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October 26, 2016

City of Hamilton
71 Main Street West
Hamilton, ON
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Mayor and Members of Council:

Re: Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report (PSB 16-114)

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

- **Service's Project Concern Marks 40th Anniversary of Giving with Giving**
- **Umuganda Hamilton "Act of Service Day" Unites Police and Rwandan Community with a common Purpose**
- **Festive RIDE**

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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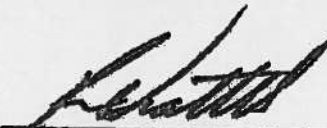
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HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD
- RECOMMENDATION -

DATE: 2016 October 20
REPORT TO: Chair and Members
Hamilton Police Services Board
FROM: Ken Weatherill
Acting Chief of Police
SUBJECT: *Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report*
(PSB 16-114)

RECOMMENDATION:

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



Ken Weatherill
Acting Chief of Police

FINANCIAL / STAFFING / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

FINANCIAL – n/a
STAFFING – n/a
LEGAL – n/a

BACKGROUND:

Service's Project Concern Marks 40th Anniversary of Giving with Giving

For the month of October, 2016, Hamilton Police Service's Project Concern will be running a food drive for The Salvation Army at each of its three (3) police stations. This event is being organized to recognize the 40th Anniversary of Project Concern.

Project Concern is a group of members from the Hamilton Police Service who raise funds from colleagues within the Hamilton Police Service, then disperse donations to charities within our Community.

Its mandate is to provide support to our community by funding various projects that will directly improve the quality of life within our community with an emphasis on community members that have urgent needs.

This is accomplished by providing financial assistance, volunteer hours, and in promoting Project Concern to charitable organizations primarily involved in Health, Children's, and Counseling programs.

In 2015, Project Concern received \$41,619 in contributions from members of the Service. These funds were dispersed amongst 41 charities across the city. Some of the recipients included: Bereaved Families of Ontario, St Joseph's Foundation, McMaster Children's Hospital, Ronald McDonald House, Bob Kemp Hospice, various shelters, Food 4 Kids, Micah House for refugees, and many more.

Its flagship event remains the "It's a Kid's Christmas", celebrated annually at Carmen's Banquet Centre. The management of Carmen's Group, along with many volunteers from the Hamilton Police Service and their families, ensure this event is a fulfilling day for hundreds of underprivileged children. The evening features a great meal, entertainment and a Christmas gift for each child. Many look with anticipation to this event as a way to spread good cheer at a festive time of the year. At the Hamilton Police Service we deeply value our communities, and are keenly aware of the need faced by many of our youth. In many ways this event allows us to build and maintain new and existing relationships with the people we serve.

Umuganda Hamilton "Act of Service Day" Unites Police and Rwandan Community with a Common Purpose

On Saturday, October 15, 2016, from 9:00am to 1:00pm an event celebrating the Umuganda Hamilton "Act of Service Day" took place. There was a friendly game of soccer between the Hamilton Police Service and the Rwandan Youth of Hamilton followed by lunch.

Umuganda, the tradition of coming together with a common purpose, informs the spirit of the event, which focuses on a building positive partnerships between police and the Rwandan Youth of Hamilton.

Special presentations were given by the Hamilton Police Service and the Rwandan/Canadian experience. Special thanks to the HSR and Local 107 for partnership in providing transportation.

The event is part of a larger movement, Umuganda Global, which aims to improve communities throughout the world through an emphasis on solidarity and a communal sense of living.

"It's events like this that really bring people together," says Hamilton Police Cst. Tara Copeland, "It's a great opportunity to build stronger relationships within the Rwandan community."

ProAction Cops & Kids began their partnership with Hamilton Police in 2008. They support a number of programs including, Soaring to Success, Fit Kidz 4 Life, the Blue Line Challenge and more.

Festive RIDE

In its continued commitment to eliminate impaired driving, Hamilton Police will be partnering with the Hamilton Bulldogs to reward drivers for driving sober this holiday season. There will be increased RIDE lanes conducted throughout the City. Drivers who successfully complete RIDE lanes will receive a voucher from the Hamilton Bulldogs with an offer of a free ticket to see an upcoming Bulldogs game. The program will be launched in late November.

Impaired driving is 100% preventable.

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