

May/June/July



This summer the Burnaby RCMP Detachment's Bike Squad took to the streets and parks of our city providing a more visible, approachable and adaptable policing presence.

# Burnaby RCMP Public Safety Report

## "Partners for a Safe Community"



# Message from the Chief



On June 22, I had the privilege and honor to be appointed as the 18<sup>th</sup> Officer in Charge of Burnaby Detachment. As many of you know Burnaby has a very special place in my heart and my life as it is where I started my RCMP career, as a young Constable fresh from Depot back in 1993. Since that day I have had the opportunity to serve with six of the seventeen previous Detachment Commanders and I can say that my policing and leadership style has been influenced by all of them.

As I assume my new duty as Burnaby's Police Chief I will continue the tradition of community connection and engagement which is embodied by our motto "Partners for a safe Community". I intend to build on the work of those who have come before me and use our past successes as a catalyst as we look to ever more success in the future.

It is with this in mind that I will be initiating a Strategic Planning process aimed at defining what our long terms goals and objectives will be. I foresee this process to be all inclusive and based on consultation and input from CPAC's, Detachment staff (Members and Municipal Employees), volunteers, community representative, citizens of Burnaby and City Officials, to name a few. I am looking to develop a plan which will be responsive to the needs of the community as it addresses the necessities of policing an ever growing and diverse city.

Part of this plan will be my continued commitment for community engagement. It is to this end that I am happy to see that the Bike Squad had a great summer. I have received much positive feedback on their activities, their approachableness as well as their ability to get in to places such as the many parks and greenspaces in our city. In regards to the city's parks and greenspaces, these summer months have been busy with many festival and events where our members and volunteers were present to engage with our citizens and ensure public safety. This has carried on with our "Red Serge Tuesday" initiative. A partnership with the Burnaby Village Museum that has seen RCMP Members in Red Serge interacting, with much success, with members of the public at the Burnaby Village museum each Tuesday afternoon during the summer months.

In closing, policing is a team sport and I want to personally thank you all for being part of our team and for your contributions to making Burnaby a great place to work, live and play. I look forward to continuing to serve this community and I would like to finish with a quote, from the founder of modern policing Sir Robert Peel, which I think sums up my vision as we continue to move forward and seek innovative and exciting ways to deliver the high quality level of policing and safety that the residents of Burnaby both deserve and expect.

*"Police, at all times, should maintain a relationship with the public that gives reality to the historic tradition that the police are the public and the public are the police; the police being only members of the public who are paid to give full-time attention to duties which are incumbent on every citizen in the interests of community welfare and existence."*

Stephan (J.M) Drolet, Chief Superintendent  
Officer in Charge, Burnaby RCMP Detachment

