

Encampment Policy & Enforcement

City Council Study Session-October 8, 2024

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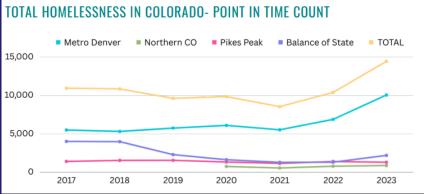
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Homelessness In Colorado

- Colorado Data: 2022-2023, 39% Increase
 - 4th Largest Increase in the Country
- Continuum of Care (CoC) Model
- Denver Metro CoC:
 - Denver Metro CoC: Include Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Douglas, and Jefferson County, as well as the cities of Aurora and Denver
 - Denver Metro CoC reports 10,054 people experiencing homelessness
- Point in Time Count, McKinney Vento

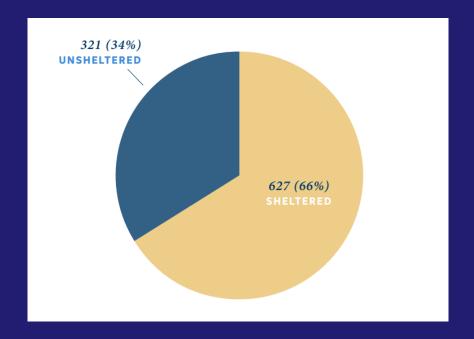


Increase in overall homelessness in the last year according to PIT count



Homelessness in Adams County

- The 2023 Point in Time Count showed approximately 1000 people in Adams County experiencing Homelessness.
 - 34% of those individuals were unsheltered
- McKinney- Vento: data collected by school districts to identify students experiencing homelessness
 - Total of 2,202



Impact on Brighton Community

- Calls for Service Related to Homelessness
 - 2023- 313 Calls for Service
 - 2022-216 Calls for Service
 - 45% Increase
- Adams County 2023 Report on
 Homelessness found a significant gap in services regarding shelters and transitional housing in the area.



Encampment Enforcement

- Development of City Policy
 - Steps Taken by City Staff when an encampment is City Property: PD and Parks
 - Steps Taken by City Staff when encampment is on Private Property: PD and CSO

In Practice

Veteran's Park







To: McCarthy, Kaleb; Portillo, Monce

Fri 7/12/2024 11:06 AM

Cc: Struck, Nicholas; Miller, Bryan; Sylvester, Kyle; Howlett, Shiloh



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Hi Guys,

Just want to let you know I posted a notice this morning to "vacate in 72 hours" today at Morgan Smith Natural Area, which is behind Veterans Park. There has been a tent set up for a couple of days there. I'll check back Tuesday morning to verify they have left. Thanks.





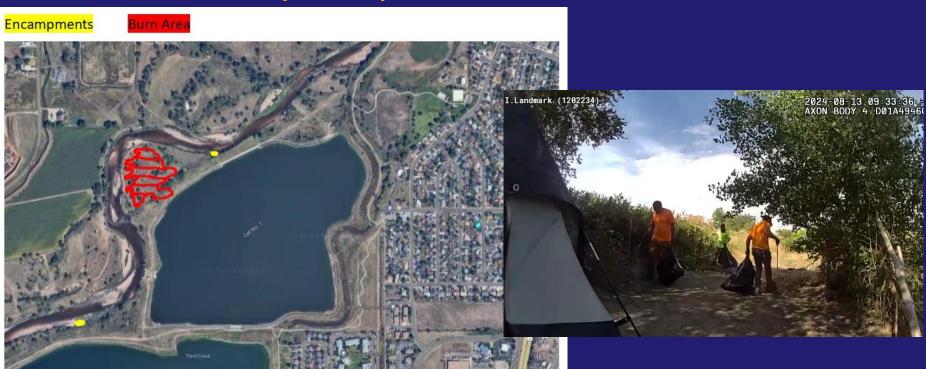
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Questions?