



HAMILTON POLICE SERVICE DIV. 2 EAST END NEWSLETTER

Division Two provides policing services from Sherman Avenue on the west to the east border of Stoney Creek, and north from the mountain brow to Lake Ontario.

POP PROJECTS

To address crime trends and community concerns in a specific area, officers will create a POP Project (Problem Oriented Policing Project). Some projects run for a few weeks while others are active all year. To date, officers have participated in the following POP Projects in Division 2:

Project Focus

When a spike in crime has been recognized, Project Focus is initiated in the geographical location mobilizing several resources and essentially flooding the area with police visibility in an effort to curb the activity. Some of the resources deployed are; RIDE Lanes, Park and Walks, Traffic Enforcement, Lock It or Lose It (LIOLI) Education Campaigns, Mounted Patrol Unit, ACTION Unit bicycle patrols, Auxiliary Police Officers, Bike Patrols and Volunteer lead Traffic Programs (Speed Watch, Stop Sign, and Red Light).

Project Focus has been launched in the following geographical areas referred to as Beats:

2102 Beat - Barton to Cannon St and Gage Ave to Ottawa St (Prior to Focus: 11 Mischief to Property Reports - During: 1 mischief to property (Active from April 13 to April 30)



2211 Beat - King St to the Escarpment and Gage Ave to Kenilworth Ave (Prior to Focus: 13 Break and Enters - During: 2) (Active from July 5 to July 26)

2316 Beat - Redhill Parkway to Centennial Parkway and Barton St to King St (Prior to Focus: 8 Break and Enters and 7 Thefts from Autos. During: 1 Break and Enter (Active from March 25 to April 12)

In each and every Project Focus the crime statistics have dropped dramatically throughout the duration of the project. Here is an example of the projects success in the McQuesten area.

2314 Beat - Barton St to Queenston Rd and Parkdale Ave to Redhill Parkway (Active from March 1 to March 23)



Pre-FOCUS Crimes:

(Jan 1-Feb 29)
6 Break & Enters
2 Robberies
2 Theft from Autos
2 Stolen Vehicles
1 Recovered Stolen Auto
1 Sexual Assault

During the FOCUS Crimes:

(Mar 1-Mar 24)
0 Break & Enters
0 Robberies
0 Theft from Autos
0 Stolen Vehicles
0 Recovered Stolen Autos

Projects Textile and Village

There are two BIA areas in Division Two. Officers proactively patrol the area on foot, engaging with the public and business owners. The projects are named after the characteristics of the area.

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Ottawa St. Project Textile and Downtown Stoney Creek Project Village. In the first six months of the year, Officers have made 287 visits to these BIA areas.

Project Truck Stop

Project initiated to deal with Heavy Truck Complaints. 18 Tickets have been issued and on 4 occasions our Volunteers/Auxiliaries have participated.

Project Groundhog

This is a crime prevention program where officers check individuals released into the community on Judicial Releases. In the first six months, officers have made over 65 checks, ensuring offenders are obeying their court conditions.

Project Leg Day and Quadzilla

This project encourage officers to get out of their cruisers and do foot patrols in their beats. Officers often proactively check: apartment building lobbies, stairwells, parks, alleys, and parking lots. Between January and June officers participated 457 foot patrols. These patrols also led to several proactive arrests.

Project Slide 2

In an effort to improve the safety of the RHVP, officers participate in high visibility patrol and enforcement. This has led to 372 tickets being issued.

Project Thomas

Thomas increases police visibility on the kilometers of railway lines in our area. It also teaches children about railway safety. During the project, 29 provincial offence notices were issue, 22 people were warned about trespassing, and 2 safety presentations were done at area schools.

Project Recess

For one month additional traffic enforcement was initiated in the area of schools with the highest number of traffic complaints. This led to 40 provincial offence notices being issued.

Project Sidewalk

This project is a combination

of enforcement and education to address the large number of complaints about people riding bicycles on sidewalks. In two months 51 offence notices were issued, and six people were arrested for outstanding warrants and drug offences.

Project Night Rider

Officer's conducted bike patrols: in alleyways, on trails and any high crime areas. The Project's main focus was: drugs, prostitution, mischiefs to property and other quality of life issues. The 27 patrols led to 23 offence notices being issued and 10 arrests for a variety of offences.

Project Breakdown

Divisional Safety Officers across the Police Service set up Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Inspection Lanes with: the MTO, Crown Prosecutors and City of Hamilton Divisions (Special Enforcement & Public Health). This project is scheduled to operate eleven times between May and October. Seventy percent (70%) of the vehicles failed inspection leading to thousands of dollars in fines. This is an effort to enhance traffic safety by removing unsafe commercial vehicles from our roadways.



PROACTION AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

Throughout the year our Support Staff (School Officers, Community Services Officer and our Divisional Youth Officers) are regularly involved in many events. School & Youth Officers plan, organize and participate in school based events including ProAction Events. These events help to build positive relationships with our youth. Our Community Services Officer is responsible for coordinating a police presence at our Community Events

ProAction Events

Basketball Game - Arrell Youth Centre

Serve Ping Pong - Event held for indigenous Youth

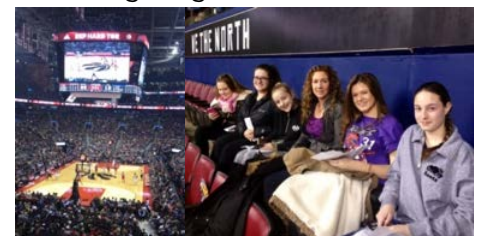
Connecting on Ice/Connecting in Life - First Ontario Centre

Skiing at Glen Eden - Special Needs Class from Delta High School

ProAction Badminton Tournament at Sir Winston Churchill School



ProAction Raptors Game - Girl Gab Mentoring Program



Blue Line Challenge - Hockey Game with Students from Saltfleet High School



Tim Hortons Camp Day - Students from Prince of Wales School



COMMUNITY & OTHER EVENTS

During the first six months of the year our Officers have attended and participated in many community events. Some of the highlights include: Citizenship Ceremony, Special Olympics at area High Schools, Prince of Wales Leadership Camp, Pink Day BBQ, Kiwanis Boys & Girls Club Open House and McQuesten Urban Farm.

