



**GREATER SUDBURY POLICE SERVICES BOARD**  
**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2021, 10 A.M.**  
**Zoom**

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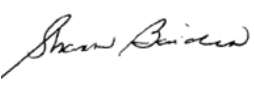

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## GREATER SUDBURY POLICE SERVICE BOARD REPORT

<b>ACTION: FOR INFORMATION</b>	<b>DATE:</b> September 3, 2021
<b>PUBLIC</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> <b>NOTES OF APPRECIATION</b>	
<b>STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2019-2021</b> <b>Strategic Theme:</b> Our Members & Our Inclusive Workplace <b>Goal:</b> 3 - Improved member recognition, succession planning and career development opportunities	
Prepared by:  Sharon Baiden Chief Administrative Officer 	Recommended by:  Paul Pedersen Chief of Police 

**RECOMMENDATION:** FOR INFORMATION ONLY

### **CURRENT SITUATION:**

**Acting Sergeant McDonald, Constable Goddard, Constable Sanders, Constable Lacasse and Constable Halliday-Snow**

Officers responded to a call pertaining to an emotionally disturbed individual. A community member reached out to the Service to express their appreciation and gratitude for their professionalism, compassion and respect while attempting to de-escalate the situation.



## GREATER SUDBURY POLICE SERVICE BOARD REPORT

<b>ACTION: FOR INFORMATION</b>	<b>DATE:</b> August 26, 2021
<b>PUBLIC</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> <b>INTERNAL PROMOTIONS</b>	
<b>STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2019-2021</b> <b>Strategic Theme:</b> Our Members & Our Inclusive Workplace <b>Goal:</b> 3 - Improved member recognition, succession planning and career development opportunities	
Prepared by:  Sharon Baiden Chief Administrative Officer	Recommended by:  Paul Pedersen Chief of Police

### RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

### BACKGROUND:

Promotions within the Service are guided by an internal procedure which includes many stages of screening and competition. These include examinations, interviews and consideration of previous experience. The procedure is regularly reviewed and updated through a Committee which is jointly chaired by a member of the Service's administration and a representative of the Police Association. Recommendations are made and presented to the Chief of Police for final determination as to those who will be confirmed in the various ranks as vacancies occur.


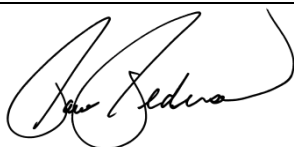
### CURRENT SITUATION:

Newly promoted members are typically introduced to the Board during a public session of the Board. Due to COVID restrictions, these introductions have not occurred. The following members have recently been promoted as detailed below.

Staff Sergeant Barry Ornella  
Staff Sergeant Laura Wawryszyn  
Sergeant Joshua Rickard  
Sergeant Greg Major  
Sergeant Robert Spec



## GREATER SUDBURY POLICE SERVICE BOARD REPORT

<b>ACTION: FOR APPROVAL</b>	<b>DATE:</b> April 27, 2021
<b>PUBLIC</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> <b>PROVINCIAL DIGITAL EVIDENCE MANAGEMENT SOLUTION MOU</b>	
<b>STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2019-2021</b> <b>Strategic Theme:</b> Policing with Excellence & Professionalism <b>Goal:</b> 1 - Effective and efficient deployment of resources	
Prepared by:  Sharon Baiden Chief Administrative Officer 	Recommended by:  Paul Pedersen Chief of Police 

### RECOMMENDATION:

**THAT the Board enters into an agreement with the Solicitor General by way of an MOU that allows the Greater Sudbury Police Service to join the Provincial Digital Evidence Management Solution (DEMS) as provided for by Axon Public Safety Canada Inc. at a cost of approximately \$63,000 with funds to be drawn from the Communications Operating account.**

### BACKGROUND:

In 2020, the Ontario Solicitor General (SOLGEN) chose Axon as their platform for a provincial digital evidence management solution. SOLGEN is paying for some of the onboarding and storage costs for all Ontario police agencies that join the Provincial DEMS.

This DEMS solution will provide the GSPS with a digital disclosure solution to our local crown, a digital evidence capture solution for all of our officers, a public facing “Citizen” solution for uploading of evidence from homeowners and businesses and other valuable tools. There are also economies of scale when included in the purchase of our new conductive energy weapons and our future purchase of body worn cameras.

**CURRENT SITUATION:**



SOLGEN has completed the phase one rollout to the first four trial adopters in the province and are now moving on to phase two of their roll out. This phase continues rolling out agencies that have expressed an interest in joining the Provincial DEMS.

Chief Pedersen has previously notified the SOLGEN of our interest and requested to be next on the list as we are prepared to proceed. SOLGEN has requested the GSPS complete, sign, and return the MOU to them as soon as possible in order to proceed with the onboarding process.

The current cost of the program is suggested to be approximately \$62,857 annually payable to Axon Public Safety Canada. This does not include the provincial rebates for onboarding and storage, nor does it include discounts the GSPS will receive for the purchase of the new Taser 7 CEWs. As more agencies join the Provincial DEMS, the deeper the discounts are to the agencies.



## GREATER SUDBURY POLICE SERVICE BOARD REPORT

<b>ACTION: FOR APPROVAL</b>	<b>DATE:</b> August 11, 2021
<b>PUBLIC</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> <b>CONDUCTED ENERGY WEAPON PROCUREMENT</b>	
<b>STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2019-2021</b> <b>Strategic Theme:</b> Policing with Excellence & Professionalism <b>Goal:</b> 1 - Effective and efficient deployment of resources	
Prepared by:  Sharon Baiden Chief Administrative Officer 	Recommended by:  Paul Pedersen Chief of Police 

### RECOMMENDATION:

**THAT the Board enters into an Agreement with Axon Public Safety Canada Inc. to purchase/lease to own the CEW Taser 7 Fleet for GSPS at an estimated annual cost of \$264,981 annually (not including taxes) for a period of five years for a total cost of \$1,324,907 (not including taxes) with funds to be drawn from the Capital Financing Reserve Fund.**

### BACKGROUND:

Conducted Energy Weapons (CEWs) have been in use by police in Ontario since 2002. CEWs are one of several less-than-lethal options available to police officers in Ontario. A CEW is not designed to cause permanent damage but instead to achieve control over a subject through neuromuscular incapacitation. In accordance with Ministry Standards, the Use of Force Model, and Greater Sudbury Police Service Use of Force procedures, a CEW can only be used to gain control when a subject is assaultive as defined by the Criminal Code and/or based on the totality of the situation. This includes an imminent threat of serious bodily harm or death as well as suicide threats or attempts.

CEWs are classified as one of the intermediate weapons options available in the Ontario Use of Force Model and Guideline. Its deployment would be considered in the context of all options available.

Until 2014, only front-line supervisors and officers who are members of tactical units, hostage rescue teams, and containment teams have been permitted to carry CEWs. In 2014, the Ministry initiated a comprehensive review to explore the advisability of expanding the deployment of CEWs. Following a comprehensive review, the Minister decided to allow local police services to determine which officers should be permitted to carry CEWs based on their local needs.

At that time, the Board endorsed the expansion of CEWs through the creation of a pooled resource which should be available to all officers working primarily in a front-line capacity. This system has served well since its inception.

### **CURRENT SITUATION:**

The CEWs currently in use have served the organization well. This fleet has now come to end of useful life and are due to be replaced.

In October 2020, the Solicitor General announced the approval of the TASER 7 conducted energy weapon for use by police in Ontario. This decision was informed by extensive research and testing

A full review has been completed on the most appropriate replacement and procurement A team engaged has recommended that, the Service should now move to individual issue for each officer assigned to a patrol operational function, courts and r members assigned to criminal investigations branch including Drugs, Break, Enter and Robbery and Intelligence.

This procurement is subject to Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA), the trade agreement with the European Union. GSPS can only purchase this product from a vendor who is the only approved vendor within Canada.

This is a sole source procurement; therefore, the following applies from Canadian Free Trade Agreement (CFTA):

CFTA Article 513/ CETA – Article 19.12 Exemption:

*1. (b) if the goods or service can be supplied by only a particular supplier and no reasonable alternative or substitute goods or services exist for any of the following reason: (iii) due to absence of competition for technical reasons.*

Through the finance section, it has been confirmed that this is a sole-source purchase. City procurement has also been engaged and provided with the noted details.

Axon Public Safety Canada Inc. provides the purchase of CEWs through what is known as a bundled program Certification Plan. This provides acquisition over a five-year period which



includes all items required during the first five years. The estimated annual cost for 5 years is detailed below.

<b>CEW ESTIMATED PAYMENT PLAN</b>		
<b>Year</b>	<b>Payment Dates</b>	<b>Amount Due (without tax)</b>
Year 1	Aug-21	\$ 264,981
Year 2	Aug-22	\$ 264,981
Year 3	Aug-23	\$ 264,981
Year 4	Aug-24	\$ 264,981
Year 5	Aug-25	\$ 264,981
<b>Total Cost Year 1 - 5</b>		<b>\$ 1,324,907</b>

MD Charlton is the vendor that will coordinate all the delivery into Canada to the service and will be the vendor that all maintenance and repair is coordinated with.

The items included in the certification plan includes the following items per officer:



- Taser 7 CEW Handle
- Holsters
- Battery Docks
- Rechargeable Batteries
- Hardware Warranties
- Annual supply of Cartridges for training, unlimited duty cartridges/replacements
- End-user training via Axon Academy on line.
- Vouchers for Axon CEW Instructor Certifications
- Admin level access for Certified instructors
- Training suits and scenario training
- Training targets

This bundle program benefits include but are not limited to budget predictability, built in training and ongoing equipment refreshes. The Taser 7 model has a life expectancy of 5 years, and includes a 5-year warranty on the handle, battery and docking stations.

The planned implementation for these weapons is the fall of 2021. Funding has been earmarked through the Capital Financing Reserve Fund.



## GREATER SUDBURY POLICE SERVICE BOARD REPORT

<b>ACTION: FOR APPROVAL</b>	<b>DATE:</b> September 7, 2021
<b>PUBLIC</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> <b>FINANCIAL REPORT YEAR-END DECEMBER 31, 2020</b>	
<b>STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2019-2021</b> <b>Strategic Theme:</b> Public Trust & Accountability <b>Goal:</b> 1 - Enhance public trust through transparency and accountability	
<b>Prepared by:</b>  Sharon Baiden Chief Administrative Officer 	<b>Recommended by:</b>  Paul Pedersen Chief of Police 

### RECOMMENDATION:

**THAT the Board receives the 2020 Year-End Greater Sudbury Police Service Financial Report for the period January 1 to December 31, 2020 as audited by KPMG as part of the City of Greater Sudbury audit, carried by City Council Resolution #CC2021-171 on June 15, 2021.**

### BACKGROUND:

The Police Services Board passed the approved 2020 budget by way of resolution #2019-160 at their meeting of December 11, 2019.

This budget was recommended to and accepted by City of Greater Sudbury Council in the amount of \$62,700,756 which included an annual provision of \$1,400,000 to fund a future facilities improvement plan and current facility renovations.

### CURRENT SITUATION:

The Annual City Audit has now been completed and presented to the City Finance and Administration Committee. During the audit, GSPS staff met with the senior audit team from KPMG to review matters and respond to any questions that arose during the audit. All areas were addressed and responded to with no concerns noted.

As for most businesses, COVID-19 played a significant role in Police Operations in 2020 from a spending and operations perspective. Many changes were made to the service delivery throughout the pandemic which included remote work arrangements, mandatory personal protective equipment, cleaning and sanitizing vehicles and facilities and extensive use of virtual communications. At the end of 2020, the Province provided the Safe Restart Municipal Stream funding. This provided financial support to municipalities and offset the impact of COVID-19. The service also received funding from this source which offset a year end loss of \$570,000. This was made as an adjustment after all year-end results were reported and covered through the City's centralized corporate account. As such the year end position shows this deficit.

An analysis of 2020 expenditures and revenues is summarized by way of the table and associated notes below with a comparison between the annual budget and actual year-end results.

***Financial Overview Year ended December 31, 2020***

Category Description	Annual Budget	Year End Actual	\$ Variance	% Change	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 56,916,686	\$ 56,866,997	\$ 49,689	-0.1%	1
Operating Costs	\$ 5,866,941	\$ 6,647,608	-\$ 780,666	13.3%	2
Contr to Reserves and Capital	\$ 3,246,878	\$ 3,246,075	\$ 803	0.0%	3
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Internal Recoveries	\$ 2,311,066	\$ 2,377,204	-\$ 66,138	2.9%	5
Revenues	-\$ 5,171,248	-\$ 5,325,049	\$ 153,800	3.0%	6
<b>Net Total</b>	<b>\$ 62,700,756</b>	<b>\$ 63,271,980</b>	<b>-\$ 571,224</b>	<b>0.9%</b>	

1. Salary and Benefits were slightly under the budgeted allocation due to part-time staff savings.
2. Operating Costs show a variance in certain areas due to higher than expected spending most notably for higher legal costs, COVID costs for Personal Protective Equipment, cleaning and sanitizing police vehicles and facilities and equipment in support of remote work solutions. These COVID costs were offset post year end through the Safe Restart Municipal Stream funding. Other expenses associated with funded programs were offset by grant funding.
3. Provisions to Reserves and Capital, no specific deviations in this area. The slight variance was in relation to final adjusting year-end entries related to the Board Trust Fund and variance in Sick Leave Benefits account.
4. Provisions from Reserves and Capital show a variance that is related to final year-end adjusting entries in salaries and the Donations Reserve Fund.
5. Internal Recoveries reflect funds transferred to the City to cover costs associated with facilities, accounting, budgets, human resources, mail room and payroll support. This area also captures funds received from the City specifically around recoveries for fire. As well, as transit radio equipment maintenance.
6. Overall revenues at year-end were slightly higher than budgeted as a result of grant funding received. However revenues generated through paid duty, police clearance letters, crown disclosure, paid duty revenues and police clearance letters were down.

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Overall, the Service realized a successful year financially with spending within the authorized budget notwithstanding a unprecedented time with COVID-19 and all the demands required to ensure the health and safety of all members.



## GREATER SUDBURY POLICE SERVICE BOARD REPORT

<b>ACTION: FOR APPROVAL</b>	<b>DATE:</b> July 26, 2021
<b>PUBLIC</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> <b>FIREARMS OFFICER AGREEMENT</b>	
<b>STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2019-2021</b> <b>Strategic Theme:</b> Collaborative CSWB for Greater Sudbury <b>Goal:</b> 1 - Strengthen partnerships & provide collaborative response as part of sustainable CSWB & Road Safety	
Prepared by:  Sharon Baiden Chief Administrative Officer	Recommended by:  Paul Pedersen Chief of Police

### RECOMMENDATION:

**THAT the Board extends their Agreement with the Ministry of the Solicitor General operating as an Area Firearms Office for Ontario for the secondment of a Firearms Officer for an additional five year period to March 31, 2026.**

### BACKGROUND:

In December 1998, the Federal *Firearms Act* C – 68 was implemented. The Chief Firearms Officer who is appointed by the Minister of the Solicitor General (then the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services) administers the federal firearms program in Ontario. Pursuant to subsection 2 (1) and 99(1) of the *Firearms Act* and the designation made that allows for the Chief Firearms Officer for Ontario to delegate authority to designate firearms officers.

Since 1999, the Board has had an Agreement with the Government to assist in the administration of the program. The Service had both a Civilian and Sworn officer involved in the program as a seconded assignment

In 2008, the Service was advised by the Chief Firearms Officer that the service delivery model had been revamped which would see key sites set up strategically across the Province. Sudbury was identified as one of the areas with the full function to be operating out of the OPP facility and sought to second a sworn member only of GSPS assist with fulfilling this function.

In this regard, the Board authorized the secondment of an officer from GSPS to the position of Firearms Officer. This Officer participates in the administration of the Chief Firearms Office under the direction of the Chief Firearms Officer in accordance with the *Firearms Act*.

The Agreement provides for full salary and related compensation reimbursement.

**CURRENT SITUATION:**



The current Agreement has been in effect since April 1, 2018 and expired on March 31, 2021.

The Province has requested a renewal Agreement which will see the Secondment extended for an additional five-year period until March 31, 2026 under the same terms and conditions.

This is a favourable arrangement for the Service and it is recommended that the Agreement be extended for the noted period.



## GREATER SUDBURY POLICE SERVICE BOARD REPORT

<b>ACTION: FOR APPROVAL</b>	<b>DATE:</b> August 5, 2021
<b>PUBLIC</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> <b>EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM</b>	
<b>STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2019-2021</b> <b>Strategic Theme:</b> Our Members & Our Inclusive Workplace <b>Goal:</b> 1 - Promote a culture of trust through transparent communication	
Prepared by:  Sharon Baiden Chief Administrative Officer 	Recommended by:  Paul Pedersen Chief of Police 

### RECOMMENDATION:

**THAT the Greater Sudbury Police Services Board enters into a one-year Agreement extension with ComPsych Corporation for the purpose of delivering Employee Assistance Program services to the members of the Greater Sudbury Police Service in accordance with the same terms and conditions for the period of November 1, 2021 to October 31, 2022**

### BACKGROUND:

The Police Service provides an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) that offers professional assistance to members of the Service and/or their eligible dependents when faced with personal, medical, and/or emotional difficulties.

The Employee Assistance Program is designed to provide confidential assistance. Members are encouraged to seek assistance voluntarily through the EAP.

The Employee Assistance Program has service providers available in many areas including:

- Family/marital problems
- Separation/divorce problems
- Work related stress
- Substance abuse
- Bereavement
- Anger management
- Anxiety
- Depression
- Financial difficulties
- Chronic pain
- Physical, emotional and sexual abuse
- Post-traumatic stress
- Critical incident stress follow up
- Counselling
- Retirement adjustment

Referral services provided through the Employee Assistance Program are strictly confidential. All members and/or their eligible dependents accessing the EAP shall be guaranteed anonymity to all members of the Service including management.

In December 2017, the Board authorized an Agreement with ComPsych for a period of three years with an option to review for two additional years, that being November 1, 2020 to October 31, 2021 and further a year from November 1, 2021 to October 31, 2022. The Board exercised its option to extend for a period of one year in 2021.



#### **CURRENT SITUATION:**

The EAP is well subscribed by members. It is recommended that the Board approve the final one-year extension to the provision of the Employee Assistance Program services through ComPsych Corporation.





## GREATER SUDBURY POLICE SERVICE BOARD REPORT

<b>ACTION: FOR APPROVAL</b>	<b>DATE:</b> September 3, 2021
<b>PUBLIC</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> <b>SUDBURY REVOLVER CLUB AGREEMENT</b>	
<b>STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2019-2021</b> <b>Strategic Theme:</b> Policing with Excellence & Professionalism <b>Goal:</b> 1 - Effective and efficient deployment of resources	
Prepared by:  Sharon Baiden Chief Administrative Officer 	Recommended by:  Paul Pedersen Chief of Police 

### RECOMMENDATION:

**THAT the Board enters into a renewal Agreement with the Sudbury Revolver Club for use of training facilities.**

### BACKGROUND:

The Sudbury Revolver Club owns and operates a shooting range facility in Garson, Ontario. This property, services, and training facility are available to the Service's Training Branch for the purpose of firearms training.

Since 2005, the Service has had an Agreement with the Club that provides access to use of various range facilities for the purpose of conducting mandated firearms training. Under this Agreement, the Sudbury Revolver Club provides access to its range and facilities which include dedicated access to shooting range number 8 which is a 25 yard outdoor handgun and shotgun range. Under the current terms, the use of fully automatic weaponry is prohibited. The Agreement provides for a number of conditions one of which is that GSPS has a Firearms Training Officer present at all times.

At the site, the Service also has storage facilities, a small trailer, and portable toilet access. This Agreement has served the needs of the Service well.

**CURRENT SITUATION:**



The Agreement with the Sudbury Revolver Club is set to expire. The Service's Training and Professional Development Branch works closely with Club Officials. The Club serves GSPS very well, and provides for flexibility with training days and times to accommodate the various demands of the Service.

Discussions have ensued with the Club which would see a renewal agreement under the same terms and conditions with the exception of the daily use fee which will increase by 3% in each year of the Agreement.

It is recommended that the Agreement be renewed.



## GREATER SUDBURY POLICE SERVICE BOARD REPORT

<b>ACTION: FOR APPROVAL</b>	<b>DATE:</b> August 11, 2021
<b>PUBLIC</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> <b>IBM STORAGE AREA NETWORK WITH MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT</b>	
<b>STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2019-2021</b> <b>Strategic Theme:</b> Policing with Excellence & Professionalism <b>Goal:</b> 1 - Effective and efficient deployment of resources	
Prepared by:  Sharon Baiden Chief Administrative Officer 	Recommended by:  Paul Pedersen Chief of Police 

### RECOMMENDATION:

**THAT the Board awards the purchase of an IBM Storage Area Network (SAN) with Maintenance and Support from Midrange Computer Group Inc. at a cost of \$177,912 (not including taxes) with funds to be drawn from the Capital Financing Reserve Fund.**

### BACKGROUND:

In 2013 the Greater Sudbury Police Service purchased its first Storage Area Network to meet the ever increasing demand for digital storage. The service purchased two units for backup purposes, one at Headquarters and one for District #2 at the Lionel E. Lalonde Centre. Over the years this equipment has been upgraded and more storage added to meet growing operational demands. At this time, it has reached its maximum storage capacity.

In anticipation of the need for replacement budget funds were identified in 2020 and 2021.



### CURRENT SITUATION:

A tender was issued through the City's Procurement division for IBM SAN to replace the existing IBM SAN and for the installation, configuration and data migration along with 5 years of support.

Mid-Range Computer Group Inc. was the successful proponent with a bid submission in the amount of \$177,912.



