



## HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

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December 20, 2013

City of Hamilton  
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Mayor and Members of Council:

**Re: Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report (PSB 13-124)**

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

- **Road Safety Update**
- **Pizza, Pasta and Presents as Hamilton Police hold annual It's a Kid's Christmas**
- **Hamilton Police Issue Tickets in RIDE Lanes**

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

Sincerely,

Lois Morin, Administrator  
Hamilton Police Services Board

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### - RECOMMENDATION -

**DATE:** 2013 December 16  
**REPORT TO:** Chair and Members  
Hamilton Police Services Board  
**FROM:** Glenn De Caire  
Chief of Police  
**SUBJECT:** *Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report*  
*(PSB 13-124)*

#### **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:**

##### **Road Safety Update**

In the first ten (10) months of 2013, there have been 7,001 collisions on our roadways which is down 3.5% from the same time period the previous year. Hamilton Police have issued over 59,000 traffic tickets. Police have made 435 alcohol-related driving arrests – 141 of those arrests came from Operation Lookout, which encourages citizens to call 911 if they suspect an impaired driver. On average, 19,000 vehicles are pulled over in RIDE lanes conducted throughout the city. So far in 2013, there have been over 192,000 cars pulled over.

Safety on our roadways continues to be a priority for Hamilton Police Service and we are utilizing social media to share road safety tips and reminding citizens that compliance is free and safer.

**Pizza, Pasta and Presents as Hamilton Police hold annual It's a Kid's Christmas**

In the spirit of giving, the Hamilton Police Service and Carmen's are making the holidays a little more joyful for families and children in need on December 9, 2013.

It's A Kid's Christmas is the yearly Christmas party organized by the Hamilton Police Service's Project Concern. The children and their families are chosen on a needs basis by area schools. Over 300 children will be at this year's party and approximately 50 Hamilton Police officers have organized and will be volunteering at the event.

The Hamilton Police Service has two (2) key partners for this event. Established in 1978, Carmen's Banquet Centre donates the hall and provides food for the Christmas party. Wills Bus Lines donates the transportation for the children and their families. Hamilton Police provide the gifts and entertainment for the kids. There's even a special guest appearance by the man himself – Santa Claus!

Project Concern is a community outreach program, which members of the Service contribute to through payroll deduction. It is the in-house charity of the Hamilton Police Service, and it was created in 1976 by Sgt. John Carrick (Ret.) and Sgt. John Kenyon (Ret). Besides the payroll deductions, there are fundraising events, barbecues and private donations.

For the Service, it is a way to give back to the community in which they serve. It is about fostering and maintaining positive community relationships. While It's a Kid's Christmas is the signature event of Project Concern, the program also contributes to other organizations within the Hamilton community, which supports people, and especially children, in need.

**Hamilton Police issue Tickets in RIDE lanes**

It is one of the few crimes that is 100% preventable. It is impaired driving and the Hamilton Police Service will be increasing its number of RIDE lanes for the holiday season in its ongoing attempt to increase safety on our roads. So far, in 2013, there have been over 100,000 cars pulled over in RIDE lanes, which are conducted throughout the city. Hamilton Police have made 750 alcohol-related arrests and, sadly this year there has been one (1) fatal collision where alcohol was a factor. This resulted in two (2) deaths.

The Service has partnered with the Hamilton Bulldogs Hockey Club and is handing out 7,500 vouchers for Bulldog tickets at its RIDE lanes.

GD/C. Martin