

Hamilton Police Services Board

Thursday, October 10, 2019, 1:00 P.M. Council Chambers, Hamilton City Hall 71 Main Street West

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- 2. Public Presentations & Deputations
 - 2.1 Members of the Month
- 3. General
 - 3.1 Declarations of Interest
- 4. Consent Items
 - 4.1 Approval of Consent Items

That the Board approve and receive the consent items as distributed.

4.2 Adoption of Minutes - September 12, 2019

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The minutes of the meeting held Thursday, September 12, 2019, be adopted as printed.

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4.3 Auction Account Fund

Support / Upcoming Events

RECOMMENDATION(S)

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That the Board receive the presentation as provided.

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That the Board consider the following meeting schedule which provides for the regular public meetings of the Board to be held at 1:00pm on a Thursday of each month for 2020 (January, February and August excepted). All meetings will be held at Hamilton City Hall, Council Chambers, 71 Main Street West.

Monday, January 20, 2020

Friday, February 14, 2020

Thursday, March 12, 2020

Thursday, April 16, 2020

Thursday, May 14, 2020

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Thursday, July 23, 2020

Thursday, September 3, 2020

Thursday, October 15, 2020

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Thursday, December 17, 2020

5.3 Email from Alicia Davenport, Legislative Coordinator, City of Hamilton, Office of the City Clerk with respect to Enforcement of One-Meter Law for Cyclist Safety (City Wide)

That the Board receive the correspondence as provided.

5.4 Request from Cameron Kroetsch, Chair, LGBTQ Advisory Committee, to Provide a Deputation to the Board

That the request from Cameron Kroetsch to provide a deputation to the Board with respect to the motion that was put forward to the May 15, 2019 meeting and which was delegated to the Audit, Finance and Administration Committee, be denied.

5.5 Independent Review Committee Report

That the report be received as provided.

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6. New Business

- 6.1 Verbal Update on the Enforcement of Illegal Dispensaries & Court Actions
- 6.2 Verbal Update on the Investigative Services Division Building

7. Adjournment

THE POLICE SERVICES BOARD WILL ADJOURN THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING AND RECONVENE IN CAMERA FOR CONSIDERATION OF PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS.

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MINUTES OF THE HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

Thursday, September 12, 2019 1:02pm Hamilton City Hall Council Chambers

The Police Services Board met.

There were present: Fred Eisenberger, Chair

Donald MacVicar, Vice Chair

Fred Bennink Chad Collins Geordie Elms Tom Jackson Patricia Mandy

Absent: None

Also Present: Chief Eric Girt

Deputy Chief Frank Bergen

Chief Administrative Officer Anna Filice Acting Deputy Chief Jamie Anderson

Superintendent Ryan Diodati

Superintendent Nancy Goodes Ritchie

Superintendent Will Mason Superintendent Mike Worster

Inspector Shawn Blaj Inspector Wendy Vallesi Staff Sergeant Frank Miscione Marco Visentini, Legal Counsel

Dan Bowman, Director, Fleet & Facilities

Ross Memmolo, Director, Information Technology

Jackie Penman, Corporate Communicator

John Randazzo, Manager, Finance

Leanne Sneddon, Director, Human Resources Jasbir Dhillon, Community Relations Coordinator

Lois Morin, Administrator

Call to Order

Chair Eisenberger called the meeting to order.

1.2 Additions/Changes to Agenda

Item 2.2 – Deputation provided by Michael Demone, Executive Director and Citizen, Canadian Working Group on Industrial Hemp

Addition - Information Item 4.6(x) Email from Shira Kates, Synagogue Manager, Beth Jacob Synagogue with respect to upcoming anti-hate event.

Addition New Business: 6.2 Independent Review Update

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After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Vice Chair MacVicar Seconded by: Member Bennick

That the Agenda for the Hamilton Police Services Board Public meeting be adopted, as amended.

Carried.

Presentations

2.1 Member of the Month

None

2.2 Deputation provided by the Mr. Michael Demone, Executive Director and Citizen, Canadian Working Group on Industrial Hemp

Mr. Demone provided a deputation to the Board with respect to Hamilton Police Service statements and response in the aftermath of the violent episode in Gage Park on June 15, 2019.

General

3.1 Declarations of Interest

None

Consent Agenda

4.1 Approval of Consent Items

Moved by: Member Bennink Seconded by: Member Elms

That the Board approve and receive the consent items as distributed.

Carried

4.2 Adoption of Minutes – July 18, 2019

The minutes of the meeting held Thursday, July 18, 2019, be adopted as printed.

4.3 Email from the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards with respect to the 2019 Labour Seminar.

That Board Members be approved to attend the upcoming 2019 Labour Seminar.

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4.4 Email from the International Association of Police Chiefs

That Board Members be approved to attend the upcoming 2019 International Association of Chiefs of Police Annual Meeting and Conference.

4.5 Auction Account Fund

Support / Upcoming Events **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

- That the Board approve the purchase of tickets to attend the Good Shepherd Harvest Dinner, scheduled for Thursday, October 17, Carmen's Banquet Centre, at a cost of \$125 per ticket, to be paid from the auction account.
- That the Board approve the purchase of tickets to attend the 4th Annual October Moon Gala, scheduled for Thursday, October 24, Michelangelo's Banquet Centre, at a cost of \$225 per ticket, to be paid from the auction account.
- That the Board approve the purchase of tickets to attend Crime Stoppers of Hamilton presents "Big Al's Boitday", scheduled for Saturday, November 2, Royal Canadian Legion at a cost of \$40 per person, to be paid from the auction account.
- That the Board approve the purchase of tickets to attend the 15th
 Annual Power of a Changed Life gala scheduled for Wednesday,
 November 6, Carmen's Banquet Centre, at a cost of \$50 per ticket,
 to be paid from the auction account.
- That the Board provide support to the L'Chaim! A community concert to celebrate Jewish Hamilton in the amount of a \$500, to be paid from the auction account.

4.6 For the Information of the Board:

- a) Board Member Travel and Expense Reimbursement Report (PSB 19-052a)
- b) Operating Budget Variance Report as at June 30, 2019 (PSB 19-077)
- c) Capital Project Status Report as at July 31, 2019 (PSB 19-078)
- d) Email from Ministry of the Solicitor General, Public Safety Division with respect to Policies and Practices related to section 35 of the *Police* Services Act (PSA).
- e) Memorandum from Stephen Waldie, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to Implications of the Recent Supreme Court of Canada Decision R.v. Myers.

- f) Memorandum from Stephen Waldie, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to Bill C-71: An Act to amend certain acts and Regulations in relation to firearms.
- g) Memorandum from Stephen Waldie, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to Bill C-59, An Act respecting national security measures.
- h) Memorandum from Stephen Waldie, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to 2019-20 Civil Remedies Grant Program.
- Memorandum from Stephen Waldie, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to Drug Impaired Driving Detection Training and Enforcement 2019/20 Eligible Expenses and Submission Processes.
- j) Memorandum from Stephen Waldie, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to Consumer Protection Tools and Resources.
- k) Memorandum from Stephen Waldie, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to Ontario AMBER Alert Program.
- Memorandum from Stephen Waldie, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to State of Financial Crime and Serious Fraud in Ontario.
- m) Memorandum from Stephen Waldie, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to Update on Animal Welfare Calls.
- n) Memorandum from Tony Tessarolo, for Stephen Waldie, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to Approach to Constable Selection.
- o) Memorandum from Tony Tessarolo, for Stephen Waldie, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to Update on Ontario's Guns, Gangs and Violence Reduction Strategy.
- p) Memorandum from Tony Tessarolo, for Stephen Waldie, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to Collection of Identifying Information in Certain Circumstances (CIICC): Police Training Update.

- q) Memorandum from Tony Tessarolo, for Stephen Waldie, Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division, Ministry of the Solicitor General, with respect to Exemptions Regulation amendments under the *Police Record Checks Reform Act*, 2015.
- r) Correspondence from William (Bill) Moore, O.O.M. Executive Director, Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police with respect to CACP Award of Excellence for Combating Organized Crime.
- s) Correspondence from Nancy Smith, Executive Director, Interval House of Hamilton, thanking the Hamilton Police Service for being part of the Oak Gables Ladies 12th Annual Freedom and Hope Golf Tournament.
- t) Email from Ellen MacPhie, Resident of Ward 5, City of Hamilton with respect to a Note of Thanks.
- u) Email from Alix MacLean, Ward 1, with respect to Police response to the bus incident at the rally against hate Saturday, August 10th, 2019.
- v) Email from Frances Murray, Hamilton with respect to Police Conduct Concerns Saturday, August 10.
- w) Outstanding Issues as of September 12, 2019
- x) Email from Shira Kates, Synagogue Manager, Beth Jacob Synagogue with respect to upcoming anti-hate event.

Discussion Agenda

5.1 Correspondence from Stephanie Paparella, Legislative Coordinator, Office of the City Clerk with respect to the 2020 Budget Submission for the Hamilton Police Services Board.

After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Jackson Seconded by: Member Mandy

That the Board receive the correspondence as provided.

Carried.

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5.2 Email from Angela McRae, Legislative Coordinator, City of Hamilton, Office of the City Clerk with respect to Increased Community Policing and Engagement within the Business Improvement Areas

After discussion, the Board approved the following:

Moved by: Member Jackson Seconded by: Member Mandy

That the Board receive the correspondence as provided.

Carried.

New Business

6.1 Verbal Update on the Enforcement of Illegal Dispensaries & Court Actions

Chief Girt and Deputy Chief Bergen provided an update with respect to the enforcement on Illegal Dispensaries and the related charges and court cases.

6.2 Independent Review Update

The Board at its meeting of July 18, 2019, approved a motion which stated:

To explore the costs and benefits of an independent review of events leading up to and including June 15, 2019 and report back to the Board as expeditiously as possible.

The committee was comprised of Vice Chair MacVicar, Member Elms and Member Bennink.

The committee has met on two occasions and is still in the process of obtaining further information with respect to the process and costs associated with an Independent Review. The committee is also having some conversation with legal counsel to ensure that a fulsome review and eventually report are available to the Citizens of Hamilton. It is further hoped that the review will include recommendations with respect to policy moving forward. The committee is very aware that Board Members are wanting to move this independent review as quickly as possible, however, do want to make sure that it encompasses all areas that are of concern.

This committee reiterates the statement of the Board which was unanimously endorsed on July 18, 2019, and read:

The Hamilton Police Services Board denounces the violence that took place at Hamilton's Pride event. We will continue to denounce all organizations, groups or individuals that promote hate, violence, intolerance, discrimination and hate speech against anyone in our community.

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We promote inclusion, diversity and full respect for all people in our community no matter who you love, no matter what faith you practice, no matter your skin colour or where you come from, provided you do not do harm to anyone else.

Every single person in Hamilton deserves to live and prosper in a safe and caring community.

We are saddened by the pain and fear that the Two-Spirit and LGBTQ+ communities, their friends, and allies experienced at the Pride event and which many are still feeling.

Together, we will continue to build a stronger relationship with these diverse and vibrant communities within our City.

This committee is confident that at the meeting scheduled for October 10, 2019, a report and motion with respect to the Independent Review will be provided for approval by this Board.

Thank you.

6.2 LGBTQ Advisory Committee Update

Member Jackson requested an update with respect to the reinstatement of the LGBTQ Advisory Committee.

Chief Girt provided an update on the meetings that have taken place to date.

Next Meeting of the Board

Chair Eisenberger announced that the next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Thursday, October 10, 2019, 1:00pm, at Hamilton City Hall, Council Chambers.

Adjournment

Moved by: Vice Chair MacVicar

Seconded by: Member Elms

There being no further business, the public portion of the meeting then adjourned at 1:54pm.

Carried.

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The Board then met in camera to discuss matters of a private and confidential nature.				
Taken as read and approved				

Lois Morin Administrator Fred Eisenberger, Chair Police Services Board

September 12, 2019

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HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

- INFORMATION -

DATE:

2019 October 10

REPORT TO:

Chair and Members

Hamilton Police Services Board

FROM:

Eric Girt

Chief of Police

SUBJECT:

Auction Account Expenditures - For Board Approval

July-September, 2019

PSB 19-082

BACKGROUND:

The Hamilton Police Service is one of several municipal police organizations that utilize the services of Police Auctions Canada, an internal based company that holds public auctions on line to sell property that is acquired by police services in compliance with the *Police Services Act*.

The report capturing all expenditures that have not yet been approved by the Board is attached.

For Board Approval, the expenditures from the Auction Account from July 1 to September 30, 2019, totaled \$889.90.

Eric Girt

Chief of Police

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FROM HAMILTON POLICE SERVICE AUCTION ACCOUNT **FOR BOARD APPROVAL EXPENDITURES JULY 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2019**

DATE	NAME	DETAIL	TOTAL	7 F	DESCRIPTION
July 11	Rose's Crafts & Things	hings Bereavement x 5	\$ 34	344.65	NON-APPROVED
August 19	Rose's Crafts & Things Bereavements x 6	Bereavements x 6	\$ 48	480.25	NON-APPROVED
September 12	Hamilton/Burlin SPCA	gton Tribute donation - in memory of Retired Sgt. John Harris (in lieu of flowers)	\$	5.00	65.00 NON-APPROVED
		TOTAL	\$ 88	889.90	

HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

- INFORMATION -

DATE:

2019 October 10

REPORT TO:

Chair and Members

Hamilton Police Services Board

FROM:

Eric Girt

Chief of Police

SUBJECT:

Cannabis Costing Report

PSB 19-089

BACKGROUND:

In 2016 the federal government announced plans for the future legalization of recreational cannabis in Canada. Subsequently, in anticipation of the pending legislation several illegal cannabis dispensaries emerged within our city. At its peak in the summer of 2018, Hamilton was home to 53 dispensaries operating illegally. While the Hamilton Police Service (HPS) is committed to enforcement of any Controlled Drugs and Substances Act violations, the amount of time and resources involved in policing, investigating and ultimately closing these illegal dispensaries were great. Warrants would be executed on these locations but often the dispensaries would reopen in a matter of days or sometimes hours.

Legalization of recreational cannabis came into effect on October 18, 2018 and as a result police were granted new authorities and options in the enforcement of illegal cannabis sales. The Hamilton Police Service has effectively used these tools in the closure of all 53 illegal cannabis dispensaries and continues to work against the introduction of any other illicit cannabis production, products, and sales.

The most effective authority that HPS used was the seizure of properties being used as illegal cannabis dispensaries. Specifically, legislation from the provincial Cannabis Control Act in the form of interim closure orders began being utilized by HPS in February of 2019. While this was the most effective approach in the closing of illegal Hamilton cannabis dispensaries, the responsibility of these properties then fell to the HPS. Securing these properties was achieved by changing locks and installing security equipment which monitored the buildings, supplemented by having patrol officers attend each location, on a regular basis, to ensure no damage had been done to the properties.

Since the introduction of recreational cannabis legalization, HPS, in conjunction with the Provincial Joint Forces Cannabis Enforcement Team, has executed a total of 46 search warrants.

As a result of those search warrants, 28 properties have been seized and 145 people have been charged. HPS has since returned 12 properties to the owners.

This report will detail the costs related to all cannabis enforcement done by HPS since legalization on October 18, 2018.

Enforcement Statistics				
Search warrant executions	46			
Persons Charged 145				
Properties Seized 28 (12 returned to date)				

Costs and Impact

The following is a breakdown of costs and impact incurred by HPS enforcing cannabis legislation and closing illegal cannabis dispensaries city wide.

Three fully funded positions were secured with the Provincial Joint Forces Cannabis Enforcement Team and one fully funded position was secured with the Criminal Intelligence Service Ontario. Four members from the Vice and Drug Unit were seconded to fill these positions. These four members are dedicated solely to providing specific policing services with respect to the dismantling of organised crime groups, the elimination of illegal cannabis supply, removal of illegal cannabis enterprises such as storefronts and online, and also target the proceeds of crime and assets in Ontario.

The mandate of the Vice and Drug Unit is to investigate vice and drug crimes within the City of Hamilton in order to enhance and improve the quality of life in our community. Vice and Drug investigators are responsible for enforcing provisions of the *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act* that deal with trafficking of illegal drugs and substances. The Unit acts as a support for all members of HPS as well as outside agencies. By having four members who are normally allocated to the Vice and Drug Unit to concentrate specifically on cannabis related crimes these members have been removed from investigating serious drug abuse problems in Hamilton such as the addiction and overdoses related to opioids and fentanyl. These drugs are combined with highly addictive drugs such as heroin, cocaine and crystal meth and are the leading cause of drug overdose fatalities in Hamilton.

The abuses and addiction of these drugs also lead to other crimes within our community such as thefts, robberies, break enters and increased gang activity.

Wages

HPS has dedicated several officers, civilian members and units to the enforcement of the Federal *Cannabis Act* and the Provincial *Cannabis Control Act*. While there are 4 full time

positions dedicated to the enforcement of new cannabis laws, several other employees have dedicated large portions of their work time to assist.

Cannabis Intelligence Officer

Prior to legalization, one Detective Constable was dedicated to CISO Cannabis Intelligence Collection Centre. The goal of this officer's position was to determine locations of illegal cannabis sales (including dispensaries), illegal cannabis delivery services, and sources of illicit cannabis.

Provincial Joint Forces Cannabis Enforcement Team (PJFCET)

In December, 2018, HPS dedicated three more full time detective constables to PJFCET. These officers full time work consisted of enforcing cannabis laws conducting surveillance, drafting search warrants, executing search warrant and the subsequent paperwork required by courts to ensure these charges are successfully prosecuted. They were instrumental in the enforcement against illicit cannabis sales and continue to work on other forms of cannabis sales and production.

Drug Exhibit Clerk

HPS employs a full time Drug Exhibit Clerk who is responsible for processing exhibits brought in involving any drugs. During dispensary enforcement the workload of the exhibit clerk increased resulting in a large portion of their time to be solely dedicated to processing cannabis exhibits.

Technical Unit

In February, 2019, HPS began to utilize the Interim Closure orders, authorized by the legislation, to seize properties being operated as illegal cannabis dispensaries in order to stop locations from simply reopening subsequent to a search warrant being executed. HPS utilized existing technical officers to install security and monitoring equipment at each location seized. This is necessary as upon seizure the responsibility for these properties fall to HPS. Since legalization, two technical officers dedicated 262 hours to cannabis enforcement work.

Legal

As a result of HPS utilizing Interim Closure Orders to seize illegal cannabis dispensaries, there have been a number of legal proceedings launched by property owners in attempts to get properties back. These challenges were required to be dealt with in the court system and HPS utilized our Legal Department to ensure properties would not reopen as dispensaries.