## GREATER SUDBURY POLICE SERVICE BOARD REPORT

<b>ACTION: FOR APPROVAL</b>	<b>DATE:</b> September 3, 2021
<b>PUBLIC</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> <b>DELEGATION OF SIGNING AUTHORITY</b>	
<b>STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2019-2021</b> <b>Strategic Theme:</b> Policing with Excellence & Professionalism <b>Goal:</b> 1 - Enhance public trust through transparency and accountability	
Prepared by:  Sharon Baiden Chief Administrative Officer 	Recommended by:  Paul Pedersen Chief of Police 

### RECOMMENDATION:

**THAT the Board receives the Delegation of Signing Authority, Chief of Police GSPSB – Policy 0030, semi-annual report for information.**

### BACKGROUND:

Section 30 of the Police Services Act provides for a Police Services Board to contract, sue and be sued in its own name. As a police services is not a legal entity, it may not enter into contracts in its own name or behalf of the Board without its authorization.

The Board recognized the need to ensure accountability in carrying out its statutory and administrative responsibilities. The Board also appreciates the need to advance its work and that of the Greater Sudbury Police Service in an efficient and timely manner.

The Board Chair is the designated signing authority for contracts, agreements, travel, claims, vacation approval for the Chief of Police, legal services and reserve fund draws.

The Board recognizes the need to delegate signing authority to the Chief of Police or designate to ensure accountability in carrying out the operational responsibilities of the Board for matters necessary for the management of day-to-day operations.

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Where delegations of authority have been granted by the Board to the Chief of Police or designate, the delegation includes the authority to execute any related documents in the name of the Board unless the terms of the delegation require the signature of the Board. Policy GSPSB Policy – 030 establishes clear direction on the delegation of signing authority for the Chief of Police.

**CURRENT SITUATION:**



Pursuant to the authority delegated to the Chief or Designated Official by the Board, the Chief of Police shall provide a report to the Board regarding all procurement contracts and agreements approved and executed by the Chief or Designated Official of an operational nature valued at less than \$50,000.

Items that have been effected from January to June, 2021 in accordance with the policy are as follows:

<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>VALUE</b>
Ontario Provincial Police	Purchase of Taser Cartridges and Batteries	\$28,859.64
XEROX	XEROX Lease Courts x 2 and Information Desk	\$19,860.91
Moose Rapids	Alarm Program Software	\$24,168.00
Vianet	Fibre	\$18,316.80
EDI Cord	Telephone Dictation System	\$8,665.38
Bell Canada	Avaya Licenses - Additional Licenses for Switchboard	\$4,740.02



## GREATER SUDBURY POLICE SERVICE BOARD REPORT

<b>ACTION: FOR APPROVAL</b>	<b>DATE:</b> September 15, 2021
<b>PUBLIC</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> <b>SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT INVESTIGATION – November 21, 2020</b>	
<b>STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2019-2021</b> <b>Strategic Theme:</b> Policing with Excellence & Professionalism <b>Goal:</b> 1 - Effective and efficient deployment of resources	
Prepared by:  Sheilah Weber Deputy Chief of Police	Recommended by:  Paul Pedersen Chief of Police

### RECOMMENDATION:

**THAT the Board receives this Special Investigations Unit (SIU) update on Incident occurring November 21 2020, for information.**

### BACKGROUND:

On November 21, 2020, Greater Sudbury Police Service (GSPS) patrol officers responded to a call in Chelmsford where a female complainant advised that her recently estranged boyfriend was intoxicated, had been attending at her apartment, and was no longer welcome. Officers attended and initially warned the 38 year old male, to remain away from the complainant's apartment. Shortly thereafter officers observed the male outside of the complainant's building; it became apparent that he would not abide by this direction. Officers arrested the male for Public Intoxication. During the arrest, the accused became actively resistant by pulling away from officers. The male was then brought to the ground and handcuffed.

Officers observed that the male was bleeding from the nose and requested the attendance of Emergency Medical Services. He was then transported to Health Sciences North (HSN), where it was determined that he had suffered a non-displaced fracture to his nose, and was released from hospital.

The Special Investigation Unit's (SIU) statutory mandate is to conduct investigations of police officers involved in incidents of death, serious injury, and allegations of sexual assault to determine whether a criminal offence had occurred. A fracture is deemed a serious injury. On November 21<sup>st</sup> 2020, the GSPS notified the SIU of the in custody injury sustained by the 38 year old male and subsequently the Special Investigations Unit invoked its mandate.

Under the *Police Services Act*, the SIU must determine based on the evidence gathered in an investigation whether the officer has committed a criminal offence in connection with the injury. In May 2021, correspondence was received from the SIU indicating closure of the file as there were no grounds to proceed with criminal charges against the police officer in this case.

In accordance with Section 11 of Ontario Regulation 267/10 of the *Police Services Act of Ontario*, the Chief of Police or designate shall cause an administrative investigation to be conducted into any incident with respect to which the SIU has been notified, subject to the SIU's lead role in investigating the incident.

#### **CURRENT SITUATION:**

In accordance with Section 11 of Ontario Regulation 267/10 of the *Police Services Act of Ontario*, an administrative review investigation has been completed. Further to the SIU's determination that there was no criminal intent, the review determined that there was no misconduct on behalf of the involved officers.

The review also included an assessment of applicable procedures against the officers' actions, an analysis of equipment used and performance in accordance with prescribed training.

The results of their findings are summarized as follows:

#### **Procedures**

There are no recommendations regarding the Policy and Procedures, and no new revisions or procedure requirement recommendations. In summary, all Use of Force and Arrest standards were followed. The Greater Sudbury Police Service notified the SIU of the incident promptly once the injury was identified and assisted in their investigation as required by procedure and legislation.

### **Equipment**

There was no equipment issues revealed as a result of this investigation pertaining to this incident. The Respondent officer used an empty hand technique to affect the arrest, consistent with his training.



### **Training**

A review of this incident, and consultation with the Training Branch confirmed the officers were current with respect to their mandated training for Use of Force and Conducted Energy Weapon (CEW). There were no training issues identified throughout this investigation, and no new training requirements to be implemented.





## GREATER SUDBURY POLICE SERVICE BOARD REPORT

<b>ACTION: FOR APPROVAL</b>	<b>DATE:</b> September 15, 2021
<b>PUBLIC</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> <b>SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT INVESTIGATION – June 25 2019</b>	
<b>STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2019-2021</b> <b>Strategic Theme:</b> Policing with Excellence & Professionalism <b>Goal:</b> 1 - Effective and efficient deployment of resources	
Prepared by:  Sheilah Weber Deputy Chief of Police	Recommended by:  Paul Pedersen Chief of Police

### RECOMMENDATION:

**THAT the Board receives this Special Investigations Unit (SIU) update on the incident occurring June 25 2019 for information.**

### BACKGROUND:

On June 25, 2019, patrol officers were dispatched to attend a residence to speak with a complainant. The female had filed a complaint of sexual assault involving one of her children. Police were also requested to assist another service provider. During the course of police interaction, the complainant became very confrontational and belligerent towards Police and the other agency.

Officers recognized that the female was highly agitated and attempted to diffuse the situation through the use of verbal communications for approximately 40 minutes. The female's actions caused concern for the well-being of others and as such she was placed under arrest. She resisted officers and was brought to the ground in order to gain control of her. During the encounter, it was learned the female was pregnant. Following the arrest, EMS attended and the female refused medical assessment. Officers then transported her to Health Sciences North (HSN) via cruiser as

a precautionary measure. Following medical assessment, the female was cleared medically and later released from police custody on the same day.

On June 29, 2019, the female gave birth to a premature baby, who died the following day. On June 30, 2019, the Special Investigations Unit (SIU) was contacted by GSPS and invoked its mandate. The SIU's statutory mandate is to conduct investigations of police officers involved in incidents of death, serious injury, and allegations of sexual assault to determine whether a criminal offence has occurred.

The SIU designated two subject officers and two officers as witness officers. As well, six civilian witnesses were identified. The SIU investigated 'other death' being the death of the female's premature baby, and an allegation of sexual assault – brought forward by the female against one of the responding officers.

In a letter to the Police Service dated April 6, 2021, Director Joseph Martino of the SIU advised:  
“the investigation by this Unit into the ‘other death’ of an infant that occurred on June 30, 2019, has been completed. The file has been closed and no further action is contemplated. In my view, there were no grounds in the evidence to proceed with criminal charges against the two subject officers”

In his report to the Attorney General, Director Martino indicated that the pathologist noted in the post-mortem examination, that it was unclear whether an “assault” alleged to have perpetrated by police officers during the arrest of the female played a role in the premature birth of her son. Further expert evidence concluded there was no definitive medical reasons to associate the birth of the baby to any interaction with the GSPS and “the birth appeared to be related to medical issues, not trauma.”

## **CURRENT SITUATION:**

Whenever the SIU investigates an incident involving serious injury or death, provincial legislation requires the Chief of Police of the relevant police service to conduct an administrative investigation which considers officer conduct, procedures, training and equipment in relation to the incident. The review is complete and the following is a summary of the Chief's report with respect to this investigation.

The Section 11 Administrative Review determined there was no misconduct on behalf of any member of the Greater Sudbury Police Service. The investigation revealed that there was no violation of any policy or procedure, equipment or training.

There are suggested actions which relate to enhanced training in the areas of cultural sensitivity and awareness and mental health first aid. In addition the sharing of information between certain agencies and police will be reviewed and partnerships that facilitate participation will continue to be pursued.

The investigation also included a review of the incident by the Indigenous Liaison Officer and an external partner perspective with an indigenous lens. Observations and suggestions were made. The review also examined the Child Abuse and Maltreatment Investigative Protocol and training in the areas of cultural awareness and sensitivity and response to persons in crisis.

The following recommendations in terms of training and call debriefing were proposed:

**SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1) Revisit the Child Abuse and Maltreatment Investigations Protocol. This protocol could be reviewed in terms of the sharing of information and the issue surrounding recording the interactions between Police, KINA, CAS and a subject could be addressed. Further, agency debriefings after calls of this nature could be held and potentially serve to inform revisions to the Protocol.

2) Continue to expand on and engage members in Cultural Mindfulness and Mental Health First Aid: First Nations Training, as well as joint initiatives. Training in this area should be re-visited with a goal of enhancing and expanding training and engagement with Community partners. The objective should be to provide all members of the Service with knowledge in relation to the social, cultural, educational and traditional development of Indigenous people, including their history, culture and tradition and the effects of residential schools, thus increasing cultural sensitivity involving Indigenous persons.

3) A third recommendation is to have the Training Branch provide refresher training on the Rapid Mobilization Table Procedure (CPR 003), to ensure that officers consider this process when dealing with persons and families in acutely elevated risk situations.



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<b>ACTION: FOR INFORMATION</b>	<b>DATE:</b> September 2, 2021
<b>PUBLIC</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> <b>STAFFING/DEPLOYMENT UPDATE</b>	
<b>STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2019-2021</b> <b>Strategic Theme:</b> Our Members & Our Inclusive Workplace <b>Goal:</b> 3 - Improved member recognition, succession planning and career development opportunities	
Prepared by:  Sharon Baiden Chief Administrative Officer	Recommended by:  Paul Pedersen Chief of Police

### RECOMMENDATION:

**THAT the Greater Sudbury Police Services Board, in accordance with Section 31(1) (a) of the *Police Services Act*, hereby approves the appointment of the following members:**

Sydock, Jason	August 30, 2021	Cadet
Boutour, Audrey-Ann	August 30, 2021	Cadet
Powell, Kevin	August 30, 2021	Cadet
Cropp, Melanie	August 30, 2021	Cadet
Pelangio, Bradley	August 30, 2021	Cadet
Cimino, Julia	July 12, 2021	Student - CMU
Dupis, Rily	July 12, 2021	Student – Fleet & Facilities
Miller, Tyandra	July 12, 2021	Student – CMU
Okojie, Ahouse	July 12, 2021	Student – Records
Tasker, Kaela	July 12, 2021	Student – Records
Tremblay, Aiden	July 12, 2021	Student – Equipment & Supplies
Nicholls, Saige-Marie	August 6, 2021	Student - Museum
Gravel, Dillan	July 7, 2021	Equipment & Supplies Clerk
Hanson, Nicole	September 7, 2021	Court Clerk

Lamothe, Meghan	August 9, 2021	Temp FT CSP Youth Safety
Bendig, Melissa	August 16, 2021	Temp FT CSP Youth Safety

**And further that the Board accepts the following resignations and retirements:**

Edwards, Jacqueline	Resignation July 16, 2021	Crime Analyst
Hill, Braden	Resignation July 20, 2021	First Class Constable
Mussen, Stefany	Resignation August 27, 2021	First Class Constable
Dober, Shelley	Retirement July 26, 2021	Property Clerk
Rumford, Terry	Retirement August 3, 2021	Staff Sergeant

**BACKGROUND**

Section 31 (1) of the *Police Services Act* sets out the Board's responsibilities with respect to the provision of adequate and effective police service in the municipality.

More particularly under Section 31 (1) (a), the Board appoints and accepts resignations of members of the Service.

Each year, the Service develops a Recruitment Plan in accordance with anticipated attrition through resignation and/or retirement. New positions are also identified where required and filled accordingly. Recruiting efforts are ongoing continually to ensure staffing levels are maintained.

This year, the Service budgeted for two additional sworn members which will increase the authorized strength to 272 and four full-time communicators that will replace civilian vacancies that were created in 2020. The two sworn members have now been hired and are at the Ontario Police College attending for the Basic Constable Training Program. The Communicators have been hired and are now in their training period. One has successfully completed and is now full-time, while three remain in training and will have the opportunity to compete for full-time once signed off successfully.

**CURRENT SITUATION:**

The following tables summarize appointments, resignations and retirements since the last report to the Board. Unless otherwise stated the appointments are full-time.

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**TABLE A: GSPS Authorized Strength at August 31, 2021.**

**FULL-TIME COMPLEMENT**

	<b>Budgeted</b>		<b>Notes</b>	
	<b>Authorized</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Non-medical LOA</b>	<b>Secondment</b>
<b>SWORN</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(1)</b>
<b>CIVILIAN</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(1)</b>

The additional sworn positions have been hired, while one additional sworn officer has been afforded through the Human Trafficking Grant which has increased our actual strength by one.

**TABLE B: Appointments**

<b>NAMES</b>	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE</b>	<b>POSITION</b>
Sydock, Jason	August 30, 2021	Cadet
Boutour, Audrey-Ann	August 30, 2021	Cadet
Powell, Kevin	August 30, 2021	Cadet
Cropp, Melanie	August 30, 2021	Cadet
Pelangio, Bradley	August 30, 2021	Cadet
Cimino, Julia	July 12, 2021	Student - CMU
Dupis, Rily	July 12, 2021	Student – Fleet & Facilities
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Tasker, Kaela	July 12, 2021	Student – Records
Tremblay, Aiden	July 12, 2021	Student – Equipment & Supplies
Nicholls, Saige-Marie	August 6, 2021	Student - Museum
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Hanson, Nicole	September 7, 2021	Court Clerk
Lamothe, Meghan	August 9, 2021	Temp FT CSP Youth Safety
Bendig, Melissa	August 16, 2021	Temp FT CSP Youth Safety

**TABLE C: Resignations**

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<b>NAMES</b>	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE</b>	<b>POSITION</b>
Edwards, Jacqueline	July 16, 2021	Crime Analyst
Hill, Braden	July 20, 2021	First Class Constable
Mussen, Stefany	August 27, 2021	First Class Constable

**TABLE D: Retirements**

<b>NAMES</b>	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE</b>	<b>POSITION</b>
Dober, Shelley	July 26, 2021	Property Clerk
Rumford, Terry	August 3, 2021	Staff Sergeant



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<b>ACTION: FOR APPROVAL</b>	<b>DATE:</b> September 3, 2021
<b>PUBLIC</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> <b>DIVERSITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE BURSARY</b>	
<b>STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2019-2021</b> <b>Strategic Theme:</b> Collaborative CSWB for Greater Sudbury <b>Goal:</b> 3 - Invest in our community's future through innovative youth services and initiatives	
Prepared by:  Sharon Baiden Chief Administrative Officer	Recommended by:  Paul Pedersen Chief of Police

### RECOMMENDATION:

**THAT the Board approves the allocation of two (2) \$500 from the Diversity Advisory Committee Bursary with funds drawn from the Donation Reserve Fund;**

**AND FURTHER, that the Board award the following as winners of the 2021 Diversity Advisory Committee Bursary**

**Lily Van Der Zyl     \$500.00**

**Danyelle-Riley Basso     \$500.00**

### BACKGROUND:

The Donation Reserve Fund provides funds to organization that provide a benefit for youth of the City of Greater Sudbury and the community. Within the Donation Reserve Fund, the Board has designed funds for a Diversity Advisory Committee Bursary.





**CURRENT SITUATION:**

The Diversity Advisory Committee Bursary recognizes outstanding grade 12 students who have demonstrated a commitment of diversity, inclusive practices, and cultural acceptance in their school and/or in their community. The bursary may be used for expenses associated with post-secondary education, trade school, or employment.

The DAC received six (6) applications for the bursary. After much deliberation the Committee selected Lily Van Der Zyl and Danyelle-Riley Basso as this year's recipients of the bursary. These Bursaries were awarded during the summer months.



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<b>ACTION: FOR APPROVAL</b>	<b>DATE:</b> July 13, 2021
<b>PUBLIC</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> <b>DONATIONS RESERVE FUND REQUESTS</b>	
<b>STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2019-2021</b> <b>Strategic Theme:</b> Collaborative CSWB for Greater Sudbury <b>Goal:</b> 3 - Invest in our community's future through innovative youth services and initiatives	
Prepared by:  Sharon Baiden Chief Administrative Officer 	Recommended by:  Paul Pedersen Chief of Police 

### RECOMMENDATION:

**THAT the Board approve the following donations with funds drawn from the Donations Reserve Fund:**

**\$1,000 in support of the 2021 YWCA “Women of Distinction” Awards Gala**

**\$1,000 in support of Talent Identification Camp**

**\$500 in support of My Best Self Program: A Youth Mental Health Initiative**

**\$500 in support of Run to Remember**

### BACKGROUND:

Since 2002, the Board has maintained a Donations Reserve Fund that is utilized to assist in community safety and wellbeing initiatives in support of youth, crime prevention activities, or any other purposes as deemed suitable by the Greater Sudbury Police Services Board or those specifically targeted by the donor.

A component of this Fund is the Chiefs Youth Initiative Fund which was established for the exclusive purpose of providing financial resources to youth related initiatives within the community.

When considering request for funds, the Board takes into account initiatives supporting community-oriented policing that involves a co-operative effort on the part of the Greater Sudbury Police Service and youth in the community, initiatives benefiting children and/or youth and/or their families, initiatives addressing violence prevention or prevention of repetition of violence or the root causes of violence, initiatives that focus on marginalized or underprivileged youth, and sponsorship of educational events.

### **CURRENT REQUESTS:**

Requests for funding consideration have been received.

The balance in the Donations Reserve Fund on September 8, 2021 is \$155,702.65

#### **2020 YWCA ‘Women of Distinction’ – \$1,000**

The YWCA of Sudbury grew from a 1952 concerned citizens Rooms Registry Committee providing safe housing for girls and women in Sudbury. Over the years, the YWCA has been instrumental in addressing current needs of the community and empowering women and their families to reach their full potential.

The YWCA holds an annual ‘Women of Distinction Awards Gala’ celebrating women who help make a difference in the lives of girls and women. Funds raised cover cost of presenting ‘Power of Being a Girl’ and ‘Boys4Real’ conferences.

#### **\$1,000 in support of the Talent Identification Camp**

The purpose of a Talent Identification Camp is to identify those Indigenous Youth that can potentially excel within their selected sport(s). In this case, Boxing. Objective measures will be utilized to measure physiological, biomechanical, Spiritual, etc. competencies, as such, that would comprise a typical and potential boxer that could represent the FN Communities, Regionally, Provincially, Nationally and Globally, through Olympic Style Boxing. It will ensure the athlete will further their own skills and competencies, Self-awareness, confidence, and healthy lifestyle to better attain higher achievements. Further, this program is a guide into a sport that suits that body in the Holistic Development of the Athlete.

Promoting of physical, psychological, spiritual and mental well-being is always important, but, during this time of unprecedented stresses caused from COVID, it is paramount, reinforcing active play for life, especially during these electronic induced activities in today’s society. Self Esteem goes hand in hand with confidence, knowing that, one has a specific gift or special skill in some form of activity, gives worth to that individual. With educated guidance, the skill(s) will develop to a higher level and snowballing of confidence will follow. The Program will

encapsulate overall youth development. It will be unsurprising that physical health, educational and social life, identify, and psycho-social development are impacted upon in positive ways.

**\$500 in support of My Best Self Program: A Youth Mental Health Initiative**

In collaboration with the GSPS School Liaison Officer and other community partners, the My Best Self Program will offer students and SE-ISP staff learning opportunities to acquire knowledge and skills about mental health as well as to develop practical life skills for everyday living.

The My Best Self Program is a new initiative to the SE-ISP class. The goal of this program is to provide experiential learning, that is ‘a learning by doing’ approach to teach important life skills to assist students to better manage their mental health and to acquire more effective interpersonal skills. This program will provide opportunities for students to maximize their full potential and personal development by improving social skills, strengthening community connections and knowledge, and increasing independence.

Students’ caregivers play an important role in supporting the child’s participation in the SE-ISP class; and their involvement in quarterly school/parent meetings supports a multidisciplinary approach for the student’s academic success and social-emotional development.

Many of the students and their families in the SE-ISP classroom have had contact with GSPS and other community agencies, including CAS. Promotion and prevention are key elements of this program where students will be involved in 'learning by doing' activities to improve their mental health and to learn more about community resources.