Cram a Cruiser - Food Drive



SENIOR SUPPORT OFFICER

Our Senior Support Officer investigates alleged incidents of abuse, both financial and physical, neglect issues and general quality of life concerns (55 investigations). Referrals are made to our community partners when matters are deemed non-criminal. To date, over 30 referrals have been made to different community agencies to assist seniors that are still currently living in their own homes in the community. The SSO also prepares and delivers presentations to: community organizations, retirement homes and senior groups on topics of Elder Abuse, Frauds and Scams (17 presentations).

SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICERS & COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICER

Our Division has three Officers assigned to take care of our schools. Their responsibilities involve: proactive policing our schools, school properties as well as nearby locations where students congregate. The School Liaison Officers respond to and take appropriate action in relation to emergency and public disorder incidents on or near school property. They also liaise with: school board officials, school staff, fellow youth officers, detectives, traffic safety and other areas of the service in relation to policing and school-related issues and incidents. Our Community Services Officer is responsible for all of our 46 Elementary Schools as well

as organizing and participating in our community events.

These Officers also give presentations at our schools and community groups on various subjects including: Bullying, Sexting, Substance Abuse, Internet Safety, Pedestrian Safety, Police Helping to Keep People Safe, Personal Safety and Crime Prevention. They coordinate restorative Justice Circles. These Circles are a diversion program for youths, providing accountability for minor criminal offence, while keeping them out of the judicial process.

Statistics from January to June include: 185 Presentations, 448 External & Internal Meetings, 708 School Visits, 123 Investigations, 91 School Lockdown Drills, 12 Conference & Training Seminars, 34 Restorative Justice Circles.

DIVISIONAL YOUTH OFFICERS

Our two DYOs are responsible for reviewing any incidents involving young persons within our community.

In cases where youth have limited police involvement and are genuinely remorseful for their actions, a youth diversion program can be offered. Our Divisional Youth Officers administer the diversion through programs provided by the John Howard Society. Year to date, 35 individuals have been referred to the John Howard Society, with approximately 95% of these cases resulting in successful completion of the program. Most youths who have successfully completed the diversion program do not go on to commit subsequent offences.

The Divisional Youth Officers also monitor high risk youth through the administration of the Strategic Targeted Offender Program (STOP), ensuring that offenders abide by the conditions set out by the courts and

youth probation. As of June 30th, the Youth Officers and Patrol Officers have conducted 250 checks on approximately 20 high risk youths in our community

Youth and School Officers collectively work together when conducting drug sweeps at our schools. This year 42 sweeps have resulted in: 20 persons being arrested (3 Charged, 11 Pre-Charge Diversions, 6 Police Cautions). Officers seized 51.3 grams of marihuana and 9 drug items.

TRAFFIC SAFETY AND OUR DIVISIONAL SAFETY OFFICERS

Our three Divisional Safety Officers are responsible for: road safety, investigating motor vehicle collisions, managing traffic complaints and assisting Patrol Officers when required.

How are Traffic Complaints managed ? So far this year our two Crime Managers have received approximately 120 traffic complaints. The first step is to send out our volunteers to the complaint. They record the licence plates of violators who are sent warning letters. Volunteers monitor stop signs, traffic lights, or set up a mobile speed tracking sign. Once the volunteers confirm the traffic problem, it is forwarded for "action". The complaint location is then forwarded to the Beat Officers along with the Divisional Safety Officers for enforcement.

From January 1 - June 30th Patrol Officers and our three Divisional Safety Officers have collectively issued 10,285 Provincial Offence



Notices (aka: tickets). Some of the most common offences include: Red Lights, Stop Signs, Speeding, Distracted Driving, Motor Vehicle Collision Investigations, Drive No Licence and Fail to surrender documents.

How often are RIDE Lanes conducted? Patrol Officers are mainly responsible for conducting our RIDE Lane Program in the Division. During the first six months of the year our RIDE Program has set up lanes on 436 occasions resulting in 48,545 vehicle stops and checks. Officers stop drivers to question them about their consumption of alcoholic beverages while also looking for other things such as: wanted persons, evidence of drug usage and equipment violations.

HPS VOLUNTEERS AND AUXILIARY OFFICERS

HPS Volunteers are regularly called upon to assist with Traffic Complaints, Lock It Or Lose It Campaigns and Crime Alert notifications. To date our Volunteers have participated in: 27 Speed Watch Programs, 19 Red Light Programs, 25 Stop Sign Programs, 98

LIOLI Campaigns and 3 Crime Alert Notifications.

HPS Auxiliary Officers attend our Division quite regularly to: accompany Patrol Officers during their tour of duty, assist with Ride Lanes, conduct equipment audits and restocking of our fleet, maintain our HPS bicycles and attend some community events in a support capacity.

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