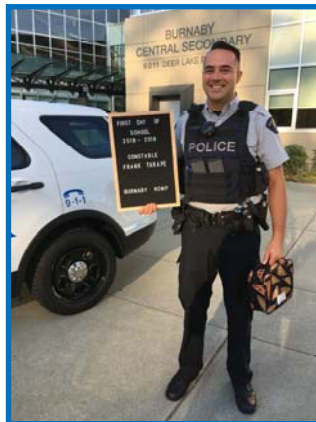




Back to School



Burnaby RCMP Public Safety Report
August and September 2018
“Partners for a Safe Community”

Message from the Chief

September was a busy month for our Youth Investigative Team members as they attended schools around the City to ensure drivers and pedestrians knew their responsibilities in keeping everyone safe in school zones. Our members also provided a number of presentations to new students and were on hand on the first day of school to welcome students back after the summer break.

Burnaby Drug Section made substantial seizures in August and September. One of these investigations resulted in a large seizure of Fentanyl and Cocaine which was destined for sale on the streets. This investigation and two others completed by Burnaby Drug Section have resulted in significant disruption of drugs in the City.

In August, our Prolific Offender Suppression Team made an arrest in relation to incidents of mail theft. A search warrant executed at the suspect's home resulted in the discovery of numerous pieces of stolen identification and a handgun.

For the second year running, Cst. Kwame Amoateng facilitated a soccer camp for kids in the community. This year he ran two camps which were attended by dozens of kids from diverse backgrounds. Burnaby Fire Department participated and gave a wonderful display of one of their trucks on the last day of the camp.

In August it was an honour for our detachment to have the opportunity to meet with the community during the RCMP Musical Ride in Burnaby. The event was well attended and gave us the opportunity to hear from you about policing in Burnaby. The event also raised money for a great cause, Cops for Cancer Tour de Coast.

Distracted driving enforcement continues to be a priority for our Traffic Services Section. In September they handed out 617 tickets across the City ensuring that drivers got the message to leave their phone alone, particularly as we face into darker evenings and bad weather.

Finally, a tragic case was recently brought before the courts in Vancouver. I want to recognize the incredible work done by members of Burnaby RCMP investigating the murder of Natsumi Kogawa. The work our investigators did in the initial stages of this case was integral in assisting the Vancouver Police Department in bringing the suspect to justice.

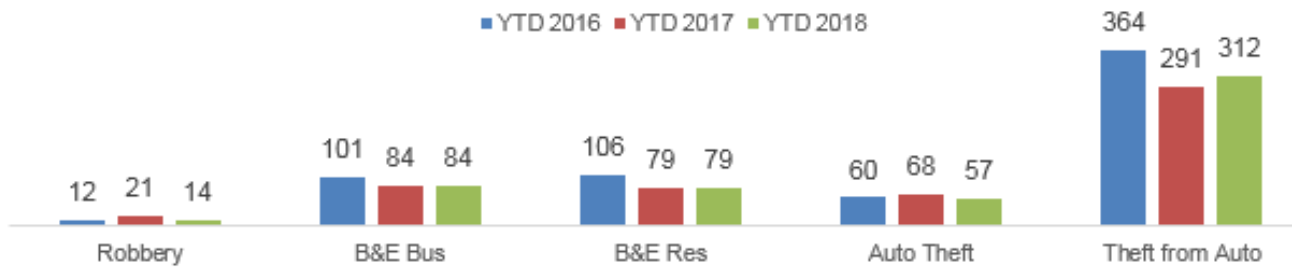
Chief Superintendent Deanne Burleigh
Officer in Charge, Burnaby Detachment



