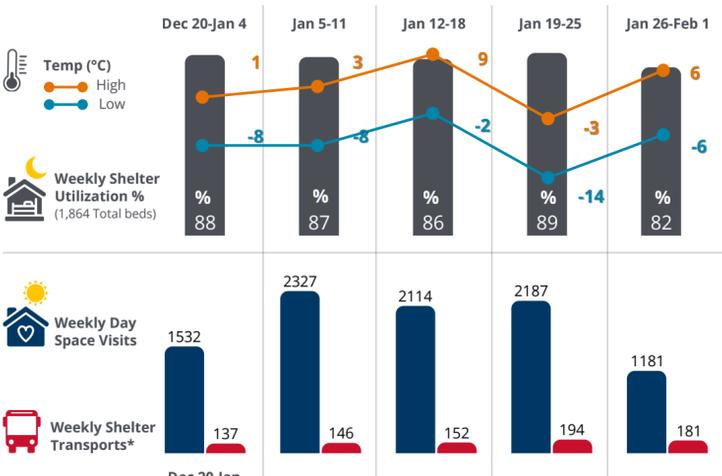


# COMMUNITY SAFETY & WELLBEING

February 2026 Indicator Report

## Extreme Weather Response (EWR)

To enhance community safety and wellbeing, the EWR provides additional resources in the community, including seasonal day spaces (complementing year-round day spaces), an overnight shelter shuttle, enhanced outreach and the distribution of essential items during Calgary's coldest months. For more information, please visit [calgaryhomeless.com/ewr/](http://calgaryhomeless.com/ewr/)



Data includes information on uptake, daily temperatures, and shelter transports over a monthly period.

In collaboration with:

**2025/26 EWR Shelter Utilization**  
87% (Same period 2024/25: 82%)

**2025/26 Day Space Visits YTD**  
10,041 (Same period 2024/25: 3,871\*)

**2025/26 Transports YTD**  
810 (Same period 2024/25: 749)

\*Note: The Calgary Homeless Foundation notes that data collection issues in 2025 were recently identified and corrected moving forward. While day space use has increased, the magnitude of growth appears overstated due to the historical data issue; nonetheless, the undercount reinforces rising demand across the network.

## Transit Social Disorder

Number of monthly disorder reports originating from the public and Transit Public Safety officers city-wide.

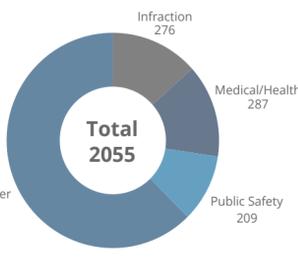


Social disorder includes welfare checks, social disturbances, drug use, impairment, and suspicious and/or unwanted persons

## Calls for Downtown Safety Response

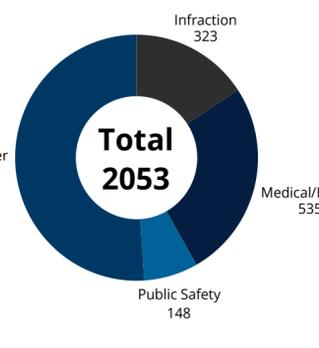
Calls responded to in the downtown core by City peace officers, security guards and community partners.

### January 2025



0.1% Total calls YOY

### January 2026



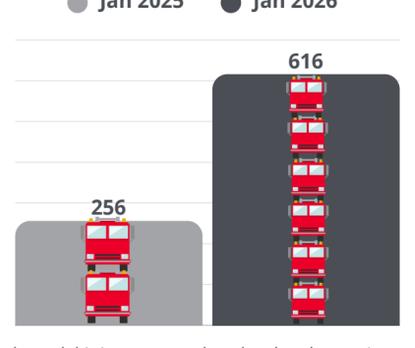
## Calgary Fire Overdose Response

Calgary Fire Department (CFD) city-wide overdose response data.

CFD supports Alberta Health Services (AHS) Emergency Medical Services (EMS) by co-responding to life-threatening medical emergencies like drug poisonings.

If you suspect a drug overdose, please call 9-1-1 for assistance.

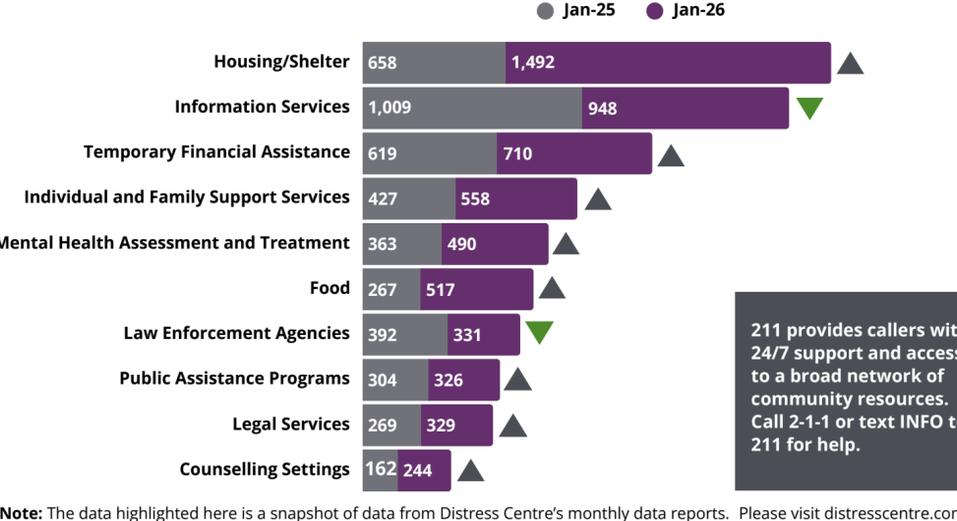
141%\* Response YOY



\*Note: The CFD continues to closely monitor this rise in drug poisonings and noted this increase may be related to changes in street drug supply or composition.