**\$500 in support of Run to Remember**

The purpose of this fundraising event is to create awareness for the community about PTSD which is very present in the lives of first responders. This event is also to show our support to our coworkers, friends and family members who may be suffering in silence or are currently seeking help. This event will also help create a bursary for a graduation student.

- 80% of funds will go to #911IVEGOTYOURBACK
- 20% of funds will go to the bursary.



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<b>ACTION: FOR APPROVAL</b>	<b>DATE:</b> August 20, 2021
<b>PUBLIC</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b> <b>2021 CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF POLICE GOVERNANCE VIRTUAL CONFERENCE</b>	
<b>STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2019-2021</b> <b>Strategic Theme:</b> Policing with Excellence & Professionalism <b>Goal:</b> 1 - Effective and efficient deployment of resources	
Prepared by:  Matthew Gatien Board Administrator	

### RECOMMENDATION:

**THAT the Board authorizes Members to participate in the Canadian Association of Police Governance Virtual Annual General Meeting and Conference September 28 to September 30, 2021 for the group fee of \$700.**

### BACKGROUND:

The Canadian Association of Police Governance is a national organization dedicated to excellence in police governance, established in 1989. The CAPG represents more than 75 municipal police boards and commissions in Canada and works to achieve highest standards as a national voice of civilian oversight

Each year the CAPG hosts an annual General Meeting and Conference where delegates are encouraged to network, discuss, and engage in learning.

### CURRENT SITUATION:

The Canadian Association of Police Governance has scheduled their Annual Conference, hosted by the city of Ottawa, through a virtual venue **September 28-30, 2021**. The theme for 2021 is "*Reimagining Community Safety*." The conference Agenda will be forwarded to the Board once released by the organizing committee.

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Conferences offer an excellent opportunity for Board Member training providing inspiring speakers, engaging plenary and group discussions with leaders and field experts, presentations, and skill building workshops.

Members are asked to confirm interest in participating with the Board Administrator.

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**REPORT FROM THE  
CHIEF OF POLICE**

**June/July/August 2021**

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The summer months saw widespread availability of vaccinations which has provided relief to many members here at GSPS. Several members are now double vaccinated which has helped in our efforts to continue to control the spread of COVID 19. The health and safety of citizens and members remains a major priority for all. Members continued to work tirelessly throughout the summer to ensure the health and safety of our community. The dedication and extraordinary efforts is witnessed day in and day out.

Collectively we continue to plan and evaluate our service delivery and business practices to respond to the changing requirements due to COVID-19.

### **MINISTRY UPDATES (excerpts from Ministry Communiqués)**

Throughout the summer several Ministry Updates were distributed with ongoing guidance, instruction and dissemination of information. This report contains an overview of the content. Full copies are available for the Board upon request.

### **RESPIRATORY PROTECTION POLICY AND PROGRAM**

The Ontario Police Health and Safety Committee (OPHSC) is appointed by the Minister of Labour, Training and Skills Development under Section 21 of the *Occupational Health and Safety Act* for the purpose of advising the Minister and making recommendations on occupational health and safety issues that affect police personnel across Ontario.

Guidance Note #15 – Respiratory Protection Policy and Program-revised, was developed to provide information to employers, supervisors, workers, joint health and safety committees and health and safety representatives to raise awareness about respiratory hazards and provide some suggested practices for the development of a respiratory protection policy and program. It has been revised to reflect amendments to *Reg. 833 Control to Exposure to Biological and Chemical Agents* and *O. Reg. 490/09 – Designated Substances* which set out requirements for respirator programs.

### **INCREASING AWARENESS ABOUT THE YOUTH CANNABIS DIVERSION PROGRAM**

Under section 10 of Ontario's *Cannabis Control Act, 2017* (CCA), it is illegal for youth under the age of 19 to possess, consume, distribute, purchase, attempt to purchase, grow or offer to grow cannabis. Section 20 (1) of the CCA allows law enforcement personnel, who have reasonable grounds to believe that a person who is under 19 years of age has contravened section 10 of the CCA, to refer the person to a youth education or prevention program approved by the Attorney General.

The Youth Cannabis Diversion Program (YCDP), delivered by Springboard Services, received Attorney General approval as a prevention and education program pursuant to Section 27 of the CCA. The program was launched in February 2019. The program is designed to educate youth (aged 12-18 years) about the risks of cannabis use and provide them with information to enhance their understanding of Ontario laws related to cannabis. It also promotes confidence and self-awareness for youth to assess the impacts of cannabis use to make positive choices.



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It has been 2 years since the implementation of the program, and the health and safety of youth and diversion of those youth who come into contravention with section 10 of the CCA remain key considerations for the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services (MCCSS).

MCCSS has produced a short promotional video that is designed to address questions about the relevant legislation, client referral process, key features of the program's content and how it is accessed and navigated. Springboard Services has also provided instructions and links to the program that will allow law enforcement personnel to access the program and learn firsthand about its features and content.

The program referral guide outlines the associated procedures for law enforcement to facilitate a referral between youth and Springboard, provides an overview of the program and details about how the form should be used.

Police services and appropriate special constable employers may incorporate the referral form into their existing record management systems to facilitate access by officers in the field. The program referral guide provides information on how law enforcement personnel can facilitate a referral to Springboard Services.

### **2021-22 to 2022-23 VICTIM SUPPORT GRANT (VSG) – CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

The Ministry of the Solicitor General (ministry) is now accepting applications for the new **Victim Support Grant (VSG) program for 2021-22 to 2022-23**.

This new grant will operate on a two-year cycle and provide funding to police services to collaborate with local organizations and/or Indigenous communities to enhance capacity to support victims and survivors of intimate partner violence and human trafficking. The grant will provide local police serviced with the flexibility needed to adapt to their own community's needs and fill gaps in responding to the unique needs of victims and survivors.

Funding under this grant is available to police services in Ontario, including Municipal and First Nations police services, Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) contract locations, as well as OPP non-contract locations for projects that focus on at least one of the following two key priority areas:

- Human Trafficking; and/or
- Intimate Partner Violence

Applicants are required to collaborate with a minimum of one other relevant agency/organization.

Police services can submit a maximum of one application in total, with the exception of OPP non-contract locations which can submit up to two applications in total (i.e. not two per individual location). The maximum funding for each project is \$200,000 (i.e. \$100,000 per funding year).

Grant funding is dependent upon the ministry receiving the necessary appropriation from the Ontario Legislature and is subject to funding availability.

### **STEP ONE TO ROADMAP TO REOPEN**

On June 2, 2021 the Stay-at-Home Order under the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* (EMCPA) expired, and public health unit regions (as defined in the *Health Protection and Promotion Act*) remained in the Shutdown Zone of Stage 1 (O. Reg. 82/20), as indicated under O. Reg. 363/20 of the *Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020* (ROA).

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All public health and workplace safety measures under the Shutdown Zone remained in place until Ontario enters Step One of the Roadmap on June 11, 2021 at 12:01 am.

With the exception of the closure of public lands for recreational camping which was revoked on June 11, 2021, emergency orders currently under the EMCPA remained in effect until June 16, 2021.

### **Step One of the Roadmap**

Step One initially focused on resuming outdoor activities with smaller crowds where the risk of transmission is lower and permitting retail with restrictions.

The below breakdown is a high-level overview of Step One of the Roadmap, which included but is not limited to the following measures:

- Outdoor dining up to 4 people per table;
- Outdoor fitness classes, personal training and sports training up to 10 patrons, No games or practices permitted;
- Essential retail at 25% capacity and discount and big box stores can sell all goods;
- Non-essential retail at 15% capacity and can sell all goods;
- Retail stores in malls closed unless the stores have a street facing entrance;
- Indoor religious services, rites and ceremonies including wedding and funerals at 15% capacity of the room;
- Outdoors religious services, rites and ceremonies including weddings and funerals are permitted with capacity limited to permit physical distancing of 2 metres;
- Horse racing, motor speedways without spectators;
- Outdoor pools and wading pools with capacity limited to permit physical distancing of 2 metres;
- Outdoor zoos, landmarks, historic sites, and botanical gardens with capacity limited to 15% for ticketed areas;
- Day camps;
- Overnight camping at campgrounds and campsites, including Ontario Parks.

### **CLASS A MANUAL TRANSMISSION RESTRICTION**

Effective July 19, 2021, individuals completing the Class A or Class A restricted (AR) road test in a vehicle with an automatic transmission, including semi-automatic and automated-manual transmissions, are now restricted from operating Class A/AR vehicles with a manual transmission and only permitted to operate automatic, semi-automatic and automated-manual transmission Class A/AR vehicles. This restriction will be added to their driver record and will appear on the front of the driver's license card as "REST/COND G" and "Restr Class/Categ. Avec restr" on the back of the card. The restriction applies to Class A/AR only and will not apply when operating lower-class vehicles (e.g. Class G/D).

For regulatory and enforcement purposes, a motor vehicle has a manual transmission if it is equipped with,

- a) A driver-operated clutch that is activated by a pedal or lever; and

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- b) A driver-operated gear-shift mechanism that is operated by and or foot and does not use the assistance of automation

Individuals that fail to comply with the Class A manual transmission restriction will be in contravention of section 32(9) of the Highway Traffic Act, which makes it an offence for a driver to fail to comply with a licence condition. Section 32(10.1) makes it an offence for an owner to permit a driver to drive a vehicle contrary to a licence condition.

### **CHANGES TO CARGO E-BIKE PILOT**

Effective April 29, 2021 a minimum weight requirement of more than 55kg has been added to the vehicle requirements for cargo e-bikes found within O. Reg 141/21. This amendment was made to clarify that those cargo e-bikes that weigh more than 55kg are captured under the cargo e-bike pilot while those smaller cargo e-bikes that weigh 55kg or less and meet Ontario's e-bike definition would be classified as e-bikes.

### **PROPOSED REGULATIONS UNDER THE COMMUNITY SAFETY AND POLICING ACT**

The Ministry of the Solicitor General continues to develop regulations to bring the *Community Safety and Policing Act*, 2019 (CSPA) into force. Police Services are thanked for their continued support, advice and guidance including your feedback on the proposals that recently closed for input on Ontario's Regulatory Registry.

The ministry has posted more regulations and is now requesting public and stakeholder input related to:

1. Codes of conduct for:
  - a. Police officers,
  - b. Municipal police service board members, and
  - c. Members of the Ontario Provincial Police Governance Advisory Council;
2. Investigators;
3. Active attacker incidents;
4. Alternative provision of policing functions; and,
5. The Ontario Police Arbitration and Adjudication Commission.

### **REQUESTS FOR OCCURRENCES REPORTS BY THE PRIVATE SECURITY AND INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES BRANCH**

The Private Security and Investigative Services Branch (PSISB) falls within the Public Safety Division of the Ministry of the Solicitor General and is responsible for licensing security guards, private investigators and business entities that sell or employs security guard and/or private investigator services in Ontario. The *Private Security and Investigative Services Act, 2005* (PSISA) provides the legal and regulatory framework for the private security and investigative services industry.

As part of the licence application process, PSISB performs background checks in accordance with the *Police Record Checks Reform Act, 2015* on all individuals and agency owners/partners/directors/officers. This includes conducting a police record check using the Canadian Police Information Centre (CPIC) with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, as a category II(b) law enforcement agency and to determine the applicant's suitability to hold a license. When a query response is returned, in certain instances, PSISB will request an occurrence report from the relevant police service(s) to review the past conduct of the applicant pursuant to sec. 13 (2) of the PSISA.

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### **AMENDMENTS TO THE EXEMPTION REGULATION UNDER THE POLICE RECORD CHECKS REFORM ACT (PRCRA) 2015**

The PRCRA sets out standards to govern how police record checks are conducted and disclosed in Ontario. The Exemptions Regulation (O. Reg. 347/18) under the PRCRA includes a number of exemptions from the Act, including exemptions that were set to expire on July 1, 2021.

Changes to the Exemptions Regulation were developed by the ministry in partnership with the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) and through engagement with policing partners, including the Indigenous Police Chiefs of Ontario and the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police. The amendments also reflect the input of many policing services and community stakeholders who contributed to the public consultation held between February and March 2021.

The exemption for policing services will continue without changes.

#### **Amendments to O. Reg. 347/18**

The amendments provide additional provisions for administering exempted police record checks, which include:

- Greater transparency around how an exempted police record check is conducted and when information can or cannot be disclosed; and
- Processes to respond to requests from an individual to review their results, correct inaccurate information or request a reconsideration.

### **PROVINCIAL STRATEGIES THAT ALIGN WITH CSWB PLANNING**

On January 1, 2019 new legislative amendments to the Police Services Act, 1990 came into force which mandate municipalities to prepare and adopt a community safety and well-being (CSWB) plan, in collaboration with their multi-sectoral partners, including police services and boards. As part of the planning process, municipalities and their local partners must utilize data from multiple sources and conduct consultations with their community to identify and address local priority risks to safety and well-being.

The deadline to prepare and adopt a CSWB plan is July 1, 2021. This new deadline provides a six month extension from the original deadline to help ensure that municipalities and their community partners can continue to dedicate the necessary capacity and resources to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, while also providing adequate time to meet the legislative requirements to develop meaningful and effective CSWB plans.

The Ministry of the Solicitor General has received feedback from local communities that there is a need to better understand the various provincial strategies/frameworks across ministries that align with CSWB planning. In response to this feedback, the ministry has developed a resource document which outlines broad, overarching provincial strategies/frameworks that align with the CSWB planning and can support local CSWB efforts.

The resource document was developed in collaboration with the ministry's Inter-Ministerial Community Safety and Well-Being Working Group, which consists of representatives from nine Ontario ministries and the Federal government. Specifically, the document highlights collaborative, preventative and/or holistic approaches that aim to address local risks that lead to crime, victimization, addiction, drug overdose and/or suicide; that create protective factors in the community; and/or support vulnerable populations.

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### **ONTARIO CCTV GRANT PROGRAM – 2021-22 CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

The Ministry of the Solicitor General is now accepting applications under the Ontario Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) Grant Program for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

This grant intends to expand CCTV systems in more municipalities, as part of the Ontario Guns, Gangs and Violence Reduction Strategy (GGVRS).

The Ontario GGVRS is being implemented to deliver a comprehensive and effective solution to the issue of guns and gangs in the province. As part of the GGVRS, investments have been made to fight gun and gang violence through enforcement, intervention and prevention. The Ontario CCTV Grant Program will further support police services and the communities they serve to increase public safety.

The Ontario CCTV Grant Program is available to all municipal and First Nations police services as well as the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP). The call for applications is being launched for a one-year grant cycle and will provide one-time funding to successful applicants in 2021-2022 (April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022).

Police Services will be required to pay for 50 per cent of the project costs. For example, if the total project cost is \$400,000, the applicant must commit to \$200,000 of their own funds towards the project and the ministry would cover the remaining \$200,000.

### **USE OF FORCE AND FIREARMS TRAINING ORDER**

On February 10, 2021, Police Services were advised of the Ministry of the Solicitor General's intention to continue to seek renewals of the Ontario Regulation 132/20: Use of Force and Firearms in Policing Services under the *Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020* (ROA) to support police services in their delivery of prescribed training and ensure their members are in compliance with requirements of the Equipment and Use of Force Regulation when the Order is no longer in effect. In order to help mitigate against the interruption of front-line service delivery, police services have been permitted under the ROA to deliver training despite any restrictions placed on public health units pursuant to applicable Orders under the ROA.

The Order was set to expire on July 19, 2021. The Order may continue to be extended for 30-day increments under the ROA with the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council. The ministry must regularly provide a rationale for the requested Order renewal. In preparation for an eventual transition to the original training requirements, police services were strongly encouraged to ensure that members are in compliance with training requirements by August 6, 2021.

Services were asked to provide updated information in relation to your services' training status

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE HTA AND O. REG 455/07 ON RACES, CONTESTS AND STUNTS**

Amendments have been made to sections 109, 134, 172, 190, 199 and 200 of the *Highway Traffic Act* (HTA) and to the street racing regulation made under the HTA, Ontario Regulation 455/07 (Races, Contests and Stunts).

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**Amendment to Section 109** – Minor housekeeping amendment to the HTA vehicle length limits. The intent of the change is to clarify that the maximum length of a trailer is 12.5m if it is neither a semi-trailer nor a full trailer.

**Amendment to Section 134** – This amendment provides the legislative authority for Transportation Enforcement Officers (TEO) to close a road, operate on closed roads and direct traffic during their regular duties. TEOs routinely come upon emergency situations or are requested by police services to attend collision investigations which may require closing a road, driving on a closed road or directing traffic. Through this legislation, TEOs will no longer risk contravening legislation when performing these duties. This amendment also aligns with the authorities of transportation enforcement agencies across Canada, in addition to the authorities of municipal and provincial enforcement partners in Ontario.

**Amendment to Section 172** - This amendment makes it an offence to drive a motor vehicle on a highway in a race or contest, while performing a stunt or on a bet or wager and sets out the penalties for this offence. Ontario Regulation 455/07 (Races, Contests and Stunts) further defines certain driving behaviours as a race, contest or stunt. The following amendments were made to the HTA and to Ontario Regulation 455/07, effective July 1, 2021:

1. Section 172 (7) of the HTA is amended to increase the duration of the administrative seven-day motor vehicle impoundment to 14 days; and,
2. Section 3 of O. Reg. 455/07 is amended to include “exceeding the speed limit by 40km/h or more on roads with a speed limit less than 80km/h” in the definition of “stunt”.

**Amendment to Section 190** - This amendment provides the legislative authority to create an out of service declaration for commercial drivers that violate the hours-of-service regulation and impose a legal obligation for a driver to comply and an operator to ensure that a driver operating under their authority complies with the declaration. Before the legislative changes can come into force, supporting regulations are required. Officers will be notified of the changes once the supporting regulations are approved.

### **ENTERING STEP TWO OF THE ROADMAP TO REOPEN**

The province moved into Step Two of its Roadmap to Reopen at 12:01 am on June 30, 2021.

Step Two of the Roadmap focuses on the resumption of more outdoor activities and limited indoor services with small numbers of people where face coverings are worn, with other restrictions in place. This includes but is not limited to:

- Outdoor social gatherings and organized public events with up to 25 people;
- Indoor social gatherings and organized public events with up to 5 people;
- Outdoor meeting and event spaces limited to the number that can maintain a physical distance of at least two metres from every other person, and must not exceed 25 per cent capacity;
- Indoor meeting and event spaces closed, with exceptions for certain purposes, including for viewing for potential booking of a future event.
- Indoor religious services, rites, or ceremonies, including wedding services and funeral services permitted at up to 25 per cent capacity of the particular room;
- Essential and other select retail permitted at 50 per cent capacity;
- Non-essential retail permitted at 25 per cent capacity;
- Personal care services where face coverings can be worn at all times, and at 25 per cent capacity and other restrictions;



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- Outdoor dining with up to 6 people per table, with exceptions for larger households and other restrictions;
- Outdoor fitness classes limited to the number of people who can maintain 3 metres of physical distance;
- Outdoor sports without contact or modified to avoid contact, with no specified limit on number of people or teams participating, with restrictions;
- Overnight camps for children operating in a manner consistent with the safety guidelines produced by the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health;
- Outdoor sport facilities with spectators permitted at 25 per cent capacity;
- Outdoor concert venues, theatres and cinemas, with members of the public permitted at 25 per cent capacity;
- Outdoor horse racing and motor speedways, with spectators permitted at 25 per cent capacity;
- Outdoor fairs, rural exhibitions, festivals, permitted at 25 per cent capacity and with other restrictions.

#### **Enforcement of Orders**

As the province cautiously moves ahead into Step Two, police officers and other provincial offences officers continue to have the authority to disperse gatherings or organized public events that are not complying with gathering/event limits and can temporarily close premises where prohibited gatherings or organized public events are occurring and require individuals to vacate.

#### **ENTERING STEP THREE OF THE ROADMAP TO REOPEN**

Based on improvements in key public health and health care indicators, the government announced the province moved into Step Three of the Roadmap as of July 16, 2021 at 12:01 am.

#### **Step Three of the Roadmap**

Step Three of the Roadmap focuses on the resumption of additional indoor services with larger numbers of people and restrictions in place. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Outdoor social gatherings and organized public events with up to 100 people with limited exceptions;
- Indoor social gatherings and organized public events with up to 25 people;
- Indoor religious services, rites or ceremonies, including wedding services and funeral services permitted with physical distancing;
- Indoor dining permitted with no limits on the number of patrons per table with physical distancing and other restrictions still in effect;
- Indoor sports and recreational fitness facilities may open, subject to a maximum 50 per cent capacity of the indoor space. Capacity for indoor spectators is 50 per cent of the usual seating capacity or 1,000 people, whichever is less. Capacity for outdoor spectators is 75 per cent of the usual seating capacity or 15,000 people, whichever is less;
- Indoor meeting and event spaces permitted to operate with physical distancing and other restrictions still in effect and limited to 50 per cent capacity or 1,000 people, (whichever is less);
- Essential and non-essential retail with capacity limited to the number of people that can maintain a physical distance of two metres;
- Personal care services, including services requiring the removal of a face covering, permitted with capacity limited to the number of people that can maintain a physical distance of two metres;

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- Museums, galleries, historic sites, aquariums, zoos, landmarks, botanical gardens, science centres, casinos/bingo halls, amusement parks, fairs and rural exhibitions, festivals, with capacity limited to not exceed 50 per cent capacity indoors and 75 per cent capacity outdoors;
- Concert venues, cinemas, and theatres permitted to operate at:
  - o up to 50 per cent capacity indoors or a maximum limit of 1,000 people for seated events (whichever is less);
  - o up to 75 per cent capacity outdoors or a maximum limit of 5,000 people for unseated events (whichever is less); and
  - o up to 75 per cent capacity outdoors or a maximum of 15,000 people for events with fixed seating (whichever is less).
- Real estate open houses permitted with capacity limited to the number of people that can maintain a physical distance of two metres; and
- Indoor food or drink establishments where dance facilities are provided, including nightclubs and restobars, permitted up to 25 per cent capacity or up to a maximum limit of 250 people (whichever is less).

