



Grey Bruce OPP Detachment Board
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July 17, 2025

The Honourable Doug Ford, MPP
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Sent via email: Premier@ontario.ca

The Honourable Doug Downey
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**Re: Appeal to the Ministry of the Solicitor General for Reinstatement of
Provincial Funding**

Dear Premier and Minister,

Please be advised that at its June 24th, 2025, Board Meeting, the Grey Bruce OPP Detachment Board passed the following resolution:

OPP2025-023

Moved By: Member Carol Reaney

Seconded By: Member Monic Singh Soares

Approved

Whereas under the former Police Services Act, 1990, municipalities received provincial grant funding to offset the costs associated with the appointment of provincial representatives to local police services boards;

And whereas the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 (CSPA) came into effect on April 1, 2024, consolidating multiple individual police services boards into regional OPP Detachment Boards, thereby streamlining governance across jurisdictions;

And whereas the establishment of Detachment Boards under the CSPA has resulted in a reduction in the number of provincial appointees required in OPP-policed municipalities, yielding cost savings for the Province of Ontario;

And whereas the CSPA was designed to enhance community engagement and local governance in policing, yet the withdrawal of provincial funding undermines this intent by shifting the financial burden entirely onto municipalities and local taxpayers;

And whereas during the development of both the 2024 and 2025 Board budgets, it was understood that provincial funding would be provided in support of Detachment Board operations;

And whereas it has since been confirmed that the Province will not be providing the anticipated contribution of \$6,600, a figure previously expected as part of ongoing provincial support;

Now therefore be it resolved:

1. That a formal request be submitted to the Premier of Ontario and the Ministry of the Solicitor General, respectfully requesting the reinstatement of the annual \$6,600 in funding to support the ongoing operations and governance of the Grey Bruce OPP Detachment Board; and
2. That a copy of the letter be circulated to all participating municipalities within the Detachment Board area, all Municipal Councils and Police Services Boards throughout Ontario, as well as to the Member of Parliament (MP) and Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP) for Grey Bruce—Owen Sound.

Sincerely,

Jodi Ward




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Board Administrator

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CC: All participating municipalities within the Detachment Board area
All Ontario Municipal Councils
All Police Services Boards throughout Ontario via OAPSB distribution

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