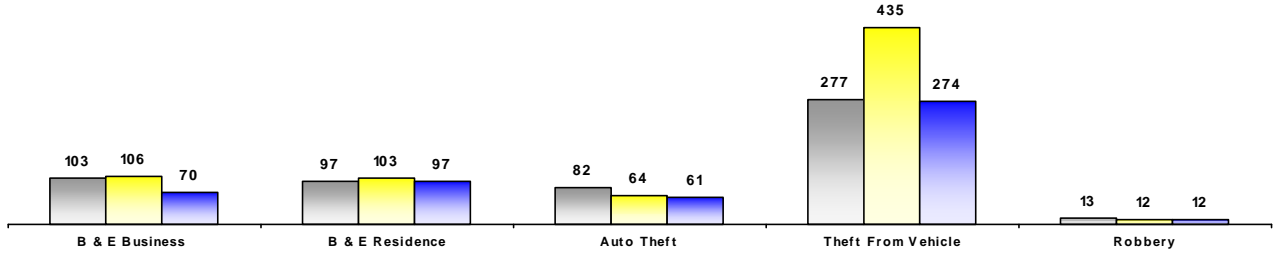




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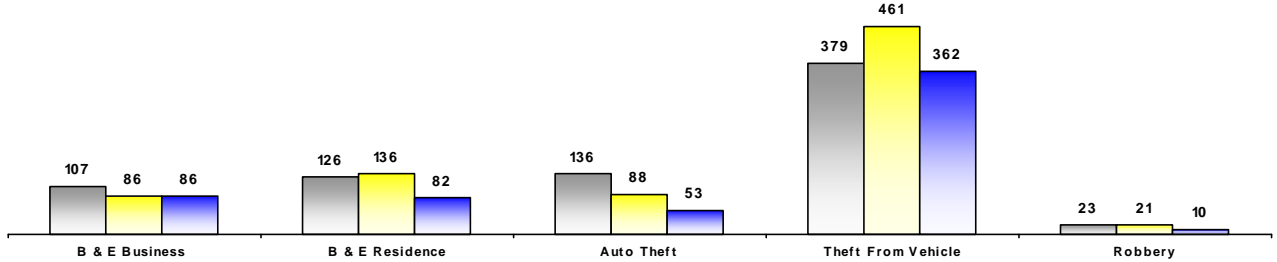
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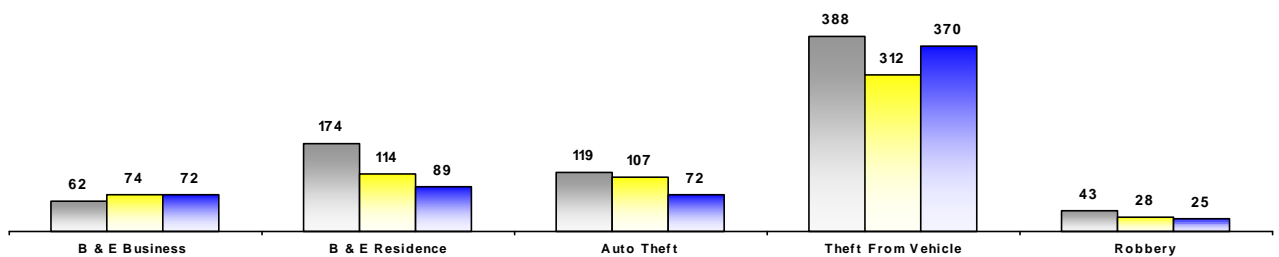
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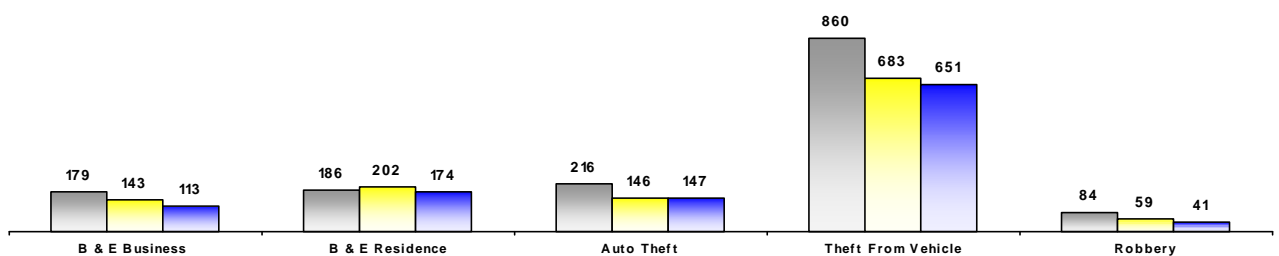
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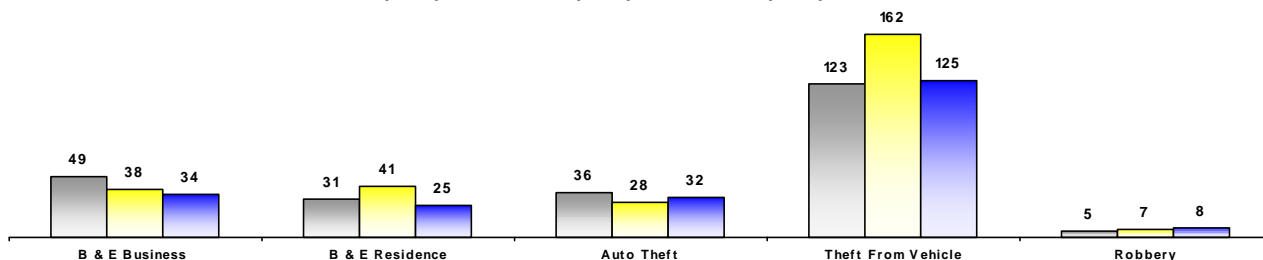




