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Homeless Encampments Update

HAWDC met with MPD regarding the issues that are caused by the recent rise in homeless encampments throughout the city. We expressed our concerns regarding the public safety issues that are stemming from activity in and around these encampments.

We know that this issue is multi-faceted and cannot be resolved overnight; however, we were informed that members should continue to contact MPD with any problems that they are experiencing due to these encampments. In addition to calling 911 for immediate public safety issues, members are encouraged to contact their MPD Sector Captains to address their concerns. Please send an email to your Sector Captain, documenting any ongoing issues. Email is the best way to contact as it serves as a paper trail of your communications. Area Sector Captain contact information can be found [here](#). Sector Captains will send the appropriate personnel to your site to help address your concerns. Please be aware that due to MPD staffing issues, response times may be a little longer than expected, but you should receive a response.

HAWDC will continue to work with MPD, as well as the area BIDs, regarding the encampments. We are also engaging the District Council to discuss public safety issues in the city, including homeless encampments and aggressive panhandling and will update you on our conversations going forward.

Regards,
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