



**CLEARWATER**  
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

# **Directors Report**

## **August 2025**

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An aerial photograph of downtown Miami, Florida, featuring a mix of modern high-rise buildings and older structures. A prominent bridge spans the water in the background. The entire image is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue filter. The text "Downtown CRA Updates" is centered in the lower-left quadrant in a white, bold, sans-serif font.

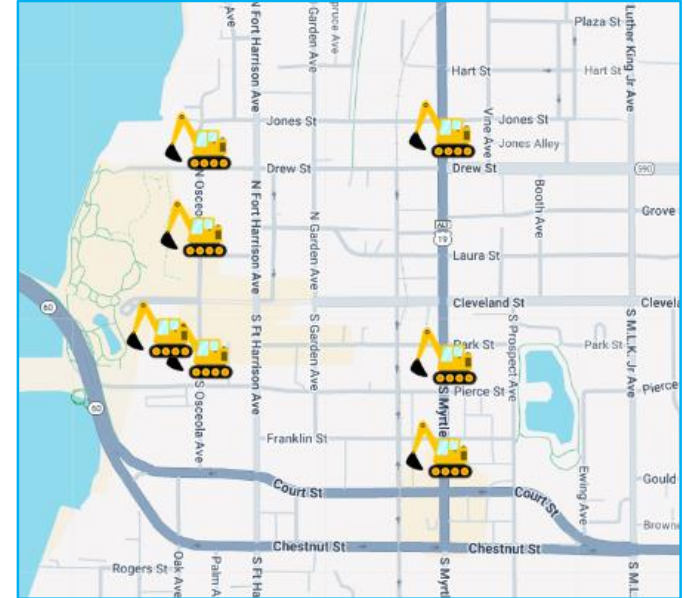
# Downtown CRA Updates

# Downtown Construction Communication

The CRA is collaborating with Public Comms and other departments through weekly meetings to coordinate Downtown Clearwater construction updates.

Information is shared with the public through the following channels:

- **[MyClearwater.com/DowntownConstruction](https://www.myclearwater.com/DowntownConstruction)**
- Monthly CRA Community Meetings
- Downtown Construction Newsletter
- CRA and City social media channels



# Downtown Construction Communication

## Fire Station 45 Demolition

### Asbestos Removal

- Began the **week of July 28, 2025**

### Inspection Period

- 10-day waiting period after remediation for County inspection and sign-off

### Demolition Timeline

- Demolition to be scheduled following County approval
- Project estimated for completion **December 1, 2025**





# Downtown Construction Communication

The CRA Community meeting are held  
**every last Tuesday of the month**

## Next Meeting

**Date:** August 26

**Time:** 3 to 4 p.m.

**Location:** Clearwater Main Library,  
(Council Chambers 1<sup>ST</sup> Floor)



## CLEARWATER COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY COMMUNITY OUTREACH MEETING

**Every last Tuesday**

**Next Meeting:**

Aug. 26 | 3 to 4 p.m.

**Clearwater Main Library**  
1st Floor Council Chambers  
100 N. Osceola Ave.  
Clearwater, FL

### Topics Covered:

- Updates on Downtown Clearwater Construction Projects
- Overview of CRA grants, programs and business resources
- Open Q&A and community feedback

# Cleveland Street Activation Updates

## Shade Structures- Sail Canopies

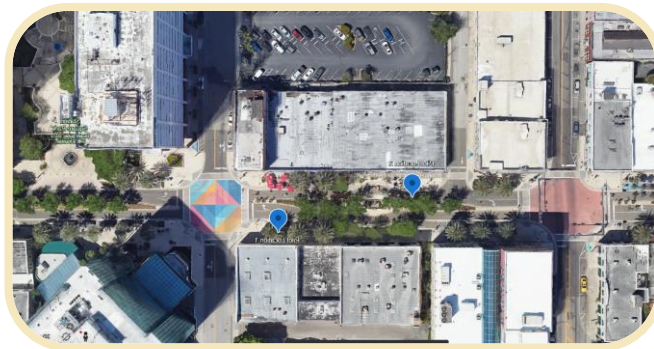
Staff is assessing the feasibility of installing engineered shade sails along the **400–500 blocks of Cleveland Street.**

### Concept focus

- Improve walkability
- Add visual vibrancy
- Support downtown activation goals

### Next Steps:

Present Pilot zones, concept designs, and funding strategies to BPRC for feedback.