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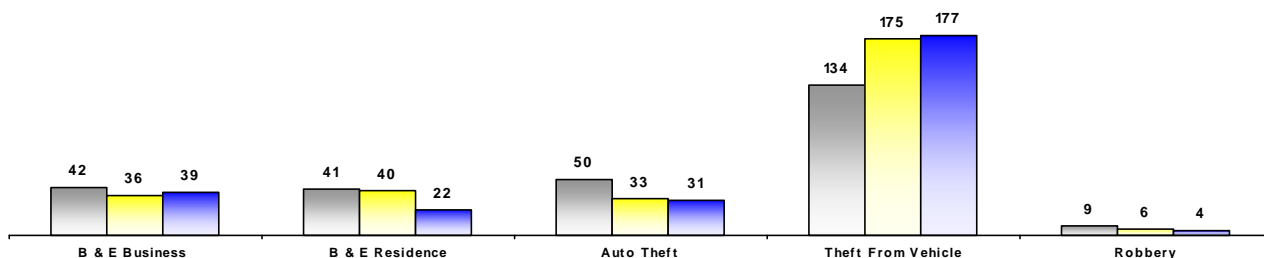
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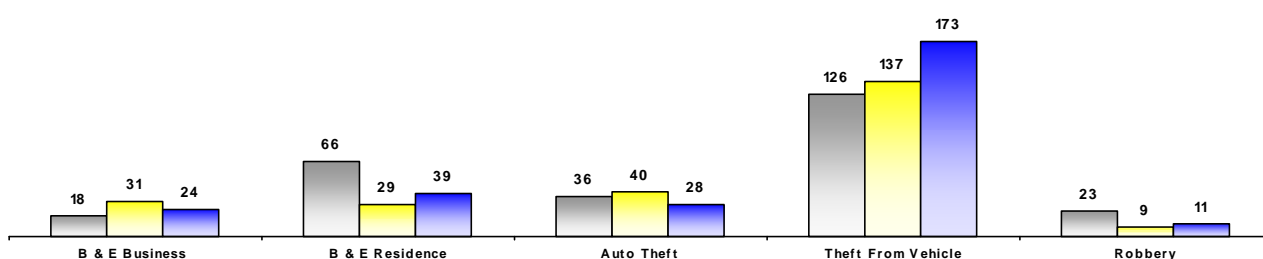
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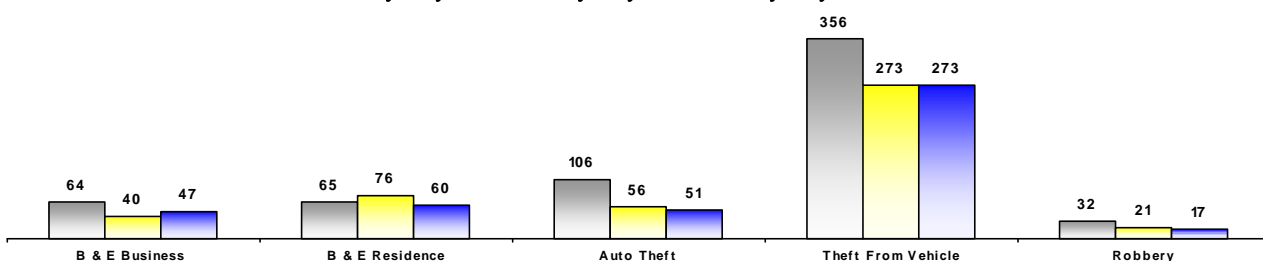
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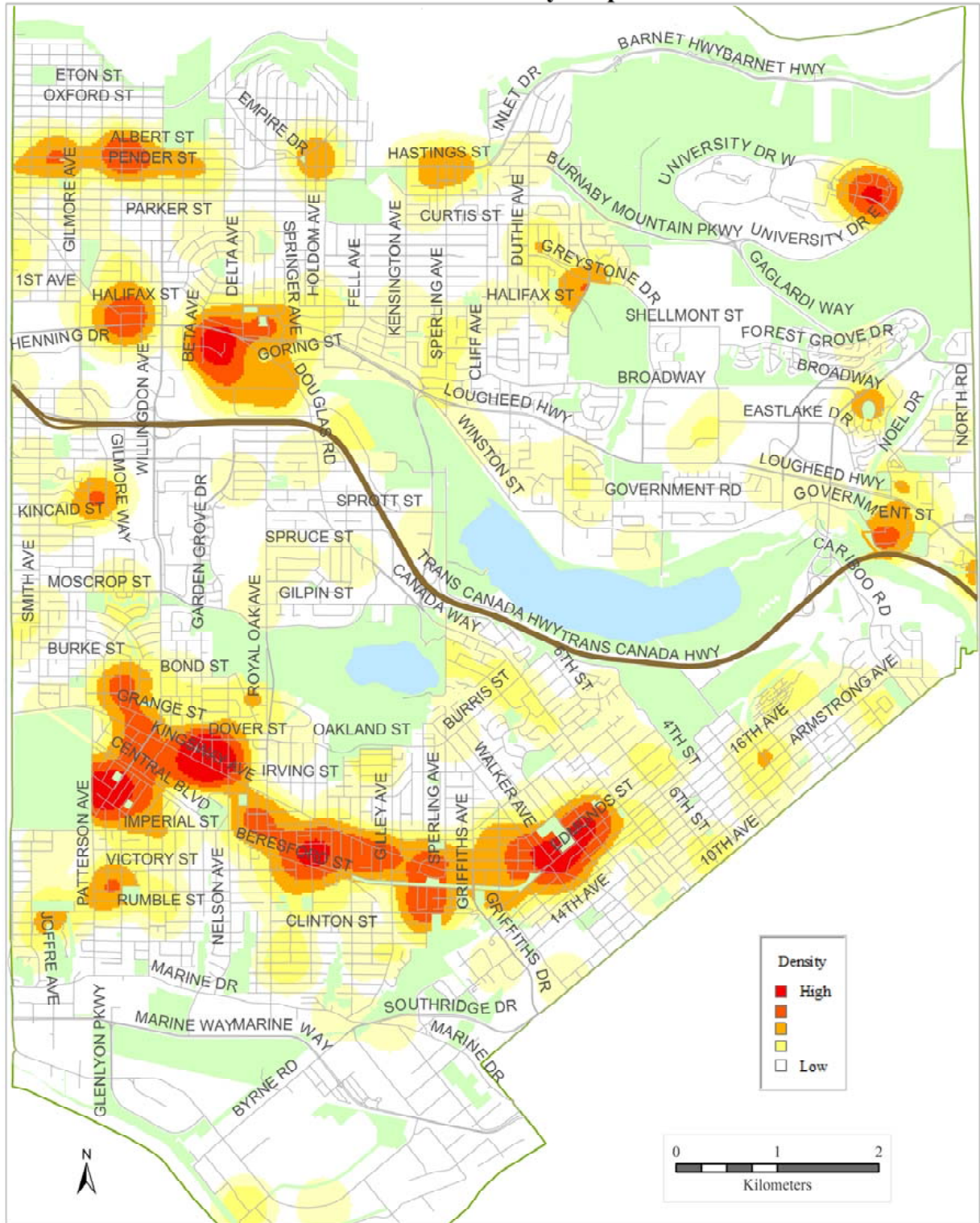