HPS Patrol and ISD

While PJFCET was instrumental in closing illegal cannabis dispensaries, several other officers were required to execute search warrants in a safe manner. At times when PJFCET was not available as a result of the large number of dispensaries, HPS utilized its Vice and Drug Unit along with Patrol and ACTION members. Patrol and ACTION members were also utilized to maintain scene control while officers executing the warrant are able to focus and concentrate on

their assigned tasks. Patrol was also utilized in continually monitoring seized buildings to ensure they were secured and not tampered with.

Graphics

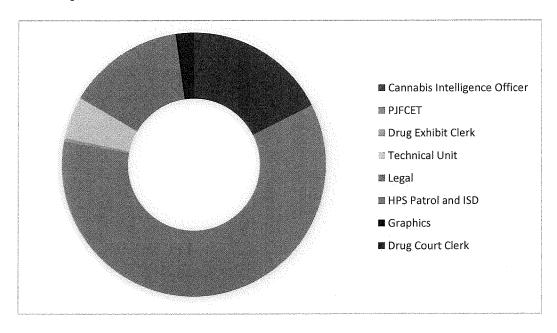
When HPS began seizing properties it was deemed necessary to create signage on these dispensary storefronts detailing the fact that the enforcement had taken place, indicating that no persons were allowed access to the properties, and contact information to property owners on how they are able to get their properties back through the court system. Signs were created to place on any entry points to these locations by the HPS Graphics Department.

Drug Court Clerk

HPS employs a Drug Court Clerk who is responsible for swearing to information laid before the courts. During the seizure of illegal cannabis dispensaries the Drug Court Clerk was required to immediately swear to any charges being laid prior to police seizing the property.

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Cannabis Intelligence Officer *	\$94,760.00
PJFCET *	\$325,222.00
Drug Exhibit Clerk	\$2,120.95
Technical Unit	\$28,072.99
Legal	\$4,250.00
HPS Patrol and ISD	\$72 921.07
Graphics	\$838.25
Drug Court Clerk	\$11,257.35
Total	\$539,442.61

^{*} These positions are funded



Equipment

Storage

While executing search warrants at illegal cannabis dispensaries, HPS located several hundred kilograms of dried cannabis, cannabis edibles, cannabis oils and many other cannabis related products. This soon became an issue for storage in the early stages of enforcement as HPS is required to hold onto all these seized products until the completion of the court process. This process is lengthy and can often take up to 18 months to complete. As a result, a gun range had to be retrofitted for the storage of seized cannabis products including new fencing, lighting, shelving and security measures.

Technologies

The technical Officers employed by HPS were required to install security measures at each property seized. Security cameras, motion detectors and monitoring equipment were installed in each property seized.

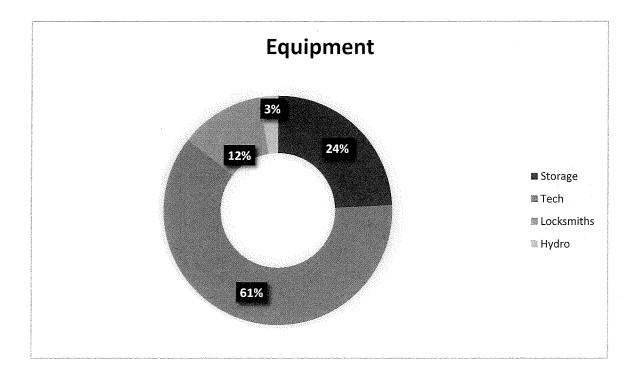
Locksmiths

In seizing each property, HPS required locksmiths to change any lock at access points to the properties. This was to ensure that these properties were secure and no persons could gain access.

Hydro

As a result of HPS retaining control of seized properties, HPS then also took over responsibility for keeping the power on to these locations.

<u>Total Equipment</u>	OCCUPATION CONTRACTOR AND
Storage	\$15,210.52
Tech	\$38,433.89
Locksmiths	\$7,413.57
Hydro	\$1,670.52
Total	\$62,728.50



Results

-	<u>Wages</u>	<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Grand Total</u>
жение	\$539,442.61	\$62,728.50	\$602,171.11

Eric Girt Chief of Police

EG/R. Diodati

cc: Frank Bergen, Deputy Chief of Operations

Ryan Diodati, Superintendent – Investigative Services Division

Anna Filice, Chief Administrative Officer

Marco Visentini, Legal Counsel John Randazzo, Director – Finance





October 1, 2019

Mr. Donald MacVicar Vice Chair Hamilton Police Service Board 155 King William Street P.O. Box 1060, LCD 1 Hamilton, Ontario L8N 4C1

Dear Vice Chair MacVicar:

Further to our meeting on September 24, 2019, with the Hamilton Police Service Board's (HPSB) special committee and Lynda Bordeleau, I have considered your request to have my office conduct a review of the Hamilton Police Service's (HPS) actions in relation to the Hamilton Pride event on June 15, 2019. As discussed, the most effective way to undertake such a review would be pursuant to my authority under section 57 of the *Police Services Act.*

After much deliberation, I have decided that I am unable to undertake such a review at this time. Although the issues involved are very important, there are several factors that I must consider before initiating a section 57 review. These include the nature of the issue, the number of complaints received about the issue, and the number of individuals and police services affected by the issue. Lastly, and importantly, I have to consider the agency resources and our capacity to properly investigate all the relevant issues.

I commend the HPBS for seeking an independent and transparent review of the issues. I fully support your efforts. Unfortunately, having considered all the factors enumerated above, I do not feel that any section 57 review that I could undertake at this time would be the most effective avenue of addressing the issues, either for your service or for other police services more broadly.

I wish you all the best in your review. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Sylvana Capogreco

Independent Police Review Director





September 9, 2019

Chief Eric Girt Hamilton Police Service 155 King William Street Box 1060, LCD 1 Hamilton, ON L8N 4C1

Dear Chief Girt,

I would like to offer my compliments on the cooperation and dedication afforded to us by members of the Hamilton Police Service during our Annual Pagan Pride Day (PPD) Hamilton Harvest Fest. Our Festival, which occurred at Gage Park on Sunday, September 8, 2019 has been running annually for 17 years

Over the course of that time we have sometimes had various less tolerant Christian factions disturb us. However, these were usually benign and dealt with, without incident, by Frank and his capable Security team. This year there was a real fear among our attendees and vendors alike that we might be a target of the same people who sought to disturb the Gay Pride Event earlier in the Summer

Many of our attendees are families with children as well as members of the LGBTQ2+ community who also belong to our community. We strive to provide a safe and all-inclusive space and this was a real concern to us as Organizers of the Event and members of the Pagan community.

Our Security Co-Ordinator, Frank Ryan, reached out to his contacts at the Hamilton Police Service and as a result, we had a very visible police presence in and around the area of Gage Park that we rented to our event. The officers were very courteous and respectful and were able to enjoy a successful and peaceful day.

In particular I would like to acknowledge and thank the following: Sgt. Mark Wright, Manager of Division 2, Sgt. Dave Allchin, Supervisor Division 2 and Sgt. Daryl Oosterhoff, Action Team who with his team was assigned to Gage Park During the Festival.

Sgt. Wright created the plan to cover Gage Park during the PPD Festival. Sgt Allchin confirmed the plan liaised with us and Sgt. Oosterhoff and his team successfully carried out the plan.

I would like to extend my personal Thanks as well as the Thanks of the rest of Our committee for making our job that much easier during a rather busy day

Sincerely,

Kimberly Hornby

Treasurer, PPD Hamilton

Cc: Drew Maddison, Chair PPD Hamilton; Frank Ryan, Security Co-Ordinator, PPD Hamilton; Police Services Board

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September 23, 2019

Dear Sandy,

Thank you again for supporting our annual C.Y.O. Children's Fundraiser Gala Dinner - back in February 2019. Your generosity enabled children with special needs, along with those who require financial assistance to experience all the fun and excitement of our C.Y.O. Camps Marydale and Brébeuf this past summer.

It is our hope that the knowledge of your gift and the happiness it gave children fill your heart with joy.

Thank you from our 2019 Honourary Camper Family

Our family would like to thank the generous supporters and sponsors of the C.Y.O. Children's Fundraiser and their 'One-to-One' program. Our sons Jakob and Isaac, who are confined to wheelchairs, have built lasting friendships, independence and most importantly self-confidence, over the past nine years, at summer camp. God bless all of you for believing in this agency and work they do with children with special needs. Thank you.

Janet, Robert, Jakob & Isaac McMillan





Our 2020 C.Y.O. Children's Gala fundraiser is well underway, including the decision to move our event to Carmen's Banquet Centre located at 1520 Stone Church Road East, Hamilton Mountain - along with a new dinner menu!

As always, our hope is that you will continue to support our agency and the children who benefit from the funds you helped to raise – year after year!

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MEMORANDUM TO: All Chiefs of Police and

Commissioner Thomas Carrique Chairs, Police Services Boards

FROM: Stephen Waldie

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Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division

SUBJECT: Risk-driven Tracking Database 2018 Annual Report

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Please find attached the Risk-driven Tracking Database (RTD) 2018 Annual Report. The report provides an overview of the RTD project, including provincial roll-out and 2018 data results.

The RTD supports multi-sectoral risk intervention models, such as Situation Tables, by providing a standardized means of gathering de-identified information on situations of elevated risk. It is one tool that communities can use to collect risk-based data about local priority risks and evolving trends to help inform the community safety and well-being planning process.

If you have any questions about the RTD, please contact Claudia Tenuta, Community Safety Analyst, at (416) 212-1888 or by email at Claudia.Tenuta@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

Stephen Waldie

Assistant Deputy Minister

Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division

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RISK-DRIVEN TRACKING DATABASE 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

Released: September 2019



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CONTEXT

The Ministry of the Solicitor General (Ministry) recently introduced new legislative requirements, under the current *Police Services Act* (1990), that mandates municipalities to develop local community safety and well-being plans, working in partnership with various sectors, including justice, health/mental health, education, community and social services, and children and youth services. These legislative requirements came into force on January 1, 2019, and municipalities have two years from this date (i.e., January 1, 2021) to develop and adopt their first plan. Every community safety and well-being plan must identify local priority risks, strategies to address those risks, as well as set measurable outcomes.

Recognizing the value of this work, the Ministry continues to offer various tools and resources that can support local community safety and well-being planning efforts, including the Risk-driven Tracking Database (RTD). The RTD is available free of charge to communities with multi-sectoral risk intervention models, such as Situation Tables. It is one tool that communities can use to collect risk-based information as well as information on vulnerable groups and protective factors to inform their planning process.

As of December 2018, there were approximately 70 Situation Tables across Ontario and the RTD supports 47 of those Tables. The RTD data results continue to prove that one of the most effective ways to support individuals experiencing a multitude of risks factors is through these collaborative, multi-agency responses. This involves bringing together various service providers to ensure those who are at imminent danger of experiencing harm receive the most appropriate response in a timely manner. Further, these results demonstrate the need to implement a collaborative, integrated service delivery model that leverages the strengths of partners in the community.

The 2018 RTD Annual Report is intended to provide engaged communities with information on the RTD Project, including 2018 regional and provincial data results. It is also an opportunity for new communities to learn about the benefits of multi-sectoral risk intervention models and how they can support local community safety and well-being efforts.



RTD HIGHLIGHTS

Since the RTD Project began as a pilot in 2014, the Ministry has seen some significant milestones and successes that are highlighted below.

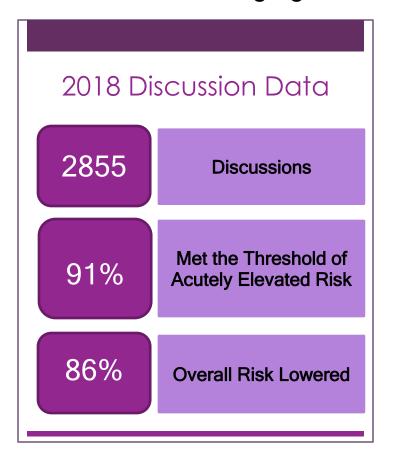
Project Highlights



RTD REGIONAL COVERAGE (47 Sites)							
CENTRAL WEST EAST NORTH WEST							
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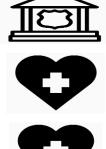
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	All
# of Discussions	110	527	1283	2151	2529	2855	9455
Sites	2	7	21	39	46	47	47

2018 Provincial Data Highlights



SECTOR INFORMATION





Originating Sector - Justice

Lead Sector - Health

Assisting Sector - Health

Top Vulnerable Group



PROVINCIAL AVERAGES
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Risk Factors

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Agencies

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TOP RISK CATEGORIES



Mental Health 14%



Criminal Involvement 9%



Drugs 7%

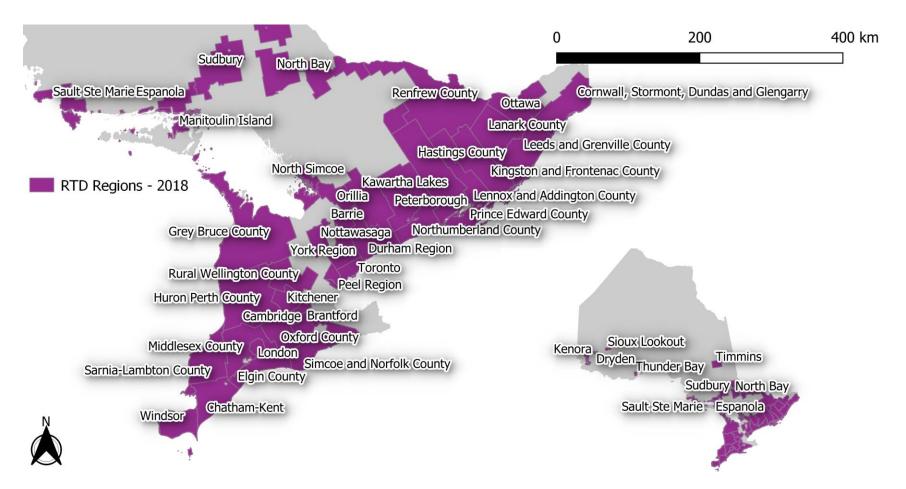
PROJECT SERVICE LEVEL TARGETS

The Ministry has committed to Service Level Standards for technical support and maintenance of the database. To ensure we meet our commitments outlined in the RTD agreement, the 2018 results are tracked and reported on annually. Please see the chart below for the 2018 results.

	60		
Technical Support	Response Target	Results	
System AccessData/Field Updates	1 Day3 Days	❖ 64%❖ 86%	
Service Requests			
New User Accounts	❖ 5 Days	❖ 85 %	
Maintenance Requests ❖ Enhancements	❖ 2 Per Year	* 100 %	

RTD PROVINCIAL ROLL-OUT AND ON-BOARDING

Based on the on-going success of the project, the RTD continues to be rolled out province-wide. To support the growth of this project, the Ministry has ensured the appropriate resources are available to assist communities with the on-boarding process, so they can gain access to the RTD as quickly as possible. These resources have also helped to ensure provincial consistency around data collection and more detailed analysis of the data sets. The Map below reveals a geographical representation of RTD use across Ontario since inception of the project (2014 - 2018). The subsequent chart on page eight outlines the list of site locations.



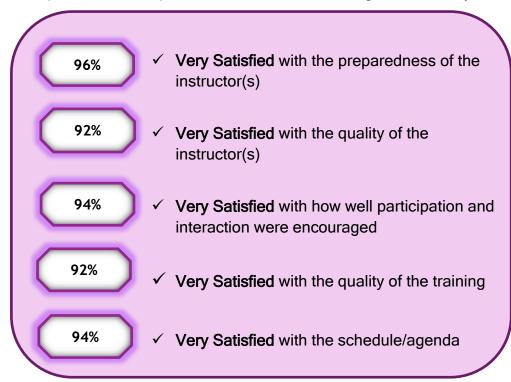
	2014 to 2017	2018
CENTRAL	 Peel Toronto ✓ Rexdale ✓ North Scarborough Durham Region Orillia York Region Barrie Kawartha Lakes Peterborough Port Hope/Northumberland County 	 Toronto ✓ Downtown East ✓ Downtown West Nottawasaga North Simcoe
WEST	 Cambridge Brantford Kitchener Grey & Bruce Counties Huron and Perth County Oxford County Simcoe-Norfolk County Rural Wellington County Sarnia/Lambton County Chatham-Kent 	 London Windsor Elgin County Middlesex County/Strathroy
EAST	 Lennox & Addington County/Napanee Leeds & Grenville County Kingston & Frontenac County Cornwall, Stormont, Dundas, Glengarry Perth-Lanark County 	 Renfrew County Ottawa Belleville/Quinte West/County of Hastings Prince Edward County
NORTH EAST	 North Bay Sudbury Timmins Sault Ste. Marie Manitoulin Island 	Espanola
NORTH WEST	Sioux LookoutThunder BayKenoraDryden	



RTD TRAINING AND SURVEY RESULTS

As part of the RTD Project, each community that is on-boarded is provided with a one-day training session prior to using the RTD locally. When there are new RTD users for sites that are already on-boarded, the Ministry will make best efforts to extend an invitation at a forthcoming training session to ensure easy transition.

To ensure these sessions are being effectively delivered by the Ministry, training surveys are provided to all RTD Users that participate in the training. A total of 49 training participants responded to the survey in 2018. Respondents were asked 12 questions in the *Risk-Driven Tracking Database (RTD) Participant Feedback Survey*. Seven questions measured participant satisfaction using a five-point Likert scale with endpoints from 1 meaning "very dissatisfied" to 5 meaning "very satisfied", and there were two "yes" or "no" questions. Other questions were qualitative in nature. Some high-level survey results from 2018 have been outlined in the following section.



What was the most beneficial aspect of the training provided?

"Hands-on Training"

Other Comments:

"This was extremely helpful! I can't imagine beginning to use this database without onsite training! The trainers were EXCELLENT! Very knowledgeable, approachable, and patient."

RTD training session for Kawartha Lakes and Northumberland County Situation Tables; January 10, 2018 (right) and for Middlesex County, Elgin County, in addition to new RTD users in Cambridge and Huron and Perth County (below).







RTD training session for Windsor and London Situation Tables, in addition to new RTD Users in Oxford County; August 22, 2018 (above)

RTD PROVINCIAL RESULTS

As of December 2018, there were 47 sites on-boarded to the RTD. This includes representation from all regions across the province (14 sites from Central Region, 9 from East Region, six from North East Region, four from North West Region, and 14 from West Region).

The data presented in this section is derived from the 2,855 discussions opened in 2018. This represents a 145 per cent increase from the 1960 discussions opened in 2017 (through 34 sites at the time that the 2017 RTD Annual Report was released). As this year's results are more representative of the communities across the province, they present an

The RTD 2016 Annual Report may serve as a starting point for background understanding for individuals not familiar with terminology that is used in subsequent report results.