## Top Calls to 211

Total call volumes with needs to 211 Calgary (top call types). All data from: [distresscentre.com/data-reports/](http://distresscentre.com/data-reports/)



211 provides callers with 24/7 support and access to a broad network of community resources. Call 2-1-1 or text INFO to 211 for help.

\*Note: The data highlighted here is a snapshot of data from Distress Centre's monthly data reports. Please visit [distresscentre.com](http://distresscentre.com) for the most up to date information.

## City Partner Spotlight



### Featured Program: Honouring the Bonds

This program helps families grow stronger together through cultural connection via traditional Indigenous teachings, offered alongside modern parenting practices. Guided by the wisdom of Elders, it's grounded in compassion, hope, and gratitude, creating a space to learn, grow, and heal. We use ceremonies, storytelling, and cultural experiences to inspire joy and meaningful connections.

#### Quick facts

- Organization:** Aboriginal Friendship Centre of Calgary
- Supporting City of Calgary fund:** Family & Community Support Services (FCSS)
- 2025 Funding Amount:** \$112,610

#### Community Impact

A client shared this story:

"Through attending the Honouring the Bonds program; I have learned the importance of family.

When I started out in the program, I didn't understand the concept of a home fire. [Knowledge Keeper] Vada taught us that our fire is the foundation of wisdom and knowledge passed down through families. I've learned that it is my role to tend the fire for my family so that it can be passed down for generations. Learning these teachings and continuing to share them with my family will help us all stay connected to our roots.

When we have no one or nothing else left to keep us grounded, or when we get lost on the paths we choose in life, it's our home fire that will lead us back. I will carry these teachings with me every day and use them to improve my life and the lives of those I love."

## Community Safety & Wellbeing News to Share

### Community Court Moving to Weekly Schedule

Beginning in March, Calgary's Community Court will expand to a weekly schedule, improving access to its diversion-based model for people experiencing vulnerabilities. The shift from monthly to weekly Tuesday sessions will enable faster connections to social supports, more timely resolution of bylaw matters, and enhanced capacity for law enforcement partners; all while helping to ease pressure on the traditional court system.



First established in 2024 in partnership with Calgary Legal Guidance, Community Court enables individuals charged with bylaw infractions to connect with community programs as an alternative to fines or other punitive sanctions. The program aims to support rehabilitation and stabilization by addressing underlying needs and reducing repeat involvement with the justice system. For more information about Community Court, please visit [calgary.ca/communitycourt](http://calgary.ca/communitycourt).

### Historic Firehall #1 Courtyard Activation Grant – 2026.

The City of Calgary is inviting arts and cultural groups to help transform the Historic Firehall #1 courtyard (104 6 Avenue SE) into a vibrant community space this summer. Grants are available to support community-led projects that offer inclusive, family-friendly activities that are free or low-cost.



We're looking for single-day or multi-day events - whether they run once, on consecutive days, or recur over time - as long as they take place in the courtyard between June 1 and September 30. This grant supports medium and large-scale initiatives with up to \$20,000 available per initiative.

To learn more visit [calgary.ca/arts-culture/historic-firehall-grant](http://calgary.ca/arts-culture/historic-firehall-grant).

### City awards \$29.3 million to create 566 non-market homes through Housing Capital Initiative

On February 18, City of Calgary announced approximately 566 new non-market homes for Calgarians will be created through the award of the second and final round of the Housing Capital Initiative (HCI).



The \$29.3 million in funding has been awarded to six non-profit applicants whose eight non-market housing projects have been selected. The HCI fund is intended to increase urgently needed non-market housing supply in Calgary by delivering timely capital investment in housing projects.

The round two projects span a range of housing types, models and neighborhoods. Combined with projects announced in May 2025 under round one, this round fulfills Council's direction for a total capital investment of up to \$60 million. Learn more at [calgary.ca/hci](http://calgary.ca/hci)

## Tracking our Progress on Downtown Safety

The [Downtown Safety Leadership Table](#) (DSLTL) was a representative group of downtown leaders convened to help identify opportunities, solutions, and strategies to address safety issues in downtown Calgary. In March 2024, they released 28 recommendations to support safety and vibrancy in Calgary's downtown. We are pleased to say that work is already underway on all 28 recommendations in the timelines anticipated. The work is targeted to three key areas: great public spaces, wellbeing of people, and emergency response and enforcement.

See how our work is advancing through our progress tracker or visit [calgary.ca/dslt](http://calgary.ca/dslt) for more information.

[DSLTL Progress Tracker](#)  
Click Here

[Click here to view the Community Safety and Wellbeing Dashboard](#)

For more information, visit: