



Neighbourhood Mitigation Strategy

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Neighbourhood Mitigation Strategy Goal & Approach



Goal

- To have safer, inclusive, and vibrant public spaces

Approach

- Trauma-informed, culturally safe, community-driven



Neighbourhood Mitigation Strategy Agreements and Clean Teams



Purpose

- To build trust and accountability between the City, service providers, funders, and residents

Key Features

- Voluntary and formal agreements promoting transparency and shared responsibility

Outcomes

- Integrated service delivery, clear commitments, and community empowerment

Next Steps

- Develop and publish agreements



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Diversion Outreach Team



Purpose

- Provide mobile outreach and transportation for individuals in crisis

Activities

- Crisis de-escalation, harm reduction supply distribution, and service referrals

Outcomes

- Reduced reliance on emergency services, increased access to supports

Next Steps

- Secure funding, promote partnerships, develop communications strategy



Neighbourhood Mitigation Strategy Crisis Response Team (CRT)



Purpose

- Deliver urgent, coordinated support for acute mental health and substance use crises

Activities

- Crisis intervention, assessments, and follow-up care

Outcomes

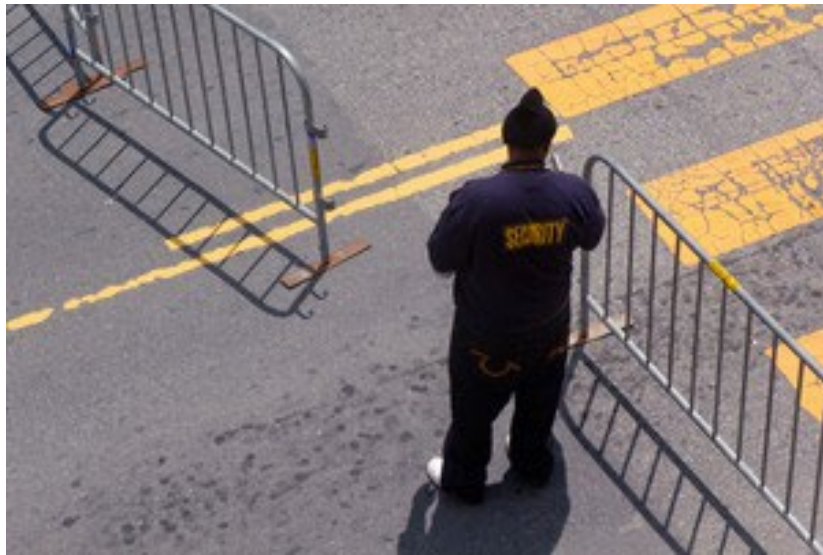
- Timely, trauma-informed support and data-informed service improvements

Next Steps

- Engage partners to co-design model, pilot for 12 months with evaluations



Neighbourhood Mitigation Strategy Security Ambassador (SA)



Purpose

- Enhance public safety through respectful, trauma-informed engagement

Activities

- Patrolling, wayfinding, and support at social service facilities

Outcomes

- Visible, compassionate presence and strengthened community connections

Next Steps

- Identify funding, promote shared services, create Community Safety Hub



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Strategy aligns with:

- Port Alberni's values
- Council's priority of community safety
- Focus on inclusion, dignity, and well-being

