

HART Weekly Update

Homeless Assistance Response Team

55

Total Active Sites

55

Active Display Status Sites

116

Total Occupants

105

Total Tents

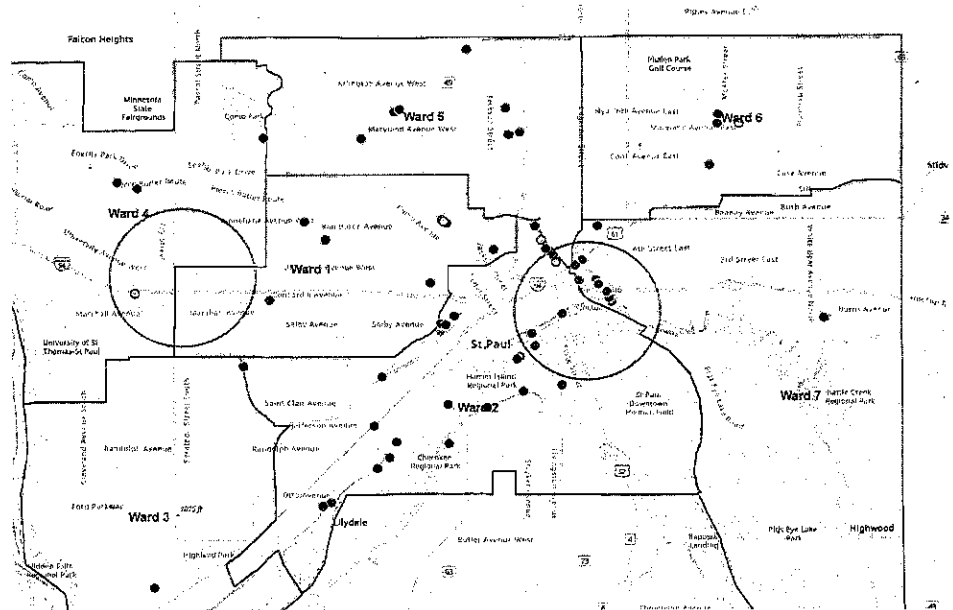
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Total Male

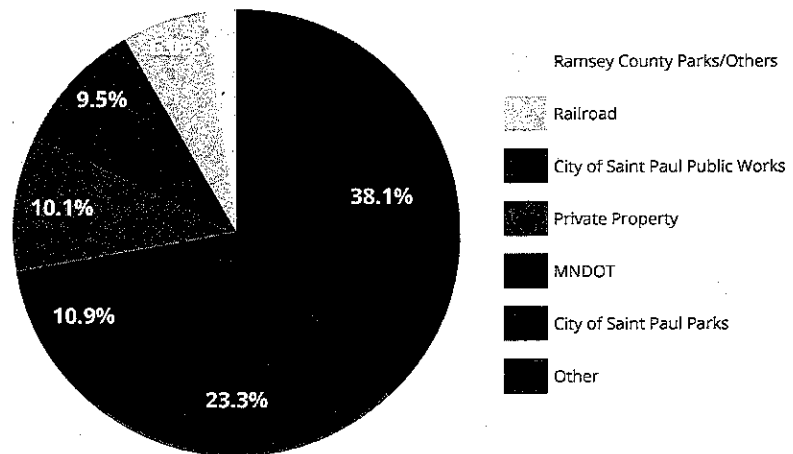
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Total Female

City Data Summary



Property Owner



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Lower Landing Closing:

Started with approximately 59 individuals on Monday, July 18.

- Meaningful engagement with 48 individuals by Thursday, 7/21
- 13 Area Shelter referrals
- 17 Housing assessments
- Two Rule 25 Assessments
- Two Mental Health assessments
- Brought three individuals home to their residences
- Assisted eight people with transportation and/or coordination to go to a friend or family members' home for assistance.
- People with unsheltered history ranging from one month to 15 years.

Coordinated Efforts with:

- Catholic Charities dedicated 10 staff for over 25 hours in total.
- 180 Degrees — specializes in assisting young women affected by sex trafficking
- Health Department — HIV/HEP prevention and treatment
- SPPD and COAST
- SPFD and CARES
- Dakota County Shelter services
- Minneapolis Shelters specifically Couple's shelter
- Minnesota Community Care
- Radian Health and People's Inc. Outreach services
- Ramsey County Probation
- Model Cities Safe Space Emergency Shelter
- Emergency Management Services

Hamline Park Closure Update:

- Nine people on site Monday, July 25th.
- Active engagement several times a day until closing on July 28th.
- Six men and three women
- Four shelter referrals made: three Safe Space and one Higher Ground
- Two transports
 - Listening House Day Services/Drop in
 - Minnesota Community Care Clinic

Coordinated Efforts with:

- Seneca Kruger a former YouthLink Outreach provider.
- Minnesota Community Care Outreach Nurse — providing wound care
- Model Cities and Catholic Charities Shelter space
- Listening House Day Services



