



2018 Downtown Bylaw Compliance Team

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- Mid-May a 5 month pilot project began
- Goal to deal with perceptions and concerns around the health, safety and security in the downtown.
- Denton Johnson and Adrian Hebert were brought on to work as a team of Bylaw Compliance Assistants
- Team brought experience and education in Bylaw Enforcement and Corrections with specific training related to negotiation skills, conflict resolution, understanding diversity, mental health, and homelessness and building respectful workplaces.

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- Focused on ensuring public spaces and private property were kept clean and safe.
- Performed minor clean ups of encampments and waste left behind.
- Interacted regularly with Bylaw Officers, RCMP, Downtown Prince George and many of the providers of Social Services.
- Dealt with approximately 600 documented contacts and incidents.
- 95% were as a result of proactive activities

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- Incidents of camping on public and private property grew from 72 in 2017 to 571 this year.
- Typical day started at 7:00 AM and resulted in at least two sweeps of the downtown to ensure people were up and cleaning up any area they had spent the night.
- Left behind debris was taken to disposed of at the landfill.
- 54 loads of waste totaling 3530 kgs of debris

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Positive Results and Feedback

- Downtown Prince George and Social Agencies have given positive feedback and appear to be generally happy with the project to date.
- The number of contacts and incidents dealt with represents a 43% increase in workload since the project started.
- Without this team the resources we regularly have would not be able to provide the level of service we did this summer.