



# Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board

## Update: Refuge Space to People Currently Experiencing Homelessness October 7, 2020

Al Bangoura, Superintendent

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## Implementing Resolution 2020-267

- Directives outlined in resolution
  - Currently 256 tents at 15 park sites, down from 347 tents at 22 park sites on 9/16
- Progress toward moving encampment occupants into shelter and housing suitable for winter conditions
  - Outreach to those living in temporary park encampments
    - Almost all have self-selected dates to leave parks by end of October
    - Partnering with community focused on shelter
    - October temperatures, safety concerns, MPRB ordinances re fires/propane
  - Ongoing work with and by city, county and state
    - 20 million in state grant funds to available qualified providers
    - County purchase of hotels
    - Partner capacity continues to be one of the biggest challenges



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## Temporary Encampment Permits

Jennifer Ringold, Deputy Superintendent

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## Temporary Encampment Permits

### **Temporary Encampment Permit Update**

- 13 Active Permits – Beltrami, BF Nelson, Boom Island, Franklin Steele, Lake Harriet, Logan, Lyndale Farmstead, Marshall Terrace, Minnehaha, Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Riverside, Riverside/Annie Young Meadows, and The Mall
- Permit duration shifting from two weeks to one week
- Outreach and communications regarding honoring permit, then serve vacate notice only if needed

### **Hennepin County Shelter Vacancies (numbers vary daily)**

- 15 single adult beds for males
- 18 single adult beds for females
- 36 family rooms for those with kids



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## Overview of Current Encampments

Jeremy Barrick, Assistant Superintendent of Environmental Stewardship

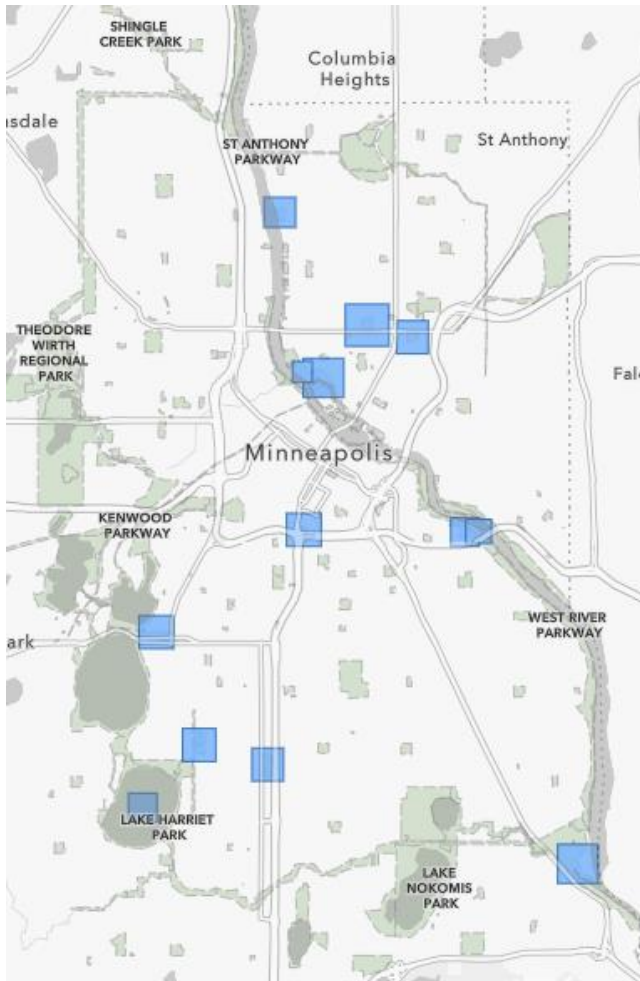
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### Permitted Encampments



