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MEMORANDUM TO: All Chiefs of Police and
Commissioner Thomas Carrique
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SUBJECT: **Crime Prevention Week 2019 – Provincial Theme and Approach**

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This year, the week of November 3 to 9, 2019, has been designated Crime Prevention Week in Ontario. As you know, Crime Prevention Week provides an opportunity to showcase the successful collaborative efforts between police services and community organizations as they work towards the common goal of preventing crime and creating safe, resilient communities across Ontario.

This year's provincial theme is **“Preventing Crime, Protecting People.”** The theme enables police services to promote the benefits of not only a justice response, but a holistic community approach to addressing local crime and issues related to safety and well-being. It is important that the police continue to leverage the strengths of community partners to enhance frontline responses and ensure those in need receive the right response, at the right time, and by the right service provider. Everyone plays a role in preventing crime and keeping Ontarians safe!

As in previous years, the ministry will use social media during Crime Prevention Week to showcase various local initiatives that promote a collaborative approach to crime prevention and overall community safety and well-being (e.g., Mental Health Crisis Response Teams, Situation Tables). If your police service is interested in submitting an initiative, please complete the attached template (**Appendix A**) and email it to Jwan.Aziz@ontario.ca by **October 18, 2019**, along with a photo that the ministry has permission to use on social media.

The ministry will review the information and photos provided and may use submissions to create tweets that will be posted on [@ONsafety](#).

Police services across the province are also encouraged to use the hashtag **#CPWeek2019** to promote their local events and activities, as well as retweet and follow the ministry throughout Crime Prevention Week. In addition, if you are planning an activity/event for Crime Prevention Week and you would like to share it with the ministry, please complete the template attached as **Appendix B** and email it to Jwan.Aziz@ontario.ca by **October 28, 2019**.

The ministry has also developed an electronic shareable to help promote Crime Prevention Week. Please visit the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police website (www.oacp.ca) to access the shareable.

If you have any questions about this year's provincial approach to Crime Prevention Week, please contact Jwan Aziz, Community Safety Analyst, at Jwan.Aziz@ontario.ca or (416) 212-1979.

As always, I would like to thank the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police for their ongoing support in providing valuable input throughout the planning process and for posting Crime Prevention Week information and materials on their website.

Sincerely,



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Attachments