# Cleveland Street Activation Updates

## Bike Racks/Kiosks

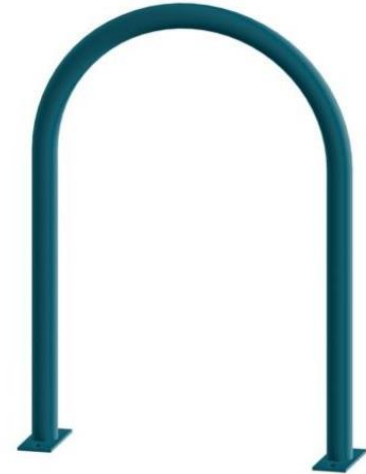
Staff is developing plans for the installation of new bike racks along the **400–700 blocks of Cleveland Street.**

### Concept focus

- Replace existing bike racks
- Expand amount of bike racks
- Explore digital kiosks

### Next Steps:

Staff will present the second concept plan at the **August 13 BPRC Meeting.**





# Cleveland Street Activation Updates

## Cleveland Street Median Lighting

Lew Electric installed programmable, color-changing median lights along the 400–500 blocks of Cleveland Street, on 11 oak trees, from **August 1–9.**

### Additional Details

- Contractor is also working in Coachman Park



# Reimagine Clearwater – Main Library Redevelopment

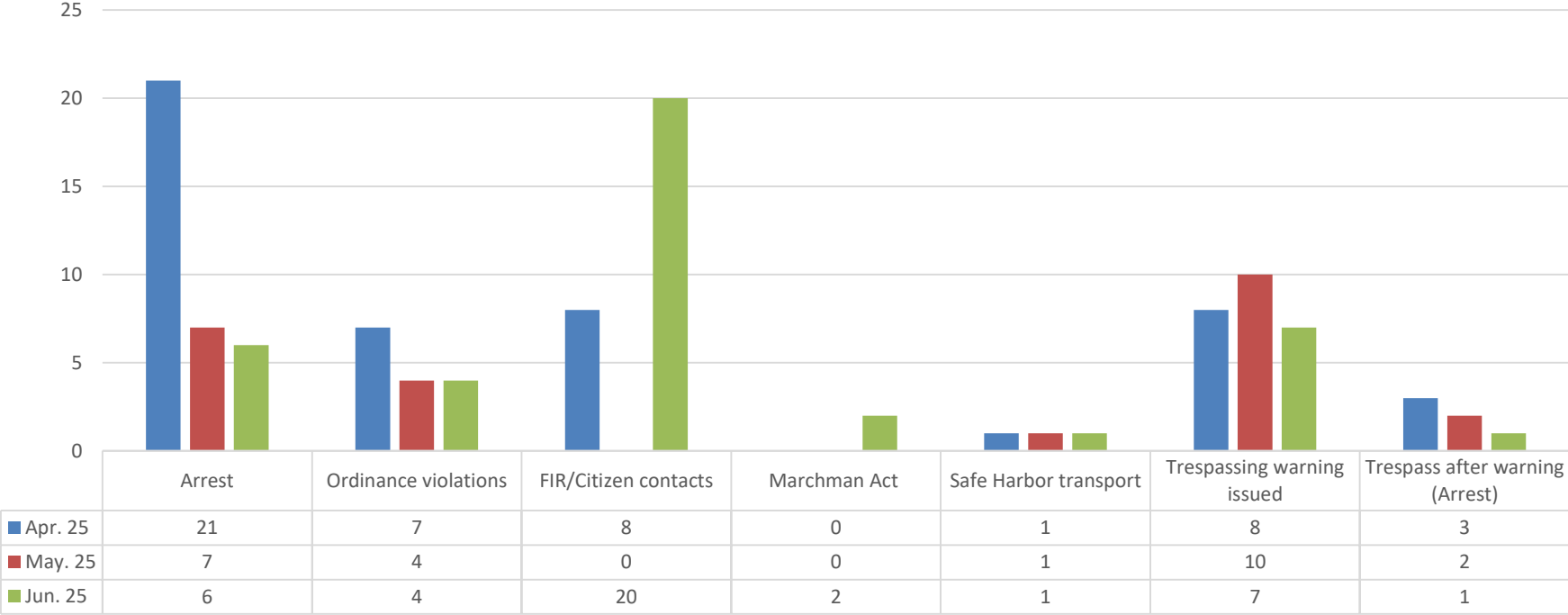
The City of Clearwater received **6 submissions** in response to the *Reimagine Clearwater Main Library* Call for Development Concepts.