HART Outreach Worker Sam Stoltz working a site



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August 9, 2022

50

Total Active Sites

51

Active Display Status Sites

118

Total Occupants

104

Total Tents

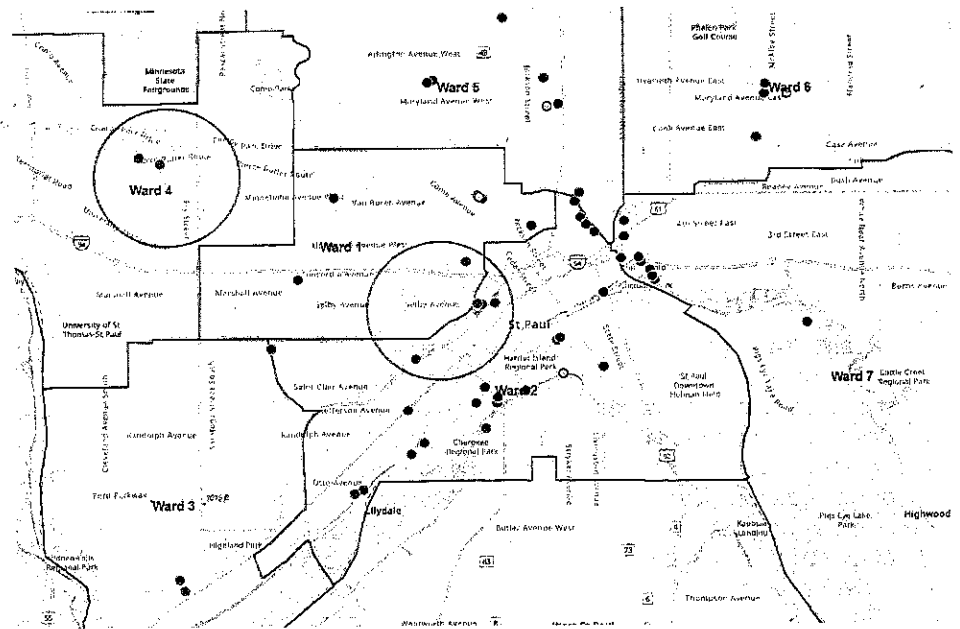
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Total Male

35

Total Female

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Newell Park:

11 tents, seven men and five women

This area is posted to be closed on Thursday August 11.

(1 tent) Couple — He works at Pizza Hut. She has retirement. They have been in motels/hotels and couch hopping, and have run out of favors. They need help finding a landlord that will work with them and their Unlawful Detainer (UD). *Housing Assessments completed – Completed a Highway to Housing application with the assumption that outreach may connect them with a landlord in the next month. County states they can accept them into the Highway to Housing Program.

(1 tent) Adult male — He was previously at a sober house and during the remodel, the landlord removed every resident. Has not had food stamps since 11/2021. *Housing Assessment completed. Reached out to his Case Manager. Also reached out to a supportive housing provider who may have an opening for a room around mid August; application completed.



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(3 tents) Family of four — Family of four– Working with Coordinated Access to Housing and Shelter (CAHS) and the family service center for family shelter; nothing is currently open. CAHS required a document from HART verifying the family's homeless status. Family moved into shelter Friday 8/5 with the help from RADIAS Health. Outreach worker has confirmed they are in family shelter now; some belongings remain on site but will be removed.

(1 tent) Couple — Both have good incomes from cleaning homes but a UD i s currently keeping them from getting their own place. Couch hopping for two years, sleeping in their car until they located this park. *Housing Assessments completed – Completed a Highway to Housing application with them.

(1 tent) Young woman — Young woman – currently six months pregnant and desperate to get into shelter. She moved here from Hamline encampment. Contacted multiple youth options. She does not fit within age limitations, and her pregnancy limits options as well. Completed an Emma Norton application (low-barrier housing program for women). Met with a family outreach worker and street-works for support in getting her out of the park ASAP. Minnesota Community Care also available to work on some med options with this woman. Luna with Mothers First Program in RC came out to speak with her; woman is dealing with multiple issues simultaneously. Estimated she will be out of the camp on Aug. 9.

- Another new tent was set up by two young males and one female; heard yelling from inside the tent. Individuals unwilling to engage until Monday morning; they are young, and one is Autistic. They now have expressed willingness to engage with youth services.
- Two tents, which housed individuals who were initially unwilling to engage, were discovered to have come from the Hamline Park closure. One female and one male, both chemically dependent, who do not identify as a couple. The woman worked on an Emma Norton Residence application with Seneca at Hamline; however, the male is unwilling to engage at this point.

Cathedral Hill:

12 tents, six men and six women

HART will be coordinating intensive engagement at the site during the week of August 15 – 19 HART will be relentlessly engaging with individuals on site for three consecutive days prior to any closing. Each day through to the evening, creative options will be considered, including transportation and storage.

