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Acts of Remembrance throughout our communities

This November Burnaby RCMP employees engaged in various acts of Remembrance across our city. On November 4th RCMP Members and local school children helped fill the lawn of the George Derby Center with Canadian flags at the annual Plant a flag Day. On November 9th we held the annual Adrian Oliver Memorial run which helps raise funds for Honour House in the name of fallen RCMP Constable Adrian Oliver. And on November 11th our staff attended various Remembrance Day events held in recognition of the service of so many brave Canadian men and women.









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Once again, a new year has arrived and that means there will be many challenges, both new and old, and accomplishments to come. And even though this report focuses on October and November of 2016 I would be remiss if I did not note that all of us at the Detachment are looking forward to a new year and all the new possibilities it brings with it.

As we greet 2017, let's look back on the accomplishments of all the Staff and Volunteers of the Burnaby RCMP in 2016 as they sought out innovative new ways to address our priorities of property crime, mental health, youth issues, road safety and violent crime all while maintaining our focus on community engagement and crime reduction.

Throughout 2016 the hard working staff in the Crime Prevention Unit (CPU) coordinated multiple presentations as part of a Safe Community Series. These presentations were aimed at giving the citizens of Burnaby

detailed information on how they can keep themselves safe and included such diverse topics as Social Media and Cyberbullying in youth, Domestic violence awareness for newly arrived Canadians and Senior Financial Fraud Awareness and were all designed to be in support of our decided upon annual priorities.

In May we held our second annual Motorcycle Skills Safety Event where our knowledgeable Traffic Section put motorcycle riders through an educational day of practice courses and skills training all aimed at improving road safety. The event again turned out to be a real crowd pleaser and we are looking forward to the third annual event this year. In keeping with our commitment to road safety our Traffic Section and media relations team worked hard all year at getting the message out there about the dangers of distracted driving and Burnaby Detachment lead the province in the number of violation tickets given for usage of an electronic device while driving.

Throughout the year our Members, from General Duty to the plainclothes units, have again made us all proud by not just routinely answering the calls for service but by regularly going above and beyond. This year saw our officers resolve several high profile cases and engage in very complex investigations. From responding to dangerous home invasions in progress to tracking down and catching individuals involved in elaborate criminal schemes they did it all. During all of this they were supported by our dedicated city employees without whose hard work none of this would be possible.

I would also like to mention the incredible effort given by our volunteers and Auxiliaries. These citizens of Burnaby give of themselves and their time daily across this city. From volunteers on our Community Policing Advisory Committees to our Auxiliary Constables who help out at various parades and functions, such as the World Taekwondo Federation Championships held here in November, these people are an invaluable part of the Burnaby RCMP family

So as we enter 2017 let me wish you all a Happy New Year and renew our commitment to provide world class policing services to the citizens of Burnaby.

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



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□ 2014 Oct-Nov □ 2015 Oct-Nov □ 2016 Oct-Nov 292 234 192 76 79 49 44 40 22 10 Auto Theft B & E Business B & E Residence Theft From Vehicle Robbery

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Traffic Services

During the months of October and November Burnaby Traffic Services responded to a total of 429 collisions. Of those 88 involved non life threatening injuries and regrettably 3 resulted in fatalities.

Of these fatalities one involved the driver not wearing a seatbelt, which contributed to their injuries. The other two involved pedestrians being struck by vehicles, one of whom had been in a marked crosswalk and the other had run across traffic trying to reach a bus stop. Pedestrian safety is one of Burnaby Detachments 2016 Annual Priorities and enforcement in this area has been stepped up.



Impaired driving enforcement numbers

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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. This also includes our Schools and Youth Liaison Unit who work directly in the schools in our communities.

Prolific Offender Suppression Team (POST)

In November POST identified and subsequently arrested two suspects involved in a series of apartment building break and enters in the Cariboo-Lougheed area. These two individuals were entering apartment buildings and once inside using a counterfeit Canada Post key to access communal mail boxes. It is expected that the arrest of these two prolific individuals will have a direct impact on this type of crime in the area

Community Response Team (CRT):

During the months of October and November, members from the CRT conducted, in addition to their regular patrols and duties, pro-active enforcement in the "hotspot" areas within District 3 and District 4. On two separate dates investigators were able to identify individuals they believed were involved in the drug trade. Surveillance was conducted that led to the arrest of four suspects, the seizure of cocaine, heroin, marihuana, cash, cellphones, and two vehicles.