## Next Steps:

- **Aug 1:** Top 3 proposals selected by Review Committee
- **Aug 15:** Finalists present to committee
- **Sept 18:** Final recommendation is shared

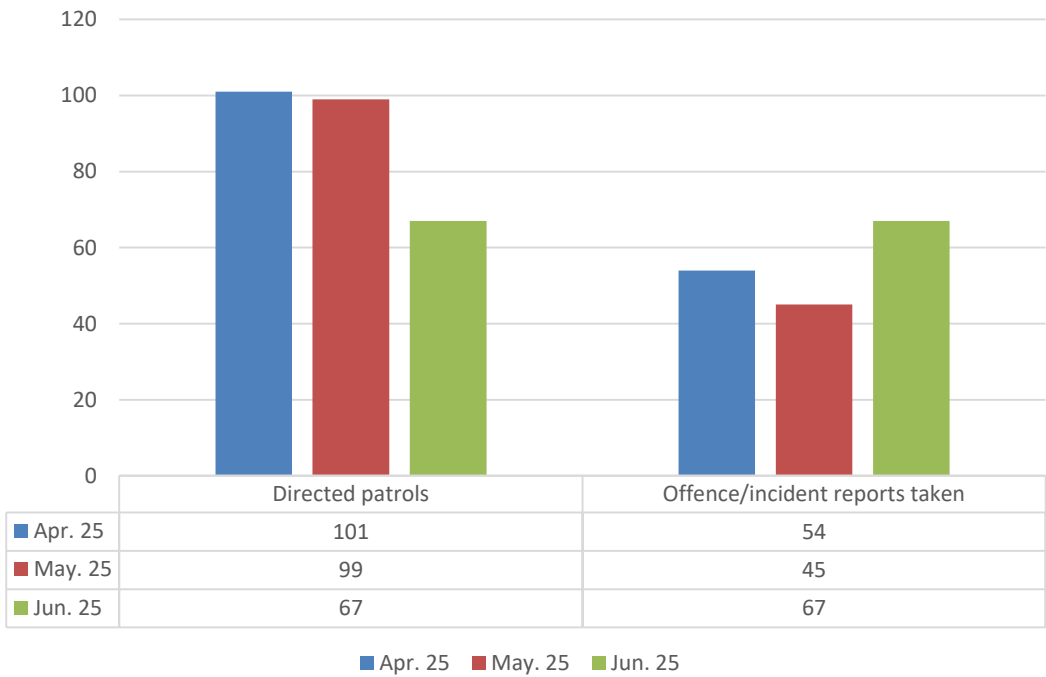


# Downtown Clearwater CRA Police Statistics 2025





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## Shelter Assistance Contacts:

- 66 new individuals identified  
(↑ 14 from May)
- 10 placed at Safe Harbor  
(↓ 3 from May)
- 20 placed at Pinellas Hope
- 5 self-transported
- 5 transported by CPD

# Downtown Clearwater CRA Police Statistics 2025

## Relocation Assistance:

**31 individuals** were assisted with transportation to other states, including:

Kansas, South Carolina, Alabama, Ohio, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, Idaho, Virginia, New York, Louisiana, Georgia, Florida (Orlando & Naples), and North Carolina.




*Amber Sweeney, Johnstown, PA*



*Nicole Pajak, Hendersonville, N*



*David Cochrane, Orlando, FL*

An aerial photograph of a suburban neighborhood. In the center, there is a roundabout with a light-colored circular center and a darker outer ring. Several roads intersect at this roundabout. The surrounding area is filled with green trees and numerous single-story houses with various roof colors. The overall scene is a typical suburban residential area.

# North Greenwood CRA Updates



# North Greenwood CAC Open Vacancy

The City of Clearwater is accepting applications for **one open seat** on the North Greenwood CRA Citizens Advisory Committee.

This volunteer role is open to residents or business/nonprofit owners located within the North Greenwood CRA.

- Term starts October 1, 2025
- **Application deadline:** August 20 at 3 p.m.
- Find the application on [MyClearwaterCRA.com](https://MyClearwaterCRA.com)



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# Property Disposition Updates

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## Tranche 1 – Surplus Properties

- No responses for non-economic parcels in North Greenwood CRA
- 1 formal offer received for other citywide parcels; **under review by TRC on July 28**
- Staff is following up on 3 additional expressions of interest

## Tranche 3 – Washington Ave & MLK Site

- 7-parcel multifamily site to be released in August
- Phase I Environmental Study required and in progress

## Tranche 2 – North Greenwood CRA Parcels

- **2 offers received:**
  - 1164 LaSalle Street
  - 4-parcel site near Curtis Elementary
- **TRC to review proposals on July 28**

## Tranche 4 – Upcoming

- Tentative release in September
- Parcel list is still being finalized



# North Ward Elementary School Update

## Update:

A presentation by Planning & Development staff and Rowe Architects has been prepared for the City Council Work Session meeting on **September 15, 2025.**