Coordinating on site with:

- Catholic Charities Housing Assessors and shelter advocates.
- Minnesota Community Care
- Youth Outreach
- CARES/COAST/Office of Neighborhood safety
- SPPD and SPFD
- Ramsey County

Recent Success:

A man who has been living in the caves along Shepard Rd. on and off for a decade relocated to camp elsewhere once the caves were closed. At the time of the close he told HART's Outreach Provider that he would never go inside unless he had a place of his own. Sam was able to assist him in completing a Housing Voucher application that then qualified him for Ramsey County's Highway to Housing program. He is now safely inside. He will be residing in a hotel room of his own working with a housing navigator until his next and final move into his own place.



*HART Outreach Worker
Sam Stoltz working a site*

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August 16, 2022

46

Total Active Sites

107

Total Occupants

97

Total Tents

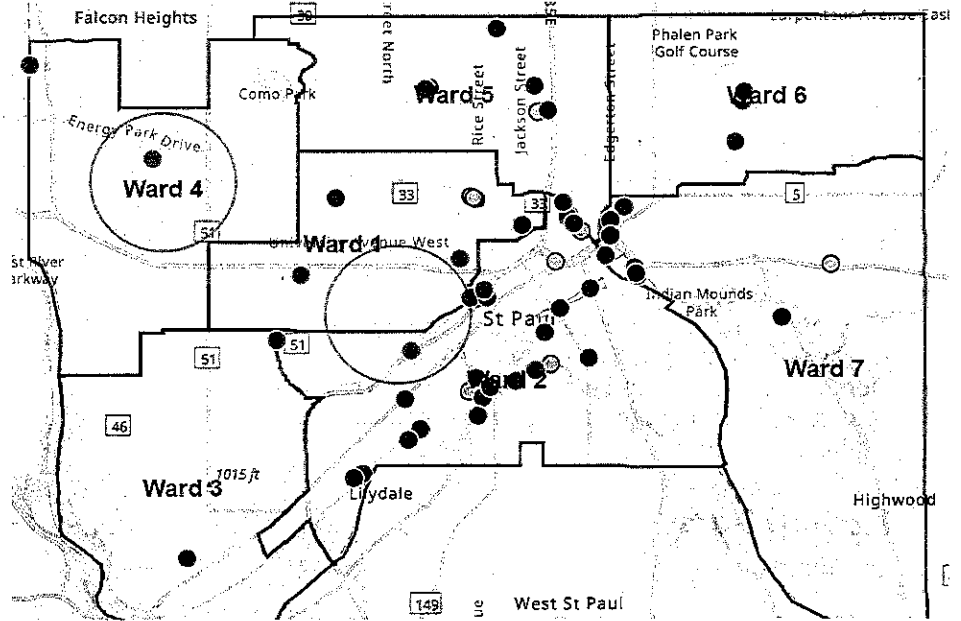
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Total Male

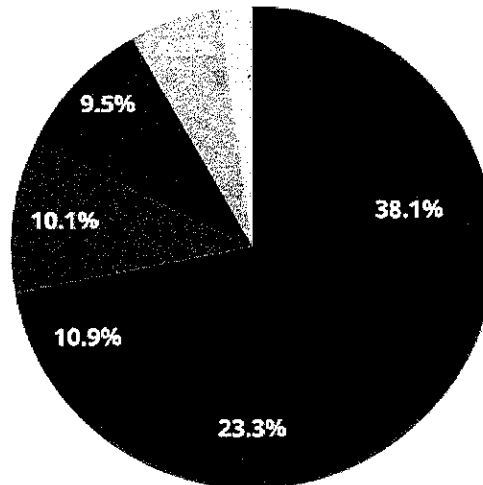
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Total Female

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Property Owner



- Ramsey County Parks
- City of Saint Paul
- Soo Line Railroad
- Others
- Railroad
- City of Saint Paul Public Works
- Private Property
- MNDOT
- City of Saint Paul Parks
- Other



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Numbers of active sites, numbers of tents and occupants show minor fluctuations from week to week but in general we are seeing decreases in the number of sites over the last several weeks.

Cathedral Hill

Nine tents, six men, six women, and one kitten

HART along with other providers will be on site this week from 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m. relentlessly engaging and being present to offer support and assistance when individuals indicate they are ready to move forward.

After this week HART will be engaged again at several smaller sites throughout the city. The team has identified a recent trend among unsheltered residents setting up for a night then moving the following day to a different location.

Newell Park

Encampment area cleaned and closed on August 11.

11 tents, seven couples, six single males, one single female, and one cat

At least 65 hours of outreach time invested over the course of two weeks. Team worked throughout the week to problem solve, identify resources, and prepare residents to move, including offering storage and transportation. Family Shelter and County's Highway to Housing program provided support while other partners on site aided as well.

Three housing applications and six housing assessments were completed; plus two family shelter and several Highway to Housing referrals. All of the couples who accepted assistance were able to access housing through Highway to Housing referrals.

Two young pregnant women, both in partnerships, declined services and left the site with their partners.

A young man with medical concerns met with CARES staff, who was able to recommend interventions. The man declined offer of transportation and chose to leave the site on his own.

Some neighbors brought coffee and breakfast food and assisted on Thursday with packing supplies and an offer of transportation if anyone needed a ride.



City staff on site cleaning after individuals left Newell Park last week