The province will remain in Step Three of the Roadmap for at least 21 days and until 90 per cent of the eligible population aged 12 and over has received one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine and 75 per cent have received their second, with no public health unit having less than 70 per cent of their eligible population aged 12 and over fully vaccinated. Other key public health and health care indicators must also continue to remain stable. Upon meeting these thresholds, the vast majority of public health and workplace safety measures, including capacity limits for indoor and outdoor settings and limits for social gatherings, may be lifted.

There are currently three Emergency Orders made under s. 7.0.2 of the EMCPA that remain in effect. Emergency Orders made under this section may be extended for up to 14 days at a time. All three of the below Emergency Orders were extended until **July 28, 2021**:

1. O. Reg. 8/21 Enforcement of COVID-19 Measures
2. O. Reg. 55/21 Compliance Orders for Retirement Homes
3. O. Reg. 305/21 Regulated Health Professionals

There are currently 29 orders in effect under the ROA. All 29 orders were extended until **August 18, 2021**.

As the province cautiously moved ahead into Step Three, police officers and other provincial offences officers continue to have the authority to disperse gatherings or organized public events that are not complying with gathering/event limits and can temporarily close premises where prohibited gatherings or organized public events are occurring and require individuals to vacate.

### **UPDATE ON POA MODERNIZATION AND STREAMLINING INITIATIVES**

On June 16, 2021, O. Reg 475/21 was filed to permit provincial offences officers to serve Part III summonses on individuals within the province by registered mail, courier, or email. It will also permit service on a recipient's licensed lawyer or paralegal, where applicable.

This change will permit new efficiencies going forward and will help minimize health risks associated with in-person contact during the pandemic.



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Bill 177, the *Stronger, Fairer Ontario Act (Budget Measures)*, 2017, and Bill 229, *Protect, Support and Recover from COVID-19 Act (Budget Measures)*, 2020, introduced amendments to the *Provincial Offences Act* (POA) aimed at modernizing and streamlining POA court processes.

Effective November 1, 2021, amendments that provide for clerks of the court to assume some functions formerly performed by justices of the peace will come into force through Orders in Council.

Beginning November 1, 2021, clerks of the court, rather than justices of the peace, will:

- grant, but not deny, an extension of time to pay a fine. If the clerk is not satisfied that the application should be granted, the clerk must forward the application to a justice of the peace to make the determination whether to grant or deny the request for an extension, and
- review the POA ticket and, if the ticket is not defective as determined by regulation, enter a conviction and impose a set fine where a defendant has failed to respond to the ticket and is deemed not to dispute.

Bill 197, the *COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act*, 2020, amended the POA to further enable the enhanced use of remote appearances in POA proceedings and eliminate the requirement for defendants in formal early resolution courts to attend court to file a Notice of Intention to Appear.

Bill 197 included a provision in the POA that temporarily allows formal early resolution courts to continue using previous offence notices that do not advise defendants of this option and do not contain an option to request a trial on the face of the offence notice. This provision will expire July 21, 2021.

Effective November 1, 2021, updated POA forms, including new Offence Notices, Certificates of Offence, Part I Summons, Notice of Trial and Early Resolution Meeting Notices, will come into effect to reflect the availability of remote appearance methods for POA proceedings. In addition, Offence Notices will also advise the defendant that a clerk may enter a conviction against them, and that the defendant may apply to a justice for a review of their conviction.

### **CRISIS CALL DIVERSION**

The Crisis Call Diversion (CCD) program embeds a mental health crisis worker into a Communications Centre. Crisis Call Diversion responds to calls involving individuals who may be experiencing a crisis and who consent to speak to a crisis worker. The CCD program has been assisting individuals who call in with a variety of acute crisis situations including, but not limited to, mental health or substance abuse issues, relationship conflicts, and family concerns.

The program leverages the partnership between a communications operator and a professional mental health crisis worker to provide phone-based support to callers. The crisis worker provides support interventions, assists in connecting individuals to community services, educates and assists in helping people understand pathways to care when in crisis, and assists to reduce future police interaction.

The implementation guide provides a roadmap for undertaking the development and implementation of a CCD program. While each police service and their respective health partner may differ, this may act as a guide for establishing core components and common approaches for similar practices in Ontario to divert non-emergent crisis calls involving mental health, away from unnecessary police interactions.

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### **IOP ADVISOR UPDATES**

In February 2021, Police Services Advisors were realigned from Public Safety's Division's Operations Unit to the Inspectorate of Policing's Police Services Liaison Unit under the Investigation, Inspection and Liaison Branch. Police Services Advisors continue to play an important role in providing support and advice to policing service boards and others on the delivery of policing in Ontario.

The Inspectorate of Policing is pleased to welcome two new Police Services Advisors, Lindsey Gray and Ron LeClair. Effective August 1, 2021, the following changes will be made to zone assignments:

- Lindsey Gray will be assigned to zone 2
- Ron LeClair will be assigned to zone 4

Graham Wight, currently assigned to zone 2, will become the acting Manager of the unit until the end of 2021, while Morgan Terry is on maternity leave.

There will be no changes to the remaining zone assignments; Tom Gervais will remain in zone 1/1A, Jeeti Sahota in zone 3, Duane Sprague in zone 5, and Dave Tilley in zone 6.

### **DEREGULATION OF THE INTERCOMMUNITY PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION VEHICLE SECTOR**

As of July 1, 2021, the government repealed the *Public Vehicles Act* (PVA) and the *Ontario Highway Transport Board Act* (OHTBA). Associated with these changes, new Passenger Transportation Vehicle (PTV) regulations were introduced under the *Highway Traffic Act* (HTA). As well, new offences were created under the *Provincial Offences Act Regulation 950: Proceedings Commenced by Certificate of Offence*.

The new and revised PTV regulations address vehicles that are used to provide intercommunity passenger transportation across municipal borders for compensation. Under the HTA, it transfers and updates public safety, insurance, customer service and reporting requirements from the PVA.

Updates of interest to law enforcement include:

- Changes to vehicle safety requirements (defining emergency equipment and emergency exits requirements);
- Allowing bicycle racks to be affixed to buses within regulated length limits without a permit. Permits are required if the bicycle rack leads to the bus exceeding dimensional limits;
- Establishing weight and dimensional limits for trailers drawn by a PTV;
- Maintaining standing passenger safety requirements for buses, while prohibiting in all other vehicles; and,
- Eliminating the requirement limiting a carpool owner or lessee to operate only a single vehicle as a carpool.

Ontario also introduced new safety measures for intercommunity PTVs with capacity to seat one to nine passengers (referred to as U10). Prior to July 1, 2021, there was no specific safety regulatory regime for these vehicles. These changes include:

- Minimum driver requirements
  - Hold a full Class G driver's license,
  - Minimum of 18 years of age or older.
- Minimum vehicle requirements:

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- Twice-annual safety inspections at a licensed Motor Vehicle Inspection Station;
  - Updated minimum insurance requirements for U10 PTVs (\$2 million for vehicles with a capacity of one to seven passengers; and \$5 million for vehicles with a capacity of eight to nine passengers);
  - Fire extinguisher as required safety equipment;
  - Maintain a valid semi-annual safety inspection sticker on the front passenger side window;
  - Maintain a U10 PTV identified on their vehicle permit
- The ministry is exempting specific vehicle types from U10 PTV requirements, which mirror vehicle types that were exempted from the Public Vehicles Act. These include:
  - Transportation services provided as part of home care, community support services, personal support services, or on behalf of a long-term care home;
  - Carpool trips;
  - Vehicles-For-Hire (e.g. Taxicabs, Limousines, etc.) or ride-sharing (e.g. Uber, Lyft) operating within a municipal licensing regime;
  - Ambulances and patient transfer vehicles; and
  - Vehicles operated by a licensed childcare centre
- In addition, U10 PTV requirements do not apply to any vehicle operated on a not-for-compensation basis (e.g. personal vehicles, etc.); and.
- Metrolinx, Ontario Northland Transportation Commission (ONTC), and municipal transit operators crossing municipal boundaries are exempt from U10 PTV registration requirements.

### **RISK-DRIVEN TRACKING DATABASE 2020 ANNUAL REPORT**

The report provides an overview of the Risk-driven Tracking Database project, including provincial roll-out and 2020 data results (provincial and regional).

The RTD supports multi-sectoral risk intervention models, such as Situation Tables, by providing a standardized means of gathering de-identified information on situations of elevated risk. It is one tool that communities can use to collect risk-based data about local priority risks and evolving trends to help inform the community safety and well-being planning process.

### **OIPRD PUBLISHING GUIDELINES**

Pursuant to s. 56 of the *Police Services Act*, the Office of the Independent Police Review Director (OIPRD) has released a new guideline (Guideline 005). The purpose of this guideline is to advise the members of the public and the policing community of the OIPRD's practices in publishing disciplinary hearing decisions on its website. This guideline is in effect as of June 3, 2021.

Police disciplinary hearings are held under the *Police Services Act* and are public proceedings held accordance with the *Statutory Powers and Procedure Act*. As you are aware, pursuant to s. 86(3) of the *Police Services Act*, the OIPRD is required to publish Chief's decisions from disciplinary hearings by posting them on its website. Effective June 2, 2021, the OIPRD does not publish appeal or review decisions issued by the Ontario Civilian Police Commission or courts.

In accordance with the provisions of the *Police Services Act*, the OIPRD will post decisions as they are provided by the chiefs or the boards, without any amendment, redaction or revisions.

OIPRD staff will review the decisions, and if there is any concern about inadvertent and serious disclosure of privileged, sensitive or personal information, they may notify the chief, the board or the decision maker, as the case may be, for consideration. This may include, but is not limited to:

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- Information protected under the *Youth Criminal Justice Act* S.C 2002, c. 1
- Names of children and youth under the age of 18
- Names of schools and recreational teams of children and youth
- Information that may tend to disclose the identity of a confidential informant
- Sensitive medical or financial information

In these instances, the OIPRD will ask the chiefs and the boards to provide a response regarding the concerns raised. The response from the chiefs or boards shall indicate whether or not there are privacy or publication concerns, and if any subsequent amendments or redactions have been made.

- If the chief, the board or the decision maker amends, revises or redacts the decision, the OIPRD will publish the amended decision.

- If the chief, the board or the decision maker has determined that there is no privacy or publication concern and does not amend the decision, the OIPRD will publish the original decision.

The response from the chiefs in this regard will be essential for ensuring that the OIPRD fulfills its mandate under s. 86(3) of the Police Services Act.

Given that disciplinary decisions are public and must be published by the OIPRD, it is prudent for everyone involved in the disciplinary process to be mindful of privacy considerations and federal legislation. Privacy concerns or requests for a publication ban or anonymization should be raised before the hearing officers and dealt with at the hearing stage. The OIPRD is not party to the hearing and doesn't have any authority to issue a publication ban or change a decision.

### **MOBILE CRANES AND CONCRETE PUMPS**

Mobile cranes and concrete pumps have been exempted from the requirement to display an annual inspection sticker since 2017 when certain vehicles were reclassified from road-building machines to commercial motor vehicles.

Regulation 611 (Safety Inspections) under the *Highway Traffic Act* has been amended to revoke the exemption.

The requirement for all mobile cranes and concrete pumps to display an annual inspection sticker as outlined in Section 85 of the *Highway Traffic Act* came into force July 1, 2021.

All mobile cranes and concrete pumps must display a valid annual inspection sticker as of July 1, 2021. Mobile cranes that meet the definition of an "off-road mobile crane" found in Ontario Regulation 398/16 (Road-Building Machines) continue to be exempt from this requirement.

### **OHSA REPORTING REQUIREMENTS REGULATION**

Ontario Police Health and Safety Committee (OPHSC) would like to inform police services of a new regulation under the Occupational Health and Safety Act (OHSA) which came into force on July 1, 2021: *Ontario Regulation 420/21 – Notices and Reports under Sections 51 to 53.1 of the Act – Fatalities, Critical Injuries, Occupational Illnesses and Other Incidents*.

O. Reg. 420/21 incorporates the critical injury definition and streamlines reporting requirements previously set out in several regulations into a single regulation that applies to all workplaces covered under the OHSA.

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Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development is developing an electronic notification form to assist employers with meeting their reporting requirements under the OHSA.

### **NEW ANTI-SEX TRAFFICKING POLICY FRAMEWORK FOR SCHOOLBOARDS**

The Ontario government released a new anti-sex trafficking policy framework for school boards, the *Policy/Program Memorandum no. 166: Keeping Students Safe: Policy Framework for School Board Anti-Sex Trafficking Protocols*.

The *Keeping Students Safe* policy – the first of its kind for an education sector in Canada – sets a strong foundation for Ontario school boards to build upon to create local anti-sex trafficking protocols. This new policy will ensure every school board has a plan with core components in place to protect students and empower school communities to play a key role in fighting sex trafficking and protecting children and youth from sexual exploitation.

The policy provides a strong foundation to guide Ontario school boards as they build multi-sector partnerships and collaborate to create community-centered anti-sex trafficking protocols across the province.

School board protocols must include these essential components:

- Raising awareness and understanding of sex trafficking, including the urgency and complexity of combating sex trafficking
- Response and support for students who are at risk or being sex trafficked, or who may be grooming and recruiting other students
- Training for school board employees, educators and administrators and other school staff
- Establishing approaches to support accountability and evaluation

School boards are committed to working with parents/guardians, students, and local partners, such as Indigenous organizations and communities, anti-human trafficking committees, survivor led-organizations, community-based service providers, police services and child welfare agencies to develop and implement their protocols.

Depending on the complexity of effort, some school boards may seek to include response to sex-trafficking into existing police-school board protocols. School boards and police services are expected to work together to develop police-school board protocols that ensure a shared understanding of each party's roles, procedures and decision-making authority in preserving and promoting school safety.

The Provincial Model for a Local Police/School Board Protocol identifies the elements to be included in such protocols. It also sets out a school board's responsibilities to:

- Notify police of school-related occurrences
- Investigate incidents involving suspension or expulsion at the same time that police investigations of those incidents are underway
- Contact parents when students are to be interviewed by police

School boards will be working with community organizations and police services to develop their local protocols, with the goal of having anti-sex trafficking protocols in place in all Ontario school boards in January 2022.

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### **REVOCATION OF RULE 17 OIPRD RULES OF PROCEDURE**

Rule 17 of the OIPRD Rules Procedure was revoked effective June 14, 2021.

This change means the Director will deny requests to reconsider any decisions arising from classifying and screening complaints, retained investigations, and requests for review, and that challenges to the Director's statutory decisions, can only occur through the judicial review application process in the Superior Court of Justice.

### **SERIAL PREDATOR CRIME INVESTIGATIONS COORDINATOR ONTARIO MAJOR CASE MANAGEMENT UNIT STAFFING ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Ontario Major Case Management (MCM) Unit is the centralized coordinating body to support police services in the consistent and systematic investigation of major cases across the province.

Staff Sergeant Alison Yeoman joined the External Relations Branch, Ontario Major Case Management Unit effective July 26, 2021 as the Serial Predator Crime Investigations Coordinator.

### **OPHSC GUIDANCE NOTE #14 FIELD DRUG TESTING**

This guidance note (GN) was developed to provide information to employers, supervisors, workers, joint health and safety committees and health and safety representatives about legal obligations under the *Occupational Health and Safety Act (OHSA)* and to raise awareness about the hazards associated with field drug testing. Originally distributed in 2016, the GB has been revised to reflect amendments to *Reg. 833 Control of Exposure to Biological and Chemical Agents* regarding respirator programs and amendments to *R.R.O. 1990, Reg. 851: Industrial Establishments* regarding emergency eye wash treatments.

### **APPROVED SCREENING DEVICES (ASD) WAIT PERIOD RECOMMENDATIONS**

Recent research has revealed that electronic cigarette (E-cigarette) vapours have the potential to interfere with the accuracy of Approved Screening Devices (ASDs) in certain situations, as some E-cigarette cartridges contain alcohol. When breath testing is conducted immediately after vaping alcohol-containing E-cigarettes, transient mouth alcohol may elevate ASD breath alcohol readings. This transient mouth alcohol effect is expected to dissipate within 5 minutes.

### **UNMARKED BURIALS AT INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS**

The Government of Ontario has committed to working with Indigenous communities to support the identification, investigations, protection and commemoration of Indian Residential school burial sites across the province. There were 18 federally recognized Indian Residential Schools that operated throughout the province. At this time, we are uncertain to date how many sites will be explored. As we do this work, we will respect the wishes of Indigenous communities and endeavor to support them as best we can.

### **CLASS A MANUAL TRANSMISSION RESTRICTION – UPDATE**

**Effective July 1, 2022** individuals completing the Class A or Class A restricted (AR) road test in a vehicle with an automatic transmission, including semi-automatic and automated-manual transmissions, will be restricted from operating Class A/AR vehicles with a manual transmission and only permitted to operate automatic, semi-automatic and automated-manual transmission Class A/AR vehicles. This restriction will be added to their driver record and will appear on the



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front of the driver's licence card as "REST/COND G" and "Restr Class/Categ. Avec restr" on the back of the card. The restriction applies to Class A/AR only and will not apply when operating lower-class vehicles (e.g. Class G/D).

New Class A/AR applicants will continue to have the option to attempt their Class A /AR road test with any type of transmission. If individuals wish to operate manual transmission Class A/AR vehicles or wish to remove the Class A/AR manual transmission restriction, they must pass the Class A/AR road test in a vehicle with a manual transmission.

Once the road test is passed, these individuals will be permitted to operate Class A/AR vehicles with manual, automatic, semi-automatic or automated-manual transmissions and they will not have a restriction added to their driver's licence.

Individuals who hold a Class A /AR licence prior to July 1, 2022 may continue to drive Class A/AR automatic, semi-automatic, automated-manual or manual transmission vehicles. However, if Class A/AR holders are required to complete a Class A /AR road test as of July 1, 2022 (e.g., Ministry-Required Testing) and complete the road test in an automatic, semi-automatic or automated-manual transmission vehicle, the restriction will be added to their driver's record and driver's licence.

Individuals that fail to comply with the Class A manual transmission restriction will be in contravention of section 32(9) of the Highway Traffic Act, which makes it an offence for a driver to fail to comply with a licence condition. Section 32(10.1) makes it an offence for an owner to permit a driver to drive a vehicle contrary to a licence condition.

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE FIREARMS ACT**

Effective July 7, 2021 the amendments to the *Firearms Act* include:

- Mandatory lifetime background checks for licence applicants which will be completed by the Canadian Firearms Program and Provincial Chief Firearms Offices; and
- Changes to the automatic Authorization to Transport (ATT) for restricted and prohibited as conditions of a licence for certain routine and lawful activities.

The changes under Bill C-71 remove four (4) transportation activities, leaving the following two provisions as conditions on a firearms licence, valid within the holder's province of residence:

1. To and from a section 29 approved shooting range;
2. To transport a newly acquired firearm

A CPIC/CFRO query will confirm whether an individual has been granted the above authorizations to transport as a condition on their licence.

### **RESPONDING TO ANIMALS LEFT IN HOT MOTOR VEHICLES**

The Ontario government strongly urges everyone to take the necessary precautions to keep their pets safe and protected during the the summer months, including making sure that pets are not left unattended in a vehicle. Animals can be put at risk of serious illness and possibly death as a result of being left in a vehicle during hot weather.

The public are advised to call 911 if they see an animal in a hot car and are concerned that the animal's life is in immediate danger. Members of the public are advised not to attempt entering a vehicle in these situations.

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Pursuant to the *Provincial Animal Welfare Services Act, 2019* (PAWS Act), police officers, First Nations Constables and animal welfare inspectors may enter motor vehicles to remove animals in critical distress. Where they have reasonable grounds to believe that an animal is in critical distress, police officers and First Nations Constables have authority under section 29 of the PAWS Act to enter places including motor vehicles. Critical distress is defined in the PAWS Act as “distress requiring immediate intervention in order to prevent serious injury to the preserve life.”

### **GUIDELINES TO SCHOOL EMERGENCY AND CRISIS RESPONSE 2021-22**

The safety of students and staff in the education system remains a top priority for the Ministry of Education. As there continues to be a risk of COVID-19 transmission, it is important when planning for the 2021-22 school year, procedures for conducting emergency and crisis response drills (e.g. lockdown, secure and hold, shelter in place) be aligned with current public health guidance and the Ministry of Education’s COVID19: Health, Safety and Operational Guidance for Schools (2021-22).

As outlined in The Provincial Model for a Local Police/School Board Protocol (“the Protocol”), all elementary and secondary schools in Ontario are required to work with their local police service to develop and implement lockdown and bomb threat procedures.

To support school safety, the attached Guidance Document is designed to assist boards and local police services to maintain Emergency and Crisis response plans that are in compliance with mandatory requirements outlined in the Protocol, while the risk of COVID-19 transmission continues. Any updates to a school Emergency and Crisis Response plan should be fully communicated to members of the school community, the local police service and the local fire department.

### **CENTRE OF FORENSIC SCIENCES TOWN HALL MEETING INVITATION**

The Centre of Forensic Sciences (CFS) is proud of the high quality and timely forensic science services it provides to its clients in support of the administration of justice and Ontario public safety programs. The CFS continues to engage with its clients to obtain outcome-based feedback about its services, including scientific investigations and legal proceedings.

CFS will be holding a Town Hall meeting on Thursday, October 14, 2021 from 10:00am to 11:30am. This event will enable senior leaders to provide their strategic perspective on CFS’ transformation initiatives and the ability of the CFS to meet client’s evolving investigative and litigative needs.

This event will be held virtually on the Microsoft Teams platform. It will include presentations from Senior Managers and the CFS on strategic and transformational initiatives and an interactive consultation session where clients can provide targeted feedback.

### **ONTARIO ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

The Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police Annual Conference will proceed as an in person event from October 3 to October 6. Topics to be presented include the OACP Strategic Plan, an update from Queen’s Park from Solicitor General Sylvia Jones, Leadership Development, Intimate Partner Violence, Evidence Based Policing, the Police Legal Updates, the Constable Selection System and a session on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion.



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The Annual General Meeting was held virtually on June 16 which I attended in my capacity as Past President.

### **NATIONAL POLICE AND PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL AND NATIONAL PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL RUN**

This year once again, the National Police and Peace Officers Memorial and National Peace Officers Memorial Run will be held virtually. GSPS contributed through a video tape clipping in honour of fallen officers. The event will be broadcast on the last Sunday in September, with additional details to follow for those who are interested in participating.

Locally, our members are organizing an in person, socially distanced outdoor run and walk at the Lionel E. Lalonde Centre. In keeping with Provincial and Municipal Restrictions, members will participate in a collective 460 km run/walk around the track, BBQ and staff social. Members can walk/run whatever distance they choose and it will be added to our cumulative total goal. The 460 km represents the distance between the Ontario Police Memorial in Toronto to the National Peace Officers Memorial in Ottawa. During the event we will also be honouring our own fallen while promoting strength of solidarity.

### **LAW ENFORCEMENT TORCH RUN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

I continue to participate on the Law Enforcement Torch Run Executive Committee and attended a meeting on July 17 via virtual means. The mission of LETR is to raise awareness and funds for Special Olympics which is the Chiefs of Police charity of choice. Over the years, police services from around the world have raised millions of dollars in support of special Olympians.

### **CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS**

On Canada Day, GSPS issued social media statements “we are thankful for our country and its diverse people and we acknowledge our nation’s successes. Today is also a day to reflect on when our nation has not lived up to its ideals, a part of our history of which we are not proud. Educating ourselves and reflecting on hard, devastating truths is especially important, now more than ever.

We recognize and acknowledge the genocide, suppression, racism and discrimination experienced by Indigenous Peoples here in Canada, historically and presently. This Canada Day, we encourage community members to show your solidarity with Indigenous Peoples after the several recent horrific discoveries of hundreds and thousands of bodies of innocent children at the former sites of residential schools in Canada.

As we acknowledge the work that needs to be done to understand the truth and work toward reconciliation, we wear orange ribbons to symbolize our collective solidarity with Indigenous communities.

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Thank you to all frontline workers and emergency responders for keeping our communities safe on this Canada Day. Thank you to the families and loved ones who wait at home”.

### **CROSS CULTURAL AWAENESS TRAINING**

In keeping with GSPS'S commitment to embrace diversity and create an inclusive Police Service through Community Mobilization, the Service has been invited to partner with the Sudbury Local Immigration Partnership (SLIP) office in Sudbury. Specifically we are part of a Local Immigration Partnership task force.

Our Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Unit will be representing GSPS and will be involved in the development of certain training and education programs which will be shared with new immigrants to Sudbury. SLIP is also interested in creating, encouraging, supporting and maintaining GSPS relationships with the diverse community groups within the City of Greater Sudbury. This is a great opportunity to enhance and enrich our relationship with new and existing immigrants to Greater Sudbury. This partnership will impact, support and build on community trust, their safety and wellbeing.

Enrique Paraco is the Immigration Development officer for this region and is a former DAC committee member provided a leadership development opportunity for Cross Cultural Training.

Topics discussed during the presentation included:

- Why Immigration?
- Cultural misunderstanding
- What do we truly mean by culture?
- Generalization, Stereotypes, Unconscious bias
- Pathway to Inter-cultural competency
- Tools to deal with inter-cultural interactions

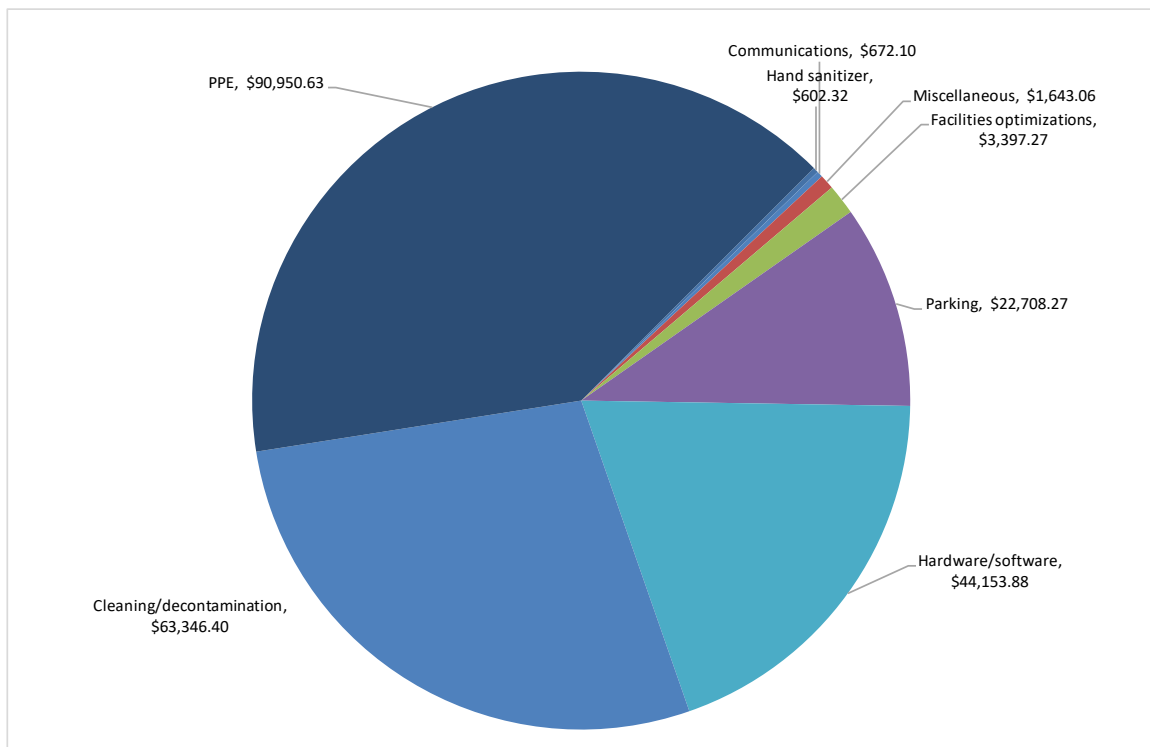
### **FINANCE UPDATE:**

### **COVID-19 SPENDING UPDATE:**

COVID-19 expenditures continue to be tracked and monitored separately. As can be noted expenses associated with PPE and cleaning/decontamination continue to occupy the greatest amount of spending. Fortunately, PPE inventory remains stable, and members have access to the necessary equipment for their personal protection. The Service will continue with these investments to ensure the health and safety of our workplace.

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Category	Amount	Percentage
Hand sanitizer	\$ 602.32	0.26%
Communications	\$ 672.10	0.30%
Miscellaneous	\$ 1,643.06	0.72%
Facilities optimizations	\$ 3,397.27	1.49%
Parking	\$ 22,708.27	9.98%
Hardware/software	\$ 44,153.88	19.41%
Cleaning/decontamination	\$ 63,346.40	27.85%
PPE	\$ 90,950.63	39.98%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$227,473.92</b>	<b>100.00%</b>



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### **2021 PRELIMINARY BUDGET OVERVIEW**

The 2021 preliminary budgets are currently being developed. Guidance from the City is that the overall budget comes in at no more than 3%. These forecasts are being worked on at the present time in collaboration with the City's finance division while rates continue to be determined for items such as insurance, WSIB, program support, facilities, fuel and other fixed costs. A more detailed overview will be presented at the September meeting.

### **OPERATIONAL UPDATES:**

#### **9-1-1 Emergency Communications Centre (9-1-1 ECC)**

For the month of August 2021 the 9-1-1 ECC took over 6,000 9-1-1 calls.

The recruits are now in the final phase of their training program that sees them learning the police dispatch function. All three recruits are progressing well.

August was an incredibly busy month for the 9-1-1 ECC, and members received praise from their peers during the month for their work on various different calls for service.

### **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION**

#### **Major Crime Section**

##### **Three Men Arrested and Charged with Attempt Murder after Incident at Laurentian University**

Around 1:00 a.m. on July 29, 2021, Police responded to an Assault complaint at Laurentian University. Upon arrival Officers found a 27 year old man unconscious in the wooded area on the University's property. He was transported to hospital by City of Greater Sudbury Paramedic Services in serious condition.

Detectives in the Major Crime Section of our Criminal Investigation Division arrested and charged three males in relation to the incident.

The 27 year old man is expected to make a full recovery.

This was an isolated and targeted incident as the involved individuals were known to each other.

##### **Two Men Arrested and Charged in Relation to Lloyd Street Shooting**

Just after 2:00 a.m. on August 14, 2021, officers responded to a Weapons complainant in the area of Lloyd Street. Information provided was that a man had been shot and the unknown suspects had fled the area.

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Upon arrival, officers located a 53 year old man inside his residence suffering from a gunshot wound to his lower extremities.

On the afternoon of August 14, 2021, Members of our Emergency Response Unit including our Canine Unit conducted a search in the area of Lloyd Street.

During the Canine search, Officers located a bicycle and two firearms in a wooded area. One of the firearms was a replica revolver; however the second firearm that was located is believed to be the gun used during the incident.

Through the investigation, Detectives in our Criminal Investigation Division identified the two men believed to be responsible for the attack.

On August 18, 2021, Detectives from our Major Crime Section located and arrested one of the men at a residence on Holland Road.

On August 19, 2021, Detectives from our Integrated Crime Section located the second man on Lorne Street and with the assistance of Members of our Emergency Response Unit took the man into custody.

Two males aged 28 and 36 have been charged with the following offences under the Criminal Code of Canada;

- Attempt Murder with a Firearm
- Discharging a Firearm with Intent
- Pointing a Firearm
- Unauthorized Possession of a Firearm
- Knowledge of Unauthorized Possession of a Firearm
- Possession of a Weapon for a Dangerous Purpose

The 53 year old man who sustained the gunshot wound is expected to make a full recovery.

### **28 year old Man Involved in Robbery and Erratic Driving Incident Arrested**

Around 10:30 a.m. on September 2, 2021, Greater Sudbury Police received a call from an establishment on Riverside Drive in relation to a Robbery that had just occurred. Information provided was that a man had driven a truck into the front of the building, attended the pharmacy inside and stole narcotics along with other items. The driver then fled the scene in the vehicle.

Minutes later Police received a call regarding a collision involving the same vehicle where the driver fled the scene in the vehicle. Multiple 9-1-1 calls began coming into the 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Centre in relation to the vehicle being driven erratically and aggressively in various areas of the South End of Greater Sudbury. The vehicle was seen driving into oncoming traffic, struck parked and mobile vehicles, struck a fence, as well as, a building before the vehicle was seen heading towards Coniston on Highway 17. One person was transported to hospital with minor injuries as a result of one of the collisions.

Due to the vehicle moving between jurisdictions, Greater Sudbury Police notified the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) who provided additional support to our Officers.

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The driver attended an address in the area of Hwy 537 where he attempted to gain access to another vehicle by threatening the property owners.

The vehicle was last seen being driven down Kukagami Lake Road. Officers attended the area and closed down Kukagami Lake Road at Highway 17, as well as, exit points in Capreol and Skead. Due to the erratic behaviour of the driver and his determination to evade Police, Police issued a Shelter in Place for residents in the area of Kukagami Lake Road and Ashagami Road.

Throughout the incident, Officers worked collaboratively with the OPP in order to ensure containment of the driver and vehicle with the OPP providing ground support and aerial support as the OPP helicopter attended the area.

Around 2:00 p.m. Police received information related to the driver's location and shortly after 2:30 p.m. he surrendered to Police without incident. The vehicle was located a short distance away and was cleared by Members of the Emergency Response Team.

28 year old has been charged with the following under the Criminal Code of Canada;

- Robbery x2
- Dangerous Driving
- Fail to Remain at Scene of a Collision x13
- Mischief x4

### **Integrated Crime Team**

#### **Drug Enforcement Unit**

##### **Incident 1**

In June of 2021, The Greater Sudbury Police Integrated Crime Section Drug Enforcement Unit (D.E.U) working in collaboration with the Ontario Provincial Police Organized Crime Enforcement Bureau (O.C.E.B.) with assistance from the Criminal Intelligence Service of Ontario commenced multiple investigations intending to disrupt drug trafficking operations entering and operating within the City of Greater Sudbury.

One of the Drug Investigations identified a group of individuals trafficking illegal drugs including Fentanyl Cocaine and Methamphetamine in our community.

On the 28th and 29th of August, warrants were executed at an address on Murray Street and Martindale Road in Sudbury that resulted in the arrest of six individuals and seizure of \$217 995.00 in fentanyl, methamphetamine and cocaine as well as a 22 caliber hand gun and \$24 140.00 in Canadian Currency.

32 year old, male of Barrie, 31 year old, male of Scarborough, 29 year old, male of Greater Sudbury and 27 year old, male of Greater Sudbury have been charged with the following offences under the Criminal Code of Canada and the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act;

- Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking a Schedule I Substance (Fentanyl)
- Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking a Schedule I Substance (Cocaine)
- Possession of a Schedule 1 Substance (Hydromorph)
- Possession of a Schedule 1 Substance (Methamphetamine tablets)
- Firearm Unauthorized Possession
- Prohibited/Restricted Firearm w/Ammunition
- Careless Use of a Firearm

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- Possession of a Weapon for a Dangerous Purpose
- Firearm Possession Contrary to Order
- Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5,000

In addition, two 17 year old youths from Greater Toronto area have been charged with;

- Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking a Schedule 1 Substance (Cocaine)
- Possession of Property Obtained by Crime

A portion of this investigation was funded through the Ontario Government, Criminal Intelligence Service Ontario. The Drug Enforcement Unit of the Integrated Crime Section remains committed to working collaboratively with the OPP Organized Crime Enforcement Bureau and will continue to focus its efforts on major crime operations that pose a direct and elevated threat to the safety, security and wellness of our community. The Integrated Crime Team aims to identify and disrupt organized crime in Greater Sudbury through innovative technology, collaborative partnerships and traditional Police work resulting in the arrests of those involved, holding them accountable for their criminal activities and the seizure of illegal drugs, prohibited firearms and proceeds of crime.

### Incident 2

In August of 2021 members of the Drug Enforcement Unit acted on information of an Illegal Cannabis Grow situated on Commercial Property off Municipal Road 80 in Val Therese. Officers attended and eradicated 95 Marijuana Plants with an estimated potential street value of \$95 000 dollars.

### Incident 3

During the summer months information was received by Drug Enforcement investigators of an individual dealing fentanyl in the downtown core. Through investigation the identity of the individual was confirmed as well as grounds to believe he was distributing Fentanyl. The accused a 42 year old Sudbury man was arrested and found to be in possession of 1.75 grams of suspected fentanyl and 24265 dollars in Canadian currency. The accused was held for Bail Court.

## Break Enter Robbery Unit

### Incident 1

On the 4<sup>th</sup> of July two suspects attended the Subways located on Durham Street and Brady Street and forced entry into the businesses by smashing windows with a rock. Once inside the suspect party stole two coin dispensers itself which is valued at approximately \$2000 and approximately \$350 in various Canadian coined currency. Investigators with the B.E.A.R unit were able to identify the suspects and warrants for arrest were issued.

### Incident 2

On the 5<sup>th</sup> of August 2021 a Break and Enter occurred at the Elm Street News located at 59 Elm Street. Two suspects entered the business by smashing the front doors. The suspects made off with an undisclosed amount of cigarettes. Members of the B.E.A.R. unit commenced an investigation into the offence and were able to positively identify the individual responsible. Warrants of arrest have been obtained and the accused is evading police and efforts are continuing to apprehend this individual.

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### **Internet Child Exploitation Unit**

The Greater Sudbury Police Service Internet Child Exploitation Unit is part of the Ontario Provincial Strategy to Protect Children from Sexual Abuse and Exploitation on the Internet. This has been made possible by a grant from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services and Ministry of the Attorney General.

#### **Incident 1**

On July 8th, 2021 the I.C.E. and Computer Forensics Units in conjunction with the Tactical and Intelligence Units executed a Search Warrant at a residence in Greater Sudbury.

As a result of the investigation, a 41 year old man was arrested and charged with the following offences:

Access Child Pornography     x 2  
Possess Child Pornography     x 2  
Distribute Child Pornography x 1

The male party appeared in Bail Court on July 9th, 2021 to answer to the charges.

#### **Incident 2**

In May of 2021, the Internet Child Exploitation Unit of the Greater Sudbury Police Service initiated an investigation into child pornography being made available online by a local resident.

On the 24<sup>th</sup> of August 2021 the I.C.E. and Computer Forensics Units executed a Search Warrant at a residence in Greater Sudbury with the assistance of Emergency Response and Intelligence Units.

Following search warrant execution, 43 year old male of Greater Sudbury was arrested and charged with the following offences:

- Access Child Pornography x 3
- Possess Child Pornography x 3
- Make Child Pornography Available x 3
- Assault Police with the intent to resist arrest x 2
- Obstruct Police
- Possession of a prohibited device x 2

Through further investigation, ICE investigators were able to investigate information that relates to the initial Child Pornography investigation and subsequently charged the accused with the additional offences;

- Sexual Interference 151(a) CC x 3
- Sexual Assault 271 CC x 3 – child



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- Sexual Assault 271 CC - adult
- Invitation to Sexual Touching 152 CC x 2
- Sexual Exploitation 153 (1) (a)
- Sexual Exploitation 153 (1) (b) x 2
- Forcible Confinement 279(2) CC

Investigators believe that there may be more survivors and the investigation is ongoing.

### **PATROL OPERATIONS**

#### **Patrol Operations**

On evening of July 2, 2021 Patrol Officers were contacted in relation to a missing 83-year-old woman suffering from dementia. Fortunately, the woman is part of Project Life Saver and using the associated software officers were able to locate the missing woman within hours.

On July 5, 2021, Patrol Officers responded to a Suspicious Person call in a lane way adjacent to College Street. Officers saw the male to have brass knuckles on his wrist and a backpack. After seeing police, the male fled on foot. Officers gave chase and he was seen discarding items while running away. Officers were able to arrest the male and in addition to the brass knuckles, able to retrieve the back pack containing drugs including methamphetamine, cocaine and fentanyl valued at over \$63 000.

During the early morning hours of August 27, 2021, a Patrol Operations officer attempted a Traffic Stop of a vehicle on MR 80 travelling 141 km/hrs. The vehicle initially fled from police but the officer was able locate the vehicle in a parking lot LaSalle/ Notre Dame. The driver was arrested and found to have 50 speed pills on their person as well as being a suspended driver. The driver was charged accordingly.

During the Summer months (July August) Patrol operations completed 351 Crown Briefs conducted 121 Proactive Patrols, stopped over 300 vehicles and issued 201 Provincial Offence Notices. The Service handled more than 8000 CFS including 400 mental health calls for service.

#### **Rural Unit**

During the months of June to August the Police Liaison Team were actively engaged in keeping the peace during the labour dispute between Local 6500 and Vale. PLT members completed over 300 in person visits to the pick-line.

On the weekend of July 9<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> Rural officers conducted a Joint Operation initiative with the MNRF on area lakes laying 55 charges. The campaign focused on marine safety, impaired operation, fishing regulations and invasive species.

Marine Unit Supported the “Berrio on the Sandbanks Event” on July 25, 2021 along with OPP, MNRF and Ontario Parks. Over 200 boats and 800 attendees were present, no issues of concern arose.

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During July and August, the Rural unit conducted over 30 Marine Patrols as well as 21 ATV Patrols and were called to assist on 8 Search and Rescue Events. Rural officers (PLT) conducted outreach in relation to two other potential labour disputes and monitored anti-lockdown/ anti-vaccination demonstrations.

### **SPECIALIZED OPERATIONS**

### **COMMUNITY MOBILIZATION SECTION (CMS) & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SECTION (CES)**

#### **Statistics**

- 46 - Bike Patrols
- 2 – Mobile Crisis Rapid Response Team Calls
- 9 - Foot Patrols
- 32 - ongoing Youth Referrals through the Youth Criminal Justice Act (YCJA) Youth Referral Program (YRP)
- 1 – new Violent Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA)
- 12 – ongoing VTRA
- 3 – presentations to Rapid Mobilization Table (RMT)
- 14 – RMT responses
- 79 – Assist Patrol with calls for service (CFS)

#### **Initiatives**

- (6) youth - completed the Sudbury Police Youth Dirt Riders (SPYDR) – 8-week program/once a week. Consideration is being given to expanding the program to conduct 1-2 Fall/Winter bike rides at Kivi Park in 2021
- (14) youth – completed the Building, Understanding, Resilience & Strength Together (BURST) program – inclusive youth summer activity program that empowers at risk, high risk and/or potential for high-risk youth to build confidence/resiliency and develop better decision making and team building skills. Program was a resounding success
- Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) – downtown businesses were provided with CPTED information to better safeguard themselves against crime
- Assisted Bylaw with encampment – Memorial Park, Elgin Street Bridge and Brady/Broadway
- Assisted CP Police with encampment - Elgin Street by the tracks

### **COURTS SECTION (CS)**

#### **Initiatives**

- Courts Section continues to be involved with the implementation of the Direct Accountability Program (DAP), which is a pre-charge diversion program. Work

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in progress and meetings continued. Work continues on final approvals of the app and process

### **PROPERTY & EVIDENCE CONTROL SECTION (PECS)**

Property & Evidence Control Section personnel continued to support operational and court demands in August, as demonstrated by the following:

#### **Statistics**

- Intake of - **51** Firearms
- Intake of - **58** Drug exhibits
- Intake of - **409** General Property Exhibits
- **470** - Property tags generated
- **5** - Bike tasks to Ghost 19
- **15** - Property Pickups
- **19** - Appointments arranged to retrieve property
- **7** - Registered letters forwarded to owners to make arrangements to retrieve property within 20 days
- **16** - Firearms released
- **239** - Disposals
- **248** - Reports checked by Supervisor
- **264** - Reports generated by Property
- **19** - Officer inquiries at Property Window
- **9** - Exhibits checked out from Property
- **44** - Public Inquiries to Property Evidence Control phone extensions

#### **Initiatives**

- Successful auction pick-up occurred with approximately 65 bicycles as well as numerous other items retrieved.

