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Good afternoon Mayor & Council,

We understand that you may be receiving questions from media regarding crime and/or specific incidents in the DTES. We would strongly encourage you to refer such inquiries to VPD Public Affairs, please see below some figures and messages that may be helpful to you.

Separately, the Province also held an announcement today relating to [supporting organizations delivering services in the DTES](#).

Best,
Paul

Messages

- City staff continue working daily to connect with people in any structures set up to ensure the structures are taken down as per the Street and Traffic by-law.
- The City and BC Housing continue to work with our partners on a variety of options to meet the needs of individuals experiencing homelessness in Vancouver, including longer term options, such as the expedited creation of more social and supportive housing.
- From April 4 to June 5, 49 individuals were housed and 64 individuals accepted referrals to shelter. Homelessness Services staff continue to work across the city as well, connecting with and supporting people experiencing homelessness in other neighbourhoods.
- To prevent entrenched structures from returning, City crews with the assistance of the VPD are enforcing the Street and Traffic By-law, removing structures as soon as possible. The number of structures varies day to day.
- Crews continue to remove an average of 1,575 kg of material from the area daily.
- VPD are best positioned to speak to questions regarding public safety. Please reach out to them directly for more information.

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