## Crime Density Map

May 1 to July 31, 2016  
B&E Density Map

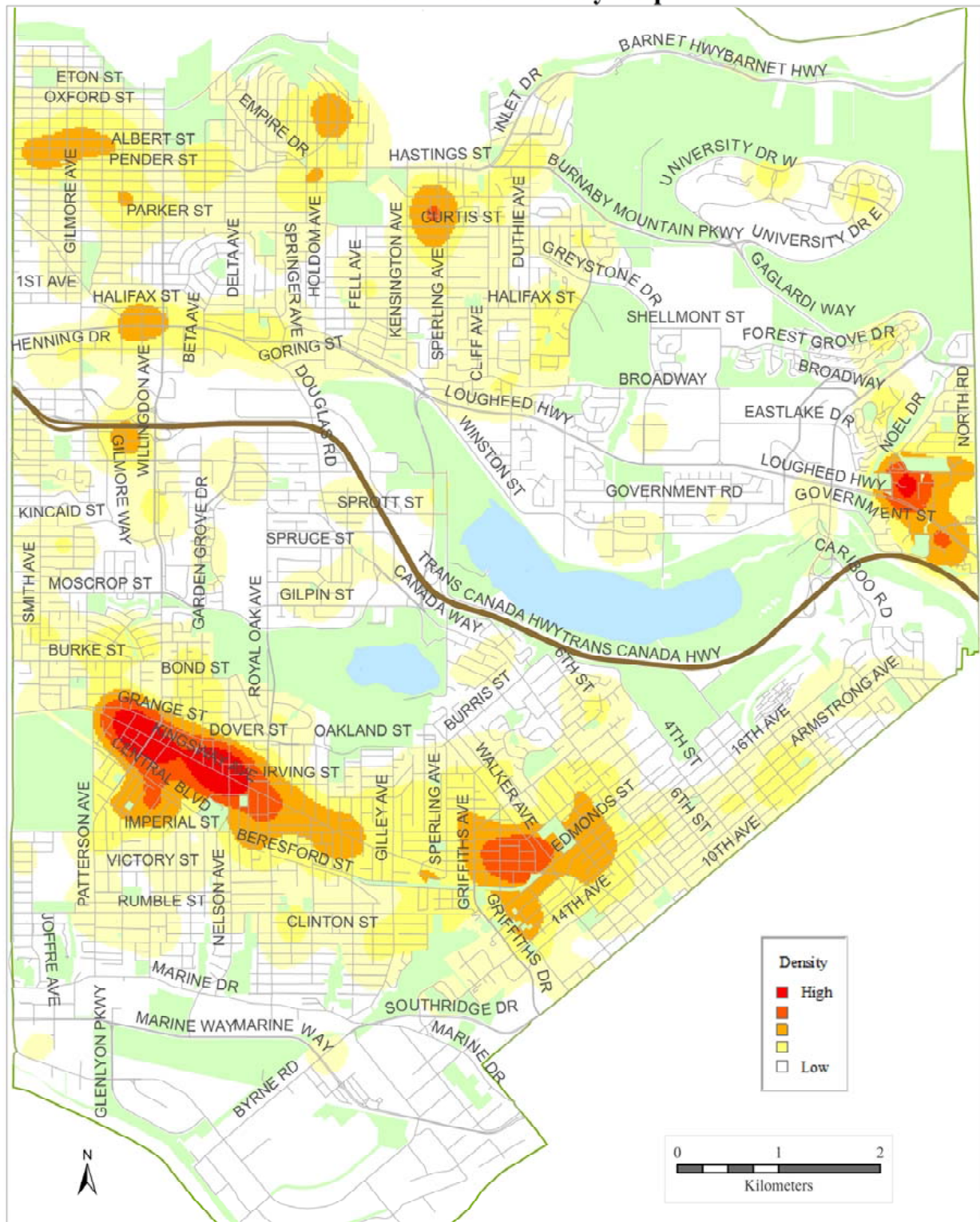






## Crime Density Map

**May 1 to July 31, 2016**  
**Auto Crimes Density Map**

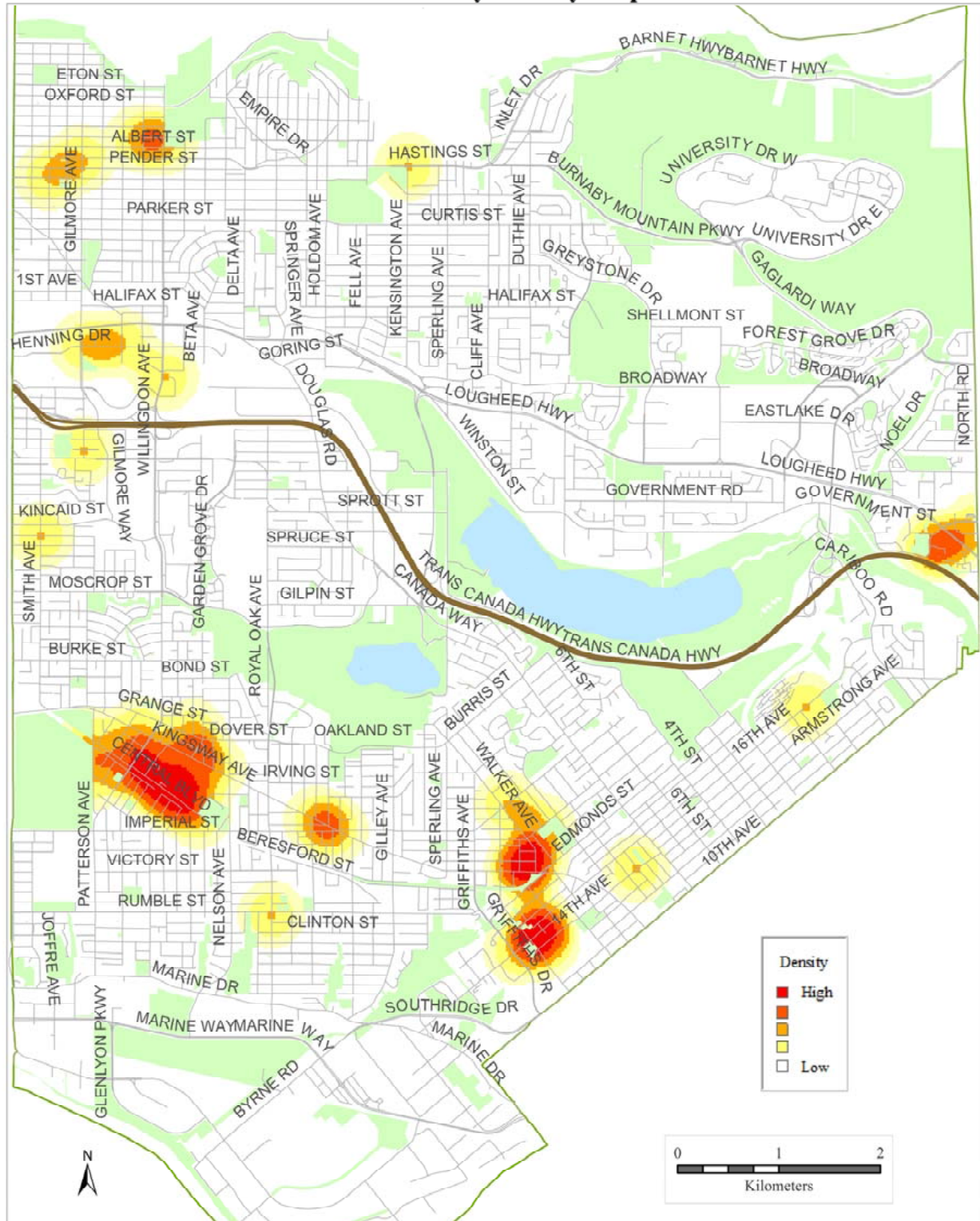






## Crime Density Map

**May 1 to July 31, 2016**  
**Robbery Density Map**



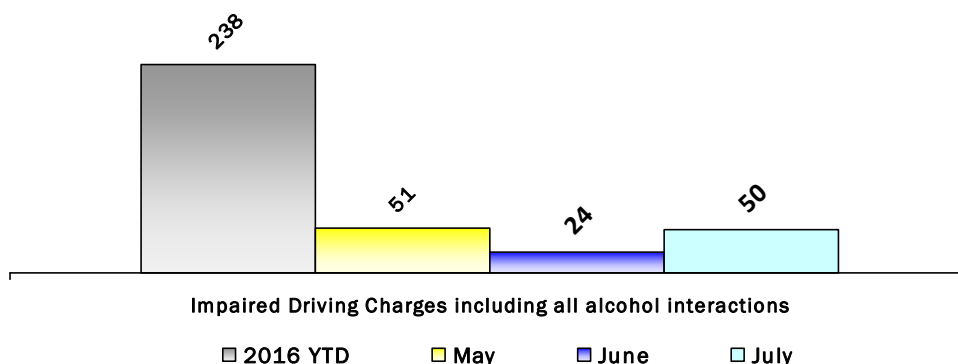


## Traffic Services

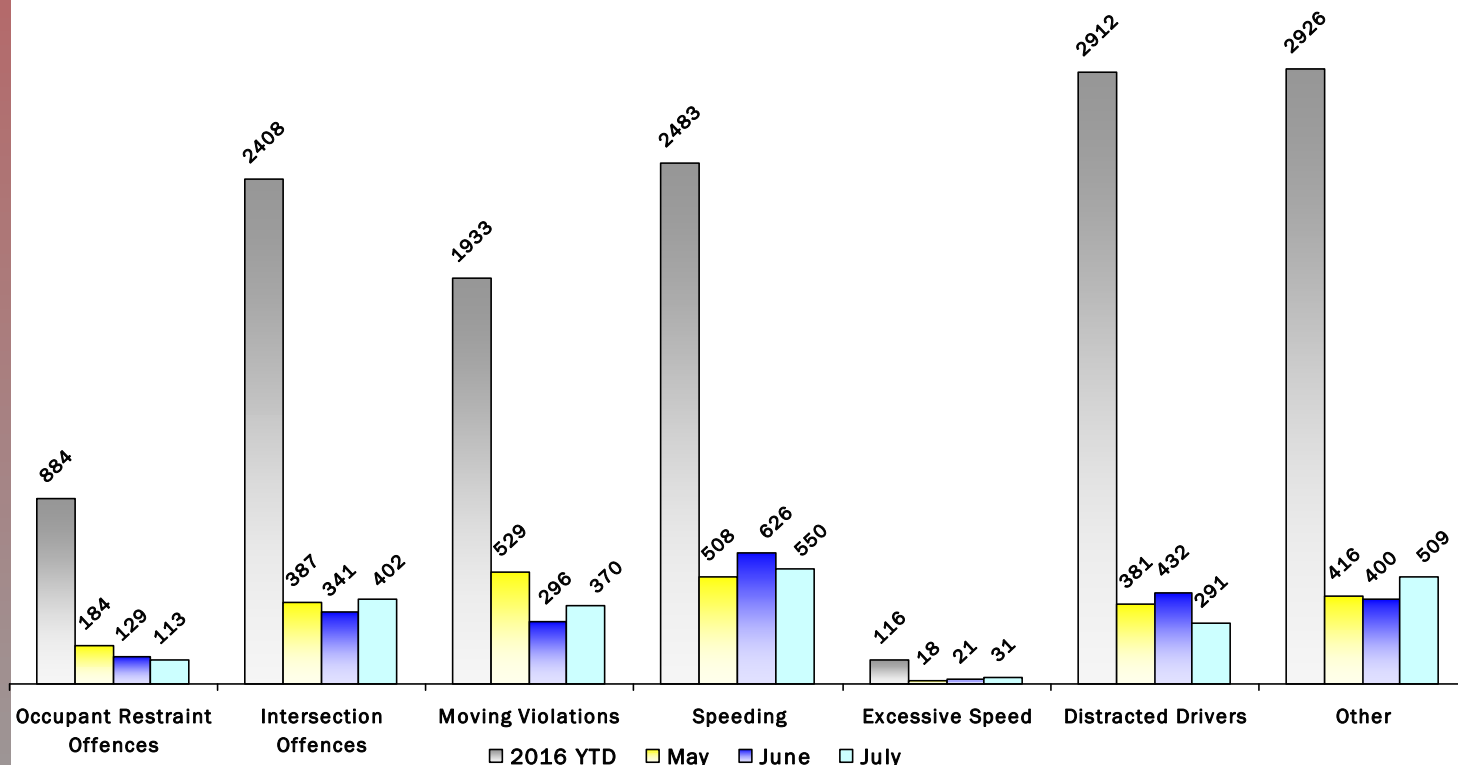
During the months of May to July Burnaby Traffic Services responded to a total of 498 collisions, of those 90 involved non life threatening injuries.

Sadly on July 19 Burnaby Traffic Services attended to a fatal accident, on Lougheed highway, involving a motorcycle. The investigation is still under way however we would like to remind motorists of the importance of being motorcycle aware at all times, especially during the warm summer months.

### Impaired driving enforcement numbers



### Moving violation enforcement numbers







## Community Programs:

Community Programs is the face of Community Operations in Burnaby. Their mandate is to target specific neighbourhood and community problems such as problem properties, repeat calls for service, social chronic offenders and crime hot spot problems in Burnaby with the goal of enhancing public safety and reducing calls for service.