### **INTEGRATED OPERATIONS**

#### **POLICE COMMUNITY RESPONSE CENTRE (PCRC)**

The PCRC continued to assist frontline officers in responding to calls for service in August, including;

- 266 initial CFS and 237 Follow ups on ghost 22
- 282 initial and 278 Follow ups through Coplogic
- 157 Tow book calls and 196 follow ups
- 74 initial Fraud Investigations and 81 follow ups
- 2 Production Orders written
- 30 POA's and 7 Part III

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- 143 Self Reports and 36- 401's at Community Response Centre
- 7-117 Application and 22 CPIC/CFRO Checks for Patrol/CID
- 19 Crown briefs resulting in 17 C.C
- 16 Uniform assist call and 85 calls diverted
- PCRC members averaged 9.35 calls per shift

### **TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT UNIT (TMU)**

The Traffic Unit issued **104** Provincial Offence Notices and **164** Part III summonses through the month of August. Year-to-date, the TMU has laid **1780** charges under the POA. The Unit entered into **0** fatal MVC investigation and **2** serious personal injury MVC investigations.

A total of **26 drivers** were charged with impaired by drugs / over 80 service-wide in August 2021 including **19** Alcohol, **5** Drug Impaired arrests and **2** refusal.

In August 2021, **73** Stunt Driving charges were laid. The majority of the Stunt Driving charges were laid in 60 km/hr zones.

### **Initiatives**

- CMV Initiative – Partnered with MTO and conducted a three day blitz. In total 15 CMV charges were laid and 2 CMV's were pulled off the road due to safety concerns. 50 Commercial motor vehicles were stopped and inspected.

### **EMERGENCY RESPONSE UNIT (ERU)**

The ERU continued to assist frontline officers in responding to calls for service in August, including;

- 277 calls for service
- 5 focused patrols
- **7 Search Warrants**
  - ✓ CID with High Risk area search

### **Initiatives**

- Focus Patrols Downtown: Increased downtown presence and visibility
- The Emergency Response Unit – Tactical Selection Process candidate interviews/fitness test/pistol qualification completed
- ERU members and armourer continue to prepare for the New Service Pistol Transition taking place now and May 2021
- The Tactical Emergency Medical Services (TEMS) program media launch was held at District II

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- The ERU played an integral role supportive the RCMP during Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's visit to Greater Sudbury

### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

#### **Mobile Crisis Rapid Response Team – Launch June 14, 2021**

As part of our commitment to reframing policing in Greater Sudbury, we are pleased to announce the official launch of the Mobile Crisis Rapid Response Team (MCRRT). The new Mobile Crisis Rapid Response Team (MCRRT) pairs Officers with a Health Sciences North Crisis Worker to respond to Mental Health and Addictions emergencies reported through our 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Centre. Under this new program, Crisis Workers can help de-escalate crisis situations, provide an on-site assessment and connect individuals to community services and supports.

In partnership with Health Sciences North / Horizon Santé-Nord (HSN), we worked with additional community partners from the Canadian Mental Health Association Sudbury/Manitoulin (CMHA) and individuals with lived experiences, as well as, provincial partners to help guide the development of our local model. Our overall goal is to better serve our community in responding to Mental Health calls for service and dealing with individuals in crisis. Through additional collaboration we aim to reduce Emergency Department admittance related to Mental Health, reduce Police wait times for physician assessments in the Emergency Department, reduce recidivism and create additional supports for our Officers when responding to Mental Health-related calls.

The MCRRT response capacity provides an additional service in the continuum of Mental Health and Addictions care between Police, Crisis and hospital services, and other mental health and addictions service providers.

Individuals in receipt of MCRRT services will:

- Have access to the most appropriate level of service in their home/community environment;
- Have access to coordinated care through transitional case management support;
- Experience effective care transitions with the hospital, when required;
- Where possible, be diverted from the Criminal Justice System and potentially reduce recidivism rates;
- Be provided with alternative options to a hospital admission

As part of the MCCRT, our Officers will complete additional de-escalation training and culturally sensitive empathy-based training. We are excited about this new partnership that provides an alternative response to Mental Health and Addictions-related calls and we look forward to the positive impact it will have on our community and on our operational deployment of resources.

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### **World Elder Abuse Day – June 15, 2021**

Meet Lise Perreault, Seniors Liaison of our Community Mobilization Unit. Lise has been working with the Greater Sudbury Police Service since 2004, and began her role as Seniors Liaison in 2015. She works with community partners to connect seniors and their families with the appropriate resources they may require and follows up with older adults who may be in need of extra support.

Elderly people deserve to be treated with respect and dignity. Today is #WorldElderAbuseAwarenessDay - it is vital for community members to be aware that abuse can happen to any older adult. It's important to know the signs and types of elder abuse and what to do if you or someone you know is being abused.

Any act that harms or threatens to harm the health or well-being of an older adult is defined as elder abuse.

There are many different types of abuse:

- Financial abuse towards seniors is the most frequently reported. This is where a person in a position of trust is withholding money; forcing a helpless senior to sell or sign over property. Or, when someone misuses funds and assets of an elderly person without their full knowledge or consent, or not in the elderly person's best interests.
- Psychological abuse is treating an older adult like a child, bullying them, name calling, humiliating, intimidating, harassing and diminishing their sense of dignity. This is the second most frequently reported.
- Physical abuse involves pushing, shaking, hitting, rough handling or sexually assaulting an older person.
- Neglect is leaving an older adult in an unsafe or isolated area. This can also be defined as failing to provide their necessities of life (food, heat, appropriate clean shelter, medication, medical aids, and medical care).

Indicators of abuse involve cuts, bruises, bites, burns, depression, anxiety, poor hygiene, and missing personal belongings. However, please keep in mind not all signs of abuse can be detected.

Is there a way for you to help? YES!

If you suspect yourself, or a loved one is being abused, call Crime Stoppers at 705-222-TIPS or Greater Sudbury Police at 705-675-9171.

If you are in immediate danger, call 911.

### **41 year old Man Arrested and Charged After Home Invasion**

Around 6:50 a.m. on June 16, 2021, we were called in relation to a Break and Enter in progress on Brebeuf Street in Greater Sudbury. Information provided was that a man had removed the back door of the residence from its hinges and entered the home.

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Officers from our Patrol Operations arrived within minutes, entered the home and took the man into custody.

During the investigation it was learned that the man entered the residence, went into the homeowner's bedroom and threatened her with a screw driver, demanding valuables. The 86 year old woman complied with his demand and fortunately was not injured during this potentially violent interaction.

Officers recovered all of the items that the man had attempted to take as he was found exiting the room of the residence when Police arrived.

As a result of this incident, 41 year old Tyler Beggs has been charged with Break and Enter and Robbery under the Criminal Code of Canada. He attended Bail Court on June 16, 2021 to answer to the charges and has since been remanded into custody.

Your personal safety and the safety of your property are of the utmost importance.

Although this incident was unavoidable as the doors to the residence were locked and the man had to remove the door from its hinges in order to gain entry, we encourage community members to take every precaution in order to ensure your safety, security and wellness. Make sure your doors are always locked and if possible have motion sensor lighting, video surveillance equipment and an alarm system.

### **Anywhere, Anytime RIDE**

On June 17, 2021, through our ongoing #AnywhereAnytimeRIDE program, Members of our Traffic Management Unit were out "helping" impaired and high-risk drivers get on their feet one tow at a time. We also had some special guests as Officers were joined by volunteers from Safe Ride Home Sudbury.

Officers checked 202 vehicles resulting in the arrest of a novice driver who was impaired by drug. Officers located and seized a number of Cannabis products and additionally charged the driver with Cannabis Readily Available under the Cannabis Act. The vehicle was towed and impounded for 7 days while the driver's licence has been suspended for 90 days.

During the RIDE check, Officers stopped a driver who was found driving under suspension and upon checking the vehicle, Officers located two children in the backseat who were not in proper child seats. The driver was charged accordingly and was provided a summons to appear in Traffic Court at a later date to answer to the charges. The vehicle was towed and impounded for 45 days as the driver had failed to complete remedial programming as a condition of a prior conviction.

Officers also charged a G1 driver for operating a vehicle without a qualified driver. Our #AnywhereAnytimeRIDE program will continue throughout 2021 and Greater Sudbury should expect us out anywhere at any time. Please drive responsibly and sober. Plan ahead; have a designated driver, call a taxi, use public transit or plan to stay the

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night. Never get behind the wheel when your ability to operate a vehicle is impaired. You not only put yourself at risk but you put everyone else on the road at risk as well.

### **National Indigenous Peoples Day – RICH Values Art Unveiling**

On June 21st, is National Indigenous Peoples Day – a time to highlight the heritage, diversity and achievements of Indigenous communities.

As a police service, we continue to expand our learning and understanding of Indigenous history and culture, and nurture our partnerships with Indigenous community members based on trust and respect. We strive to build positive and respectful relationships with the original inhabitants of this land including First Nations people, Inuit people and Métis people.

We are humbled that Nathan Kanasawe, an Indigenous artist from Wiikwemkoong, Ontario, agreed to create beautiful artwork that interweaves our GSPS RICH values (Respect, Inclusivity, Courage and Honesty) with the Seven Grandfather Teachings (Wisdom, Love, Respect, Bravery, Honesty, Humility and Truth). We are so honoured to unveil this unique, commissioned artwork in the front lobby of the Greater Sudbury Police Service for all to see. This is just one of the ways we are striving to make our Service more welcoming to Indigenous Peoples.

This National Indigenous Peoples Day and every day, we continue to work towards reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples, one step at a time. As we recognize that there is still much work to be done, we reflect on the milestones that we have accomplished in collaboration with our community partners, dating back over 20 years with the creation of our Indigenous Liaison Officer position and Indigenous Community Police Advisory Committee in 1999

### **Thanking Community Member in Stopping Impaired Driver**

In the middle of June, Scott, a keen community member contacted Police regarding an impaired driver. Yesterday, Constable Hinds, Auxiliary Member Powell and Constable Kitchikake had the opportunity to thank Scott in person.

Last week, Scott found himself in a situation where he came across an impaired driver. Scott recognized clear signs of impairment and immediately contacted Police. Scott was able to distract the driver while awaiting Police arrival, keeping the driver from going back out onto the roadway. Once Officers arrived they began speaking with the driver who showed clear signs of impairment. The Officers conducted a Standard Field Sobriety Test on the driver and as a result of the SFST, the driver was arrested for Impaired Operation. Upon searching the driver, Officers located a quantity of illicit drugs. While at Police Headquarters a Drug Recognition Expert conducted a Drug Recognition Evaluation confirming that the driver was impaired by drugs.

The driver was charged with Operation While Impaired and Possession of a Schedule I Substance.

Thanks to Scott's quick thinking and immediate actions, an impaired driver was removed from our roadways before anything tragic occurred.



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We would like to recognize Scott and all of our community members who are dedicated and committed to keeping our roadways safe.

### **PTSD Awareness Day – June 27, 2021**

#PTSDawarenessday - a day to acknowledge that not all wounds are visible.

Posttraumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) is a mental disorder that may occur after a person experiences or witnesses a traumatic event such as:

- War
- crime
- major accidents
- interpersonal violence
- disasters

Let's spread awareness on this important topic and #EndTheStigma surrounding mental illness. Reaching out for help is a sign of strength, not weakness.

“Together we rise, we heal, we overcome.”

### **Canadian Multiculturalism Day – June 27, 2021**

This #CanadianMulticulturalismDay and every day, we celebrate diversity and inclusion. Our goal is to ensure a diverse and inclusive approach to serving our community through listening, learning, transparency and continued engagement.

Since 1990, the GSPS Diversity Advisory Committee has been providing advice and counsel to the Office of the Greater Sudbury Police Service Chief of Police with respect to race relations and multicultural concerns/issues in #Sudbury as it relates to policing. This year, our Diversity Advisory Committee celebrates 31 years of serving as a critical link between the Police Service and the diverse communities of Greater Sudbury. We proudly celebrate our open lines of communication and strive to continually improve relationships in a transparent and respectful manner by better understanding cultural traditions and customs.

### **National Indigenous History Month – June – Beading Challenge**

As we continue to honour #NationalIndigenousHistoryMonth, we are pleased to showcase the results of our GSPS beading challenge.

A huge thanks to Page Chartrand, our Indigenous Liaison Unit Summer Student, for teaching several GSPS members, both Sworn and Civilian, how to bead their very own keychains by hand. Each participant was given the choice of three cabs (the Medicine Wheel, bear paw or Anishnaabek flag) as the centre piece of their keychain. Page graciously provided us with teachings and guidance - and we are proud to reveal the final outcomes with you!

Beading requires patience, focus and attention to detail - and instilled in us a new appreciation for Indigenous artwork and creativity. Chi-Miigwetch Page!

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### **Stunt Driving Law – July 1, 2021**

The Greater Sudbury Police is committed to road safety in our community. We will continue to enforce the prevention of aggressive, distracted, and impaired driving in an effort to ensure the safety all road users. We will be conducting several #AnywhereAnytime RIDE programs throughout this holiday weekend. If your plans include the consumption of intoxicants, please plan ahead for a safe ride home. Be aware of the following changes to the Highway Traffic Act effective tomorrow:

### **New Stunt Driving Laws**

Effective July 1st 2021, the Ministry of Transportation will be implementing several amendments to the Highway Traffic Act with respect to stunt driving and street racing in Ontario. Specifically, drivers charged with stunt driving will now face a 14-day motor vehicle impoundment (currently seven-day impoundment). Further, drivers found to be speeding in excess of 40 km/h or more on roads with a speed limit of less than 80 km/h can now be charged with stunt driving.

Stunt driving and street racing are dangerous and illegal.

Stunt Driving includes:

- Driving 40 kms per hour or more over the speed limit on roads with a speed limit less than 80 kms per hour
- Driving 50 kms per hour or more over the speed limit if the speed limit is 80 kms per hour or more
- Driving in a way that prevents other vehicles from passing
- Intentionally cutting off another vehicle
- Intentionally driving too close to another vehicle, pedestrian or fixed object
- Driving a motor vehicle in a manner that indicates an intention to lift some or all of its tires from the surface of the highway
- Driving a motor vehicle in a manner that indicates an intention to spin it or cause it to circle, without maintaining control over it
- Driving a motor vehicle while the driver is not sitting in the driver's seat
- Driving a motor vehicle with a person in the trunk of the motor vehicle

Street Racing includes:

- Two or more motor vehicles driving in a way that indicates the drivers are competing
- Chasing another motor vehicle
- Changing lanes repeatedly at a high rate of speed and weaving through traffic

Drivers who are involved in stunt driving or street racing will be subject to:

- An immediate seven-day driver's licence suspension
- An immediate 14-day vehicle impoundment at roadside (whether it is your vehicle or not)
- A minimum fine of \$2,000 and a maximum fine of \$10,000
- A jail term of up to six months
- A post-conviction licence suspension of up to two years for the first conviction, and up to 10 years for a second conviction within 10 years
- Six demerit points

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### **Canada Day – July 1, 2021**

On #CanadaDay, we are thankful for our country and its diverse people and we acknowledge our nation's successes. Today is also a day to reflect on when our nation has not lived up to its ideals. A part of our history of which we are not proud. Educating ourselves and reflecting on hard, devastating truths is especially important, now more than ever.

We recognize and acknowledge the genocide, suppression, racism and discrimination experienced by Indigenous Peoples here in Canada, historically and presently. This Canada Day, we encourage community members to show your solidarity with Indigenous Peoples after the several recent horrific discoveries of hundreds and thousands of bodies of innocent children at the former sites of residential schools in Canada.

As we acknowledge the work that needs to be done to understand the truth and work toward reconciliation, we wear orange ribbons to symbolize our collective solidarity with Indigenous communities.

Thank you to all frontline workers and emergency responders for keeping our communities safe on this Canada Day. Thank you to the families and loved ones who wait at home.

### **Sirens for Life Campaign – Video – July 2, 2021**

As the reigning champions in #Sudbury and strong advocates and supporters of Canadian Blood Services, the Greater Sudbury Police Service will once again be participating in the annual Sirens for Life campaign. And we encourage you, Sudbury, to join us! From now until September 6th, 2021, we encourage you to participate in the Sirens for Life challenge by donating plasma at the #Sudbury Plasma Donor Centre, located at 900 Lasalle Blvd in Sudbury. When you attend the clinic, let them know you are there on behalf of the Greater Sudbury Police Service!

Sirens for Life is a national initiative engaging first responders across Canada to help save lives through blood and plasma donations, and by raising awareness for the importance of stem cell and organ and tissue donation.

Plasma helps treat patients undergoing extensive surgery, trauma, or those with bleeding disorders. Currently, the need for plasma is more than four times what is donated in Canada.

The process for donating plasma is similar to donating blood. The main difference between a whole blood and plasma donation is the collection method—apheresis. Only the plasma portion of your blood is collected; the rest (red cells, white cells and platelets) is returned to you.

Thanks for helping #SaveLives and for supporting your local police service!!

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### **National Injury Prevention Day – July 5, 2021**

Most injuries are predictable and preventable. ☑ Help prevent injuries on the road and on the water by obeying the law and putting safety first. Traffic laws and boating laws are in place for a reason – to protect you and your loved ones from harm.

Protect your head: wear your helmet. By law, any cyclist under the age of 18 must wear an approved bicycle helmet. Head injuries are a leading cause of death for children on bicycles. A properly fitted and correctly worn bicycle helmet can make a dramatic difference, cutting the risk of serious head injury by 60%. Younger children should always be accompanied by an adult when they are riding their bikes, especially around traffic.

Drivers are reminded to obey posted speed limits and pay attention. Slow down in residential areas, construction zones and school zones. Slower speed limits are in place for a reason – you never know when a child could step out onto the street and you could need to come to a quick stop. Stay focused on the road and lose the distractions.

The best ways to prevent injuries on the water?

- Wear your life jacket/PFD
- Boat sober
- Carry the required safety equipment on board
- Check the weather forecast

Stay safe!

### **Hot Pursuit Ends in Arrest and Seizure of Over \$63,700 Worth of Drugs**

Around 5:30 p.m. on July 5, 2021, we received a call regarding a suspicious person at a residence on College Street. Information provided was that a man appeared to be armed with brass knuckles and was believed to be intoxicated by drugs.

Officers arrived in the area, saw the man and confirmed that he was armed with brass knuckles. Upon seeing the Police cruisers, the man took off running down an unmarked laneway off of Adie Street into a wooded area. Officers found the man on College Street where he no longer had the back pack he was carrying when they initially saw him. Officers began to chase the man on foot and saw him discard various items during the chase.

Just before 6:00 p.m. Officers arrested the man in a laneway off of Adie Street and charged him with Unauthorized Possession of a Weapon.

Upon searching the man, Officers located over \$1,200 in cash. The Officers retraced the man's steps and located the backpack that the man disposed of while he was fleeing.

Inside the backpack, Officers found a substantial amount of cash and the following drugs;

- Over 300 Methamphetamine pills
- Over 13 grams of Fentanyl

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- Over 488 grams of Crystal Meth
- Over 89 grams of Cocaine
- 13 pills containing an unknown substance
- Close to 16 grams of Cannabis

The approximate value of the drugs seized is over \$63,700.

Officers also located two sets of brass knuckles, one containing a folding knife, bear spray, a scale and packaging materials.

The 34 year old man has been charged with the following offences under the Criminal Code of Canada and the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act;

- Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Under \$5,000
- Possession of a Weapon for a Dangerous Purpose
- Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking x4
- Failure to Comply with Release Order
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A Police database search of the man revealed that he was also wanted on an outstanding Bench Warrant for failing to appear in Court.

He was held in custody overnight and will attend Bail Court today, July 6, 2021 to answer to the charges.

### **Impaired Driving Messaging – July 7, 2021**

In the first six months of 2021, from January 1st - June 30th, the Greater Sudbury Police Service has charged 180 drivers with Operation while Impaired:

- Alcohol-related: 80 drivers charged
- Drug-related: 100 drivers charged

This represents a 400% increase in drug-impaired driving charges as compared to the first six months of 2020.

Many impaired drivers are located and arrested with YOUR assistance by calling 911 to report an impaired driver on the roadway. We thank you for your help in keeping our roads safe.

We'll continue to conduct our #AnywhereAnytime RIDE check campaigns to ensure drivers are sober.

We urge you #Sudbury, to drive sober. There is no reset button on life. Driving while under the influence of drugs or alcohol is never worth the risk.

### **Funeral for Detective Constable Jeffrey Northrup – July 12, 2021**

Our hearts are heavy today as we mourn the death of Detective Constable Jeffrey Northrup. As he is laid to rest, we honour his life and his dedication to protecting & serving his community. We stand together as a policing family in support of the Toronto Police Service.