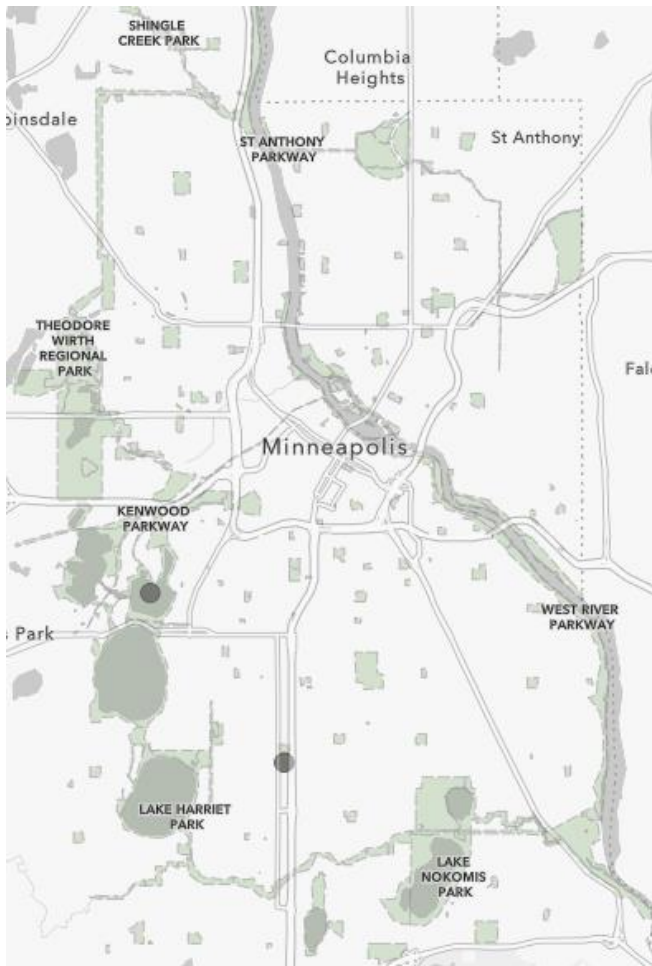
Encampment Location	# Tents	# Biffs	# Handwashing
Beltrami Encampment	18	1	1
BF Nelson Encampment	25	1	1
Boom Island Encampment	8	1	1
Franklin Steele Encampment	20	1	1
Lk Harriet Encampment	15	2	1
Logan Encampment	27	2	1
Lyndale Farmstead Encampment	19	2	1
Marshall Terrace Encampment	17	1	1
Minnehaha Falls Encampment	25	2	1
MLK Encampment	18	2	1
Riverside Encampment	15	2	1
Riverside Park / Annie Young Meadow Encampment	12	2	1
The Mall Encampment	20	2	1



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### Non-Permitted Encampments



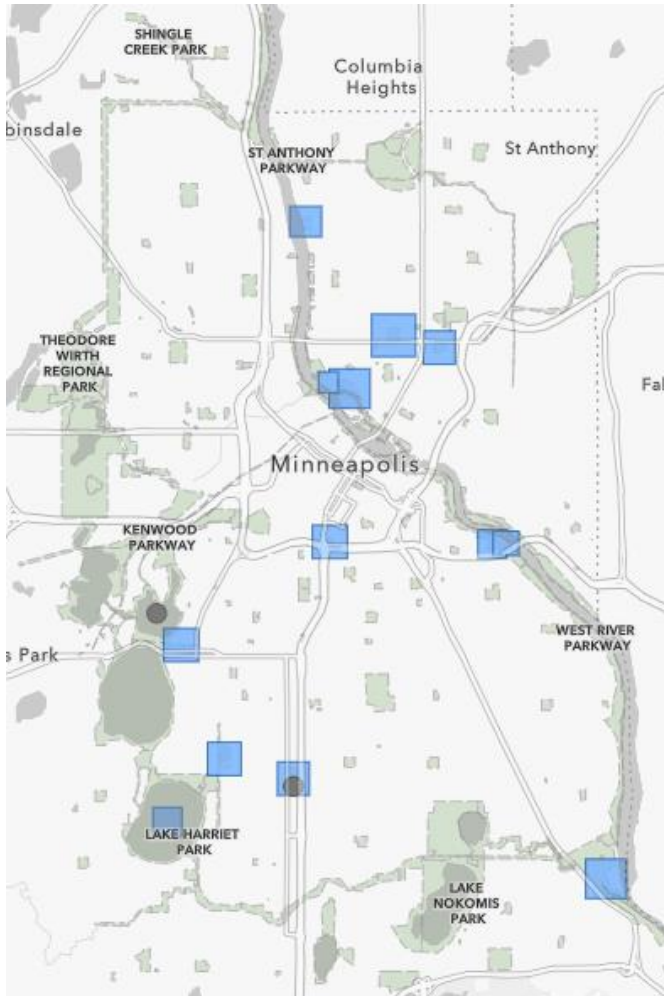
Encampment Location	# Tents	# Biffs	# Handwashing
Lake of the Isles	7	0	0
MLK Other	7	0	0



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### Combined Encampments



Encampment Location	# Tents	# Biffs	# Handwashing
Beltrami Encampment	18	1	1
BF Nelson Encampment	25	1	1
Boom Island Encampment	8	1	1
Franklin Steele Encampment	20	1	1
Lake of the Isles	7	0	0
Lk Harriet Encampment	15	2	1
Logan Encampment	27	2	1
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### **Encampment Updates**

#### **Asset Management**

Maintenance staff continue to help with cleaning up homeless encampments; the photo below was taken in NE Minneapolis. Our Asset Management team has done an amazing job of keeping our parks clean in a very challenging environment.





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### Encampment Updates Asset Management

After a demobilization, part of our work includes restoring and cleaning up park structures to make them usable for park patrons. The pictures below are from activities removing graffiti at Peavey Park. The work was completed by our paint shop.





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Questions?

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