### Prolific Offender Suppression Team (POST)

In June the Prolific Offender Suppression Team began to target two known property crime offenders who were heavily involved in theft of autos. They located a vehicle believed to be stolen near the residence of one of the suspects in Burnaby however the vehicle then departed at a high rate of speed before any enforcement action could safely be taken. The next day the Burnaby Prolific Offender Suppression Team conducted surveillance on the two known property crime offenders and both suspects were subsequently observed going to the same stolen vehicle which fled at a high rate of speed.

Both suspects were observed travelling throughout Burnaby in the stolen vehicle. Surveillance was maintained on the vehicle and the individuals until they could be safely arrested when they exited the stolen vehicle.

Two males, aged 33 and 27 respectively, have been charged with various stolen property offences. One male remains in custody.



In July the Burnaby Prolific Offender Suppression Team undertook an investigation after a taxi driver reported to the Burnaby RCMP he had been robbed. During the investigation the Burnaby robbery was linked to the robbery of a taxi driver in Port Moody by two males, one of whom was believed to be the same suspect as the Burnaby robbery. The Burnaby Prolific Offender Suppression Team liaised with Port Moody Police and took conduct of both investigations.

POST was able to identify both suspects from the robberies in Port Moody and Burnaby and after a thorough investigation and collection of evidence, search warrants were executed at the residences of both suspects, who resided in Surrey and New Westminster. During the execution of the search warrants both suspects were taken into custody at their respective residences and charges have been forwarded to Crown.

### Community Response Team (CRT):

The CRT, in keeping with its mandate to proactively address community issues, conducts presence patrols of “hot spot” areas around the city. On two notable occasions this summer this resulted in the arrests of two separate known prolific offenders. In the first, CRT Members on a foot patrol in the Metrotown area interrupted an unprovoked assault on a citizen, resulting in a foot chase and arrest. In the second CRT Members on patrol located a vehicle stolen earlier in the day. The suspect was arrested and various government issued identification documents were found in the vehicle. They have since been returned and multiple charges have been forwarded to Crown.