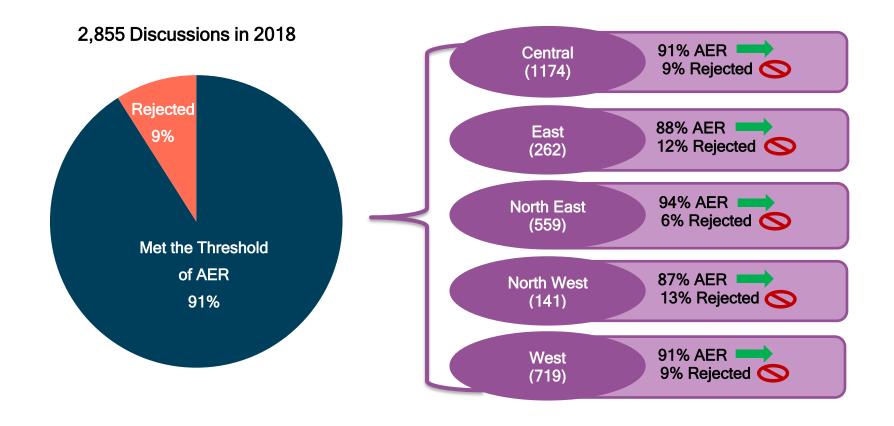
opportunity to develop a baseline that can be referenced in future years. However, it is also important to note that conclusions should not be drawn from the RTD data results alone. The RTD is only one of many tools that can be used to gather data and assess different trends related to community safety and well-being. Communities are encouraged to leverage all available data and tools to assess their most prevalent risk factors.

Data Limitations and Considerations

- Some sites have more discussions than others; therefore, the provincial-level data may be skewed.
- There is an inherent possibility of data errors and gaps in the database (e.g., wrongly inputted data fields, blank data fields, technical errors, etc.). However, the Ministry consistently conducts data audits and data-cleansing procedures to ensure accuracy and integrity of the data. Also, there have been some functional changes implemented to minimize possible data errors and gaps.
- The ranges for the Age Group data field are unequal. For example, some ranges contain boundaries that are five or six years wide, whereas others contain boundaries 10 or 20 years wide.
- Percentages may not add up to 100 per cent due to rounding.



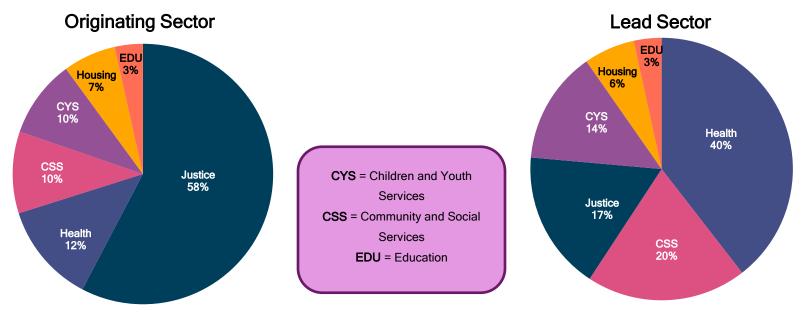
Overview of Discussions

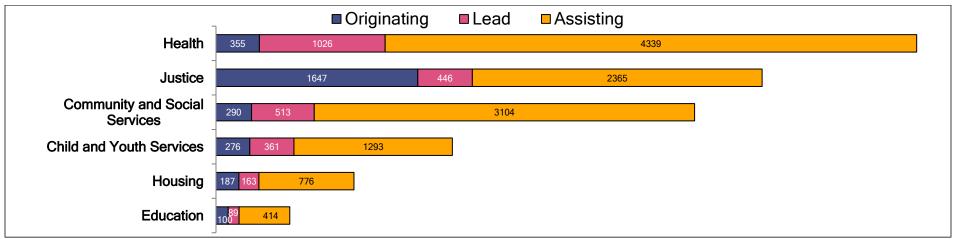


Acutely Elevated Risk (AER): Any situation negatively affecting the health or safety of an individual, family, or specific group of people, where professionals are permitted in legislation to share personal information in order to eliminate or reduce imminent harm to an individual or others. Under the Four Filter Approach, the determination is made at Filter 2, whether or not the threshold of AER has been met.

Sector Engagement

Originating Sector versus Lead Sector and Overall Sector Engagement - Provincial Results







Top Originating Sector

North East, North West, East, Central and West Regions



Justice

Top Lead Sector

North East, North West, East, Central and West Regions



Health

Top Assisting Sector

North East, North West, East and West Regions



Health

Central Region



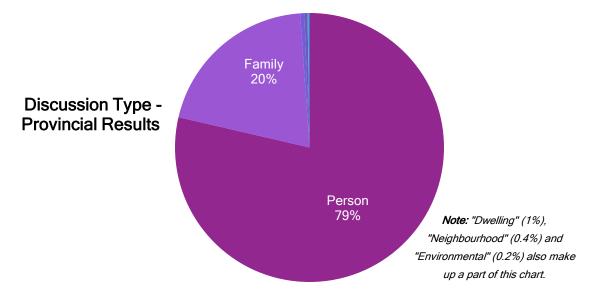
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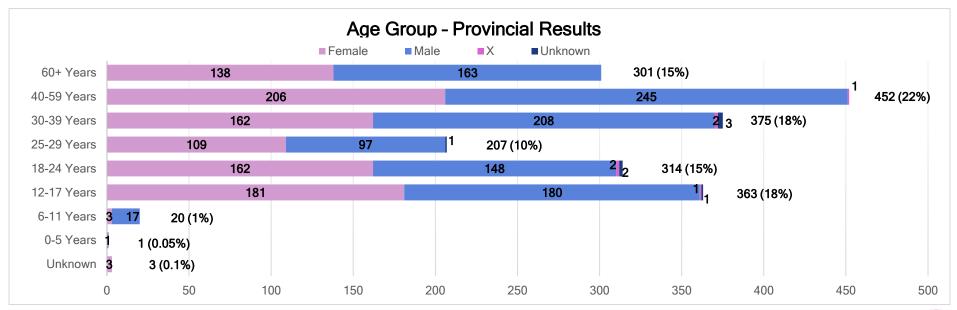
Regional Sector Engagement

Results across all regions show the same results for the Originating and Lead Sectors when compared to the provincial landscape, however the Assisting Sector appears to vary slightly.



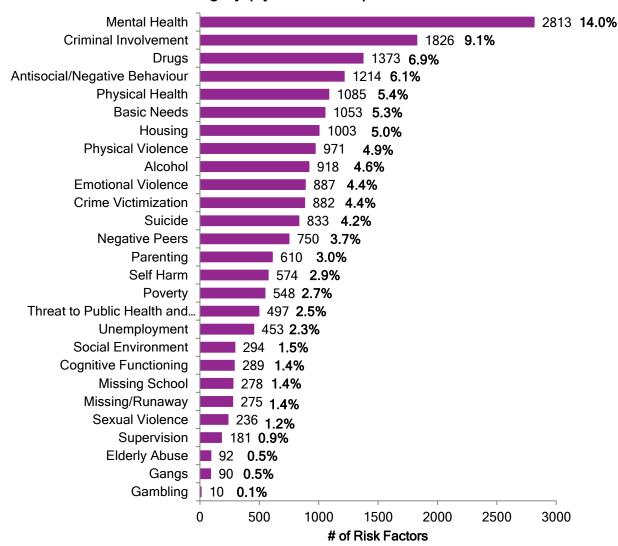
Socio-Demographic Data





Risk Information

Risk Category (by occurrence) - Provincial Results

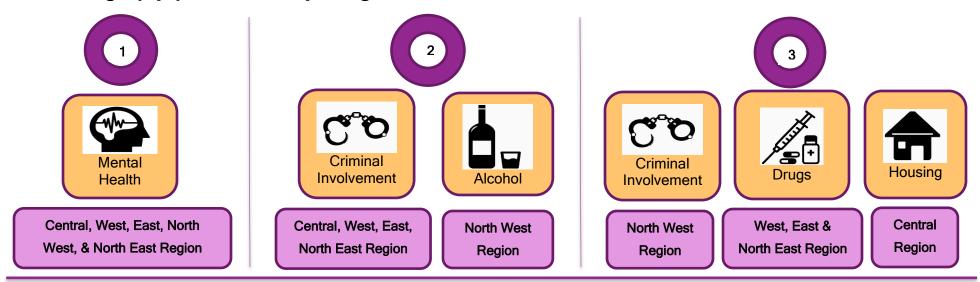


Risk Factors:

Negative characteristics and/or conditions present in individuals, families and communities that may increase the presence of crime or fear of crime in a community. For a full list of risk factors you may refer to the Community Safety and Well-Being Planning Framework: A Shared

Commitment in Ontario booklet.

Risk Category (by occurrence) – Regional Results



Risk Category by Discussion - Provincial Results

Top 5 Risk Category	% of Discussions
Mental Health	82%
Drugs	47%
Criminal Involvement	44%
Antisocial/Negative Behaviour	43%
Housing	38%

Note: The percentage of discussions included above represent those discussions where risk factors included in one of 27 categories appear at least once.

Top 5 Risk Categories for Socio-Demographic Information Provincial Results

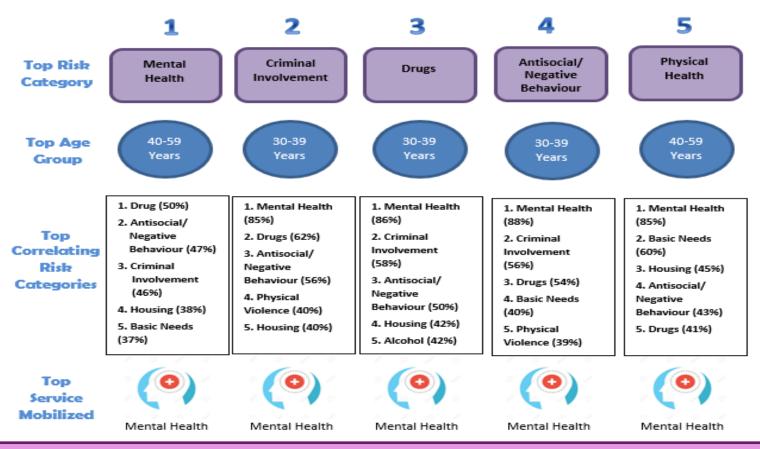
Top 5 Risk Categories for 40-59 Age Group				
1. Mental Health (16%)				
2. Criminal Involvement (8%)				
3. Physical Health (7%)				
4. Housing (6%)				
5. Basic Needs (6%)				
Female	Male			
1. Mental Health (17%)	1. Mental Health (16%)			
2. Physical Health (7%)	2. Criminal Involvement (10%)			
3. Crime Victimization (7%)	3. Housing (7%)			
4. Basic Needs (6%)	4. Physical Health (7%)			
5. Antisocial/Negative Behaviour (6%)	5. Alcohol (6%)			

Note: Results are based on Risk Factors by Occurrence



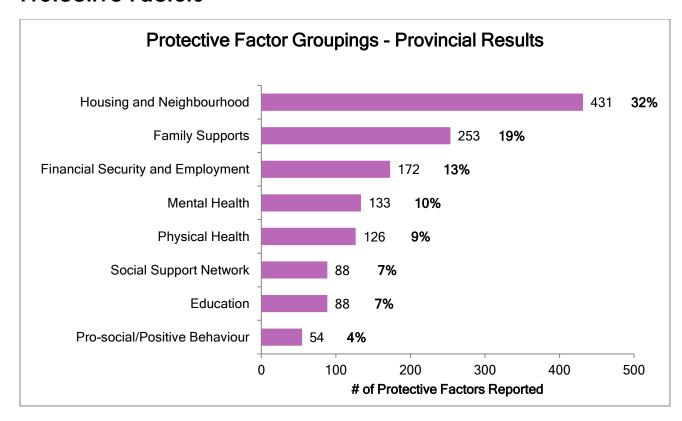
Top Five Risk Categories and their Associations – Provincial Results

Top Risk Categories and Associations

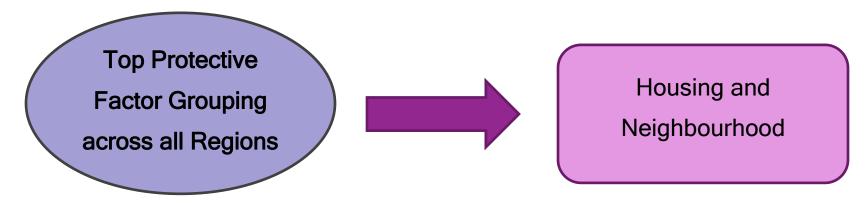


- This image outlines the top five Risk Categories along with the top associated Age Group, Service Mobilized and correlating Risk Categories.
- Correlating risks are important to consider when analyzing impacts of multi-sectoral risk interventions and subsequent prevention planning.
- For example, of those discussions that contain Mental Health risk factors, Drug related risk factors also appear in the same discussion 50 per cent of the time for those aged 40-59 years.

Protective Factors

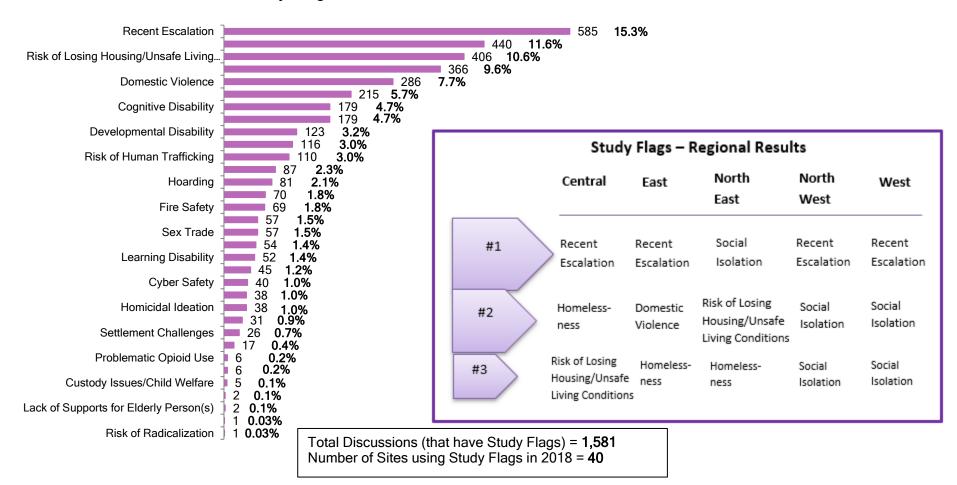


Protective Factors: Positive characteristics or conditions that can moderate the negative effects of risk factors and foster healthier individuals, families and communities, thereby increasing personal and/or community safety and well-being. For a full list of Protective Factors you may refer to the Community Safety and Well-Being Planning Framework: A Shared Commitment in Ontario booklet.



Study Flags

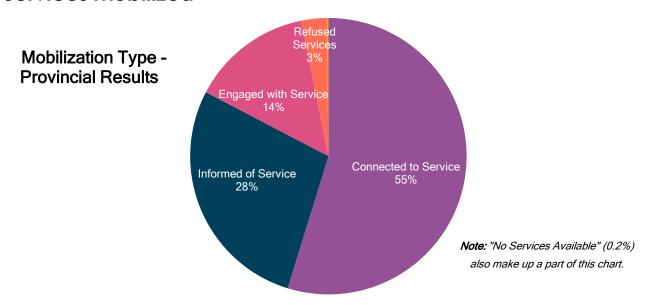
Study Flags - Provincial Results



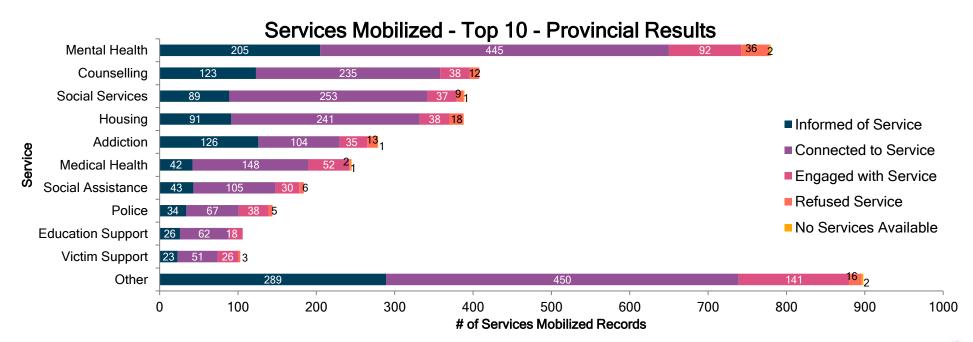
Study Flags: Allows multi-sectoral agency partners an opportunity to track and monitor specific trends in their community and collect information on certain conditions that may be studied locally that fall outside the scope of individual risk factors.



Services Mobilized

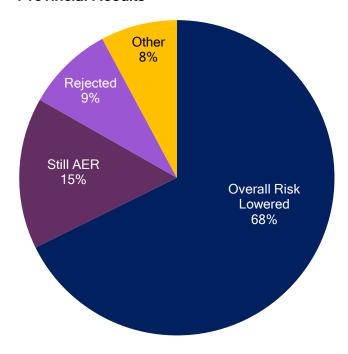


Services Mobilized: The services mobilized, as a result of the intervention, are collected in the RTD to help track which services were offered to and accepted by that individual or family at AER. There are five types of mobilization efforts (e.g., informed, engaged) that can be applied to 29 different services.



Conclusion Reasons

Conclusion Reason - Provincial Results



		Conclusion Reason				
		Overall Risk Lowered	Still AER	Rejected	Other	
Region	Central	73%	10%	9%	8%	
	East	71%	13%	12%	5%	
	North East	63%	21%	6%	11%	
	North West	70%	9%	13%	8%	
	West	62%	23%	9%	7%	

Note: Arrows indicate movement from the provincial average in the circle chart to the left.



CONCLUSION

Since its inception, the RTD has been valued as an effective tool for Ontario communities that have implemented multi-sectorial risk intervention models. The Ministry looks forward to continuing to support community safety and well-being planning through the RTD and building impactful partnerships across the province.

Although the tracking and analysis of risk-based information remains the primary benefit of the RTD, it is important to use this data collectively with other local data sources to provide an objective means of prioritizing systemic risks and issues within a community. We are confident that the RTD supports the efforts of local champions and ensures that those most vulnerable receive quick access to appropriate services, and ultimately addresses broader issues related to community safety and well-being.

