

HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

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April 15, 2013

City of Hamilton 71 Main Street West Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5

Mayor and Members of Council:

Re: Hamilton Police Service Monthly Reports (PSB 13-050)

Attached for your information and attention, please find copies of the Hamilton Police Service Monthly Reports. These reports highlight the following

- Social Navigator Project
- Hamilton Police and Kiwanis Kids 'Fit' Together
- International Roma Day is April 8, 2013
- National Victims of Crime Awareness Week

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

Sincerely,

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Nancy DiGregorio, Chair Hamilton Police Services Board

Attachments (1)

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HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD - RECOMMENDATION -

DATE:

2013 April 15

REPORT TO:

Chair and Members

Hamilton Police Services Board

FROM:

Glenn De Caire

Chief of Police

SUBJECT:

Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report

(PSB 13-050)

RECOMMENDATION:

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

Glenn De Caire Chief of Police

FINANCIAL / STAFFING / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

FINANCIAL -

n/a

STAFFING -

n/a

LEGAL -

n/a

BACKGROUND:

Social Navigator Project

During the first year of its ACTION strategy, Hamilton Police were continually encountering people who were repeat offenders or "at risk" of becoming involved in criminal behaviour. It became apparent that the judicial system was not the best solution for these individuals and more needed to be done. The concept of creating a Social Navigator to refer "at risk" people and those who have had repeat interactions with the HPS to the appropriate agencies was developed in partnership with HPS and the City of Hamilton and the Hamilton Paramedic Service. The following table outlines the Social Navigator referrals:

CATEGORY	NUMBER OF NAVIGATIONS	NOTES
Mental Health Case Management	37	These are the services in the community such as Canadian Mental Health Association.
Income	9	Ontario Works, ODSP, CPP, OAS, GIS, other
Withdrawal Management	29	Navigation toward Addiction Services in Hamilton and area
Employment Counseling	9	To provide assistance with skills training or job search
Mobility Needs	2	Wheelchairs, scooters, public transportation
Primary Health Care	21	Navigation toward hospital or family healthcare
Financial Trusteeship	1	Voluntary program
Housing/Shelter	24	Can be from street to shelter or shelter to home.
Other	14	Needs such as clothing, food, dentist.
Total Navigations since 07/2011		9 Assessments by the Social Navigation Program

Hamilton Police and Kiwanis Kids 'Fit' Together

Hamilton Police and the kids from the East Kiwanis Community Centre are working out with brand new CrossFit equipment. Dozens of kids turned out at the official reopening of the gym on March 26, 2013.

Since the fall of 2012, every Tuesday and Thursday, off-duty Hamilton Police officers have been leading a Fitness for Youth program. In the program, dozens of kids have been challenging themselves to get fit using the CrossFit equipment.

Through a generous donation by ProAction Cops and Kids, Hamilton Police Officer John Curtis has been able to purchase additional equipment for the East Kiwanis gym.

ProAction Cops & Kids is a charity that funds programs, developed and run by police officers, to reach out to youth in our communities. The goal is to build mutual trust and respect between cops and kids, breaking down stereotypes and improving the safety of our communities for everyone. The Hamilton Chapter was established in 2008 and Hamilton Police have organized dozens of events and programs.

International Roma Day is April 8, 2013

In recognition of the International Roma Day on April 8th, 2013, the Hamilton Police Service and members of the local Roma community participated in a Roma/Police Dialogue Session at Central Police Station.

International Roma Day was officially declared in 1990. April 8th is a day that focuses on the persistent challenges faced by Roma people as well as a "day to highlight the protection and promotion of Human Rights of all people, but especially the Roma people worldwide".

This joint session organized by the Service's Community Relations Co-ordinator, offered both the Roma and police community an opportunity to gather, break bread and increase awareness and understanding of both respective communities.

National Victims of Crime Awareness Week

To mark National Victims of Crime Awareness Week, Hamilton Police Service Victim Services Branch invites all citizens to attend an Opening Ceremony, Plaque Re-Dedication and Victims Services Branch Open House on Tuesday, April 23, 2013 10:00 a.m. Central Police Station's front courtyard at 155 King William Street.

Meet our Victim Services Branch Volunteers who will be pleased to host your tour of this safe and respectful environment that reflects the Hamilton Police Service's commitment to victims of crime and trauma.

GD/C. Martin