Crime Reduction Stats Compared Over 3 Years

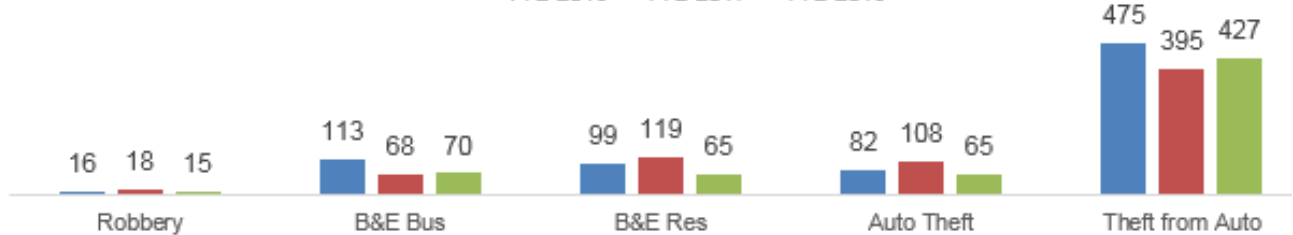
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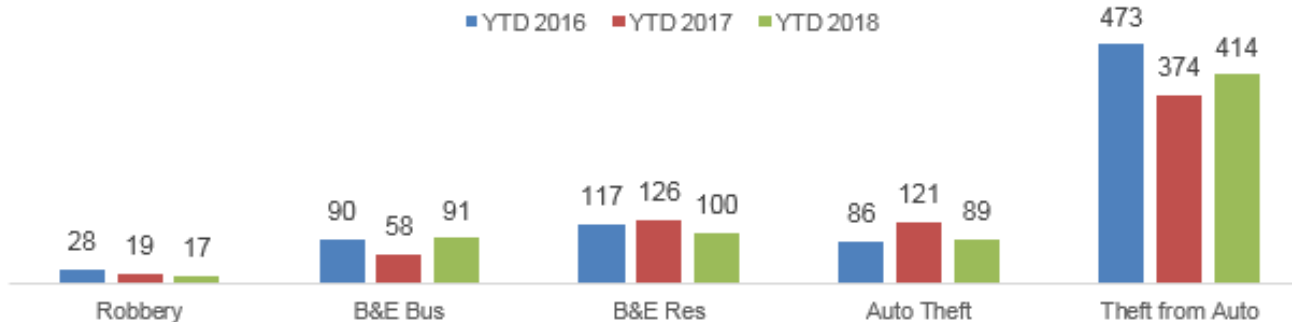
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