To learn more about the community safety and well-being planning process, refer to the Community Safety and Well-being Planning Framework: A Shared Commitment in Ontario www.mcscs.jus.gov.on.ca/english/Publications/MCSCSSSOPlanningFramework.html

Community Safety and Well-being Planning Framework

A Shared Commitment in Ontario



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MEMORANDUM TO: All Chiefs of Police and

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SUBJECT: Victim Quick Response Program+

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At the request of the Ministry of the Attorney General (MAG), I am sharing a communication regarding financial supports for victims.

Please review the attached memo from A/Assistant Deputy Attorney General Tamara Gilbert, which provides details on the Victim Quick Response Program+, which is an update to the existing Victim Quick Response Program.

If you require further information, please contact Vivienne Lipman, Acting Director of Ontario Victim Services at Vivienne.Lipman@ontario.ca or 647-409-2456.

Sincerely,

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September 6, 2019

MEMORANDUM TO: Stephen Waldie

Assistant Deputy Minister, Public Safety Division and Public

Safety Training Division

FROM: Tamara Gilbert

A/Assistant Deputy Attorney General

SUBJECT: Victim Quick Response Program+

As you are aware, as part of the 2019 Spring Budget, the Ontario government announced that victim compensation would be reformed by replacing the adjudicative model of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board (CICB) with an administrative model, to ensure that victims receive financial support faster and more efficiently with less administrative burden.

To this end, Ontario Victim Services is making changes and enhancing the current Victim Quick Response Program (VQRP) to become more streamlined, leveraging the existing VQRP network to become the VQRP+, an administrative one-window access system to financial supports for victims. In addition, as part of the enhancement and to better streamline services, the VQRP+ will also deliver supports for eligible family members of homicide victims, replacing the existing Financial Assistance for Homicide Victims (FAFHV) program.

Starting October 1, 2019, the VQRP+ will commence with changes to some of the services and supports offered through the program to address the priority needs of the most vulnerable victims. Changes and enhancements include:

- Increased amounts for certain services and supports such as hotel accommodations when a victim cannot return immediately to their home as a result of the crime.
- Increased residential treatment resources for victims of human trafficking.

- A new homicide survivor support benefit for spouses of homicide victims and for parents of minor victims of homicide.
- A one-time contribution toward supports for victims with serious physical injuries to assist them with their immediate needs.

I am enclosing a Fact Sheet on VQRP+ for your information. I would ask that you share this information with your staff and bring this memorandum to the attention of the appropriate members of your service so they, and the clients they assist, are aware of the VQRP+ as of October 1, 2019.

For more information or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Vivienne Lipman, Acting Director of Ontario Victim Services at Vivienne.Lipman@ontario.ca or 647-409-2456. Thank you for your support of this program.

Tamara Gilbert

A/Assistant Deputy Attorney General

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Fact Sheet: Victim Quick Response Program+ (VQRP+)

What is the Victim Quick Response Program+ (VQRP+)?

The Victim Quick Response Program+ (VQRP+) is an administrative program designed to support direct victims, their immediate family members, and witnesses in the immediate aftermath of violent crimes by providing short-term financial support with essential expenses in order to lessen the impact of the crime, enhance safety, and meet immediate practical needs arising from the commission of the crime.

VQRP+ is a program of last resort. Financial support is available to help cover the cost of:

- Safety expenses;
- Practical assistance expenses;
- Travel and associated expenses;
- Crime scene clean-up;
- Counselling services and associated transportation expenses; and
- Supports for victims with serious injuries and for families of homicide victims.

What eligibility criteria must a victim meet to receive benefits from VQRP+?

To be eligible to receive VQRP+ benefits, a victim/recipient must meet the following program requirements:

- a. The victim/recipient is either a direct victim, immediate family member of the direct victim, or witness of one of the following eligible crime types:
 - Attempt to commit murder
 - Child abuse
 - Criminal harassment
 - Elder abuse
 - Hate crimes
 - Historical child sexual abuse (eligible for counselling-related services only)
 - Homicide
 - Human trafficking
 - Intimate partner violence
 - Sexual abuse; or
 - Serious assault
- b. If applying for the homicide survivor support, the victim/recipient must be the spouse of the homicide victim or a parent of a child homicide victim;

- c. The crime occurred in Ontario (or in part in Ontario for direct victims of HT). In the case of a crime that took place over the Internet, the crime will be deemed to take place in Ontario if the victim was living in Ontario at the time of the crime;
- d. The victim/recipient's need for the support is a direct result of the crime;
- e. The application meets the last resort criteria (e.g., victim/recipient lacks access to personal resources to cover the cost of the expenses or the insurance deductible and there are no publicly funded programs available to meet their needs), unless they are applying for the serious injury supports or homicide survivor support;
- f. The victim/recipient did not previously receive funding from the former VQRP, and has not received or has not applied to receive, funds from other programs, for the same service or similar benefit arising out of the same criminal occurrence:
- g. The victim/recipient has not been charged in the reported occurrence (excluding direct victims of HT);
- h. In the case of a homicide, the deceased victim must not have been committing a violent criminal offence at the time of death that could reasonably have been expected to lead to the homicide.
- i. The crime has been reported to the required agency/service:
 - In the case of homicide, attempt murder, serious assault, or child abuse, the crime must have been reported to a police service or a child protection authority in Ontario and a police Incident Report or Referral/Child Welfare Referral must have been completed;
 - ii. In the case of intimate partner violence, sexual assault, historical child sexual abuse, human trafficking, criminal harassment, elder abuse and hate crime, the crime must have been reported to police or an intimate partner violence shelter, sexual assault centre, hospital, Indigenous social service provider or other community victim support agency.
- j. The victim/recipient or their authorized representative has signed an agreement confirming that they meet the eligibility criteria and will provide any required documentation to support their VQRP+ request.
- k. The application has been submitted within the eligible timelines.

How much time, from the date of the incident, do victims have to submit their application to VQRP+?

The below chart outlines the submission deadline for the various types of available benefits. Victims with specific questions about VQRP+ timelines and extensions should be referred to their local service delivery organization.

Support	Timeline	
Supports for Immediate Needs	Applications for supports for immediate needs must be submitted within 45 calendars days from the date of the crime. In the case of an accused who has been released on bail, applications will be accepted within 45 calendar days from the date of release for safety-related expenses, provided the victim has not already accessed the same supports	
Counselling and Traditional Indigenous Health Services	 Applications for counselling, traditional Indigenous health services and associated transportation must be submitted within 6 months from the date of the crime except in the following circumstances: Where the adult victim/recipient is under 18 years, the application must be submitted within 6 months from the date of disclosure of the crime to police, an SDO or other social service provider (for counselling services, traditional Indigenous health services and associated transportation only). Where the adult victim/recipient was victimized as a child (under 18 years), the application must be submitted within 90 calendar days from the date of disclosure of the crime to police, an SDO or other social services provider (for counselling services, traditional Indigenous health services and associated transportation only). 	
Serious Injury Supports	Applications for serious injury supports must be submitted within one year from the date of the crime .	
Homicide Survivor Supports	Applications for the homicide survivor support must be submitted within one year from the date a death has been deemed to be a homicide.	
Supports for HT Victims/Recipients	Applications for HT victims/recipients must be submitted within one year from the date of the crime (i.e., the last HT incident.	
	Where the victim/recipient is a direct victim of HT who is under 18 years, applications may be submitted either one year from the date of the crime or within 6 months from the date of disclosure , whichever time period is greater.	

How do victims submit their application for VQRP+?

The Victim Crisis Assistance Ontario (VCAO) service delivery organizations and other agencies that currently deliver the Victim Quick Response Program will administer VQRP+ to provide a single point of entry for victims. You can contact the Victim Support Line at 1-888-579-2888 or use the ministry's online Victim Service Directory at www.AttorneyGeneral.jus.gov.on.ca to locate the VQRP+ service provider for a particular jurisdiction.

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MEMORANDUM TO: All Chiefs of Police and

> Commissioner Thomas Carrique Chairs, Police Services Boards

FROM: Stephen Waldie

Assistant Deputy Minister

Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division

SUBJECT: **Continuity of Deceased Persons**

DATE OF ISSUE: September 6, 2019 **CLASSIFICATION: General Information**

RETENTION: Indefinite INDEX NO.: 19-0070 **PRIORITY:** Normal

At the request of the Office of the Chief Coroner/Ontario Forensic Pathology Service, I am sharing a communication regarding preservation of evidence and the maintenance of continuity in investigations.

Please review the attached memo from Dr. Dirk Huyer, Chief Coroner for Ontario, and Dr. Michael Pollanen, Chief Forensic Pathologist for Ontario, which provides further details.

Sincerely,

Stephen Waldie

Assistant Deputy Minister

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Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division

Attachments

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DATE: August 21, 2019 C19-115

TO: All Coroners, Chiefs of Police and the Commissioner of the

Téléphone:

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CC: All Pathologists, Funeral Establishments, Regional

Supervising Coroners

FROM: Dr. Dirk Huyer

Chief Coroner for Ontario

Dr. Michael Pollanen

Chief Forensic Pathologist for Ontario

RE: Continuity of Deceased Persons

It is a priority of the Office of the Chief Coroner/Ontario Forensic Pathology Service (OCC/OFPS) to ensure the integrity of an investigation through preservation of evidence and the maintenance of continuity. This communication provides the procedures required so that all deceased persons have the appropriate documentation and have been accurately labelled when transferred for autopsy or storage.

Continuity, which is meant to ensure a particularly labelled deceased person is from a known location, must be maintained and verifiable throughout a transfer from a scene to a pathology unit. As a result, appropriate labelling and documentation is required. A flow diagram has been attached to summarize the process.

Continuity of Deceased Persons

In most cases, a coroner will attend and examine the body. During this assessment an appropriate tag will be affixed to label the deceased person. This tag is to be completed regardless of whether the identity of the deceased person is confirmed at the time of coroner's attendance, e.g., if the person is unidentified, continuity is maintained through labelling with "Unidentified from <location>". If there are multiple deceased persons from the same scene the label should indicate "Unidentified #1 from <location>",

"Unidentified #2 from <location>", etc. Indelible ink must be used to prevent the loss or damage of this labelling. For deaths that occur in a health care facility, patient identification bands are typically suitable, however the coroners should validate that the name and spelling are accurate.

Transfer from Scene

If the coroner is not able to attend the scene or location of the deceased person and affix a tag to the body themselves, they may delegate a police officer to complete the task. This officer shall apply a tag documenting the name of the deceased person (or "Unidentified from <location>" if identity has not been confirmed), date, location, coroner's name, and the officer's name and badge number. A police forensic seal must also be applied to the body.

The body pouch must be secured with a police forensic seal prior to transfer of the deceased person. The two forensic seal numbers must be documented in the officer's notebook and the police report. Photographic documentation of the seal(s) would be beneficial.

When deceased persons are transferred to the Provincial Forensic Pathology Unit (PFPU) in Toronto the police report will be shared with the pathologist by sending a copy of the report to the pathology unit or to OCCDispatchers@ontario.ca. Unit specific approaches should be followed when the deceased person is transferred to other pathology units – discussion should occur with the Regional Supervising Coroner or the pathology unit.

Transfer from Funeral Home

In circumstances where a deceased person is transferred directly from a funeral home, i.e. need for a post mortem examination after the deceased person is in the care of the funeral home, the coroner shall direct the funeral home personnel/Human Remains Transfer Specialist to affix an identification tag to the deceased person documenting the deceased person's name, date, location, coroner's name, and the name and signature of the person who competed and applied the tag.

When transfer to the PFPU occurs, OCC/OFPS approved tags will be provided to the transfer personnel for completion and placement on the deceased person prior to the release into the care of the mortuary attendant. Unit specific approaches should be followed when the deceased person is transferred to other pathology units – discussion should occur with the Regional Supervising Coroner or the pathology unit.

OCC/OFPS Issued Tags Unavailable to Coroner

On the rare occasion, when a coroner has attended the scene but does not have any OCC/OFPS issued tags to label the deceased person, they will affix a tag documenting the deceased person's name (or "*Unidentified from <location>*" if identity has not been confirmed), date, location, coroner's name and signature.

In all cases the coroner shall inform the pathologist that a non-OCC/OFPS issued tag was used to label the deceased person, or that the transfer personnel was directed to complete the tag, on the coroner's Warrant for PM.

Any issues surrounding the labeling of the deceased person should be discussed between the coroner and the pathologist directly. With effective labelling of the deceased person, death investigation personnel can easily confirm a particular deceased person's origin.

Please do not hesitate to contact your Regional Supervising Coroner or Deputy Chief Coroner, Dr. Reuven Jhirad if you have any questions regarding this communication.

Dr. Dirk Huyer

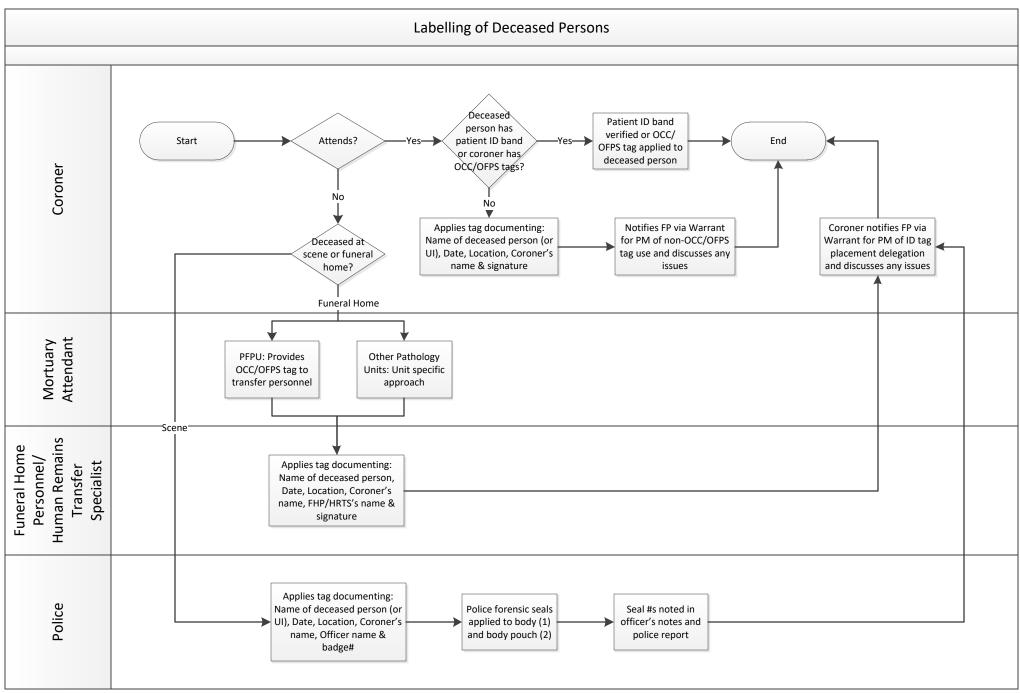
Chief Coroner for Ontario

Dr. Michael Pollanen

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Chief Forensic Pathologist for Ontario

Attachment - C-DOC-CI-03 Labelling of Deceased Persons



^{*}This process flow outlines the process for labelling a deceased person for post-mortem examination or storage and is not a process for establishing identification.

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MEMORANDUM TO: All Chiefs of Police and

Commissioner Thomas Carrique Chairs, Police Services Boards

FROM: Stephen Waldie

Assistant Deputy Minister

Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division

SUBJECT: Final Federal Regulations for the Production and Sale of

Cannabis Edibles, Extracts and Topicals

DATE OF ISSUE: September 12, 2019 CLASSIFICATION: General Information

RETENTION: Indefinite INDEX NO.: 19-0071 PRIORITY: Normal

On June 14, 2019, Health Canada announced amendments to the *Cannabis Regulations* setting out the rules governing the legal production and sale of cannabis edibles, extracts and topicals.

On October 17, 2019, regulations under the *Cannabis Act* (Canada) will be amended to add new classes of cannabis (edibles, extracts and topicals). Once the *Cannabis Regulations* are amended, the Ontario Cannabis Retail Corporation (Ontario Cannabis Store) will be able to purchase these new classes of cannabis and sell them online. As the province's exclusive wholesaler, the Ontario Cannabis Store will then be able to distribute these products to cannabis retail stores licensed by the Alcohol and Gaming Corporation of Ontario, and these stores will also be able to sell these products.

Prohibitions under the *Cannabis Control Act, 2017*, will apply to these new classes of cannabis (e.g., the prohibition of transporting cannabis in Section 12 of the Act).

For your awareness, the timelines associated with the final regulations are as follows:

October 17, 2019: Regulations and Order come into force, and federal cannabis
processing licence holders will be able to begin submitting new product
notifications to Health Canada. Federal licence holders must provide Health
Canada with a 60-day notice of their intent to sell any new classes of cannabis.

- **December 16, 2019:** Earliest date new products could be available for purchase by the Ontario Cannabis Store.
- Mid-January 2020: Anticipated timing for new product classes to be available for sale to the public through AGCO-licensed private retailers and the Ontario Cannabis Store online channel (OCS.ca)

For more information on the amendments to the *Cannabis Regulations*, please visit https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/drugs-medication/cannabis/laws-regulations/regulations-support-cannabis-act.html. An overview of the final regulations is also available in the attached infographic.

I trust that you will find this information helpful.

Sincerely,

Stephen Waldie

Assistant Deputy Minister

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Attachment

FINAL REGULATIONS: EDIBLE CANNABIS, CANNABIS EXTRACTS, CANNABIS TOPICALS

	EDIBLE CANNABIS (EATING OR DRINKING)	CANNABIS EXTRACT (INGESTING)	CANNABIS EXTRACT (INHALING)	CANNABIS TOPICAL (APPLYING TO SKIN, HAIR, NAILS)
THC LIMIT	► 10 mg of THC per package	 10 mg of THC per unit (such as a capsule) or dispensed amount 1000 mg of THC per package 	► 1000 mg of THC per package	► 1000 mg of THC per package
PRODUCT RULES	 No added vitamins or minerals No nicotine or added alcohol Limits on caffeine 	 No added vitamins or minerals No nicotine No caffeine No sugars, sweeteners or colours 	 No added vitamins or minerals No nicotine or alcohol No caffeine No sugars, colours or sweeteners 	 No nicotine or alcohol For use only on skin, hair and nails Not for use in eyes or on damaged skin
PACKAGING	► Child-resistant ► Plain	 Child-resistant Plain Maximum package size of 90 mL for liquid extracts if under 3% THC Must include dispensing device if not in unit form Maximum package size of 7.5 g for solid extracts if over 3% THC 	 Child-resistant Plain Maximum package size of 90 mL for liquid extracts if under 3% THC Maximum package size of 7.5 g for solid extracts if over 3% THC 	► Child-resistant ► Plain
LABEL	 Standardized cannabis symbol for products containing THC Health Warning Message THC/CBD content Equivalency to dried cannabis to determine public possession limit Ingredient list Allergens Nutrition Facts table 	 Standardized cannabis symbol for products containing THC Health Warning Message THC/CBD content Equivalency to dried cannabis to determine public possession limit Ingredient list Intended use 	 Standardized cannabis symbol for products containing THC (directly on accessories such as vape cartridges) Health Warning Message THC/CBD content Equivalency to dried cannabis to determine public possession limit Ingredient list Intended use 	 Standardized cannabis symbol for products containing THC Health Warning Message THC/CBD content Equivalency to dried cannabis to determine public possession limit Ingredient list Allergens Intended use
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Disclaimer: This is not a complete list of the regulatory rules for each class of cannabis. It is also not a complete list of product examples. For more information on the amendments to the Cannabis Regulations, please visit Canada.ca/Cannabis.