# Major Investigations

## Major Investigations:

While our General Duty Members respond to the daily calls for service those investigations of a more complex or long term nature are handled by the plainclothes units. The following are a just some of the investigations conducted or completed this summer.

### Drug Section:

In July Burnaby RCMP Drug Section, with the assistance of the Ministry of Finance, executed search warrants at two Burnaby locations in relation to a drug and illegal cigarette trafficking operation. Opium, crack cocaine, large quantities of prescription drugs, such as Methadone, Oxycodone, Viagra, and Codine were seized in addition to over 350 cases of cigarettes representing a fraud in excess of \$30,000. One person was arrested and a variety of charges are being recommended.



### Economic Crime Unit (ECU):

In June Members of the ECU arrested a male and female who had been fraudulently renting a room at the Delta Hotel in Burnaby. In April a female victim in Calgary had her identification stolen following which a bank account was opened in Vancouver using the victims identity. It was with this fake account and identity that the room was rented here in Burnaby. Charges of Identity Theft and Possession of Property obtained by crime have been recommended against the male and two counts of Identity Theft are being recommended against the female suspect.

### Investigative Support Team (IST)

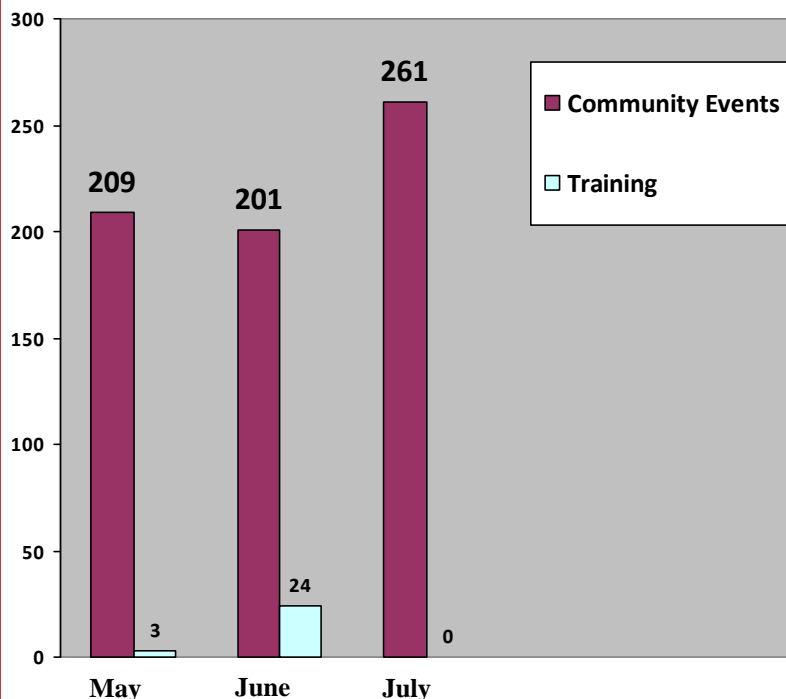
In early June the Canadian Border Services Agency alerted the Burnaby RCMP to a male who had attempted to illegally sneak into the United States and was subsequently detained by American border agents. Of particular concern was the fact that this male had previously made threatening posts on a blog directed towards his ex-wife (a U.S. resident). On June 16 the male was returned to Canada where he was immediately arrested by the Burnaby RCMP for uttering threats and criminal harassment. During the course of the investigation it was determined the male had illegally shipped his four registered firearms to the U.S. Investigators liaised with American authorities and successfully recovered the four firearms. The male remains in custody pending trial.



## Auxiliary Constables:

Our Auxiliaries had a busy summer attending no less a dozen community events, such as the Hats off Day parade, the Giro di Burnaby and Canada Day as well as assisting at several concerts at Deer Lake Park.

### Auxiliary hours – May, June and July



## Anti-Graffiti initiative:

Early in the New Year, the Burnaby Auxiliary Program sought to expand its scope of activities and undertook an anti-graffiti initiative. The initiative provided an excellent opportunity for these volunteers to further contribute to our community.

Accordingly, and with the assistance and guidance of Cst. Shelby Murphy and subsequent assistance from Kathy Wipf, City of Burnaby Graffiti Coordinator, several Auxiliaries signed up to help with this worthy community endeavour this summer.







## Crime Prevention Unit & Victim Services

### Crime Prevention Unit (CPU):

The Crime Prevention Unit hosted a Block Watch Captain and Co-Captain training session on July 21. This session provided both refresher training to existing Block Watch Captains and Co-Captains but also helped spread the word to help enroll future volunteers in the program. Fifteen Block Watch Captains and Co-Captains were in attendance.

