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April 5, 2016

City of Hamilton
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Hamilton, ON
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Mayor and Members of Council:

Re: Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report (PSB 16-046)

Attached for your information and attention, please find copies of the Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report for March 2016. This report highlights the following:

- **Hamilton Police Service Victim Services Branch Prostitution Exit Support Services Grant**
- **Cops and Kids Connecting on Ice Connecting in Life**
- **Cops vs Kids Charity Ball Hockey Game**

If you any questions or concerns that may arise from these reports please do not hesitate to contact me at the number below.

Sincerely,

Lois Morin, Administrator
Hamilton Police Services Board

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HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD
- RECOMMENDATION -

DATE: 2016 March 31
REPORT TO: Chair and Members
Hamilton Police Services Board
FROM: Eric Girt
Acting Chief of Police
SUBJECT: *Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report*
(PSB 16-046)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board direct the Administrator of the Board to refer this report, in its entirety, to the City of Hamilton, for information.



Eric Girt
Acting Chief of Police

FINANCIAL / STAFFING / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

FINANCIAL – n/a

STAFFING – n/a

LEGAL – n/a

BACKGROUND:

Hamilton Police Service Victim Services Branch Prostitution Exit Support Services Grant

Recognizing the need in Hamilton to support sex workers who are looking to exit, the Hamilton Police Service Victim Services Branch received a five-year Prostitution Exit Support Services Grant, made possible through the Department of Justice Canada Victims Fund.

The benefits of this grant will augment the existing work of community initiatives and will enhance education and awareness along with providing direct benefits to individuals.

The project's main components are:

- **Billboard and posters with contact information for the Victim Services Branch and organizations that provide options, safe places, resources and supports in the Hamilton region.**
- **Educating agency front line workers on supporting individuals involved in sex work.**

The Victim Services Branch has collaborative partnerships and engages in providing a triage of service for persons exiting sex work which includes: Good Shepherd Notre Dame House, SACHA – Sexual Assault Centre of Hamilton and Area, Elizabeth Fry Society Southern Ontario Region and the Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Care Centre Hamilton Health Sciences.

“This grant will directly support those who are making choices about their next steps in leaving sex work and it will also provide front line agency workers with some resources to do this,” said Theresa Di Clemente, Coordinator, Hamilton Police Service Victim Services Branch.

Hamilton Police Service Victim Services Branch worked with community agencies to develop the campaign strategy that addresses the unique needs of the Hamilton community.

Established in 1992, Victim Services is a Branch within the Hamilton Police Service. Victim Services is the only 24/7 crisis intervention agency for victims of crime and trauma serving the residents of the City of Hamilton. Victim Services Branch responds to the immediate needs of people who have been victimized by crime and/or trauma

such as homicides, suicides, sudden death, assaults, sexual assaults, motor vehicle and fire fatalities, robberies and harassment.

In 2015, HPS Victim Services Branch assisted 2,128 new victims and had 6,127 total contacts with victims including new and existing clients.

Since 2013, the Hamilton Police Victim Services Branch has received approval from the Ministry of the Attorney General and the Hamilton Police Services Board to enter into an agreement to administer the Victim Quick Response Program (VQRP) offering timely financial assistance to victims of violent crime including victims of sexual assault and human trafficking.

Sex Work
Options? Safe Places?
Supports?

Good Shepherd
Noire Dame House (16-21 years old) 905 308 8090

Elizabeth Fry Society
Southern Ontario Region 905 527 3097

SACHA Sexual Assault Centre
905 525 4162

Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Care Centre
905 521 2100 ext.73557

Victim Services Branch Hamilton Police Service
905 546 4904

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Good Shepherd
Elizabeth Fry Society
SACHA
Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Care Centre
Hamilton Police Service

Cops and Kids Connecting on Ice Connecting in Life

The Hamilton Police Service laced up for this year's Cops and Kids Connecting on Ice Connecting in Life skating event. The event was held on March 9, 2016, from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm, at the First Ontario Centre.

This was the third Cops and Kids Connecting on Ice Connecting in Life ProAction event to take place and over 400 elementary school students throughout the Hamilton area are set to attend. This event provides students with a great opportunity to connect with Police Officers, as well as provides Hamilton Police with a great opportunity to engage with youth and build bridges within the community.

Throughout the day, elementary school students not only skated, they also participated in various activities such as colouring contests, basketball shooting contests, a magic show, and more fun zone activities. Students will also be given the opportunity to score

on a Hamilton Police Officer goalie in a fun ball hockey shoot out. Lunch will also be provided by Maple Lodge Farms.

Cops and Kids Connecting on Ice Connecting in Life was developed in 2012 by Hamilton Police Officer Jerome Stewart.

"The idea started with my role as a Youth and School Officer in the north end of Hamilton," said Officer Stewart, "This gave me the opportunity to meet children who many were new residents to the country and others were living under financial restraints. I wanted to give these children the opportunity to enjoy a great Canadian passion, while interacting with Hamilton Police."

ProAction Cops & Kids began their partnership with Hamilton Police in 2008. They support a number of programs including Soaring to Success, Fortis Vitam - Strong for life, SWAMPY and more. To learn more about ProAction Cops & Kids please visit www.copsandkids.ca

This event has been made possible with the assistance and support of the following sponsors: Core Entertainment, Hamilton Bulldogs, Hamilton Waterfront Trust, Maple Lodge Farms, ProAction Cops and Kids, Skate the Dream, and The City of Hamilton.

Cops vs Kids Charity Ball Hockey Game

On Friday, March 11, 2016, Hamilton Police Officers joined students of Our Lady of Lourdes School for a friendly cops vs. kids charity ball hockey game. The event took place from 12:30 - 1:30 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Elementary School, located at 420 Mohawk Road East, Hamilton.

As part of the school's community social justice initiative, Our Lady of Lourdes staff and students had been participating in a month long food drive. The students who had collected the most non-perishable food items had the chance to take a penalty shot on a Hamilton Police officer goalie during the game and win a prize. All of the non-perishable donations were donated to families in need in the Hamilton community.

Along with Hamilton Police Officers, former NHL player Steve Staios attended, as well as Bruiser from the Hamilton Bulldogs.

This is the third charity ball hockey event organized by Hamilton Police and serves as a great community-building event. In addition, hundreds of food items were donated to the Hamilton community.

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