	140,222	1,926,156
Southeast	138,493	151,395	31,305	179,096	17,465	147,534	16,705	681,993
Central	58,826	62,953	6,388	62,185	4,364	72,569	12,988	280,273
Citywide	784,362	815,770	172,939	893,867	163,849	838,990	213,530	3,883,347
		988,709		1,057,716		1,052,520		

Figure 19: Top 5 Community Reporting Areas (CRAs) By Debris Collected

Understanding where high concentrations of trash are located ensures that a consistent level of service is provided to the community.

[Community Reporting Areas \(CRAs\)](#) – Boundaries designed by the City of Seattle as a standard, consistent geography to report citywide information at a community level. These are used by analysts at a variety of city departments.

CRAs with the Most Debris Collected	Estimated pounds of debris collected Q4 2025
1. Duwamish/SODO	265,055
2. North Beacon Hill/Jefferson Park	95,840
3. Ballard	93,575
4. Highland Park	84,740
5. Mt. Baker/North Rainier	47,601

Figure 20: Public Health and Hygiene

Providing shower trailers contributes to promoting cleaner community spaces. Shower trailers were located at the following sites during Q4 2025, operated by SPU on behalf of SPR.

Standalone hygiene station oversight is now in Seattle Parks & Recreation. Further reporting requests should be made directly to that department.

UCT Neighborhood	Locations with a city-sponsored shower trailers
Northwest	157 Roy Street (shower trailer & hygiene station)
North/NE	N/A
Southwest	9701 Myers Way S, Camp Second Chance (shower trailer for residents only)
Southeast	2901 17 th Ave S, Rainier Warehouse (shower trailer & hygiene station)
Central	N/A

Figure 21: Number of active encampment sites where hazardous and unsafe conditions are identified, such as hazardous materials, large amounts of debris, mobility impacts, and proximity to waterways as of the last Friday of each quarter in 2025.

Hazardous materials – The inspector assesses whether the site has any visible hazardous materials or chemical waste, including substances that appear to have the potential to create a fire/smoke hazard (such as gasoline, engine oils, propane tanks, and corrosive materials) and bio waste (materials such as blood, condoms, human waste, drug paraphernalia).

Large amounts of debris – The inspector assesses whether the site has accumulated large amounts of debris. Debris accumulation refers to a buildup of items including heavy/bulky materials approximate to the volume of a pickup truckload. Heavier bulky materials, such as but not limited to pallets, bikes, furniture items, etc. Debris accumulation equivalent to pick-up truck load (loose or bagged).

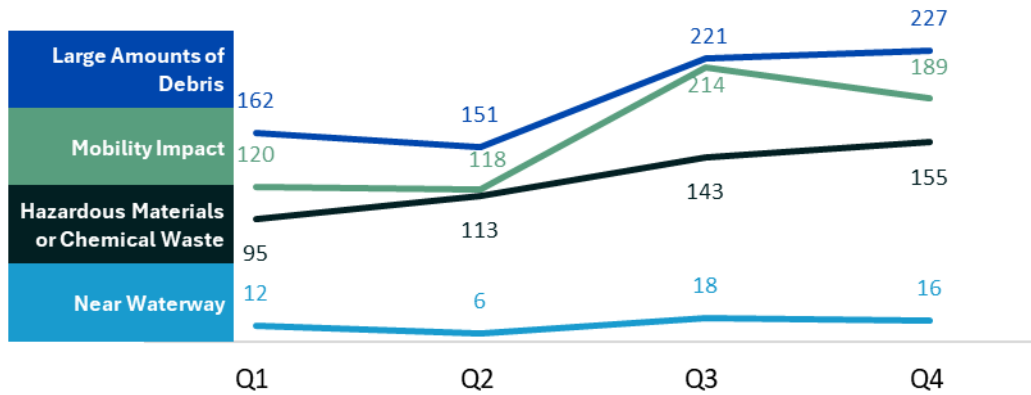
Mobility impacts – Includes full or partial mobility impacts as observed by UCT inspectors, such as insufficient clearance for wheelchairs/mobility device or for blind/low vision individuals, blocked entrances to buildings or construction sites, and blocked access to alley for service vehicles.

Near a waterway – Whether a site is within 50 feet of a waterway (such as urban streams, wetlands, public beaches, storm drains and shoreline) as observed by UCT inspectors.

Note: Inspection training at the end of Q1 may have clarified some definitions for UCT inspectors, resulting in a more accurate count for each category and leading to the increase or decrease.

- Training has improved data and inspection quality, resulting in higher counts, which increase visibility and opportunities to perform debris mitigation and other proactive tasks to keep public spaces clean and accessible.
- Counts also increase in correlation to the rise in active sites and tent counts, which also grew during Q3 & Q4 2025.

Active encampment sites with hazardous or unsafe conditions, 2025



Public Safety

Prioritizing encampments with high public impact and a history of public safety incidents reduces the strain on the city’s public safety resources and contributes to the safety of housed and unhoused neighbors.