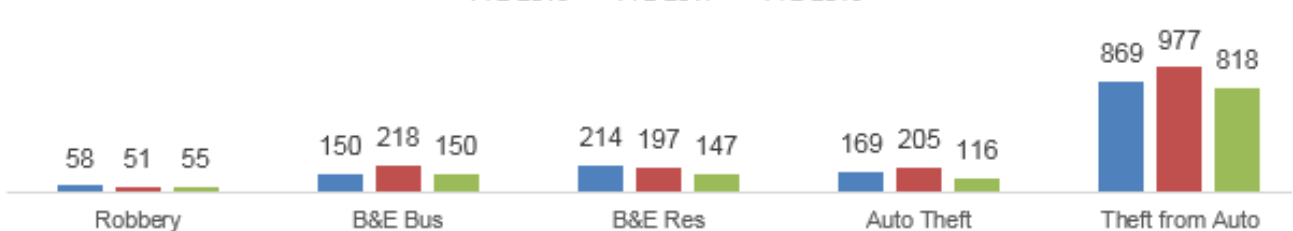
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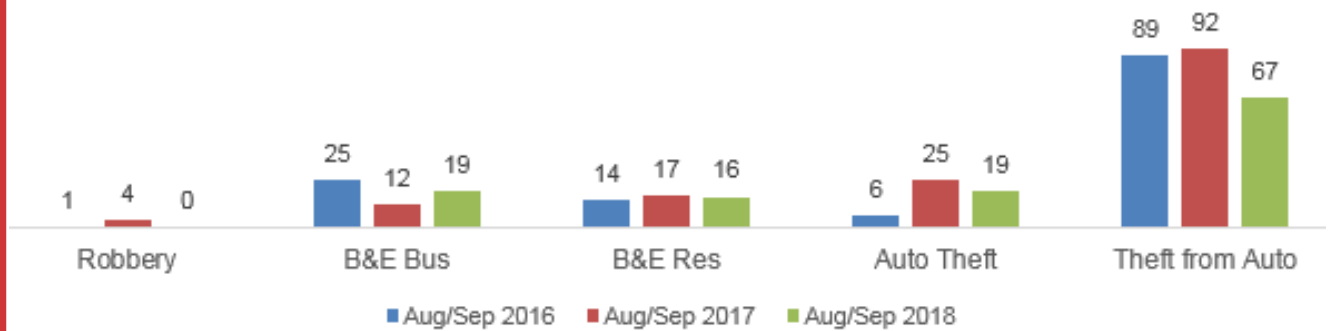
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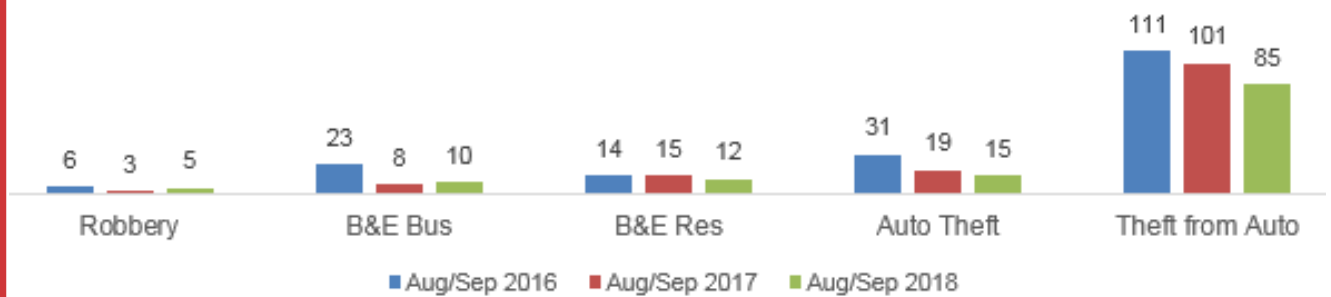


