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Subject: Upcoming information bulletin: Update on the temporary memorial at 43rd Avenue & Fraser Street (August 14, 2025) - Embargoed

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EMBARGOED UNTIL 1:30 PM AUGUST 14TH

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing to inform you that the City will be issuing the below information bulletin on August 14, 2025, regarding the update on the temporary memorials established following the April 26 incident. Please keep this information bulletin embargoed until it goes live from the City media email account at approximately 1:30 pm.

This bulletin outlines the planned consolidation of the temporary roadside memorial at 43rd Avenue and Fraser Street with the existing memorial at Mountain View Cemetery on August 20, 2025. It also provides guidance for community members on how to respectfully manage personal items at the memorials and flags ongoing community interest in a permanent memorial. United Way BC support for affected community organizations is also noted.

Angela MacKenzie will reply to this email with the relevant Vancouver.ca link and social media links, once these are live.

Thank you,

Karen

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**City of Vancouver  
Information Bulletin  
Aug 14, 2025**

### **Update on the temporary memorial at 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue & Fraser Street**

The City of Vancouver extends its deepest condolences and continues to hold in our thoughts those who lost loved ones and all those impacted by the April 26 tragedy.

Since April, temporary memorials have been created near 43rd Avenue and Fraser Street. These spaces have reflected the community's deep grief and shared mourning, honouring the victims, their families and all those impacted.

Following consultation with victims and their families through the Vancouver Police Department's Victim Services, the temporary roadside memorial at 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and Fraser Street will be

consolidated with the existing temporary memorial at Mountain View Cemetery on the morning of Wednesday, August 20, 2025.

Items at the temporary roadside memorial that can be transported will be gently moved by City staff to the cemetery and placed there. Items that cannot be transported – such as expired flowers, candles or glass - will be respectfully composted or recycled. Community members who wish to keep or move their personal items themselves are invited to do so before this date.

The City of Vancouver continues to recognize the importance of spaces for expressions of remembrance and grief. For those wishing to visit and pay their respects, the three memorial structures located at Mountain View Cemetery, will remain in place at this time.

Those wishing to leave items of remembrance are asked to bring them to the memorials at Mountain View Cemetery. Please note that candles and glass objects are not permitted for safety reasons.

The City will return to a regular schedule of care in the neighbourhood, including ongoing maintenance of the temporary memorials at Mountain View Cemetery, and will continue to undertake this work thoughtfully and respectfully.

We recognize the community's interest in establishing a permanent memorial to honour those who lost their lives. Any decisions regarding a permanent memorial will prioritize the wishes of the families who lost loved ones as a result of this incident. The City will provide updates on this in due course.

The City reiterates its heartfelt condolences to all who have been impacted.

*United Way BC continues to support community organizations assisting those affected. Applications for financial assistance remain open, with up to \$50,000 [available per application](#). Information from the City regarding the [April 26 incident can be found here](#).*

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