- Seattle has become safer by all three measures of public safety incidents that UCT has tracked since 2022:
 - The total number of verified encampment and RV fires in 2025 was 830, which is 7% lower than in 2024 (892 fires), 39% lower than in 2023 (1,351 fires), and 49% lower than 2022 (1,617 fires).
 - The total number of shots fired at an encampment or shootings where either the victim or offender is experiencing homelessness in 2025 was 40, which is 9% lower than in 2024 (44 shots), 42% lower than in 2023 (69 shots), and 66% lower than in 2022 (116 shots).
 - The total number of medical response calls to individuals experiencing homelessness in 2025 was 10,967, 3% fewer than in 2024 (11,274 calls), 15% fewer than in 2023 (12,946 calls), and 10% fewer than in 2022 (12,149 calls).

Figure 22: Medical Response Calls

Data provided by the Seattle Fire Department (SFD) on the number of medical response calls from individuals experiencing homelessness.

UCT Neighborhood	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2025
Northwest	997	893	862	741	3,493
North/NE	527	461	465	348	1,801
Southwest	593	462	511	507	2,073
Southeast	522	508	549	462	2,041
Central	410	388	407	327	1,532
Citywide	3,055	2,720	2,798	2,394	10,967

Figure 23: SFD Verified Encampment/RV Fires

Data provided by the SFD on the fires responded to at a tent or RV encampment.

UCT Neighborhood	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2025
Northwest	45	43	33	47	168
North/NE	30	21	29	33	113
Southwest	61	61	78	47	247
Southeast	56	35	56	66	213
Central	21	20	18	26	85
Citywide	215	181	215	219	830

Figure 24: SPD Verified Shots Fired

Data provided by the Seattle Police Department (SPD) on the number of shots fired at an encampment or shootings where either the victim or offender is experiencing homelessness.

UCT Neighborhood	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2025
Northwest	3	1	2	2	8
North/NE	2	2	2	1	7
Southwest	1	4	0	1	6
Southeast	3	4	3	4	14
Central	0	1	2	2	5
Citywide	9	12	9	10	40

Restoring Public Spaces

Partnering with community stakeholders and across departments to develop and implement strategies that prevent repopulation benefits communities and encourages public use of spaces.

- In 2025, with full deployment of the Neighborhood Team model, teams are well situated to understand the need of the community. Field staff have a holistic understanding of the physical landscape of the neighborhoods, how encampments impact public spaces, and can anticipate how to better support the local community.

The below locations are highlights of spaces with completed activation through cross-departmental collaboration. Each location requires multiple phases of work over a period of many months.

Location	Neighborhood	Actions
Ohio Ave S (S Alaska St to S Hudson St)	SODO	Community engagement; street re-striping and new lane delineation.
Lake City Mini Park (125 th Ave NE & Lake City Way)	Lake City	Installation of metal artwork/signage; re-landscaping and plant restoration of raised bed.
E Marginal Way S & S Front St Vicinity	Georgetown	Installation of permanent No Parking signage; shoulder delineation; installation of traffic -attenuation equipment.
Sandpoint Way NE & NE 74th St (Magnuson Park)	Sand Point	Parking restriction review and installation of permanent No Parking signage.
3 rd Ave S (S Lander to S Holgate)	SODO	Restoration of sidewalk / pedestrian path; installation of curb stops.
NW 40 th St (3rd Ave NW to Leary Way NW)	Between Ballard & Fremont	Community engagement; landscaping and installation of raised garden beds.

UCT Actions on Weekends Compared to Weekdays

- In 2025, with the full deployment of the neighborhood teams, and expanded weekend work, the UCT saw improved interdepartmental coordination, demonstrating an effective and collaborative approach that resulted in operational efficiencies.

Scheduled Resolutions by Day of Week

Scheduled resolutions typically require offers of shelter, and shelter resources are more limited on the weekend. UCT has not had any scheduled resolutions on the weekend.

RV Remediations by Day of Week

RV Remediations do not occur on the weekend due to a lack of resources including shelter availability, parking enforcement support, SPD support availability, and SPU staff.

Figure 26: Immediate Hazard and Obstruction Removals by Day of Week

Immediate hazard and obstruction removals - Refers to all work associated with removing unauthorized encampments at sites that pose a threat to public health and safety or interfere with the public's access to City-owned and City-controlled property, facilities, and rights-of-way. Includes removal of trash and debris, storage of personal belongings, and whenever possible, offers of available shelter are made. When possible, notice is posted.

# of Immediate Hazard and Obstructions by Day of Week									
UCT Neighbor- hood	Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4		2025 Total
	Week day	Week end	Week day	Week end	Week day	Week end	Week day	Week end	
Central	43	0	45	0	102	0	77	8	275
North/NE	59	0	49	0	45	0	40	14	207
Northwest	184	1	212	0	158	0	173	34	762
Southeast	57	0	76	0	51	0	65	7	256
Southwest	162	0	225	0	324	0	235	78	1,024
Citywide	505	1	607	0	680	0	590	141	2,524
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