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Honorable Mayor & Common Council Members:

The UNIT has had a busy July with approximately 120 responses (as of July 28, 2008) to issues ranging from front yard parking, illegal apartments and garbage on properties. Each response by the UNIT is prompted by either a reference from a resident alerting the UNIT of an issue, or from the UNIT conducting A.C.T.I.O.N. (Active Commitment Towards Improving Our Neighborhoods)

A.C.T.I.O.N. resulted in over 60 responses by the UNIT, the majority being violations of front yard parking. With the front yard parking ordinance in full effect, the UNIT has been initiating discussions with the residents informing them of the need to place their vehicles on the street or in their driveways. First time offenders receive a tag under their windshield alerting them of the ordinance and the need for them to move their vehicle. In most cases, upon following up and re-inspecting, the vehicles have all been moved. For those vehicles not moved, the UNIT places a sticker on the windshield giving them 24 hours to move the vehicle in order to avoid incurring any fines.

The following neighborhoods were subject to A.C.T.I.O.N.:

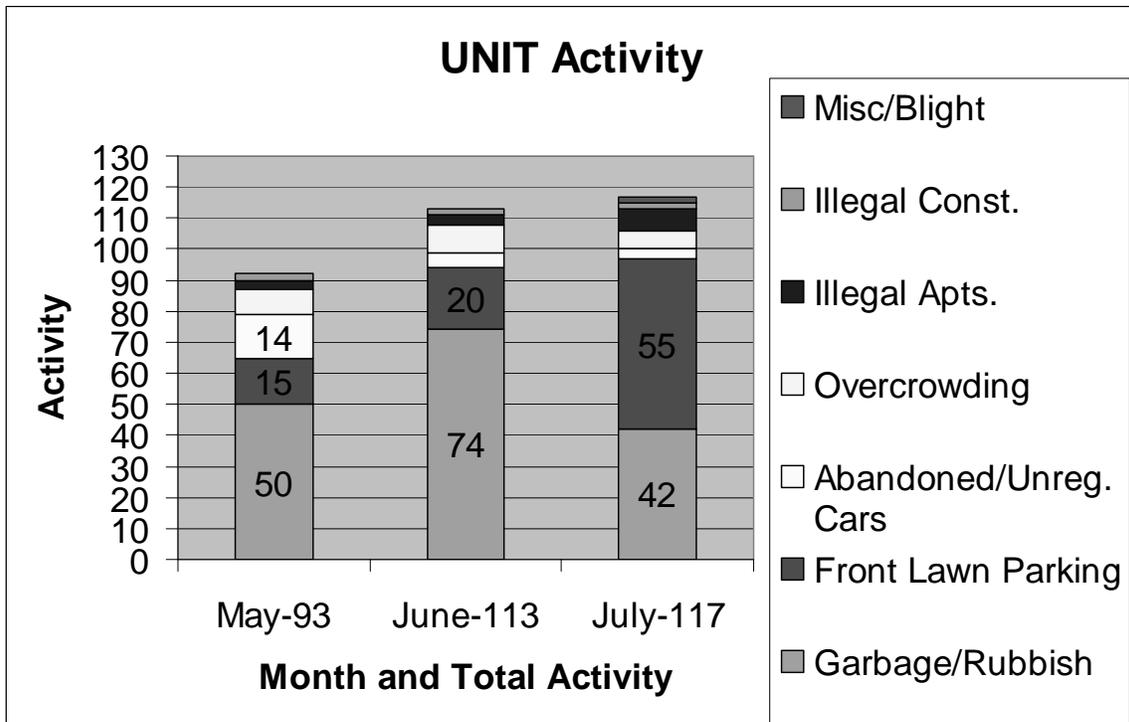
- Mountainville Ave.
- Housman St.
- Balmforth Ave.
- Hoyt St.
- Westville Ave
- Foster St.
- Garfield St.
- Forest Ave.
- Dixon Rd.
- Deer Hill Ave.
- Seely St.
- Maple St.
- Mallory Ln..
- Highland Ave.
- Grand St.
- South St.
- Main St.
- Wixon Rd.
- Locust Ave
- Town Hill Ave.
- Osborne St.
- Lincoln Ave.
- Smith St.
- McDermott St.
- Hospital Ave.
- W. Wooster St.
- Well Ave.