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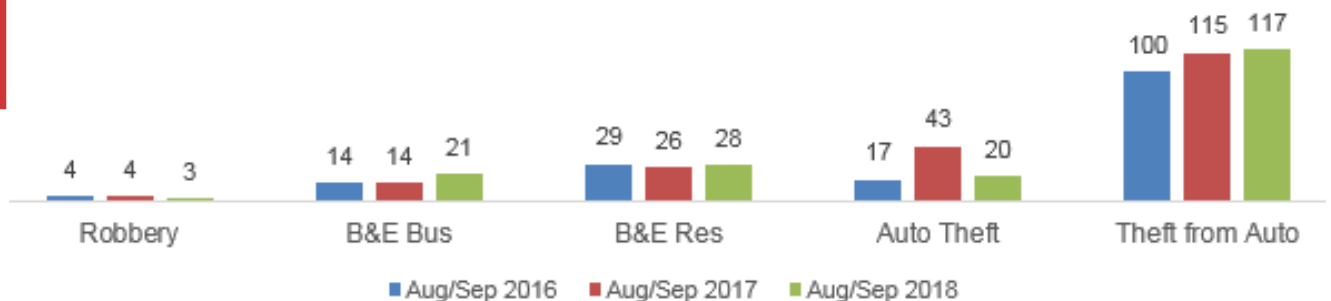
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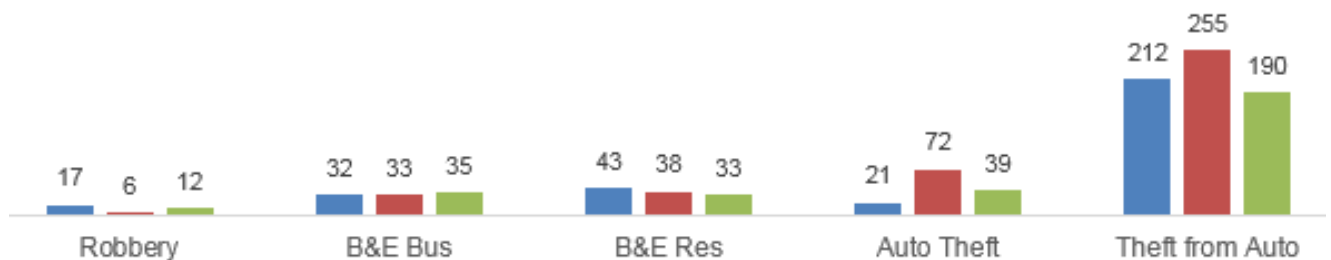
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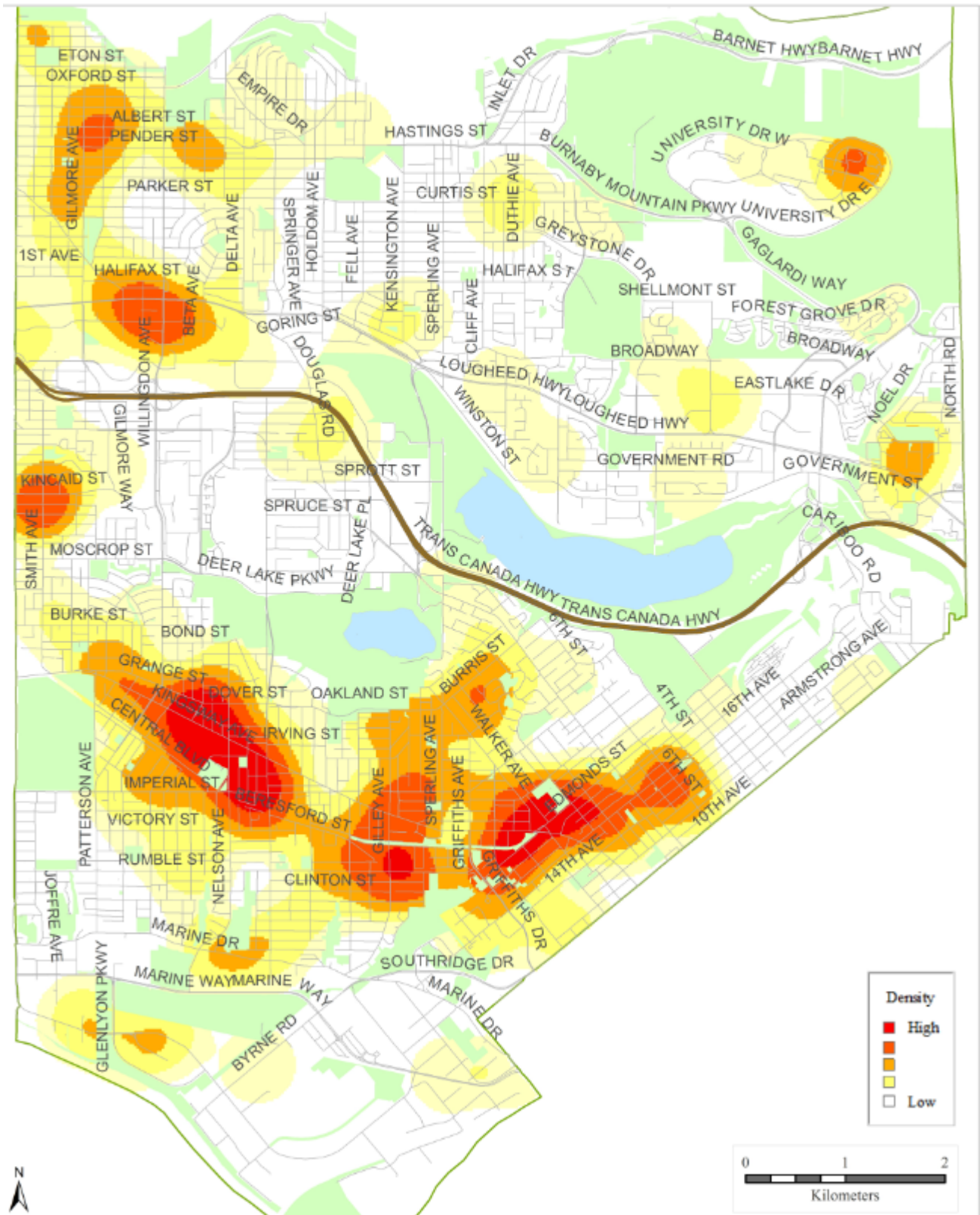