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MEMORANDUM TO: All Chiefs of Police and

> Commissioner Thomas Carrique Chairs, Police Services Boards

FROM: Stephen Waldie

Assistant Deputy Minister

Public Safety Division and Public Safety Training Division

SUBJECT: **Raised Speed Limits**

DATE OF ISSUE: **September 25, 2019 DATE OF RE-ISSUE: September 26, 2019 General Information** CLASSIFICATION:

RETENTION: Indefinite

INDEX NO.: 19-0072 (Re-issue #2)

Normal PRIORITY:

At the request of the Ministry of Transportation, I am sharing an updated communication regarding a pilot to raise speed limits above the current maximum of 100 km/h to 110 km/h on three sections of Ontario highways. Please note the clarification in red font.

Please review the attached memo from Assistant Deputy Minister Kevin Byrnes, which provides details on the pilot.

Sincerely,

Stephen Waldie

Assistant Deputy Minister

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MEMORANDUM TO: Stephen Waldie

Assistant Deputy Minister

Ministry of the Solicitor General

Kevin Byrnes FROM:

> **Assistant Deputy Minister** Road User Safety Division

SUBJECT: Enhancing Ontario's Stunt Driving Law in Support of Raised

Speed Limits

The purpose of this memorandum is to advise the policing community across the province regarding the raised speed limit trial.

As of September 26th, 2019, the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) implemented a two-year pilot to raise speed limits above the current maximum of 100 km/h to 110 km/h on three sections of Ontario highways (see attached maps). The three pilot corridors are:

- Highway 402, London to Sarnia (84 km)
- QEW, Hamilton to St. Catharines (39 km)
- Highway 417, East of Ottawa to Quebec/Ontario border (100 km)

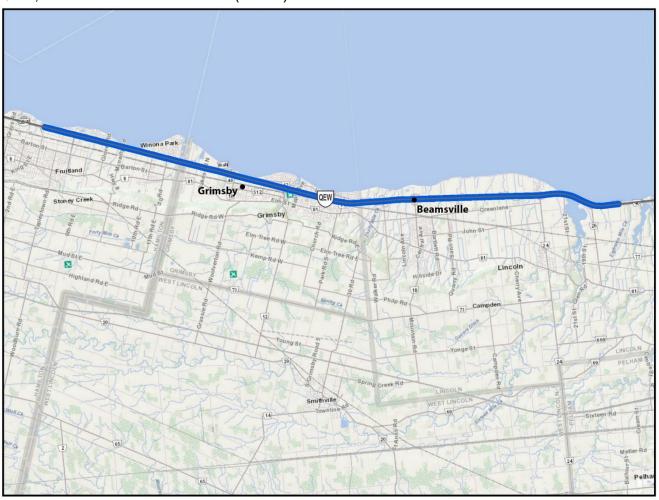
These are sections of freeway that do not require infrastructure improvements to accommodate a speed of 110km/h, have an average interchange spacing of 3 km or greater, and do not experience congestion regularly. The speed limits of 110 km/h are set in Ontario Regulation 619, Speed Limits.

By increasing speed limits to 110km/h, it was necessary to make amendments to the stunt driving regulation. In addition to that regulation prohibiting driving at a rate of speed of 50 km/h or more over the posted limit which has remained unchanged, it will now also be prohibited to drive at a rate of speed of 150 km/h or more. This will be set out as a new paragraph 7.1 of section 3 of O. Reg. 455/07.

I would ask that you please bring this memorandum to the attention of the appropriate members of your service. Thank you for your assistance in communicating this change.

Kevin Byrnes Assistant Deputy Minister Road User Safety Division

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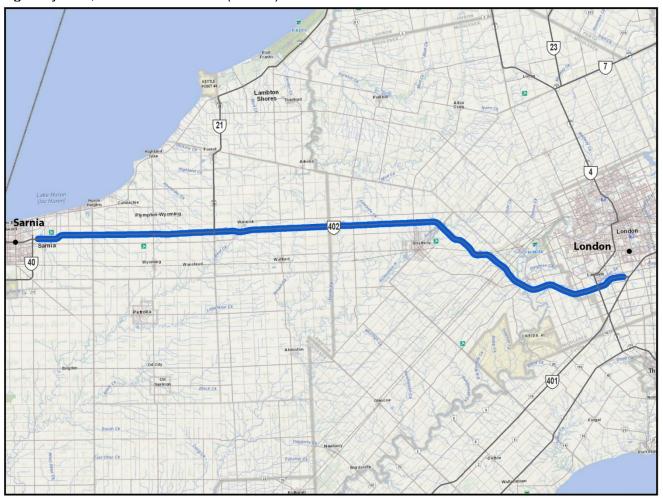
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Highway 417, East of Ottawa to Quebec/Ontario border (100 km)

Highway 402, London to Sarnia (84 km)



Morin, Lois

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From:

Craig Burley -

Sent:

September-20-19 1:54 PM

To:

Office of the Mayor

Cc:

Morin, Lois

Subject:

Manning v. HPSB

Dear Mr. Mayor,

I write to you in your capacity as head of the Police Services Board. I have copied the Administrator for the Board: Ms. Morin, please include this in the correspondence to the Board.

It is in reference to this matter: https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/hamilton/paul-manning-lawsuit-1.5289424 and the suit by Paul Manning which the PSB has now been struck from defending by the Case Management Master.

As you know, the Police Services Board is a board of civilian control for our Hamilton Police Service, and sets and directs policy for the Service. In doing so, it acts as a guardian of the public interest.

It is impossible not to notice that the public interest, and the public that is ultimately on the hook for the PSB's liabilities, has been very poorly served in this matter. It has been so disgracefully served, in fact, as to call into question your ability as a board to provide a reasonable level of service.

The PSB's apparent continuing desire to play games and fiddle around in this matter at public expense, while officials continue and deepen a public smear campaign against the plaintiff also at public expense, is not acceptable and is highly unbecoming to you personally as Chair, and to the City as a whole.

I suggest strongly that the members of this Board step down in their entirety, and in doing so encourage the City and the Solicitor General to appoint new members who are serious people capable of treating serious matters with some amount of respect and public dignity.

Failing this step, I encourage you to use what powers reside in the Chair to cause your members and the staff they direct to treat the Superior Court of Justice and its orders with sufficient respect so that the public need not pay further for the personal jollies Board members get in thumbing your noses at the Court and those you serve. You are welcome to carry out your infantile disruption campaign from outside the HPS.

Sincerely,

Craig Burley

Craig Burley
Barrister & Solicitor

Craig Burley is located at 20 Hughson St. South, Suite 203, Hamilton, ON L8N 2A1 in the heart of downtown Hamilton. He can be reached at 905-870-0196.

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From: John Neary <john.neary@medportal.ca>

Sent: September-27-19 9:07 AM

To: Office of the Mayor; Morin, Lois; Farr, Jason

Cc: Paul Sousa; Alex Murphy; Karlie Rogerson; Thompsmr; Alexandria Anderson; Michael

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Subject: HPS Investigative Services Building / Construction Hoarding

Attachments: IMG_20190927_074842.jpg; IMG_20190927_074803.jpg; IMG_20190927_074757.jpg;

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Dear Mayor Eisenberger,

I write to your in your capacity as chair of the Hamilton Police Services Board.

As you are surely aware, in your capacity as Mayor of the City of Hamilton, you are planning to propose a motion to Council to "encourage developers to incorporate art or other means of beautifying construction hoarding, particularly in the case of infill development where there are existing residents and businesses located close by" (see attached IMG_20190927_084402.jpg).

I have attached to this message three other images that demonstrate the current state of the construction site of the HPS Investigative Services Building and the temporary fence that surrounds it. This site, as you are aware, is in the middle of Beasley Neighbourhood in downtown Hamilton. The lands immediately to the north are residential, and the International Village BIA is located a block to the south.

I request that you as Chair of the HPSB direct the HPS and their contractors to promptly bring this property up to the standards that you are recommending as Mayor.

Although it is not directly related to your proposed bylaw, I was also very sad to see mature trees cut down during this construction, although most of the trees in question were nowhere near the actual footprint of the building. I request that you direct the HPS to replace the lost trees with a larger number of street trees of appropriate species and with appropriate soil cells that will result in a proper street canopy around this property in a couple of decades.

Cordially yours,

John Neary 115 Mary Street Hamilton, Ontario 905-818-6312







- (a) That staff be directed to include in the update to the City's Construction Management Plan Guidelines, language to encourage developers to incorporate art or other means of beautifying construction hoarding, particularly in the case of infill development where there are existing residents and businesses located close by; and,
- (b) That staff be directed to review the City's Sign By-law, and any related City by-laws, and report back to the Planning Committee with options for charging an additional fee for construction hoarding located on the public realm that includes construction branding or advertising, with such funds to be directed toward providing public art or other beautification of construction hoarding.

Morin, Lois

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From:

Chris Erl

Sent:

October-01-19 10:17 AM

To:

Morin, Lois

Subject:

Letter Submission to the Hamilton Police Services Board

Attachments:

Chris Erl - Letter to the Hamilton Police Services Board - October 1, 2019.pdf;

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Hello,

Please find attached a letter I have written to the Hamilton Police Services Board that can be included as "Information for the Board" in the HPSB's next meeting.

If board members have any further questions or would like to contact me, I can be reached at my personal email or professional email

Thank you,

Chris

The Hamilton Police Services Board c/o Lois Morin 155 King William Street P.O. Box 1060, LCD 1 Hamilton, Ontario L8N 4C1

Dear Members of the Board,

I am writing to you today regarding the deterioration in relations between representatives of the Hamilton Police Service and members of our community. I place my faith in our democratic institutions, such as the Police Services Board, to perform their responsibility to, as outlined by Ontario's Ministry of the Solicitor General, "contribute to their community's safety and well-being by working with local citizens and organizations to ensure their community receives the appropriate policing it needs," (Ministry of the Solicitor General, 2019).

To that end, I believe it is important that appropriate steps be taken to begin healing some of the damage done to our community. This damage has been inflicted through reckless and uninformed comments made by those for whom our city's history is unclear and abstract.

I am a member of a generation who grew up in an era of expanding rights and acceptance for the queer community. As someone who was coming to understand his sexuality in his teenage years, it was heartening to watch as equal marriage became the law of the land, queer leaders and public figures became more vocal, and society's mood toward our community changed. It was profoundly important, especially in that time, to know that I was not alone.

Despite this, it was also during my lifetime that my community faced immense pressure from local leaders and law enforcement. I was merely an infant when a story ran in the *Hamilton Spectator* about a young Hamiltonian who, through callous and insensitive questioning by the Hamilton Police, was outed to his family. They subsequently disowned and evicted him (Mahoney, 1993). I was only a toddler when the infamous Project Rosebud, which unfairly targeted gay men fearful of society's rejection for the simple and natural act of sexual expression, shook the city (Holt, 1996). I was entering Grade 6 when another *Spectator* article discussed how the city had no out gay or lesbian police officers and that a culture of homophobia and discrimination on the force would make life for any queer officer "awfully, awfully difficult," (Clairmont, 2001a, p. A08). I grew up with this context and so, though I did not feel necessarily alone, I also did not feel safe in my hometown.

The fallout from Project Rosebud and the pressure placed on the Hamilton Police Service by community activists did result in positive changes, though not after the lives of many Hamiltonians, some still struggling with their sexuality, were irrevocably altered. Those positive changes, including a suspension of homophobic raids and morality sweeps, as well as sensitivity training for members of the Vice Squad, were genuine attempts to bring the force into the modern world (Boase, 1996). The "Let's Talk" community meeting in fall of 1996 and the establishment of the Hamilton Police Task Force on Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Issues that same year helped to generate a positive, healthy atmosphere of mutual respect and trust (Hemsworth, 1996). That atmosphere, created in part by a willingness on the part of the Hamilton Police Service to move past antiquated homophobic notions, aided in building our city up, and led to a 2001 Spectator article that said Hamilton was an ideal city for members of the queer community to live

in because it was "...tolerant. Safe. Interesting. Welcoming. Even thriving," (Clairmont, 2001b, p. A01).

In the following decades, the positive initiatives and attempts to bridge the divide between law enforcement and the queer community have faded away and been replaced with apathetic indifference. It was nearly inevitable, then, that events such as those which occurred at Hamilton Pride in 2019 and the steady decline in community-police relations would occur. When we as a community lose sight of our history and the struggles of the past, we become destined to fall into the same destructive and painful patterns that so many fought so hard to end.

I was deeply disturbed, though unfortunately not surprised, when I heard the comments made by Chief Girt on CHML on Tuesday, September 10, 2019 (Moro, 2019). These upsetting comments served as echoes from the past. The Chief's words would not been out of place in the news coverage of Project Rosebud or any of the other detrimental police-led activities against members of the queer community in the past. While it should be noted that Chief Girt apologized for his ill-informed comments, it is evident that there is much work to be done to better inform those in positions of power of the legacy maintained by their institutions.

I strongly encourage the Hamilton Police Services Board, as part of your authority listed under 31.1 (b) of the Police Services Act – the authority to "generally determine, after consultation with the chief of police, objectives and priorities with respect to police services in the municipality," ("Police Services Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.15", 2019) – to set as an objective the collection, archiving, and publication of historical incidents and occurrences of interactions, both positive and negative, between Hamilton's queer community and the Hamilton Police Service. This act of public documentation, which could include events such as Project Rosebud and the Hamilton Police Task Force on Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender issues will help to provide much-needed historical context to the present situation in which we find our city.

Working with local activists, academics, and institutions to transparently recount the historical relationship between queer Hamiltonians and the Hamilton Police Service will help to remind those in positions of authority of the legacy of their positions. The maintenance of a public record of interactions will begin the process of restoring faith and trust in those institutions into which we all pay. Only then can we hope to reach a place where Hamilton is again seen as tolerant, safe, interesting, welcoming, thriving.

The process of rebuilding relationships and establishing trust requires us to first tell our truths and remember our past. Bodies such as Canada's groundbreaking Truth and Reconciliation Commission helped to establish this precedent, asserting that mutual respect must be attained, but first, "there has to be awareness of the past, acknowledgement of the harm that has been inflicted, atonement for the causes, and action to change behaviour," (Truth and Reconcillation Commission of Canada, 2015, pp. 6 - 7). Awareness of the past will help inform individuals so that comments such as those made by Chief Girt are not made again and so that we may begin the process of healing our community.

I thank the Board for your time and, once again, urge you to consider this action.

Chris Erl

Hamilton, Ontario

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HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

OUTSTANDING ISSUES as of October 10, 2019

ITEM	ORIGINAL DATE	ACTION REQUIRED	STATUS	EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE
1. Other Business	May 26, 2016	That Chair Eisenberger work with the Board Administrator to implement the use of Electronic devices for monthly agendas.	PSB 16-001 – Ongoing	2 nd Quarter of 2019
2. Body-Worn Camera Steering Committee Second Year Report (PSB 16-127)	November 16, 2017	That the Board approve that continued investigation occur prior to accepting, rejecting or engaging in a Body Worn Camera pilot deployment program.	is waiting for further information with respect to the	Ongoing
3. Sex Assault Review - PSB 18-103	November 22, 2018	That the a report be brought back to the Board on the progress of the recommendations presented within the Sexual Assault Review Report (PSB 18-103)		4 th Quarter of 2019
4. New Business 6.2: Independent Review		To explore the costs and benefits of an independent review of events leading up to and including June 15, 2019 and report back to the Board as expeditiously as possible.		4 th Quarter of 2019

HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

- INFORMATION -

DATE:

2019 October 10

REPORT TO:

Chair and Members

Hamilton Police Services Board

FROM:

Eric Girt

Chief of Police

SUBJECT:

Year-End Report: A.C.T.I.O.N. Strategy - 2018

PSB 19-083

BACKGROUND:

Attached is the A.C.T.I.O.N. Strategy Annual Report – 2018, outlining the accomplishments of the Strategy.

Eric Girt

Chief of Police

EG/G. Huss

Attachment: A.C.T.I.O.N. Strategy Annual Report – 2018

cc:

Jamie Anderson, Acting Deputy Chief - Support

Greg Huss, Superintendent - Community Mobilization Division

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2018 Annual Report

S/Sgt Jeff Byers Prepared and Submitted by PC Lauren Malone

Resources of the ACTION Strategy



The A.C.T.I.O.N. Team is a proactive and preventative unit of five teams (each with a supervisor), totaling 33 foot and bike patrol officers. They are deployed to the areas of the city that experience violent crime and disorder issues.



The Mounted Patrol Unit is a highly visible Police Unit that performs operational police functions, crime prevention, crowd management, and provides search and rescue capabilities. The Mounted Unit is comprised of five horses, and nine officers (including four spares and a supervisor). The MPU works closely with the ACTION Team and responds to areas identified by hotspot analysis that require focused proactive patrol.



The Bail Compliance Unit is a proactive, crime prevention strategy designed to promote public safety and reduce fear of crime by holding offenders on bail release and their sureties accountable. The two officer unit actively monitors the offender to ensure that they are adhering to the bail conditions imposed upon them by the courts. The BCU will actively search for and arrest those offenders who are breaching court imposed conditions.

Executive Summary

The Addressing Crime Trends in Our Neighborhoods (ACTION) Strategy is based on a disciplined approach to strategic and targeted patrol techniques. The ACTION strategy utilizes the resources of three different units; the ACTION Team, Mounted Patrol Unit (MPU) and Bail Compliance Unit (BCU).

The Hamilton Police Service (HPS) utilizes a comprehensive approach to the prevention and disruption of street gang activity and violent crime. Since 2010, the HPS Community Mobilization Division (CMD) has proactively engaged community partners and stakeholders to work with local officers in their mission to prevent disorder and violence. The CMD adheres to the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police Mobilization and Community Engagement model. The highly visible ACTION Team is deployed to communities throughout the city and partners with them to address challenges.