School and Youth Liaison Unit (SYLO):

The OIC and our Schools and Youth Unit turned out for a "positive ticketing" campaign where they singled out good drivers in and around School Zones and provided them with individually made thank you cards from the kids.







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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:

As has been widely reported the emergence of Fentanyl continues to be a major concern for both the public and First Responders. In November our Drug Section dealt with two instances where fentanyl was involved.

In November, after having concluded an investigation in to drug trafficking which started in October, they executed two search warrants, one in Burnaby and the other Vancouver. As a result they seized a quantity of cocaine and heroin as well as evidence of Fentanyl. Two individuals were arrested and charges recommended to Federal Crown.

In the second the Burnaby Fire Dept. attended an apartment for a suspected fentanyl overdose. The responding firefighters observed some items which were consistent with drug production or packaging and contacted RCMP. The Burnaby RCMP attended and our Drug Section initiated an investigation. A search warrant was applied for and the residence was further examined. Various drugs included cocaine, heroin and pills were seized from a safe as well as assorted paraphernalia indicating the location was being used to not just store drugs but to also prepare and package them for sales.



In response to the rise in fentanyl usage and the dangers this poses the RCMP has rolled out Naloxone kits to help in instances where there is an overdose or unintended exposure to Fentanyl. Naloxone, or Narcan as it is commonly known, is a fast acting antidote to Fentanyl and can be key in reversing the devastating effects of Fentanyl. During October and November the Burnaby RCMP completed getting these kits to our front line officers

Economic Crime Unit (ECU):

Burnaby's Economic Crime Unit (ECU) investigated a series of fraudulently opened mailboxes that were receiving numerous credit cards in different names. The investigation revealed that the accounts were opened with stolen BC Driver's Licences and that the three fraudulently opened mailboxes had received over 200 different credit cards in a 3 week period. ECU has since shut down all the mailboxes, and are working closely with the credit card companies to receive the account statements. Investigators have identified a male and female who are well known to the police for committing frauds in the Lower Mainland. ECU will be forwarding charges for Fraud over \$5000 and Identity theft.

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Auxiliary Constables:

Our Auxiliaries again showed what an invaluable asset they are to the Detachment Operations, participating in a total of 368 volunteer hours during this reporting period.

Community Programs



On November 11, sixteen Auxiliary Constables came out to help with our two Remembrance Day ceremonies where they provided security, assisted with Traffic Control and marched in the parades



Shortly thereafter, over the five days period between November 16 and 20, eighteen Auxiliary Constables worked a variety of shifts to assist with the 2016 World Taekwondo Federation World Championships event, which was held at the Bill Copeland Arena. Event organizers expressed their deep thanks for the hard work, professionalism and approachability of the Auxiliaries.





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Crime Prevention Unit (CPU):

On October 20, Great BC ShakeOut Day, the Crime Prevention Unit (CPU) facilitated a Safe Community Series on Emergency Preparedness at City Hall Council Chamber. Approximately 80 community members were in attendance. Meredith Hill from Burnaby Emergency Management Program was the keynote speaker

Safe Community Series Personal Emergency Preparedness







The CPU also conducted a one day training workshop to managers of multi-unit rental properties as a component of certification in the Crime Free Multi-Housing Program. The goal is to help owners, managers, and residents of multi-unit rental property work with the police and other agencies to keep illegal and nuisance activity off property. The session was held on October 11 in partnership with New Westminster Police Department. Approximately 30 rental property managers were in attendance.

Victim Services:

Our Victim Services Unit (VSU) opened 200 new file between October and November, during which time they provided over 110 hours of Crisis Intervention. In addition they continued to engage in various educational programs both at the Detachment as well as in our community. They provided training to Burnaby RCMP Investigative Services members on the Canadian Victims Bill of Rights as well as collaborating with our Domestic Violence Unit on a presentation on violence in intimate relationships to a pregnancy outreach program.









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In October Burnaby staff were encourage to "bring their kids to work" where they were put through the paces of everything from conducting forensic examinations to working alongside the police dog.



2016 World Taekwondo Junior Championships

Between November 16 and 20 the city of Burnaby played host to the world with the 2016 World Taekwondo Junior Championships being held at the Bill Copeland Arena.

The event, which was broadcast around the globe, was a great success and the Burnaby RCMP were proud to be a part of it and help showcase what Burnaby has to offer. Safety bear also made an appearance and was a big hit!







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