- Meadowbrook Rd.                      Stone St.                      Hickory St.
- Meadow St.                              Germantown Rd.              Grove St.

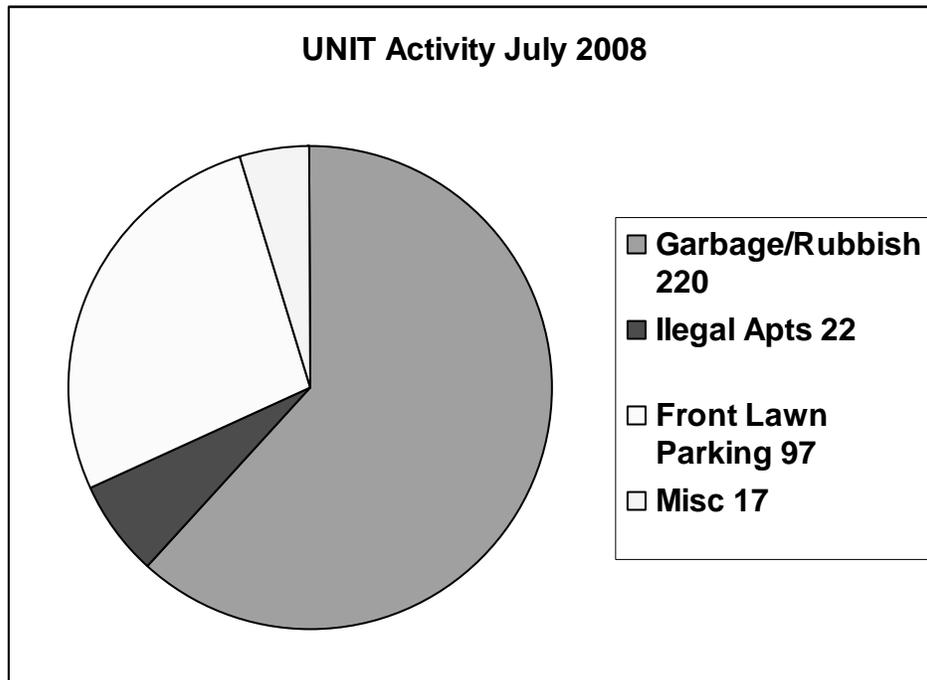
As of July 28th, approximately 80% of the violations have since been remedied by the home/vehicle owners. Additionally, for the month of July, 39 homes were cited for garbage and debris on their property. The UNIT will continue to follow up and re-inspect the remaining properties.

The UNIT continues to receive calls from Danbury’s residents via CityLine 311 or the Blight line and we value every call. The UNIT will investigate each concern and will follow up with the caller to give them updates on the situation. The UNIT continues to encourage Danbury’s residents to call when they see any concerns in their neighborhood.

Below is a bar graph illustrating the monthly totals of UNIT service requests for various concerns. With the recent lawn parking ordinances in effect, you can see the increase in UNIT activity from May. Miscellaneous may include homes in disrepair, illegal dumping, enforcement of shopping cart ordinance, etc.



The pie graph below illustrates UNIT activity for the month of July. This includes re-inspections performed by the UNIT in July, in attempt to follow up and close out previously documented issues.



### 311 Report July 2008

The month of July saw the 311 Call Center receive over 700 inquiries from residents abroad in regards to numerous events and happenings around the City. Many calls were from residents around the area seeking information on the fireworks around town; while other residents called for more information on the Household Hazardous Waste Day (September 27). Another topic of interest in the City was information on the upcoming Concerts on the Green series sponsored by CityCenter Danbury. During the past month an article was published in the News Times asking residents to call in to report motor vehicles parked on the front lawn or sidewalk and since then the 311 Call Center has seen an increase of calls which have been forwarded to the UNIT Inspectors for appropriate action. The majority of residents still rely on the 311 Call Center for free and reliable information; such calls include, but are not limited to, inquiries about parks and recreation activities, phone numbers, hours of business, wildlife safety, and projects around town.

If we can be of any assistance to you or residents in your ward please contact us at 796-8026 or 311.

Sincerely,  
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