In 2018, ACTION Team officers arrested 825 persons, removed approximately \$16,249.25 in controlled drugs from our streets, and issued 5,346 offence notices. In addition, the ACTION Team has continued to be an indispensable resource to the Hamilton Police Service for large community event planning, managing related street level disorder and major incident response.

The Mounted Patrol Unit (MPU) made 4 arrests and issued 96 provincial offence notices. This Unit has continued to play a key role in crime prevention due to its high visibility, managing problems in the downtown core and entertainment district, assisting with search and rescue, park and trail patrol, community relations, and performing regular police functions (including investigations, arrests, and enforcement).

The Bail Compliance Unit (BCU) has continued to maintain a zero-tolerance approach to violent offenders who have failed to comply with their release conditions. In 2018, the BCU arrested 116 offenders and 5 Hamilton Drug Treatment Court offenders.

This report outlines the successes of the HPS ACTION Strategy.

Quantitative Results

A significant commitment was made to public safety by the ACTION Strategy as evidenced by the achieved Performance Measures shown below for both the ACTION Team and the MPU. The ACTION Team and MPU figures include a breakdown of categories over the last five years (2014 to 2018).

ACTION Team Performance Measures

Performance Measure Type	2014 Total (January to December)	2015 Total (January to December)	2016 Total (January to December)	2017 Total (January to December)	2018 Total (January to December)
ACTION Arrests	1045	766	656	869	825
ACTION Firearms Seized	*95	*92	3	1	*56
ACTION \$ Drugs Seized	\$32,719.40	\$87,068.10	\$23,917.00	\$81,889.60	\$16,249.25
ACTION PONs	4,683	3,041	3,627	5,049	5,346
ACTION Charges	706	614	477	416	534
ACTION Intel Reports	188	197	151	129	90
SNP Total Referrals	123	156	52	56	24

^{*} Includes firearms or ammunition seized by Action Team related to the HPS Firearms Amnesty

Mounted Patrol Unit Performance Measures

Performance Measure Type	2014 Total (January to December)	2015 Total (January to December)	2016 Total (January to December)	2017 Total (January to December)	2018 Total (January to December)
MPU Arrests	33	23	21	17	4
MPU PONs	536	298	287	275	96
MPU Intel Reports	10	18	5	14	2

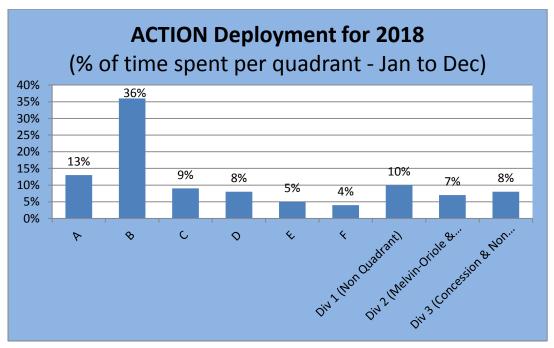
2018 Goals and Objectives

HPS Business Plan (2016-2018)

Goal 1.1 Implement effective and innovative approaches for the Hamilton Police Service to respond to crime, safety and quality of life issues

Deployment Zones

Crucial in developing effective and innovative response approaches to crime and safety concerns is the identification of appropriate deployment areas and providing high visibility. The directed patrol deployment areas for the ACTION Team continued to include the initial ACTION strategy primary deployment areas/quadrants (the Downtown BIA area; the Hess Street Village Entertainment Area; the Concession Street BIA area; the McQuesten Neighbourhood (including Melvin-Oriole Crescent) and identified areas of concern that had been strategically identified by the Division Crime Managers, Division Analysts, and the ACTION Analyst. These other areas were identified through Problem Oriented Policing (POP) Projects, Special Attention areas (identified via problems or complaints), and geographical violent crime "hot spots" (as determined by crime analysis). In 2018, the majority of the deployment time was spent within the Hamilton Downtown core (i.e., 49% within the Hess Village Entertainment Area - Quadrant A & B/Beat 1374). The following graph represents the percentage of time spent within the quadrants/other areas of the City.

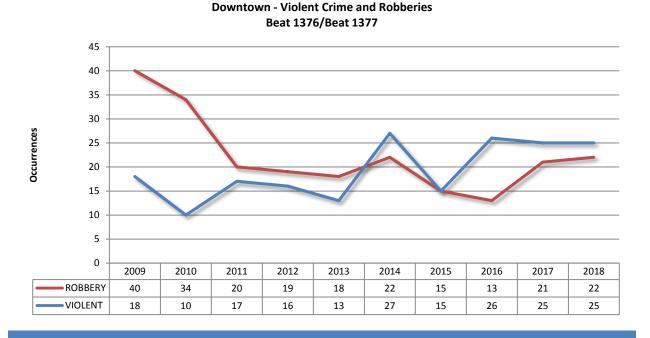


The MPU deploys during dayshift in the BIA areas throughout the City; however, their primary focus is the Downtown core. MPU night shifts are concentrated in the entertainment zones.

Violent Crime Trends

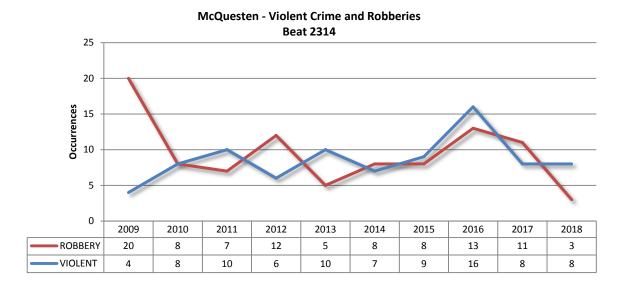
Violent Crime increased in 2 of the 4 major quadrant deployment areas in 2018 when compared to 2017 figures (Concession Street and Hess Village). As well, robberies (which are a subset of Violent Crimes), also showed increases in 2 of the 4 quadrants, when comparing this same time period (Downtown and Hess Village). Assaults have decreased in 3 of the 4 quadrants (Downtown, McQuesten, and Concession Street) between 2017 and 2018. Break and Enters have decreased in 2 of the 4 quadrants (McQuesten and Concession Street) between 2017 and 2018. Theft of Auto has decreased in 3 of the 4 quadrants (Downtown, Concession Street, and Hess Street) between 2017 and 2018. Theft from Auto has increased in 3 of the 4 quadrants (Downtown, McQuesten, and Hess Street) between 2017 and 2018. The following graphs were developed by the Strategic Analyst of the Crime Information Analysis Unit. The data was extracted from Niche with the following removed – Unfounded, Domestic, Attempts, and occurrences situated at 155 King William Street.

Graph 1a



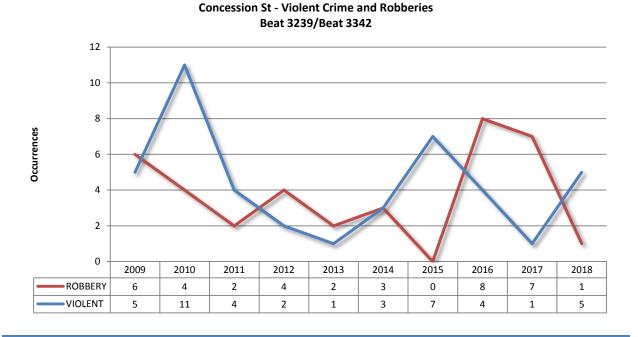
Robbery incidents within the Downtown Quadrant area increased slightly between 2017 and 2018, yet they remained lower than pre-ACTION figures in 2009. Violent incidents remained the same between 2017 and 2018 within the Downtown Quadrant.

Graph 1b



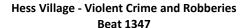
Robbery incidents showed a decrease in 2018 compared to 2017 and still remain significantly lower than pre-ACTION figures in 2009. Violent incidents remain unchanged between 2017 and 2018; however, are higher than pre-ACTION figures in 2009.

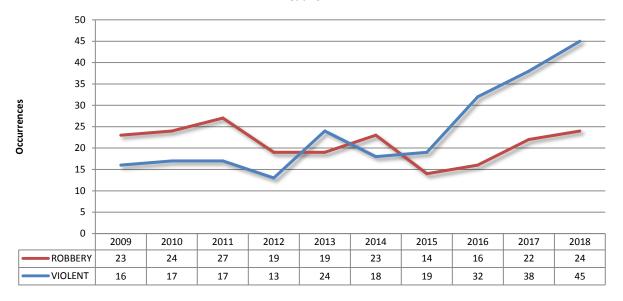
Graph 1c



Robbery incidents decreased significantly in 2018 compared to 2017 and remain lower than pre-ACTION figures in 2009. There was an increase in violent incidents between 2017 and 2018 and remain unchanged from pre-ACTION figures in 2009.

Graph 1d

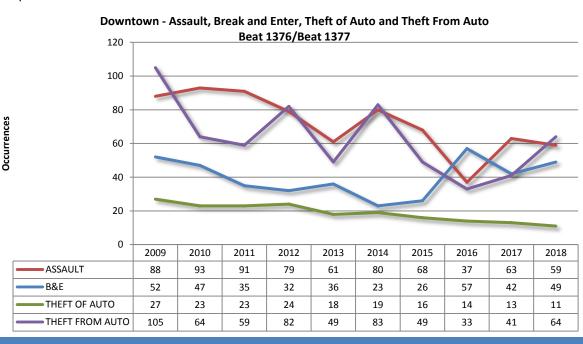




Both robbery and violent incidents increased in 2018 compared to 2017, and are currently higher than pre-ACTION figures in 2009.

Other Crime

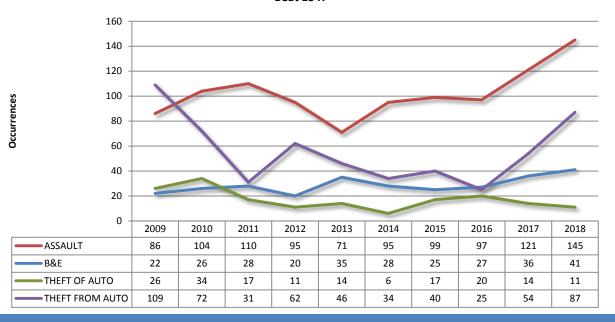
Graph 2a



There were increases in Break & Enter and Theft from Auto incidents between 2017 and 2018 within the Downtown Quadrant area. Assault and Theft of Auto incidents show a decrease between 2017 and 2018. All four crime categories are lower than pre-ACTION figures in 2009.

Graph 2b

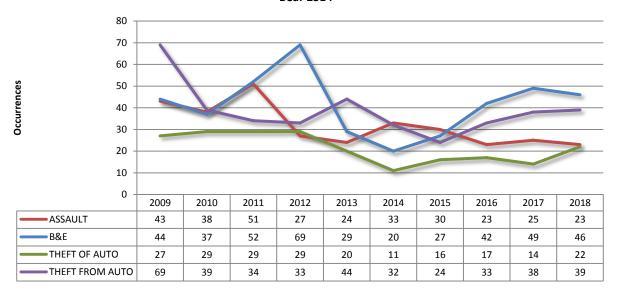
Hess Village - Assault, Break and Enter, Theft of Auto and Theft From Auto Beat 1347



Within the Hess Village Entertainment Area, Theft of Auto incidents decreased between 2017 and 2018; however, Assault, Break & Enter, and Theft from Auto have increased. Two out of the four crime groups are lower than pre-ACTION figures in 2009.

Graph 2c

McQuesten - Assault, Break and Enter, Theft of Auto and Theft From Auto Bear 2314



In the McQuesten neighbourhood, Assault and Break & Enter incidents decreased between 2017 and 2018; however, Theft of Auto and Theft from Auto have increased. Three out of the four crime groups are lower than pre-ACTION figures in 2009.

Concession St - Assault, Break and Enter, Theft of Auto and Theft From Auto Beat 3239/3342 Occurrences ASSAULT B&E THEFT OF AUTO THEFT FROM AUTO

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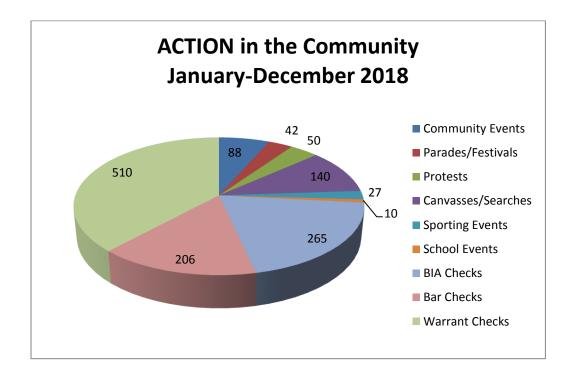
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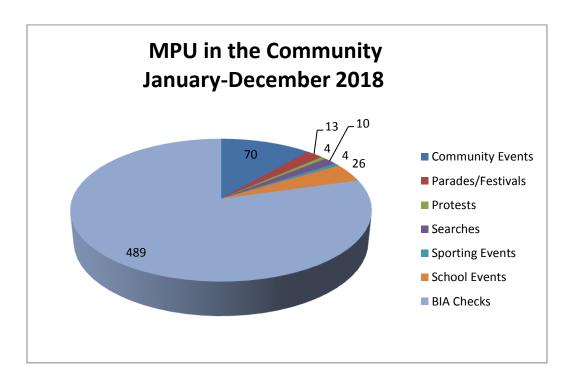
Non-Patrol Deployment

In addition to directed patrol, deployment strategies also include non-patrol deployment functions. In 2018, ACTION and MPU attended various community events, parades/festivals, sporting events, school events, protests/demonstrations, and conducted regular BIA visits, bar checks, and warrant checks throughout the City of Hamilton. Having ACTION and the MPU assigned to perform these tasks has not only assisted with lessening the workload of front line officers, but it has also allowed these units to develop an expertise in this area and provided consistency in the manner they are performed.

Both ACTION and the MPU also played key roles in many events and Operational Plans developed for in 2018. Some of these included Art Crawl, Dundas Buskerfest, International Day Against Police Brutality, Up in Smoke Protest, Love Locke Day, Festival of Friends, Dundas Cactus Festival, Winona Peach Festival, Super Crawl, McMaster Homecoming, BTS World Tour, Santa Clause Parade, Canadian Country Music Awards, Locke Street Festival, World Cup, St. Patrick's Day, and more.

The two charts below illustrate non-patrol deployment for the ACTION Team and the MPU in 2018:





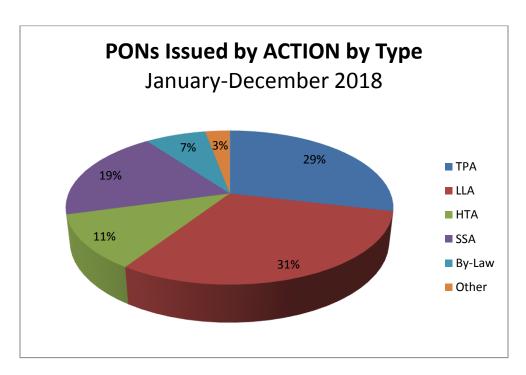
HPS Business Plan (2016-2018)

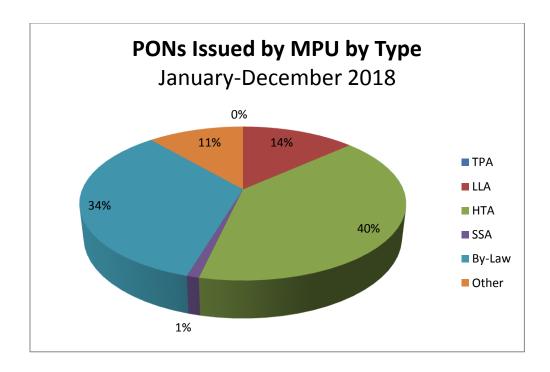
Goal 1.2 Implement effective and innovative approaches to improve traffic safety for pedestrians, cyclists, drivers and passengers

Improving Traffic Safety

The ACTION team strived to improve the safety of the community by issuing a total of 5,346 Provincial Offence and Municipal By-Law Notices in 2018. The majority of the Provincial Offence Notices issued included vehicle, bicycle and pedestrian traffic infractions under the Highway Traffic Act (HTA), City By-Law infractions, as well as Safe Streets Act violations. This breakdown remained unchanged from 2017. The MPU strived to improve the safety of the community by issuing a total of 96 Provincial Offence and By-Law Notices in 2018. The majority of the Provincial Offence Notices issued also included vehicle, bicycle and pedestrian traffic infractions under the HTA, Safe Streets Act violations, and City By-Law infractions. This breakdown also remained consistent with those issued in 2017.

The two charts below illustrate the breakdown of PONs issued by ACTION and the Mounted Police Unit in 2018.





ACTION TEAM

The ACTION Team is a proactive unit of officers who provide strategic and directed high visibility patrols to various neighbourhoods in the city experiencing violent crime or disorder issues. The ACTION team also supports other divisions with; canvasses for investigations, searches for missing persons and evidence and managing demonstrations, protests or rallies. In an effort to foster strong relationships, the ACTION Team continues to attend various community events.

ACTION Team Specific Objectives

HPS Business Plan (2016-2018)

Goal 2.1 Reach out to share information and to build relationships and partnerships by interacting with all communities including Children and Youth, Newcomers, People in Crisis, Seniors and Diverse Groups

Regular Communication and Attendance at BIA, School and Community Events and Meetings

ACTION has continued to foster communication with the Business Improvement Areas by conducting regular patrols of the BIAs and attending several events in the community. Events include; Winterfest, Beer and Wine Festival, Concession Street Sidewalk Sounds Festival, St. Patrick's Day Festivities, Rockton

Fair, Locke Street Festival, Festival of Friends, Dundas Cactus Festival, Winona Peach Festival, Supercrawl, Ribfest, Artcrawl, Buskerfest, Soaring Spirit Aboriginal Day, Canadian Country Music Awards, Remembrance Day Parade, the Santa Clause Parade and sporting events such as the Hamilton Bulldogs.

ProAction Events and Other Community Programs

ACTION continued involvement with area youth through programs including ProAction Cops & Kids, with events such as Umuganda Hamilton which was a friendly soccer game between Rwandan Youth of Hamilton and the HPS, a friendly hockey game between Churchill High School and the HPS, and sporting events at the Hamilton Social Club.

Other community events and youth programs that ACTION Team members have supported and participated in include; Ancaster Community Food Drive, Eva Rothwell Inner City Outreach Ministry bowling event for local at risk youth, Climb for Cancer, Mac Kids Walk & Wheel, Walk a Mile in her Shoes, Movember, Winter Coat Drive, Police in the Park, and Cops and Rodders.

People in Crisis

Working closely with the Social Navigator Program (SNP), ACTION encountered numerous individuals dealing with significant life challenges. Of these, a total of 24 referrals were made to the SNP. ACTION consistently assisted the SNP on a frequent basis with client checks and events such as the Winter Coat Drive.