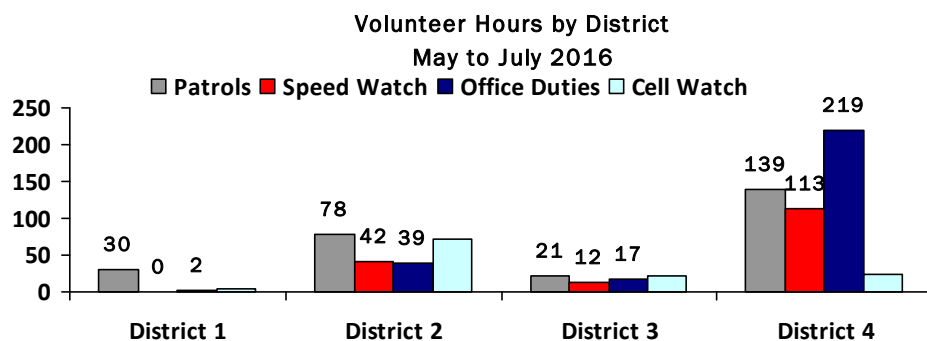


During the Summer the Crime Prevention Unit also attended several Block Watch Social and the annual block parties hosted by our Block Watch volunteers across the city.



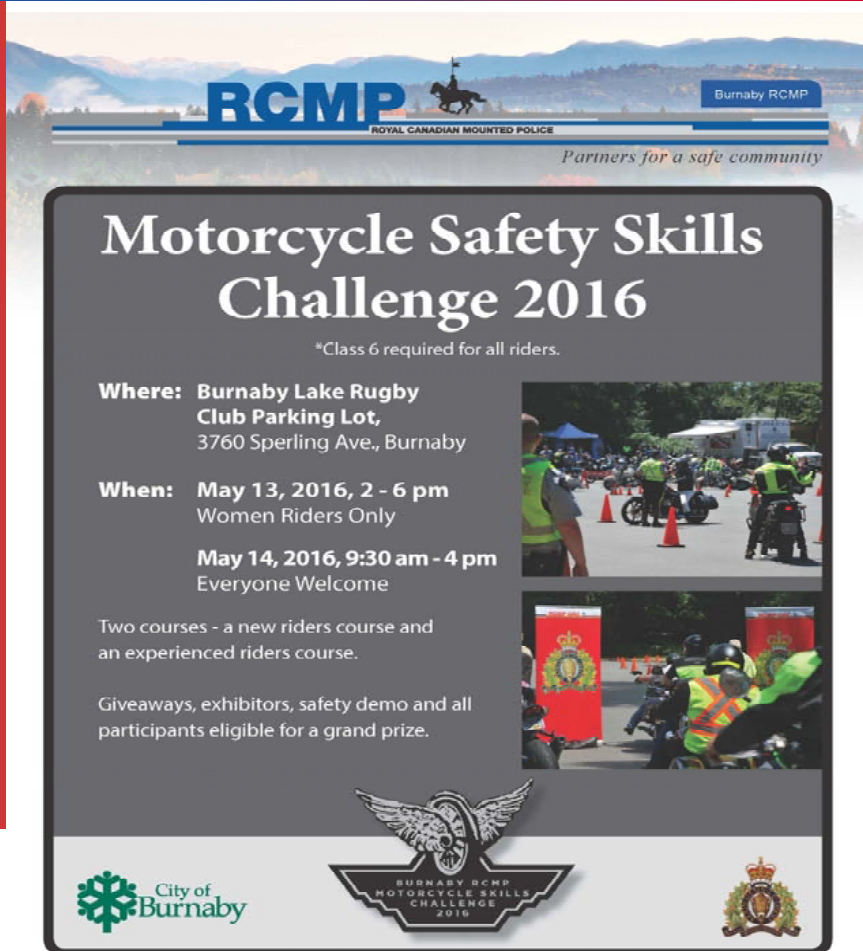
### Victim Services:

In May and June members of our Victims Services unit continued their training and development by attending two different conferences, one in May and another in June. Which was timely as they provided a total of 145 hours of crisis intervention in July, an increase of 24% from the same time last year, an all time monthly high.





## Detachment/Community Events



**RCMP**  
ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE  
*Partners for a safe community*

**Burnaby RCMP**

### Motorcycle Safety Skills Challenge 2016

*\*Class 6 required for all riders.*

**Where:** Burnaby Lake Rugby Club Parking Lot,  
3760 Sperling Ave., Burnaby

**When:** May 13, 2016, 2 - 6 pm  
Women Riders Only

May 14, 2016, 9:30 am - 4 pm  
Everyone Welcome

Two courses - a new riders course and an experienced riders course.

Giveaways, exhibitors, safety demo and all participants eligible for a grand prize.

City of Burnaby

BURNABY RCMP  
MOTORCYCLE SKILLS CHALLENGE  
2016

On May 13 and 14 the Burnaby RCMP was proud to host their second annual Motorcycle Safety Skills Challenge that saw over a hundred riders attend and receive instruction on helping them riding safely.

During the summer months we have been running a program, in partnership with the Burnaby Village Museum, called “Red Serge Tuesday” that sees Members of the Burnaby Detachment engaging with our community on the museum grounds.

One family heard of the program and brought their young grandson along so he could be pictured alongside real Mounties!





## Contact Us

**Do you have questions or comments concerning this report?**

**Are you interested in volunteering or becoming more involved in your community's safety?**

**Contact us at any one of the Community Police Offices below, call our main line at (604) 294-7922 or explore our website at:**

[www.burnaby.rcmp.ca](http://www.burnaby.rcmp.ca)

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