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To D/Cst. Northrup's family, friends and colleagues, we are so deeply sorry for your loss. You remain in our thoughts and prayers.

D/Cst. Northrup paid the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty on July 2. In policing, a "routine" call is never guaranteed to be "routine". Every day, men and women put on their uniforms and lace up their police boots, courageously knowing the depth and finality of the associated risks to this profession. Thank you, Detective Constable Jeffrey Northrup for your bravery and service.

#HeroesInLife #TorontoPolice

### **Diversity Advisory Committee Bursary Winners – July 14, 2021**

Each year, our Diversity Advisory Committee (DAC) recognizes outstanding Grade 12 student(s) who have demonstrated a commitment to diversity, inclusive practices, and cultural acceptance in their school and/or in their community.

This morning, Chief Pedersen, along with Navreet Kudari (DAC Chair) and Div Patel (DAC Vice-Chair) were honoured to recognize the winners of our 2021 DAC Bursary. Danyelle-Riley Basso and Lily Van Der Zyl, both Grade 12 students from high schools in Greater Sudbury, are the deserving recipients of \$500 each to assist in their post-secondary studies and/or employment.

Danyelle-Riley is passionate about providing care to the elderly, especially those who do not have family supports, and has done fundraising for mental health services for the elderly. Danyelle is selected as a 2021 DAC Bursary Recipient for her resiliency and exceptional dedication to be inclusive and supportive of elderly community members.

Upon seeing this past year's media coverage about the devastating reality of racism affecting BIPOC communities, Lily reflected on how she may support diversity, inclusion and anti-racism. This led Lily and three peers to create the Diversity and Anti-Racism Council in their high school. For the 2020-2021 school year, the Council focused on addressing injustices against the Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) community after seeing the rise of hate and racism against Asian people during the COVID-19 pandemic. Additional activities by the Council include showcasing short films created by Black filmmakers, supporting Black-owned local businesses, and sharing social media infographics discussing various social issues. Lily is selected as a 2021 DAC Bursary Recipient for her incredible initiative in founding the Diversity and Anti-Racism Council and efforts to educate her fellow students on diversity. Congratulations, Danyelle-Riley and Lily! Thank you for being young leaders in our community and pushing for positive change. We wish you all the best in your future endeavours.

### **BEAR Unit Arrests Man in Connection to Numerous Commercial Break and Enters in New Sudbury**

Between April 15 and July 4, 2021, eight commercial Break and Enters were reported by local businesses in the New Sudbury area. The string of B&E's was assigned to our

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Break Enter and Robbery (BEAR) Unit of our Integrated Crime Team as it was suspected that the same individual was involved in all of the incidents.

Through the investigation, Detectives identified a man believed to be responsible for at least five of the Break and Enters.

Just after 12:15 p.m. on July 13, 2021, members of our BEAR Unit assisted by members of our Emergency Response Unit executed a Search Warrant at a residence on the Kingsway.

As a result of the Search Warrant a number of items were located including some of the stolen property, as well as, clothing and the bicycle the man used during one of the incidents.

Officers also located a small grow operation inside the residence that is in contravention of the Cannabis Act.

The 44 year old man has been charged with the following under the Criminal Code of Canada and Cannabis Act;

- Break, Enter and Committing x2
- Break and Enter with Intent x3
- Mischief
- Mischief to Property Under \$5,000
- Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Under \$5,000
- Theft Under \$5,000
- Possess, produce, sell, distribute or import anything with intention to use it to produce, sell or distribute illicit Cannabis (Cannabis Act)

The investigation into the additional B&E incidents is ongoing and additional charges may be pending.

He was held in custody overnight and attended Bail Court today, July 14, 2021 to answer to the charges.

### **Joint Initiative with MNR Conservation Officers – July 16, 2021**

The City of Greater Sudbury encompasses 330 lakes - that's more lakes than any other municipality in Canada! Locally known as the "City of Lakes", Greater Sudbury contains the highest population base north of Barrie. Over the past several years, there have been boating accidents, drownings, resource abuse, and introductions of invasive species on area lakes.

Rural Officers from the Greater Sudbury Police Service partnered up with Conservation Officers with the Ontario Natural Resources and Forestry to undertake a large enforcement initiative over the weekend of July 9-11, 2021. As a result, a total of 29 lakes and rivers were patrolled over three days.

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Of special note, patrol and field work have the potential to spread Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) when equipment is moved between waterbodies; therefore, boats and equipment should always be considered contaminated. As such, all equipment was decontaminated before it was moved to a new waterbody.

Police and Conservation Officers made close to 600 contacts comprised of boaters, cottagers, and residents. The majority of vessels stopped received warnings for minor equipment violations.

A total of 55 charges were issued in relation to the following offences:

- Possessing more than sport fishing specified quota of fish
- No personal floatation devices on non-human powered pleasure craft
- No personal floatation devices on human powered pleasure craft
- Personal floatation device not of appropriate size on non-human powered pleasure craft
- No safety equipment on human powered pleasure craft
- Having care and control of a boat underway with open container of liquor
- Having care and control of a motor vehicle with open container of liquor
- Having liquor in open container in other than licenced premises, residence or private place
- Operating non-human powered pleasure craft without prescribed vessel safety equipment on board
- Use boat to harass wildlife (chasing geese with vessel)
- Operate vessel with safety equipment not accessible
- Permitting person to operate vessel without safety equipment
- Operate vessel with safety equipment not in good working order
- Operate vessel with no competency

This includes an incident where a vessel was being operated in a careless manner and was subsequently stopped by Conservation Officers who found a case of beer; some empty/opened alcohol, as well as unsealed marijuana in the boat. GSPS Uniform Officers then conducted sobriety testing on the operator. Appropriate charges were then issued. As always, our goal is to ensure the safety, security and wellness of our community members and to make sure everyone returns home safely to their loved ones. Please make the smart choice, drive sober.

### **Pride Week – July 12-16, 2021**

The Greater Sudbury Police Service is grounded by its RICH values of Respect, Inclusivity, Courage and Honesty. We celebrate authenticity; the freedom to be who you are and to openly love who you love. This Sudbury Pride Week (July 12-16, 2021), we continue to support equity, diversity, inclusion and acceptance.

All Pride Week long, our Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Unit shared important information and resources with GSPS members surrounding equity and allyship as part of our commitment to being an inclusive workplace.



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On July 16, 2021 we concluded Sudbury Pride Week with a GSPS Pride BBQ and Flag Painting to raise funds for Welcome Friend Association's Rainbow Camp. Welcome Friend Association is a Canadian registered charity that educates and promotes awareness in society regarding gender, sexual identities and expressions. Rainbow Camp is a camp for 2SLGBTQIA+ and allied youth & families and is committed to developing a camp community that honours creativity, individual choice and social justice, while having fun.

### **National Drowning Prevention Week – July 18-24, 2021**

Every year, over 400 Canadians die in preventable water-related incidents. Even one drowning is one too many.

It's National Drowning Prevention Week July 18-24, 2021.

Be boat smart – wear your life jacket or PFD.

Be sure to carry your Pleasure Craft Operator Card and marine safety equipment.

Boat sober. There is no safe way to mix alcohol and drugs with boating. Every year hundreds of people die as a result of boating-related activities. Almost 65% of these deaths involve the use of alcohol.

Alcohol and drugs impair your senses, reduce your ability to react to danger, and increase your chance of being involved in a fatal drowning. Impaired boating is just like impaired driving. By operating a boat under the influence, you put not only your life at risk, but also those of your passengers and other boaters.

Always plan ahead! Be aware of the weather and water conditions and any hazards that may affect your trip.

Remember, the absence of adult supervision is a factor in most child drownings. Whether it's a pool, the bathtub, a splash pad, the beach, a hot tub or toddler pool, children should be supervised at all times. Unattended toddlers are high risk because they are mobile, curious and require close and constant supervision by an adult. Lifejackets and other flotation devices are a layer of protection, but do not replace adult supervision.

### **Berrio on the Sandbanks – July 25, 2021**

On Sunday, July 25, 2021, Larry Berrio in partnership with Tourism Ontario will be hosting the annual Berrio on the Sandbanks at Lake Wahnapiatae Provincial Park. Members of the Greater Sudbury Police Service, the Ontario Provincial Police, the Anishinabek Police Service and the Ontario Natural Resources and Forestry Park Wardens will be on site and patrolling the water in boats to ensure the safety of all those in attendance. City of Greater Sudbury Fire Services and Paramedic Services will also be on hand and patrolling the water as a precaution.

Officers will be at the boat launches to educate community members on safe boating practices and to make sure that all boats are equipped with the proper safety equipment.

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A reminder to those who plan on attending the event, Drinking and Driving a Boat on the water is the same as Drinking and Driving a Vehicle on a roadway. Those who make the choice to consume alcohol and operate a marine vessel will be charged with Impaired Driving. It is also illegal to have any open alcohol in a boat (unless your boat is anchored or docked and is equipped with a permanent toilet, cooking facilities, and sleeping facilities).and those who are found to have open alcohol in their possession will be charged accordingly.

As this event is taking place during Step 3 of the Roadmap to Reopen, boaters are reminded that their vessels are to have a minimum of two metres between them when anchored.

Our goal is to ensure the safety, security and wellness of our community members and to make sure everyone returns home safely to their loved ones. Please make the smart choice, do not drink and drive.

Before you head out on the water, a careful check of your vessel and equipment is important. Take a few minutes to review Transport Canada's Safe Boating Guide.  
<http://www.tc.gc.ca/media/documents/marinesafety/TP-511e.pdf>

### **Pre-departure Checklist**

Be prepared for the unexpected. Check this list before every trip, especially your first trip of the season.

#### **Lifejackets and PFDs – Wear Them!**

Carry a Canadian-approved lifejacket or PFD of the proper size for each person on board. Make sure they are in good condition (check the zippers, buckles, fabric, seams, etc.).

Operator Competency – Are you ready to head out on the water? Take a boating safety course.

Always carry your Pleasure Craft Operator Card or other proof of competency on board.

Weather – Check and monitor the Marine Weather Forecast

Safety Equipment – Required by Law and essential for safety; See equipment required for your boat.

Make sure all equipment is on board, in good working order and easy to reach.

Carry a first aid kit, basic tools and spare parts.

Charts, Compass and Local Hazards – Know where you are at all times; Make sure you are aware of all local hazards, water levels and tides.

Fuel – Check your tank and remember: 1/3 to go, 1/3 to return, 1/3 reserve.

Boat Condition – Should your boat leave the dock? Check the hull for cracks or other damage.

- Check the electrical, fuel, propulsion and cooling systems.
- Make sure the throttle and steering work well.
- Check the oil.
- Check all hoses and lines for leaks or cracks, and replace if necessary.
- Make sure all clamps and belts are secure and in good shape.
- Inspect, clean and replace spark plugs if necessary.
- Check and change oil and water filters if needed.

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- Check the battery's charge.
- Make sure the drainage plug is in place.
- Carry a spare plug for the transom.
- Make sure the load on your boat (gear and people) is well distributed.
- Run the blowers for four minutes before starting the engine(s) and check for airflow.

Safety Briefing – You are legally responsible for your guests! Show everyone where you keep the safety equipment and explain how to use it.

Make sure the communication equipment works and everyone knows how to use it.

Enjoy the weekend! Stay safe.

### **Outdoor Safety Messaging – July 27, 2021**

Are you going on an outdoor excursion? Do you plan on going blueberry picking or hiking? Here are some important things to consider before venturing out on an outdoor excursion.

- Always tell someone where you are going and include the date, time of departure, the number of people in your party, direction of travel and estimated time of return.
- When picking alone go to areas covered by cell phone towers.
- Park your vehicle on the side of the road that indicates which side of the road you are picking on.
- Always have a GPS and/or communications device. Ensure that they are in good working order and that you know how to use them. Also, ensure that all communications devices are fully charged and that you have a means of recharging the batteries.
- Download the what3words app on your smartphone and familiarize yourself with how the application works.
- Text your GPS coordinates to someone as you change locations, so if you or your cell phone becomes disabled, someone will know your last location.
- Wear appropriate clothing and footwear for the terrain and weather conditions you expect to encounter.
- Have a first aid kit on hand. If you require prescription medication, carry at least a week's supply in case you get lost.
- Pack water and snacks.

While you are in the bush, consider the following:

- Go slow. Heavy exertion burns extra calories and makes you sweat heavily, which can cause dehydration. Fatigue, dehydration and damp clothing increase your chances of succumbing to hypothermia.
- Hypothermia occurs when the body loses heat faster than it produces it, often when exposed to rain, wind and cold without proper, dry clothing or shelter. Your most important task if you become lost is to stay warm and dry. Build a shelter and a fire if you can. Always carry matches in a waterproof container.

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- If you get lost, fear is your worst enemy. It is impossible to think logically if you panic. Stay where you are. Do not try to walk to safety unless you have the skills and equipment to survive. Staying where you are increases your chances of being located in a shorter amount of time.
- Making a fire is one of your best survival tools. It can keep you warm, dry your clothes and serve as a signal for help.
- If necessary, use natural formations, such as caves or fallen trees, for shelter. Other materials, such as cedar or spruce boughs, can be used to construct a temporary shelter.
- It is important to know that the universal distress signal is three blasts of a whistle or three burning fires.
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### **World Day Against Trafficking in Persons – July 30, 2021**

July 30, 2021 is the World Day Against Trafficking in Persons. Human trafficking is a criminal offence that involves the exploitation of a person through force, coercion, threat, fraud or deception, for the financial gain of the exploiter. Domestic Sex Trafficking, specifically, occurs when a person controls, manipulates and intimidates another person into providing sexual services where the money earned goes back to the trafficker. It is one of the fastest-growing crimes worldwide and it happens right here in Greater Sudbury.

GSPS is dedicated to a Survivor-centered approach incorporating crime prevention, education and increased awareness of reporting processes towards sexual violence, harassment and human trafficking. We work collaboratively with community partners to help survivors and potential victims of sexual violence and human trafficking with an emphasis on expanding education, providing enhanced training and conducting coordinated community engagement.

In April 2020, GSPS launched Project Empower, which is a program designed to be a Survivor-centered initiative incorporating crime prevention, education and increased awareness of reporting processes towards sexual violence, harassment and human trafficking. In keeping with Canada's 2019-2024 National Strategy to Combat Human Trafficking, Project Empower is based on the pillars of prevention, partnerships and Survivor-empowerment to combat human trafficking through a survivor-centered, survivor-informed and gender-responsive lens.

Recently, multiple community partners have come together to discuss services available in Sudbury for Survivors of Human Trafficking. In September, Sudbury Women's Centre and Sudbury & Area Victim Services / Services aux victimes du Grand Sudbury will be forming a coalition for Human Trafficking that GSPS will be supporting and participating in.

Nearly 3/4 of human trafficking victims identified by Police are under the age of 25. It's very common for exploiters to attempt to lure young people through social media apps (i.e. Instagram, Snapchat). The GSPS is dedicated to speaking with and educating students on what Human Trafficking is, how it happens and how to recognize the signs.

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On July 6th, 2021, the government of Ontario announced Ontario's Anti-Sex Trafficking Plan for School Boards: <https://news.ontario.ca/.../ontarios-anti-sex-trafficking...>

The Greater Sudbury Police Service also supports Courage for Freedom #EradicateChallenge, which aims to end the buying and selling of children, boys and girls in Canada.

### **Boating Safety – July 31, 2021**

This long weekend our Marine Unit will be out patrolling various lakes across Greater Sudbury.

A reminder to those out boating this long weekend, Drinking and Driving a Boat on the water is the same as Drinking and Driving a Vehicle on a roadway. Those who make the choice to consume alcohol and operate a marine vessel will be charged with Impaired Driving.

Our goal is to ensure the safety, security and wellness of our community members and to make sure everyone out on the water returns home safely to their loved ones. Please make the smart choice, do not drink and drive.

Before you head out on the water, a careful check of your vessel and equipment is important. Take a few minutes to review Transport Canada's Safe Boating Guide. <http://www.tc.gc.ca/media/documents/marinesafety/TP-511e.pdf>

#### **Pre-departure Checklist**

- Be prepared for the unexpected. Check this list before every trip, especially your first trip of the season.
- Lifejackets and PFDs – Wear Them!
- Carry a Canadian-approved lifejacket or PFD of the proper size for each person on board. Make sure they are in good condition (check the zippers, buckles, fabric, seams, etc.).
- Operator Competency – Are you ready to head out on the water? Take a boating safety course.
- Always carry your Pleasure Craft Operator Card or other proof of competency on board.
- Weather – Check and monitor the Marine Weather Forecast
- Safety Equipment – Required by Law and essential for safety; See equipment required for your boat.
- Make sure all equipment is on board, in good working order and easy to reach.
- Carry a first aid kit, basic tools and spare parts.
- Charts, Compass and Local Hazards – Know where you are at all times; Make sure you are aware of all local hazards, water levels and tides.
- Fuel – Check your tank and remember: 1/3 to go, 1/3 to return, 1/3 reserve.

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- Boat Condition – Should your boat leave the dock? Check the hull for cracks or other damage.
- Check the electrical, fuel, propulsion and cooling systems.
- Make sure the throttle and steering work well.
- Check the oil.
- Check all hoses and lines for leaks or cracks, and replace if necessary.
- Make sure all clamps and belts are secure and in good shape.
- Inspect, clean and replace spark plugs if necessary.
- Check and change oil and water filters if needed.
- Check the battery's charge.
- Make sure the drainage plug is in place.
- Carry a spare plug for the transom.
- Make sure the load on your boat (gear and people) is well distributed.
- Run the blowers for four minutes before starting the engine(s) and check for airflow.

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Make sure the communication equipment works and everyone knows how to use it.  
Have a safe and wonderful long weekend.

### **GSPS TMU Participates in Make a Wish**

On August 5, 2021, Cst. Hinds, Cst. Rancourt and Cst. Gosselin of our Traffic Management Unit attended St. Joseph's Health Centre of Sudbury to help make one of their residents' wishes come true.

Jim Oman is a long time motorcycle enthusiast who had plans to continue riding, but unfortunately suffered a stroke that has prevented him from doing so. Riding in a motorcycle sidecar across town has been his dream.

Tanya Ann Ball and her team from St. Joseph's Villa organized a ride with community member Pat Severin who has a motorcycle with a side car.

The Freedom Riders Motorcycle Association of Northern Ontario, Inc. (Sudbury) as well as Sudbury Bike Nights joined in with Jim, Pat and members of our Traffic Management Unit for a ride through Sudbury. They finished their ride at A&W Canada, where A&W owners Suzanne and Paul Gaudreault treated everyone to a cold root beer and a special treat for Jim.

We are so happy that Jim's wish to ride in a sidecar was fulfilled thanks to the Villa's Make A Wish Day - and that GSPS got to be a part of this special moment.

#FeelGoodFriday #WeLoveSudbury

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### **Driver Uses RV to Ram Police Cruisers During Impaired Driving Incident**

Just after 6:00 p.m. on August 8, 2021, we received a call regarding an Impaired Driver as the individual had been seen consuming numerous alcoholic beverages prior to getting behind the wheel of an RV. The vehicle was last seen on MR80 in Val Caron heading towards New Sudbury.

Around 6:10 p.m. Officers located the vehicle on Notre Dame Avenue and conducted a traffic stop. The Officers approached the vehicle and began to speak with the driver. Upon speaking with the driver, the Officers could smell alcohol on his breath. The Officers told the driver to exit the vehicle and which time the driver refused and intentionally reversed into one of the marked cruisers. The driver then drove the vehicle over the curb almost hitting one of the Officers who was on foot.

The Officers pursued the vehicle due to the aggressive actions of the driver and in order to protect the Public. The Officers followed the vehicle onto Morin Street where they conducted a rolling block in order to stop the vehicle. The driver once again rammed two additional marked police cruisers before continuing West on Morin Avenue. The driver eventually drove the vehicle into a concrete barrier at a low rate of speed and Officers were able to block the vehicle in.

The man the exited the vehicle and attempted to flee from Police on foot. Officers caught the man a short distance from the vehicle.

The man was transported the Police Headquarters where he was asked to provide a breath sample and he refused to do so.

As a result of the incident, 36 year old Michael Providence has been charged with the following offences under the Criminal Code of Canada;

- Operation While Impaired
- Mischief Over \$5,000 x3
- Assault Peace Officer with a Weapon x3
- Escape Lawful Custody
- Unlawfully at Large
- Flight from Peace Officer
- Dangerous Operation
- Obstruct Peace Officer
- Mischief Endangering Life x3
- Failure or Refusal to Comply with Demand
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He was held in Police custody overnight and attended Bail Court this morning, August 9, 2021 to answer to the charges.

### **International Youth Day – August 11, 2021**

August 11, 2021, is #InternationalYouthDay! Youth are often referred to as the "leaders of tomorrow" - but we beg to differ. Youth are the leaders of TODAY.

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We are proud to have an amazing group of youth participating in our Chief's Youth Advisory Council (CYAC). CYAC is a youth-led council that brings the voice of young people to the Chief of Police on issues that are important to youth in #Sudbury. CYAC helps create a bridge of understanding between youth and police.

If you know a young woman who is interested in pursuing a career in Policing, check out the 2021 Karrie Burke Young Women in Policing Bursary, sponsored by the Karrie Burke Memorial Fund and the Greater Sudbury Police Service

### **Simple.Effective.Free - What3Words Used to Locate Two Lost Mountain Bikers**

Shortly after 6:15 p.m. on August 12, 2021, we received a call from an individual who was lost after venturing off of the groomed mountain bike trails in Naughton. The individual found himself in a very dense bush area and he was extremely tired as he had been attempting to find the trail for quite some time.