Overall, these activities have helped our members connect with a diversity of youth and community members. This has fostered positive community relations, and provided support for those challenged individuals so that they may reach their full potential.

HPS Business Plan (2016-2018)

Goal 2.2 Collaborate with communities to help them implement solutions and manage public safety needs

Working with the Public to Share Responsibilities for Community Safety

In 2018, ACTION participated in four Problem Oriented Policing (POP) Projects – Project Leg Day, Project Village, Project Textile, and POP Triple Threat. ACTION was the sole unit who enforced and actively participated in POP Triple Threat. This project was a result of the downtown community expressing concerns regarding the overt levels of Liquor License Act violations, panhandling, and drug use that were

regularly seen in the community. Although those problems were evident throughout the downtown core, three "hot spot" locations were identified – FirstOntario Centre, the Hamilton Federal Building and the Urban Core. ACTION took a zero tolerance approach to this project with the issuing of 807 provincial offence notices, 210 CAD occurrences, 30 arrests, 20 charges, and 82 seizures (seizures consisted of CDSA, LLA, and shopping carts).

HPS Business Plan (2016-2018)

Goal 3.2 Implement and communicate formalized succession and mentoring strategies and tactics for all members that facilitate the transfer of knowledge and reflect the demographics of our communities.

Facilitating Mentoring Opportunities

In 2018, ACTION members continued to job shadow and receive experiential training and knowledge in other specialized units of the Hamilton Police Service which were of interest to them. Members received time in the Sexual Assault Unit, Vice & Drugs, Fugitive Apprehension Unit, MPU, Marine Unit, Surveillance, and the Bail Compliance Unit. This program has continued to afford all participants with the opportunity to obtain valuable "on the job" training, as well as providing exposure to those areas for future career development opportunities.

HPS Business Plan (2016-2018)

Goal 3.4 Increase training to achieve our vision by sharing knowledge and resources in our communities, freeing up time for training and expanding the training budget.

Training and Development

The ACTION Team continued to develop their knowledge base by attending a number of courses, training seminars, and online learning including CPKN.

Training courses completed by members included the initial ACTION annual training week, Public Order Unit, Block Training, Critical Incident Training, MPU training, Dynamic Entry Training, Carbine training, Narcan training, Surveillance Unit training, Bill 175 training, Cannabis Legislation training, Bill C-46 training, OHRC 'Call it Out', and Non-Violent Crisis intervention training.

HPS Business Plan (2016-2018)

Goal 4.1 Keep pace with technology

Exploring New Technologies

The ACTION Analyst utilized the ACCURINT program to assist with identifying geographical violent crime "hot spots" for deployment purposes and trend analysis within the deployment quadrants and other areas of the City. This crime mapping tool was rolled out during 2018-2019 Block Training and is now available for all HPS personnel to utilize.

MOUNTED PATROL UNIT

The Mounted Patrol Unit is a highly visible Police Unit that performs operational police functions, crime prevention, crowd management, and provides search and rescue capabilities. The Mounted Unit is comprised of five horses, and nine officers (including four spares and a supervisor). The MPU works closely with the ACTION Team and responds to areas identified by hotspot analysis that require focused proactive patrol.

Mounted Patrol Unit Specific Objectives

HPS Business Plan (2016-2018)

Goal 1.1 Implement effective and innovative approaches for the Hamilton Police Service to respond to Crime, Safety and Quality of Life Issues

Deployments

The MPU continued to focus on community engagement and crime prevention through high visibility patrols across the City of Hamilton. The MPU deployed to areas of concern that have been identified as geographical crime "hot spots" or special attention areas. Additional areas within the City were strategically identified and benefitted from an increased police presence in response to recent crime trends such as car entries or break and enters (as identified by beat Crime Managers from all three Divisions, Divisional Analysts, and the Action Analyst). As well, the MPU responded to several calls for service to render assistance to patrol units or to alleviate the need for patrol to attend, some of which resulted in arrests and/or charges. The MPU also conducted patrols in Special Attention areas within the divisions. These patrols were directed within specific neighbourhoods in response to violent crime

incidents (ie shooting) had occurred. In 2018 the MPU conducted 138 of these patrols. The MPU met with many community members who expressed their gratitude for the Unit and the increased police presence and reassurance in their neighbourhoods.

HPS Business Plan (2016-2018)

Goal 1.2 Implement effective and innovative approaches to improve traffic safety for the pedestrians, cyclists, drivers and passengers in our communities.

Commitment to Traffic Safety

The MPU conducted enforcement in various problem areas of the City, which resulted in the issuing of several provincial offences notices and warnings. Aside from the issuing of provincial offence notices, the MPU's high visibility often worked as a deterrent. The MPU also conducted enforcement lanes in known problem locations to address traffic concerns, specifically focusing on impaired and distracted driving offences. Problem locations were identified by crime managers and the public and addressed by the MPU.

HPS Business Plan (2016-2018)

Goal 2.1 Reach out to share information and to build relationships and partnerships by interacting with all communities including children and youth, newcomers, people in crisis, seniors and diverse groups.

Maintaining Partnerships with Neighbourhood Groups and BIAs

A significant amount of patrol time was dedicated to Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) throughout the City of Hamilton. These BIAs included Dundas, Waterdown, Ancaster, Stoney Creek, Concession Street, Ottawa Street, Barton Village, Waterdown, Westdale, King Street West, Locke Street, International Village, Downtown, and Main Street West. In total, the MPU made 489 BIA visits in 2018 to the 13 BIA areas. In addition the MPU also frequented the areas of Binbrook and Winona.

The MPU spent 48% of their directed patrol time for 2018 within Division 1, 16% within Division 2, and 36% within Division 3. The deployment strategy provided high visibility for businesses during weekdays and entertainment facilities on weekends and at night. In 2018, patrol time increased within Division 2 by 4% and 6% in Division 3 from 2017. Furthermore, the percentage of patrol time for the MPU averaged 66% throughout the year.

The MPU maintained a relationship with Hamilton Health Sciences who often requested the MPU's presence at the local hospitals. As a result of this request, the MPU made frequent visits and attended community events at the hospitals.

New for 2018, the MPU began a Twitter account (@HPSMounted) to interact even further with communities around the world. This Unit has amassed over 700 followers in 2018 and is one of the most active HPS social media accounts.

Developing and Fostering Relationships with Children and Youth in Area Schools

Between January and December of 2018, the MPU continued to develop and foster relationships with children and youth in area schools through scheduled visits and presentations, as well as library visits. During these scheduled visits, the MPU provided education not only on the Unit but on how to prevent and report crime. As well, the MPU discussed safety, quality of life, and traffic issues. The MPU continued to partnership with McMaster University with a study related to working with people in crisis and the impact of working with horses during patrol in policing scenarios. As well, the MPU hosted various youth groups such as Beavers, Brownies, Sparks, and day camps at the barn to provide education.

HPS Business Plan (2016-2018)

Goal 2.3 Engage the community with meaningful and varied volunteer experiences.

Providing the Community with Meaningful and Varied Volunteer Experiences

The MPU was able to provide a number of meaningful and varied volunteer opportunities to various segments of the community in 2018. Volunteers were utilized by the Unit who had an interest in horses with respect to clean up, and tac in the barn area, grooming of the horses, and in providing assistance with ground support at special events. Additional volunteer opportunity included assistance on MPU training days as "actors" in crowd scenarios. These latter volunteer positions were filled by McMaster and Mohawk co-op students, who were extremely helpful every Wednesday, during both morning and afternoon training sessions throughout the year

HPS Business Plan (2016-2018)

Goal 3.2 Implement and communicate formalized succession and mentoring strategies and tactics for all our members that facilitate the transfer of knowledge and reflect the demographics of our communities.

Utilizing the SPARE Program for Backfilling

The MPU continued to implement the SPARE program with respect to backfilling for full-time members when they were away on holiday, days off, court time, or sick. In 2018, there were four spares who were fully trained MPU Spare Officers that participated in backfilling for any missing full-time MPU Officers. These designated MPU SPARE officers participated in all regular training exercises, numerous special events, and ceremonies.

In other aspects, the entire Unit received consistent training through videos, articles, and riding lessons. This has provided the MPU members with a strong foundation of horse training and riding skills to also assist them for possible future promotion.

HPS Business Plan (2016-2018)

Goal 3.4 Increase training to achieve our vision by sharing knowledge and resources in our communities, freeing up time for training and expanding the training budget.

Continuing to Implement an Officer Fitness Program and Utilizing Equine Professionals to improve both rider and horse

The MPU continued to implement a rider fitness program which took place on a weekly basis during the MPU troop training day. An equine chiropractor was consulted and the service of an OEF (Ontario Equestrian Federation) trainer was also utilized to assist with regular basic training and problem solving with the horses.

All mounts and riders showed improvement over the year. The new training program initiated in 2016, has continued and is instrumental in the improvement of the Unit.

Continuation of Training

In 2018, the new members of MPU all successfully completed 4 months of training with the Toronto Police Mounted Unit. New members also completed a three day training session on Large Animal Rescue by Equine Guelph at the Meaford Fire Department Training Centre. The training provided knowledge and practical skills using real life scenarios in the event that our own, or other large animals within the community, develop or suffer an injury.

BAIL COMPLIANCE UNIT

The Bail Compliance Unit (BCU) is a visible uniform response, supportive to the ACTION Strategy. The mandate of the BCU is to promote public safety and reduce the fear of crime by implementing a Bail Compliance Program. This program is a Service-wide crime prevention initiative intended to identify and manage violent offenders through education and bail compliance investigations. The BCU visits the offenders and sureties following release and provides education concerning the Bail Compliance Program. This includes the consequences of non-compliance by the offender as it applies to both the offenders and the surety.

The strategy holds offenders and sureties accountable. The BCU actively monitors the offender to ensure that they are adhering to the conditions imposed upon them by the courts. The BCU actively searches for and arrests any offenders found breaching court imposed conditions. The HPS remains committed to monitoring violent offenders and strictly enforcing conditions to help prevent future offences. Monitoring and enforcement is done through bail compliance checks, which results in some offenders being arrested and charged. For 2018, the BCU was comprised of two full time Constables and a cadet to assist with administrative duties.

Hamilton Drug Treatment Court

The Hamilton Drug Treatment Court, in cooperation with the HPS, takes a comprehensive approach to reduce the number of crimes committed by a drug dependent offender. The program incorporates judicial supervision, comprehensive substance abuse treatment, random and frequent drug tests, incentives and sanctions, clinical case management, social services support, and bail compliance checks. The approach is aimed at reducing the harm people cause to themselves and to others through their drug use, as well as reducing the risk that these individuals will continue to use drugs and thereby come into conflict with the law. The HDTC began in 2014 with the first offender released into the program on January 29.

Drug Treatment Courts focus on facilitating treatment for drug-motivated offenders who meet specified criteria. They provide an alternative to incarceration by offering an opportunity to complete a drug treatment program. In 2018, the number of offenders that participated in the Hamilton Drug Treatment Court ranged from 7 to 15. Throughout the year some offenders were expelled from the program, new ones joined, and others continued on to success and sobriety.

Bail Compliance Unit Specific Objectives

HPS Business Plan (2016-2018)

Goal 1.1 Implement effective and innovative approaches for the Hamilton Police Service to respond to crime, safety and quality of life issues.

Addressing Violent Crime in the Community

The specific mandate of the BCU is to monitor high risk offenders who have been released on bail for violent crimes. In 2018, the BCU conducted 457 compliance checks, 39 arrests involving bail compliance offenders, and 77 arrests were made regarding non-bail compliance offenders. As well, 36 arrests were conducted by other members of the organization involving Bail Compliance Offenders for a total of 152 arrests in 2018. Of the 152 arrests made by BCU and patrol, 28% of these arrests had a firearms component.

An additional goal was set by BCU in 2018 of continuing the Bail Compliance Check Program for those participating in the Hamilton Drug Treatment Court (HDTC) Program. In 2018, the BCU conducted a total of 415 compliance checks. As a result of these compliance checks and maintaining a zero tolerance approach, the BCU conducted 5 arrests involving members of the HDTC and 2 arrests were made by other members of the organization, totalling 7 arrests involving the HDTC.

New for 2018, the BCU began participating in pre-meetings with Justice Agro, the Federal and Provincial Crowns, Mission Services, the Canadian Mental Health Association, and Duty Counsel in regards to the HDTC participants. As opposed to arresting and incarcerating, the offender is held accountable for their actions but is provided the opportunity to rehabilitate their behaviour. The participants are given the opportunity to receive addiction treatment through programing as opposed to being untreated in custody, thus providing quality of life. The BCU thoroughly vets each applicant to ensure the program would be suitable and beneficial to them. As well, the BCU assists in the selection of housing for the HDTC clients to ensure the residence is suitable for the individual.

Of further significance in 2018 was the number of PONs issued, and the number of criminal intelligence (CI) reports submitted by BCU members. The total number of PONs issued between January and December by BCU members was 39 while the number of CI reports submitted by BCU members was 8. Also, the BCU issued 95 warrants, opened 62 new files, and closed 132 files.

HPS Business Plan (2016-2018)

Goal 1.3 Provide knowledge to the public on how to prevent and report crime as well as safety, quality of life and traffic issues in our communities.

Providing Education and Support to Sureties along with Follow-Up Checks

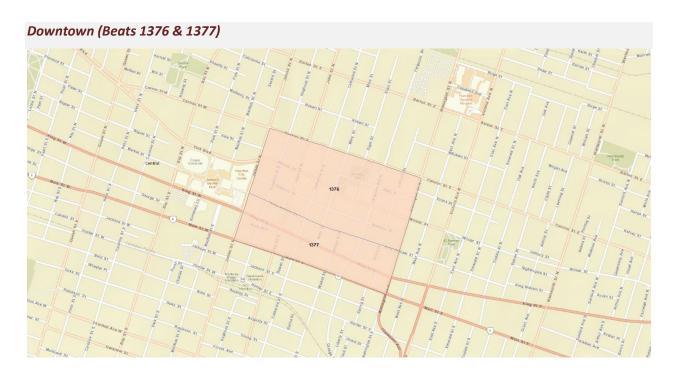
In 2018, BCU continued to provide education and support to sureties with respect to the court process and their responsibilities while released on bail for violent crimes. Associated with this education and support were follow-up checks to ensure that members were abiding by their conditions. In total, BCU conducted 283 surety checks which resulted in 15 surety revocations.

Conclusion

The ACTION Team and the Mounted Patrol Unit have continued to be a valuable resource to the Hamilton Police Service for large community event planning, managing related street level disorder and major incident response. The ACTION Strategy will continue to focus on reducing violent crime and disorder in our neighbourhoods in order to ensure that the City of Hamilton is safe and to improve the quality of life for all residents.

The Bail Compliance Unit has continued to develop and maintain a zero-tolerance approach to violent offenders who have failed to comply with their release conditions. Also, they have provided individuals suffering from drug addiction with the opportunity to receive treatment for their addiction as opposed to being untreated and incarcerated.

Appendix A - Geographical Locations











2018 ACTION Annual Report

Inspector Shawn Blaj
Acting S/Sgt Pete Ranieri

Goals of the ACTION strategy

 To reduce violence and disorder in our neighbourhoods

- To increase safety in the community
- To improve the quality of life for all the citizens in Hamilton

The ACTION strategy includes:



The ACTION Team is a proactive and preventative unit comprised of bike and foot patrol officers divided into five teams, each with a supervisor. They are deployed to the areas of the city that experience violent crime and disorder issues.



The Mounted Patrol Unit is a highly visible Police Unit that performs operational police functions, crime prevention, crowd management, and provides search and rescue capabilities. The Mounted Unit is comprised of five horses, and nine officers (including four spares and a supervisor). The MPU works closely with the ACTION Team and responds to areas identified by hotspot analysis that require focused proactive patrol.



The Bail Compliance Unit is a proactive, crime prevention strategy designed to promote public safety and reduce fear of crime by holding offenders on bail release and their sureties accountable. The 2 officer unit actively monitors the offender to ensure that they are adhering to the bail conditions imposed upon them by the courts. The BCU will actively search for and arrest those offenders who are breaching court imposed conditions.

HAMILTON POLICE SERVICE

Together. Stronger. Safer.

Impact of the ACTION strategy

- The ACTION Team continues to work with each patrol division to support efforts to reduce crime and disorder throughout the City of Hamilton.
- The overall ACTION strategy addresses a variety of Hamilton Police Service and community needs (i.e., demonstrations, protests, community events, offender management, canvasses and searches).

Deployment Areas

Melvin-Oriole Quadrant (McQuesten Neighbourhood)

The Downtown Core & Hess Village



Concession Quadrant (Concession Street)

To violent crime "hot spots" city wide

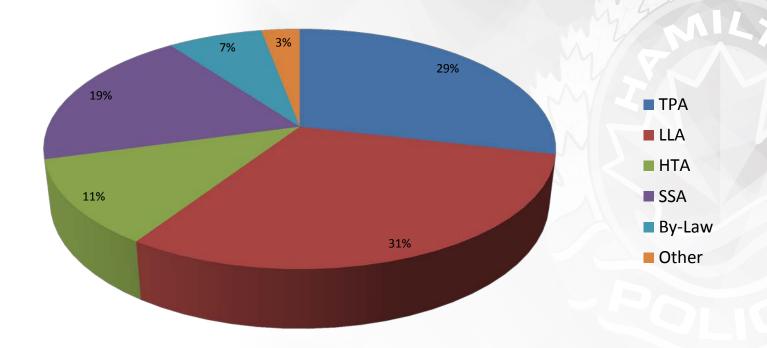
ACTION Deployment Evolution

- Strategic deployment in the communities of Waterdown, Dundas, Ancaster, Binbrook, Stoney Creek, while maintaining a strong presence in the downtown area.
- The strategy allows for a measured, specific response to community concerns which historically would have been the responsibility of front line patrol resources. ie; canvasses, searches, managing protests and demonstrations.
- Expertise through training and deployment is developed among the members of the Action Teams, thereby increasing the unit's effectiveness and efficiency.

