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From Alderwoman Christine Ingrassia

Here is some additional information about Buder Rec from a call I had with Steve Conway, the Mayor's Chief of Staff.

1. Magdalen House is the lead provider and subcontractors include City of Hope and Homequest. The contracts are for 60 days, but the hope is to have all individuals from encampments triaged within 4 weeks.
2. There are approximately 20 beds for men only. They are only allowed into Buder if they are given a wrist band after receiving a health screening at the encampment, including same day results COVID-19 testing. They will be placed into temporary housing in 1 of 4 hotels or at Little Sisters of the Poor after meeting with case workers at Buder to determine the best location for them.
3. There is limited access to the neighborhood. A tent has been placed outside so people can smoke, get outside, etc.
4. Off duty Sheriff's Deputies are providing 24 hour security. There is also at least one case worker on site 24 hours per day.
5. As of Friday there were 75 spaces available at other locations and they continue to add more locations for temporary housing. There will be more information on bed numbers Monday.
6. The Mayor's office is also working on programs to ensure homelessness does not increase when and if unemployment stops in July.
7. Residents should call 911 for emergencies, contact CSB for requests concerns, or call 314.657.1712 for the Homeless Services Department.

CSB Link: <https://www.stlouis-mo.gov/government/departments/public-safety/neighborhood-stabilization-office/citizens-service-bureau/csb-request-submit.cfm>