Members of our 9-1-1 Emergency Communication Centre (ECC) asked the man to download the what3words app on his smart phone and to stay put as Officers were en route with our Remotely Piloted Aircraft System (RPAS). Once the man had downloaded the app, he was able to provide our Communicator with the three words associated to his location.

Officers arrived in the area and using the location provided by the What3Words app, the RPAS was deployed in order to locate the man. Officers quickly located the man and using the speakers on the RPAS, along with assistance from our 9-1-1 ECC, Officers were able to guide the man out of the bush to safety.

Although extremely tired, the man did not sustain any injuries.

We would like to commend our Communications staff and our Officers for their efforts and use of innovative technology ensuring this incident was quickly and safely resolved. We encourage community members to download the FREE What3Words app as it really is extremely effective and easy to use.

The What3Words app was also used earlier in the afternoon around 3:15 p.m. when another man became lost on the mountain bike trails and could no longer see any trail markers. The community member already had What3Words download on his smartphone device and was able to provide our 9-1-1 ECC with the three words representing his location.

While dispatching Officers to the area, our Communicator contacted a staff member of the Mountain Bike Club who had access to a quad and was already in the area. The 9-1-1 ECC was able to provide the staff member with the man's location, as well as, an image of where he was located. The staff member attended the area on the quad and quickly located the man.

The man did not sustain any injuries and we would like to thank the staff member for assisting with this call.



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### **Distracted Driving Safety Messaging – August 17, 2021**

Special Constable Cory Menard would like to remind community members to stay focused on the road while driving.

Motor vehicle collisions do not ONLY occur while the vehicle is in motion. Distracted drivers stopped at lights are often not paying attention to the light cycle and frequently miss advance turn signals or green lights. They are also not paying attention to the actions of other road users such as pedestrians and cyclists.

Tips to avoid distracted driving:

- Turn off your phone or switch it to silent mode before you get in the car
- Put your phone in the glove compartment (lock it, if you have to) or in a bag on the back seat
- Use an app that can block incoming calls and texts, or send automatic replies to people trying to call or text you
- Ask a passenger to take a call or respond to a text for you
- If you must respond, or have to make a call or send a text, carefully pull over to a safe area
- Silence notifications that tempt you to check your phone
- Don't text or call others when you know they are driving – parents/guardians often call or text their teens to make sure they are safe on the road or have reached their destinations – but this may cause your teen to be distracted while driving

### **Two Men Arrested and Charged in Relation to Lloyd Street Shooting**

#### **UPDATE**

On the afternoon of August 14, 2021, Members of our Emergency Response Unit including our Canine Unit conducted a search in the area of Lloyd Street in relation to the shooting that took place early that morning. During the Canine search, Officers located a bicycle and two firearms in a wooded area. One of the firearms was a replica revolver; however the second firearm that was located is believed to be the gun used during the original incident.

Through the investigation, Detectives in our Criminal Investigation Division identified and the two men believed to be responsible for the attack.

On August 18, 2021, Detectives from our Major Crime Section located and arrested one of the men at a residence on Holland Road.

On August 19, 2021, Detectives from our Integrated Crime Section located the second man on Lorne Street and with the assistance of Members of our Emergency Response Unit took the man into custody.

28 year old Brandon Gramling-McEwan and 36 year old Gimmalee Sirois have been charged with the following offences under the Criminal Code of Canada;

- Attempt Murder with a Firearm
- Discharging a Firearm with Intent
- Pointing a Firearm

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- Unauthorized Possession of a Firearm
- Knowledge of Unauthorized Possession of a Firearm
- Possession of a Weapon for a Dangerous Purpose

The 53 year old man who sustained the gunshot wound is expected to make a full recovery.

We would like to commend all of our Members who were involved in this investigation for their dedication and commitment to community safety and well-being. Working together as a team, they were able to identify, locate and safely arrest two dangerous offenders ensuring that they are held accountable for their actions.

### **ORIGINAL**

Just after 2:00 a.m. on August 14, 2021, officers responded to a Weapons complainant in the area of Lloyd Street. Information provided was that a man had been shot and the unknown suspects had fled the area.

Upon arrival, officers located a 53 year old man inside his residence suffering from a gunshot wound to his lower extremities. He was transported to the hospital by City of Greater Sudbury Paramedic Services with serious but non-life threatening injuries.

This is believed to be a targeted and isolated incident, however at this time there are no descriptors of the suspects.

Members from the Criminal Investigation Division are continuing to investigate this matter and anyone with information related to this incident or the identity of the individuals involved are asked to contact us at 705-675-9171 or Crime Stoppers at 705-222-8477.

### **TMU Participation in Great Lakes Police Motorcycle Training Seminar – August 23, 2021**

Over the weekend, Csts. Hinds, Kitchikake and Clement competed in the Great Lakes Police Motorcycle Training Seminar in Cambridge, Ontario.

Out of 80 participants, our Sudbury Police riders won Rookie of the Year; won the Challenge Course; won Motor Officer Inspection and got 5th place for Overall Rider. Great job!!

The GLPMTS offers a unique and essential training opportunity that provides motorcycle riders with the skills and knowledge to safely operate motorcycles. This is especially important for police motorcycle officers during the course of their duties. For over 20 years, the seminar has provided this vital training while raising tens of thousands of dollars for charity.

### **Wounded Warriors Canada Annual Ride for Mental Health – August 24, 2021**

On Saturday, August 21, 2021, Wounded Warriors Canada hosted its annual Ride for Mental Health to raise funds and awareness for this important initiative and organization.

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Our Members participated virtually by cycling, running, walking, hiking or paddling in order to help end the stigma associated to mental health.

Wounded Warriors Canada is a national mental health service provider utilizing clinical best practices and evidence-based care to create an environment of compassion, resiliency and hope for Canada's Veterans, First Responders and their families. We are proud to support Wounded Warriors Canada and we are greatly appreciative for all of the work being done to assist those who require these essential services.

### **Annual Law Enforcement Torch Ride in Support of Special Olympics Ontario**

On Sunday, September 19, 2021, we will be hosting our annual Law Enforcement Torch Ride in support of Special Olympics Ontario departing from Dynamic Earth and journeying to Manitoulin Island and back!

The Torch Ride is a fun and exciting fundraising event that raises money to provide quality sports and training programs for children, youth and adults with intellectual disabilities. It is a one-day event in celebration of the motorcycle industry, motorcycle enthusiasts and Law Enforcement Motorcycle Divisions and their support of Special Olympics Ontario.

For more information on, to register for or to donate to the Sudbury Law Enforcement Torch Ride, please visit [www.torchrideontario.com/sudbury](http://www.torchrideontario.com/sudbury)  
Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. and the ride begins at 10:00 a.m. on September 19, 2021 in the Dynamic Earth parking lot. We look forward to seeing you there!

### **Sudbury Police Youth Dirt Riders Program – August 27, 2021**

On August 26, 2021, we concluded our 10th annual Sudbury Police Youth Dirt Riders (SPYDR) program with a group ride from Police headquarters to Adanac ski hill and back, followed by a pizza lunch.

SPYDR is a free mountain bike program for local youth ages 12-17 to interact with police officers in a positive environment allowing them to build relationships based on trust and mutual respect.

Since being launched in 2011, the program has really taken off with many of our sworn, civilian, auxiliary and retired Members volunteering their time to this fantastic program. Each year, the program is led by our Community Mobilization and Central Community Response Units.

The SPYDR program provides youth with information on bike safety and the laws regarding the use of bikes on our roadways and trails. Our Members teach the youth about bike inspection and maintenance, provide an introduction to the different components of a bike, educate the youth on the rules of the road and ultimately help build confidence when out riding the bikes.

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Youth engagement through physical activity is very important to us and we are so thrilled that this program continues to be such a tremendous success.

A special thank you to sponsors of our SPYDR program:

- Canadian Tire Jumpstart
- Sudbury Crime Stoppers
- Chief's Youth Initiative Fund
- Greater Sudbury Police Services Board
- EcoWater North
- Paquette's Your Independent Grocer - Hanmer

### **Police Community Award Gala – Award Winner – Community Leader**

Although we could not gather in person this year for the Community and Police Awards Gala, we would still like to formally recognize members of our Service and of the Public who have had a direct impact on community safety and well-being in Greater Sudbury. Over the next two months, we'll be sharing the recipients of each respective award on our social media channels.

Today, we present the Police Community Leader Award to Kevin Powell.

The Police Community Leader Award is presented to a leader in the City of Greater Sudbury in recognition of unselfish assistance provided to the Police Service or for an initiative that has made a positive impact on the image or effectiveness of the Police Service.

On the evening of November 17, 2020, off-duty Paramedic Kevin Powell was one of the first people to arrive on scene of a tragic three vehicle collision on Elm Street near Big Nickel Mine Road.

Upon his arrival, Kevin realized that two other off-duty Paramedics were among the people who had stopped when the collision occurred. Realizing the dangers of the scene and the fact that there was glass and fuel all over the roadway, Kevin directed bystanders to safety and had them begin to search the ditches along Elm Street in case there were individuals ejected from the involved vehicles.

Kevin immediately took charge of the scene and attended the vehicle that had sustained the most damage. Unfortunately, he found the driver deceased inside of the vehicle. He then made his way to the second vehicle, where he found the driver unconscious with no vital signs. Kevin began life saving measures and assisted Firefighters as they extricated the driver from the vehicle.

Once the driver was safely removed from the vehicle, Kevin began CPR and continued to do so in the ambulance on the way to the hospital.

Unfortunately, despite the efforts of all of the First Responders involved, the driver was pronounced deceased at the hospital. The driver of the third vehicle sustained minor injuries and made a full recovery.

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Kevin's quick thinking and immediate actions ensured the safety of bystanders and provided much needed assistance to Paramedic and Fire crews who attended the scene. Congratulations Kevin Powell – this year's recipient of the Police Community Leader Award.

### **When it Rains, it Snows - DEU Officers Seize Almost \$218,000 in Cocaine and Fentanyl**

In June of 2021, our Drug Enforcement Unit (D.E.U) of the Integrated Crime Section working in collaboration with the Ontario Provincial Police (O.P.P) Organized Crime Enforcement Bureau (O.C.E.B.) with assistance from the Criminal Intelligence Service of Ontario (C.I.S.O.) initiated multiple investigations intended to disrupt drug trafficking operations entering and operating within the City of Greater Sudbury.

One of the Drug Investigations identified a group of individuals trafficking illegal drugs including Fentanyl, Cocaine and Methamphetamine in our community.

On August 28 and 29, 2021, this investigation lead to General Search Warrants followed by Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (C.D.S.A.) Search Warrants being executed at an address on Murray Street and at an address on Martindale Road. These Search Warrants resulted in the arrests of six individuals and the seizure of \$217,995.00 worth of Fentanyl, Methamphetamine and Cocaine, as well as, the seizure of a 22 caliber hand gun and \$24,140.00 in cash.

Four men have been charged with the following offences under the Criminal Code of Canada and the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act;

- Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking a Schedule I Substance (Fentanyl)
- Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking a Schedule I Substance (Cocaine)
- Possession of a Schedule 1 Substance (Hydromorph)
- Possession of a Schedule 1 Substance (Methamphetamine tablets)
- Firearm Unauthorized Possession
- Prohibited/Restricted Firearm w/Ammunition
- Careless Use of a Firearm
- Possession of a Weapon for a Dangerous Purpose
- Firearm Possession Contrary to Order
- Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5,000

These individuals will appear in Bail Court tomorrow, Wednesday, September 1, 2021 to answer to the charges.

In addition, two 17 year old youths from Greater Toronto area have been charged with;

- Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking a Schedule 1 Substance (Cocaine)
- Possession of Property Obtained by Crime

A portion of this investigation was funded through the Ontario Government, Criminal Intelligence Service Ontario. The Drug Enforcement Unit of the Integrated Crime Team remains committed to working collaboratively with the OPP Organized Crime Enforcement Bureau and will continue to focus its efforts on major crime operations that pose a direct and elevated threat to the safety, security and wellness of our community.

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The Integrated Crime Team aims to identify and disrupt organized crime in Greater Sudbury through innovative technology, collaborative partnerships and traditional Police work resulting in the arrests of those involved, holding them accountable for their criminal activities and the seizure of illegal drugs, prohibited firearms and proceeds of crime.

### **Tactical Emergency Medical Services (TEMS) Program Launch – September 1, 2021**

Although the Tactical Emergency Medical Services (TEMS) program has been underway for several months now, today we are proud to finally introduce it to our community members.

The Greater Sudbury Police Service has always had a strong and positive working relationship with the City of Greater Sudbury Paramedic Services as our Officers work collaboratively with Paramedics on a daily basis.

This program takes our combined efforts one step further, ensuring a collaborative response during high-risk police incidents.

The members of the GSPS Emergency Response Unit are our Service's most highly trained Officers with a very wide skillset including Rappel, Explosive Disposal, Sniper, Hostage Negotiation, Reconnaissance, Search and Rescue, High-risk Vehicle Stops and the execution of High-risk Search Warrants. These incidents not only pose a high-risk to Community Safety, but also to Officer Safety. The Tactical Paramedic Unit ensures that there is immediate medical assistance available to all of the individuals involved or impacted by these high-risk situations.

The ultimate goal of the Emergency Response Unit is to peacefully resolve these situations with the least amount of force, however, we know that in extenuating circumstances there is a potential for injury.

The Tactical Paramedics will be able to provide immediate medical attention and at times life-saving measures to anyone that is injured during these incidents, including Officers, Canines, victims and suspects.

Over the past year, the Tactical Paramedics have been integrated into numerous Emergency Response Unit training opportunities and calls for service.

We are very excited about this new collaborative approach to community safety and we look forward to an ongoing team approach to high-risk police incidents for years to come.

### **You Snooze, You Lose (Your Stash)**

Just before 10:20 p.m. on September 1, 2021, we received a call in relation to a Suspicious Vehicle parked in the parking lot of an establishment on Notre Dame Avenue West in Azilda. Information provided was that the parked vehicle was running and both individuals inside appeared to be asleep.

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When Officers arrived on scene they were able to wake up both individuals who showed signs of being impaired. Officers placed the driver under arrest. The driver attempted to flee on foot; however he was caught a short distance away.

Upon arresting the driver, Officers searched him and the vehicle resulting in the seizure of approximately \$30,000 worth of drugs including what is believed to be Fentanyl, Cocaine and Heroin, as well as, \$875 in cash.

The driver was transported to Police Headquarters where a Drug Recognition Expert conducted a Drug Evaluation confirming that the driver was impaired by drug.

The 34 year old man has been charged with the following offences under the Criminal Code of Canada and the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act;

- Impaired Operation by Drug
- Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking a Schedule I Substance
- Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Under \$5,000
- Escape Lawful Custody

He was released on an Undertaking with a Court date of October 27, 2021. His name cannot be released at this time as the information has not yet been sworn to through the Court process.

### **28 year old Man Involved in Robbery and Erratic Driving Incident Arrested**

Around 10:30 a.m. on September 2, 2021, we received a call from an establishment on Riverside Drive in relation to a Robbery that had just occurred. Information provided was that a man had driven a truck into the front of the building, attended the pharmacy inside and stole narcotics along with other items. The driver then fled the scene in the vehicle. Minutes later we received a call regarding a collision involving the same vehicle where the driver fled the scene in the vehicle. Multiple 9-1-1 calls began coming into our 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Centre in relation to the vehicle being driven erratically and aggressively in various areas of the South End of Greater Sudbury. The vehicle was seen driving into oncoming traffic, struck parked and mobile vehicles, struck a fence, as well as, a building before the vehicle was seen heading towards Coniston on Highway 17. One person was transported to hospital with minor injuries as a result of one of the collisions. Due to the vehicle moving between jurisdictions, we notified the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) who provided additional support to our Officers.

The driver attended an address in the area of Hwy 537 where he attempted to gain access to another vehicle by threatening the property owners.

The vehicle was last seen being driven down Kukagami Lake Road. Officers attended the area and closed down Kukagami Lake Road at Highway 17, as well as, exit points in Capreol and Skead. Due to the erratic behaviour of the driver and his determination to evade Police, we issued a Shelter in Place for residents in the area of Kukagami Lake Road and Ashagami Road.

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Throughout the incident, Officers worked collaboratively with the OPP in order to ensure containment of the driver and vehicle with the OPP providing ground support and aerial support as the OPP helicopter attended the area.

Around 2:00 p.m. we received information related to the driver's location and shortly after 2:30 p.m. he surrendered to Police without incident. The vehicle was located a short distance away and was cleared by Members of the Emergency Response Team.

28 year old Alexandre Ethier has been charged with the following under the Criminal Code of Canada;

- Robbery x2
- Dangerous Driving
- Fail to Remain at Scene of a Collision x13
- Mischief x4

He was held in custody overnight in order to attend Bail Court this morning, September 3, 2021 to answer to the charges.

We believe that there are possibly other vehicles impacted by this incident and we encourage anyone impacted or who witnessed the incident to contact our Criminal Investigation Division at 705-675-9171.

Additional charges are anticipated as the investigation is ongoing.

We would like to recognize all of the internal and external personnel involved with the incident including our 9-1-1 Emergency Communicators, Patrol Officers, Emergency Response Unit, Rural Community Response Officers, Detectives from our Criminal Investigation Division, Members of the Ontario Provincial Police, City of Greater Sudbury Paramedic Services – Tactical Paramedics, City of Greater Sudbury Emergency Management and community members who contributed to the safe resolution of a very scary and dangerous situation. Your dedication and commitment to the safety and security of our community is greatly appreciated.

### **Back to School Safety Messaging – September 6, 2021**

It's #BackToSchool this week!

We remind motorists to watch out for school buses on our roadways. Give yourself extra time to arrive to your destination and be prepared to stop for school buses and children crossing the road.

Failure to stop for a stopped school bus when its red lights are flashing can result in a fine up to \$2,000 and six demerit points.

Watch out for children near schools, near bus stops, on sidewalks, crossing the roads, near parking lots, and boarding and leaving the school bus. Speed limits in school zones are reduced for a reason. Please slow down and obey posted speed limits.



## **GREATER SUDBURY POLICE SERVICES BOARD CHIEF'S REPORT**

Our Traffic Management Unit will be focusing on school zones and school bus safety throughout the month of September and all year round.

Let's all work together to ensure children have a safe return to school this week.

### **UPDATE - Arrest Warrant for 32 year old Kyle Smith - Early Morning Collision Involving a Pedestrian Being Investigated as a Homicide**

#### **UPDATE**

As a result of the ongoing investigation, Detectives from the Major Crime Section of our Criminal Investigation Division have identified the man believed to be responsible for the violent attack.

An Arrest Warrant has been issued for 32 year old Edgar "Kyle" Smith (image attached) for the following offences under the Criminal Code of Canada;

- First Degree Murder
- Dangerous Operation of a Motor Vehicle
- Possession of a Weapon for a Dangerous Purpose
- Failure to Stop at the Scene of a Collision
- Fail to Comply with Release Order

Anyone with information related to Kyle's whereabouts is asked to contact Police immediately and community members are reminded not to approach Kyle if you see him. This is an ongoing Homicide investigation. This is believed to be an isolated and targeted incident as the two involved individuals are believed to be known to each other. We do not believe that there is any danger to the general Public.

#### **ORIGINAL**

Around 2:30 a.m. this morning, September 7, 2021, we received a call regarding a Collision involving a pedestrian in the area of Lasalle Boulevard and Notre Dame Avenue. The driver of the involved vehicle fled the scene in the vehicle prior to Police arrival. The 30 year old pedestrian was transported to hospital by City of Greater Sudbury Paramedic Services with critical injuries. Unfortunately he was pronounced deceased at the hospital.

Our deepest condolences go out to his family and friends. His name will not be released out of respect for his family's wishes.

Through the investigation it has been determined that the driver of the vehicle and the 30 year old man were involved in an altercation in the parking lot of the gas station at the corner of Lasalle Boulevard and Notre Dame Avenue prior to the collision. It is believed that the 30 year old man sustained a stab wound prior to being intentionally run over with the vehicle.

The involved vehicle was located unoccupied a short distance away. The driver of the vehicle is described as being White, around 6'1" tall, with a medium build and brownish red hair.

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Officers from our Traffic Management Unit, Patrol Operations and Detectives from our Criminal Investigation Division continue to investigate this matter.

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### **Three Individuals Arrested and Charged After Assault on Murray Street**

Shortly before 9:30 p.m. on September 8, 2021, we were called in relation to an Assault in the area of Murray Street in Greater Sudbury. Information provided was that individuals could be heard fighting and that someone had been stabbed.

Upon arrival, Officers located a 43 year old woman who had sustained what are believed to be stab wounds and a 43 year old man who had sustained injuries as a result of being punched and kicked. Both individuals were transported to hospital by City of Greater Sudbury Paramedic Services with non-life threatening injuries.

Through the investigation it was determined that the two individuals had been in an altercation with three other people who had fled the area prior to Police arrival. Members of our Emergency Response Unit – Canine Unit attended the area and conducted a K9 track. Although the individuals involved were not located during the track, Officers did locate items belonging to the involved parties that they had discarded as they fled the scene.

Just after 10:40 p.m., Officers located the three individuals in the area of Bond Street and Percy Street. A 19 year old man, a 21 year old woman and a 21 year old man have been charged with Aggravated Assault, Assault with a Weapon and Possession of a Weapon for a Dangerous Purpose in relation to this matter.

All three individuals were held in Police custody overnight in order to attend Bail Court today, September 9, 2021 to answer to the charges.

This is a targeted an isolated incident as the involved individuals are known to each other.

**Let's also keep our mental wellbeing in mind and stay healthy.**

**We will all get through this together!**

**Stay home! • Stay safe! • Stay positive!**