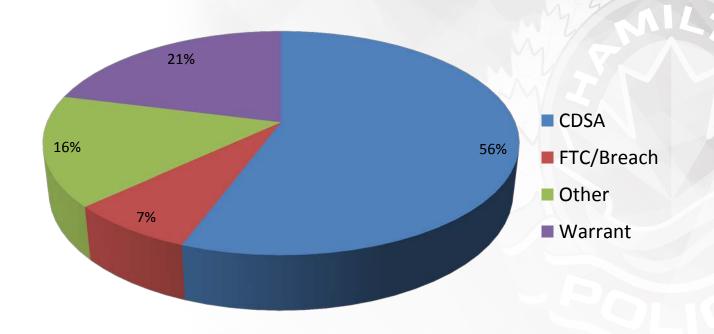
Action Team Quantitative Results 2014 - 2018

Performance Measure Type	2014 Total (January to December)	2015 Total (January to December)	2016 Total (January to December)	2017 Total (January to December)	2018 Total (January to December)
ACTION Arrests	1045	766	656	869	825
ACTION Firearms Seized	*95	*92	3	1	*56
ACTION \$ Drugs Seized	\$32,719.40	\$87,068.10	\$23,917.00	\$81,889.60	\$16,249.25
ACTION PON's	4,683	3,041	3,627	5,049	5,346
ACTION Charges	706	614	477	416	534
ACTION Intel Reports	188	197	151	129	90
SNP Total Referrals	123	156	52	56	24

ACTION Issued PON's By Type January-December 2018



ACTION Arrest Breakdown By Type January – December 2019



Action 2018: A Community & Service Support

- 943 Daily General Patrols
- 510 Warrant Checks
- 265 BIA Checks
- 206 Bar Checks
- 140 Canvasses and Searches
- 88 Community Events
- 42 Parades & Festivals
- 50 Protests/Demonstrations
- 27 Sporting events
- 10 School Events



Mounted Patrol Unit 2018



MPU Performance Measures 2018

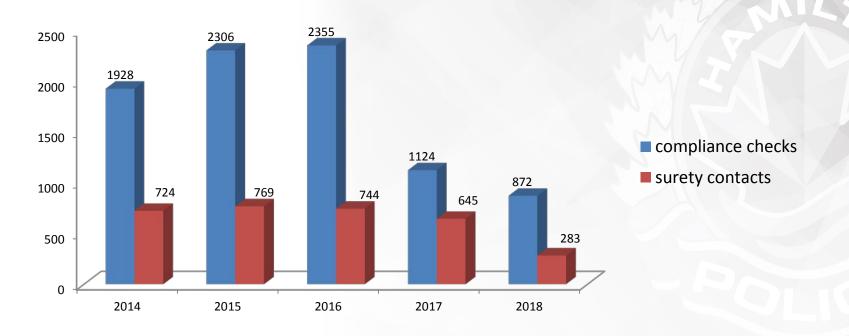
- 489 BIA Visits
- 138 Special Attention Patrols
- 96 Provincial Offence Notices
- 70 Community Events
- 26 School Events
- 13 Parades and Festivals
- 10 Searches
- 4 Protests / Demonstrations
- 4 Arrests
- 4 Sporting Events



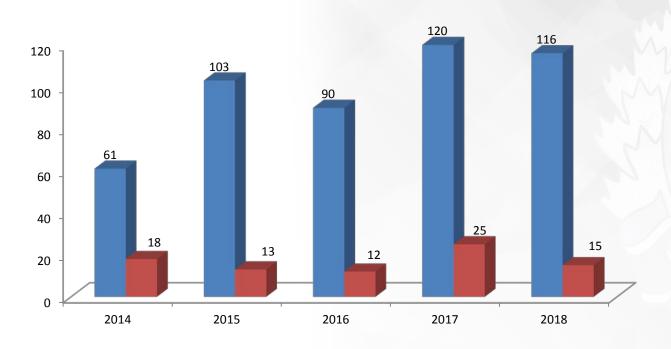
BAIL COMPLIANCE UNIT 2018



Compliance Checks and Surety Contacts by BCU (2014 to 2018/HDTC Not Included)



Arrests and Surety Revocations (2014 to 2018/HDTC Not Included)



ArrestsSurety Revocations

BCU Performance Measures 2018

- 39 Arrests
- 77 Non BCU Targets
- 36 Uniform Arrests
- 7 HDTC arrests (5 BCU)
- 8 Intelligence reports
- 95 Warrants executed

QUESTIONS?

HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

- RECOMMENDATION -

DATE:

October 10, 2019

REPORT TO:

Chairman and Members

Hamilton Police Services Board

FROM:

Lois Morin

Administrator

SUBJECT:

2020 Police Services Board Meeting Schedule

(PSB 19-085)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board consider the following meeting schedule which provides for the regular public meetings of the Board to be held at 1:00pm on a Thursday of each month for 2020 (January, February and August excepted). All meetings will be held at Hamilton City Hall, Council Chambers, 71 Main Street West.

Monday, January 20, 2020

Friday, February 14, 2020

Thursday, March 12, 2020

Thursday, April 16, 2020

Thursday, May 14, 2020

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Thursday, July 23, 2020

Thursday, September 3, 2020

Thursday, October 15, 2020

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Thursday, December 17, 2020

Lois Morin

Administrator

FINANCIAL / STAFFING / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

FINANCIAL - n\a

STAFFING - n\a

LEGAL - n a

BACKGROUND:

Section 3.2 of the board's procedural by-law provides for the Board, at each meeting, to determine the date and time of the next regular meeting or to schedule the meetings in advance.

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Morin, Lois 5.3

From:

Davenport, Alicia

Sent:

September-26-19 2:33 PM

To:

Morin, Lois

Subject:

Hamilton City Council Follow-Up Notice re: Enforcement of One-Meter Law for Cyclist

Safety

Attachments:

Follow up - Item 5, PW Report 19-013 (Enforcement of One-Meter Law for Cyclist Safety

).pdf

Good Afternoon Lois,

I hope that this finds you well and in the best of spirits!

Please be advised that Item 5 of the Public Works Committee Report 19-013 (see attached) was approved by Hamilton City Council on September 25th, 2019. Could I kindly ask you to please place the attached Notice on the next appropriate Hamilton Police Services Board agenda for their consideration?

Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Alicia Davenport Legislative Coordinator

City of Hamilton, Office of the City Clerk 71 Main Street West, 1st Floor Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5 Ph. (905) 546-2424 ext. 2729 Fax. (905) 546-2095

City Clerk's Division COUNCIL FOLLOW-UP NOTICE

DATE: September 26, 2019

TO:

Ms. Lois Morin

Administrator

155 King William Street

Box 1060, LCD1

Hamilton, ON L8N 4C1

FROM:

Alicia Davenport

Legislative Coordinator, Office of the City Clerk

SUBJECT: Enforcement of One-Meter Law for Cyclist Safety (City Wide)

Please be advised that, at its meeting of September 25, 2019, Council approved Item 5 of Public Works Committee Report 19-013, which reads as follows:

5. Enforcement of One-Meter Law for Cyclist Safety (City Wide) (Item 11.2)

That the Hamilton Police Services Board be requested to consider options for the enforcement of the one-meter passing law for cyclist safety, which requires motorists to provide at least one-meter (three feet) of space to cyclists when passing, replicating the enforcement in place in Ottawa, Guelph and other communities using radar devices.

I would kindly request that this matter be added to the next appropriate Hamilton Police Services Board agenda for their consideration.

We look forward to your response! Thank you.

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Morin, Lois

From:

Cameron Kroetsch

Sent:

September-04-19 8:52 AM

To:

Morin, Lois

Subject:

Deputation by the LGBTQ Advisory Committee

Attachments:

Motion_LGBTQAC_May_15_2019.pdf;

LGBTQAC_Hamilton_Police_Services_Board_final.pdf

Hi Lois,

Please find our deputation request attached. I hope it is within the prescribed deadline to be considered for the September meeting. We had passed this motion at a previous meeting and I thought that it had been communicated to you through City of Hamilton staff but I learned that it may not have been so am sending it now. Both documents attached are relevant to the deputation request. Please confirm that it has been accepted for consideration by the Board to speak at the next meeting.

Best,

Cameron

Cameron Kroetsch Chair, LGBTQ Advisory Committee



Hamilton Police Services Board Deputation Request Form

(Request to appear before the Police Services Board)

Please note - The information on this form will be published on a public agenda and therefore released to the public and media. Your Name: LGBTQ Advisory Committee Firm / Organization: (if applicable) E-mail Address: Home Phone: Fax No.: **Business Phone:** Mailing Address: Details of Deputation to be discussed including a summary and the objective(s) of the presentation: We will be deputing with respect to the motion that we put forward at our May 15, 2019 meeting and which was delegated to at the Audit, Finance and Administration committee on September 5, 2019. The text of the motion is attached. We are requesting to depute at the regular September 2019 meeting. X No Will you require a LCD Projector: Yes (Please note, you must bring your own computer) Have discussions or correspondence taken place with a member of the Hamilton Police Services Board or the Administrator? If so, with whom and when? Not that would be applicable to this delegation, from what we know.

Please submit the completed form either in person, via fax or e-mail to:

Administrator Hamilton Police Services Board 155 King William Street P.O. Box 1060, LCD1 Hamilton, ON L8N 4C1

Fax:

905-546-4720

E-Mail: lois.morin@hamilton.ca

Whereas the ceremonial act of displaying Pride flags at City Hall signals to the public that the City of Hamilton commits to solidarity with Hamilton's Two Spirit and LGBTQIA+ citizens, but is not in and of itself an act of solidarity, and

Whereas the City of Hamilton has failed to materially demonstrate solidarity with Hamilton's Two Spirit and LGBTQIA+ citizens through:

- the continued employment of Marc Lemire, a well known figure in the Canadian
 extremist white supremacist movement whose employment at the City of Hamilton
 continues to threaten the safety of all marginalized City staff and volunteers and
 citizens whose private information is stored using the City's IT systems (i.e. delegate
 home addresses, phone numbers, and other personal information); and
- the apparent measures taken by City staff to hide the employment status of Marc Lemire from the public; and
- the recent decision to appoint Fred Bennink (a former auxiliary police officer) to the citizen seat on the Hamilton Police Services Board, despite calls from the community to revisit the decision and appoint a community member from a marginalized group; and
- the City's failure to meet all of the criteria of the 2017 Trans Protocol; and
- the selection process for this term of the LGBTQ Advisory Committee by:
 - arbitrarily (and without the approval of City Council) capping the committee at 9 members (where the committee's mandate does not have a membership limit);
 and
 - not conducting interviews with applicants; and
 - not consulting the previous committee or the wider Two Spirit and LGBTQIA+ community about the process; and
 - as a result, excluding important voices from formal participation on this committee.

Therefore let it be resolved that:

- (a) the annual unfurling and raising of flags at Hamilton City Hall in celebration of Pride month be cancelled in 2019.
- (b) any future ceremonial demonstrations of solidarity with the Two Spirit and LGBTQIA+ community in association with the City of Hamilton's LGBTQ Advisory Committee be contingent upon a satisfactory resolution to the above noted concerns.
- (c) should any event that ceremonially celebrates Pride Month with the intention of signalling the City of Hamilton's solidarity with Two Spirit and LGBTQIA+ citizens occur in 2019, that it will be understood to be occurring without the support of, and in direct opposition of, the expressed wishes of the City of Hamilton's LGBTQ Advisory Committee.
- (d) the event be replaced with an open community discussion at the same time and place as the original event was scheduled, which is May 31, 2019 from 6:00 PM 8:00 PM in the City Hall forecourt.



HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

DEPUTATIONS TO THE HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

The Hamilton Police Services Board is a seven member civilian board that oversees the Hamilton Police Service. As such, the Board must ensure the community is policed effectively and that any and all policing standards issued by the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services are complied with. In essence, the Board is the trustee of the public interest regarding the provision of police services in the community.

The *Police Services Act* however restricts the Police Services Board from directing the Chief of Police with respect to specific operational decisions or with respect to the day-to-day operation of the Police Service.

The *Police Services Act* – Part V, Complaints and Disciplinary Proceedings, Public Complaints made to the Independent Police Review Director which outlines a process for the public to lodge a complaint related to the policies of or service provided by the Police Service, or about the conduct of a Police Officer. Therefore, the Police Services Board cannot receive a delegation if the subject matter relates to a complaint. Further information can be found at www.oiprd.on.ca

Subject to the above, any member of the public may, either on his or her own behalf or as a representative of an organization or group, appear at any public meeting of the Board to make a deputation.

If you wish to make a deputation to the Police Services Board, you must follow these guidelines:

- Provide written notice to the Administrator no later than seven (7) working days prior to the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.
- This notice must contain all contact information and a summary including the objective(s) of the presentation. (Please see the deputation form.)
- Delegation requests are listed on the next appropriate Board Agenda for consideration. It is not necessary for you to be present when your delegation request is being considered.
- Following the Board meeting you will be contacted by the Administrator to advise if your request was approved or denied.
- If your request is approved, you will be provided with possible dates to schedule your presentation.
- Requests from members of the public who have previously addressed the Board on a topic shall not be approved unless they can prove that they have new information to present.

- Presentations shall be limited to five (5) minutes. The Administrator shall time the delegation's presentation.
- The time involved in answering questions from Board Members shall not be included in the time limit for the presentation of submissions.
- Members of the Board shall be limited to ten (10) minutes for questions. Any discourse between members and the delegation shall be limited to members asking questions for clarification and obtaining additional relevant information only.

Criteria for deputations to the Police Services Board:

- Individual complaints are not considered at Board meetings as there is a legislated public complaints process to deal with such matters that must be followed, and the Board must not intervene in that process.
- Individual vendors will not be permitted to present to the Board as there is a City of Hamilton Policy that deals with this matter.
- Any other issue that falls within another Legislative Jurisdiction or policy shall not be permitted.

Lloyd Ferguson, Chair

May 20, 2014

Date

Notes on Process for the Police Services Board:

All timing for deputations and question period, will be managed by the Administrator of the Board with notification at the four (4) minute mark for the presenter (s). The Administrator will notify the Chair when the ten (10) minutes is completed for the question and discussion period.



PERLEY-ROBERTSON, HILL & McDOUGALL LLP/s.r.l.

Lawyers / Patent & Trade-Mark Agents Avocats / Agents de brevets et de marques de commerce MEMORANDUM

TO:

Hamilton Police Services Board

FROM:

Lynda Bordeleau

RE:

External Investigation/Review - Pride at the Park Incident

FILE NO: HPBD0028

DATE:

October 8th, 2019

BACKGROUND

On June 15th, 2019, a Pride festival event was scheduled to take place at Gage Park. Members of a far-right group attended the festival wearing yellow jackets and bearing homophobic signs and loud speakers. A group of counter-protesters in pink masks attended and used a large black curtain to try to shield the other group from view. There was a clash between the two groups which turned violent and several individuals were assaulted. There was apparently an incident at the Pride event in 2018.

The June 15th, 2019 incident began at Hamilton City Hall with a protest held by various individuals wearing yellow jackets. That group then made its way to Gage Park to address the Pride festival. A clash between protestors occurred at Gage Park.

Pride Hamilton organizers criticized the police response at Gage Park. Further, it was alleged that Chief Eric Girt stated words to the effect that police would have deployed differently at the event had they been invited.

Pride Hamilton Board members have also criticized the operational planning undertaken by the Hamilton Police Service prior to the scheduled event.

In July of 2019 the Board agreed to explore the costs and benefits of an independent review of the events leading up to and including the June 15th, 2019 incident. A subcommittee of the Board was struck for this purpose.

SERVICE COMPLAINTS

The Office of the Independent Police Review Director ("OIPRD") has received four complaints – one conduct complaint and three service complaints. The conduct complaint was retained for investigation by the OIPRD and the service complaints were assigned to the Hamilton Police to be investigated in accordance with Part V of the *Police Services Act*.

A complaint about the policies of or services provided by a police service is addressed in section 61(2) of the Act. This section requires the OIPRD to assign a service/policy complaint back to the police service to be dealt with under section 63 of the Act.

Section 63 requires the Chief to address the service/police complaint within 60 days of its referral by the OIPRD. The Chief may seek an extension of that time frame. It is the Board's information that the Chief has requested an extension in relation to the three service/policy complaints referred to him. The Chief has the authority to take any action or no action in response to the complaint as he sees fit.

The Chief is required to submit a written report to the Board and to the OIPRD setting out the disposition of the complaint with reasons. The complainant has 30 days after receiving the notice to request that the Board review the complaint by serving a formal notice under section 63(5) of the Act.

If the Board receives a request to review the complaint, it has the authority under section 63(6) of the Act to take the action in response to the complaint as it considers appropriate. A committee may be appointed by the Board to address the complaint and a public meeting may be held.

EXTERNAL REVIEW PROCESS

Over the course of the summer, the Board was actively engaged in sourcing the best avenue to undertake an external review of the June 15th, 2019 Pride in the Park event. The options identified in July were (1) a systemic review undertaken by the OIPRD; (2) an investigation undertaken by an external legal counsel; or (3) an investigation undertaken by a retired justice.

Option One - OIPRD Systemic Review

Discussions took place with the OIPRD which culminated in a meeting between the Board subcommittee and OIPRD Director Sylvana Capogreco and OIRPD legal counsel Scott Childs on September 24th, 2019. The Board subcommittee had the opportunity to emphasize the strong public interest in proceeding with an external review to assist the Board in maintaining public confidence in policing within the City of Hamilton. Transparency regarding the events that took place on June 15th, 2019 and the police rationale for its deployment and operational plan for that day was important. The Board subcommittee emphasized the need for public consultation and a full public report as part of the process.

It was unfortunate that due to resource issues, the OIPRD declined to take on the systemic review of the Pride in the Park incident. In a letter dated October 1st, 2019, Director Capogreco confirmed the importance of such a review but detailed the reasoning behind the need for her office to decline the mandate. The Board was commended for seeking an independent and transparent review of the issues.

Option Two - External Legal Counsel

The second option for the Board subcommittee to explore is to retain a senior external legal counsel to undertake the review. It is recommend that this legal counsel be independent to the City of Hamilton and have experience in policing issues. We have been provided with names of experienced legal counsel who have undertaken administrative reviews for the OIPRD on systemic issues as well as reviews undertaken on behalf of police services boards.

The Board subcommittee is currently in discussions with counsel regarding a retainer to undertake an external review. The review must be completed prior to the next Pride event. We anticipate the costs of such a review to be in the \$500,000 range.

Option Three - Retired Justice

The third option for the Board subcommittee to explore is to retain a retired justice to undertake the review if a senior legal counsel cannot be obtained. The Board has obtained information from other police services regarding the cost of such a review and anticipate it to be in the one to two million dollar range.

CONCLUSION

It is anticipated that the Board subcommittee will have external counsel selected within the next few weeks with Terms of Reference for an external review process to follow.

Please let me know if the Board requires further information or clarification regarding these matters.

Hamilton Police Services Board

October 10, 2019

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Hamilton Police Services Board approve option 2 as outlined in the Memorandum from Ms. Bordeleau dated October 8, 2019, and

That the committee be tasked with researching and choosing an external legal counsel, and

That the amount of \$600,000 be included in the 2020 Hamilton Police Service Budget Submissions.