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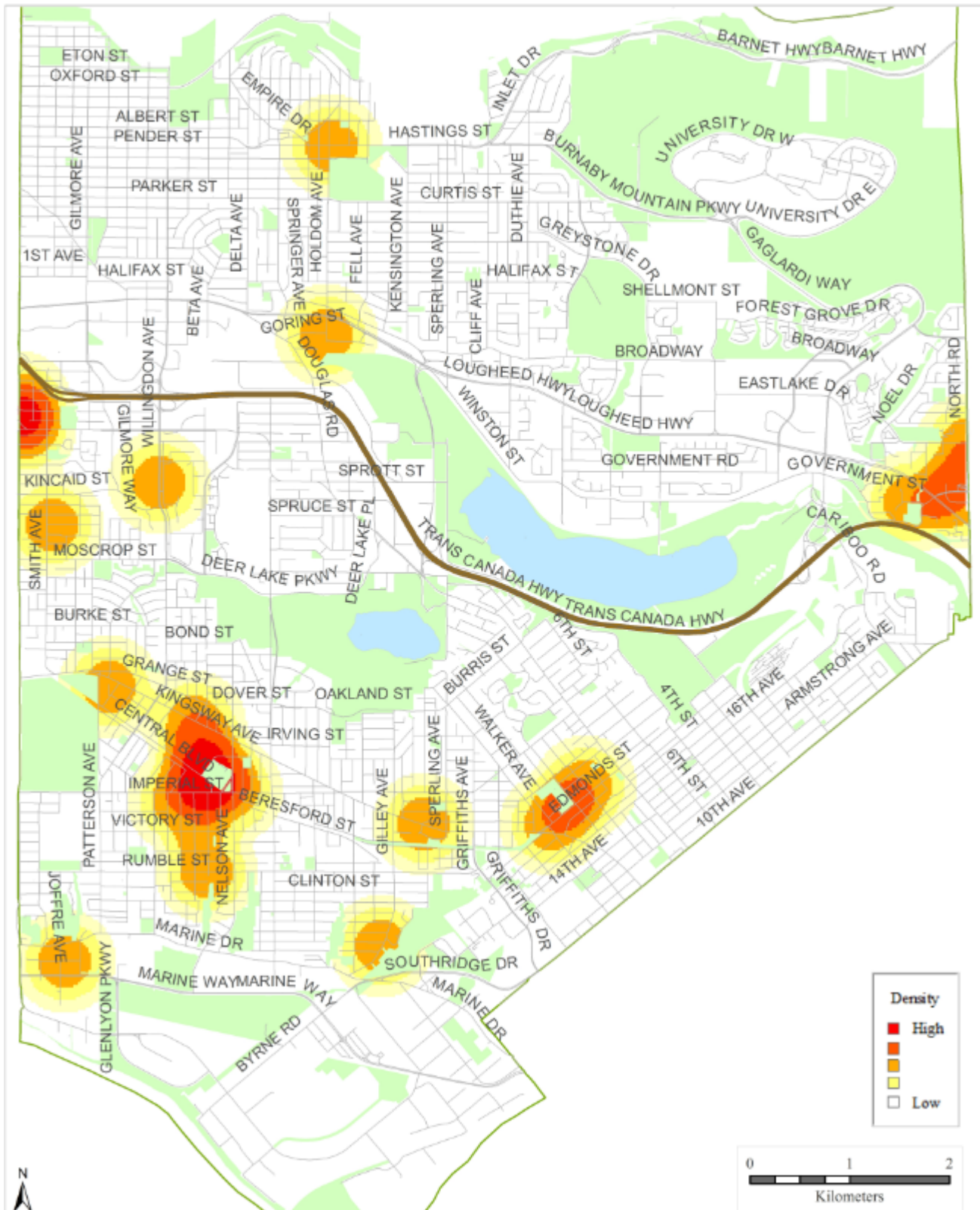
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B&E Density Map





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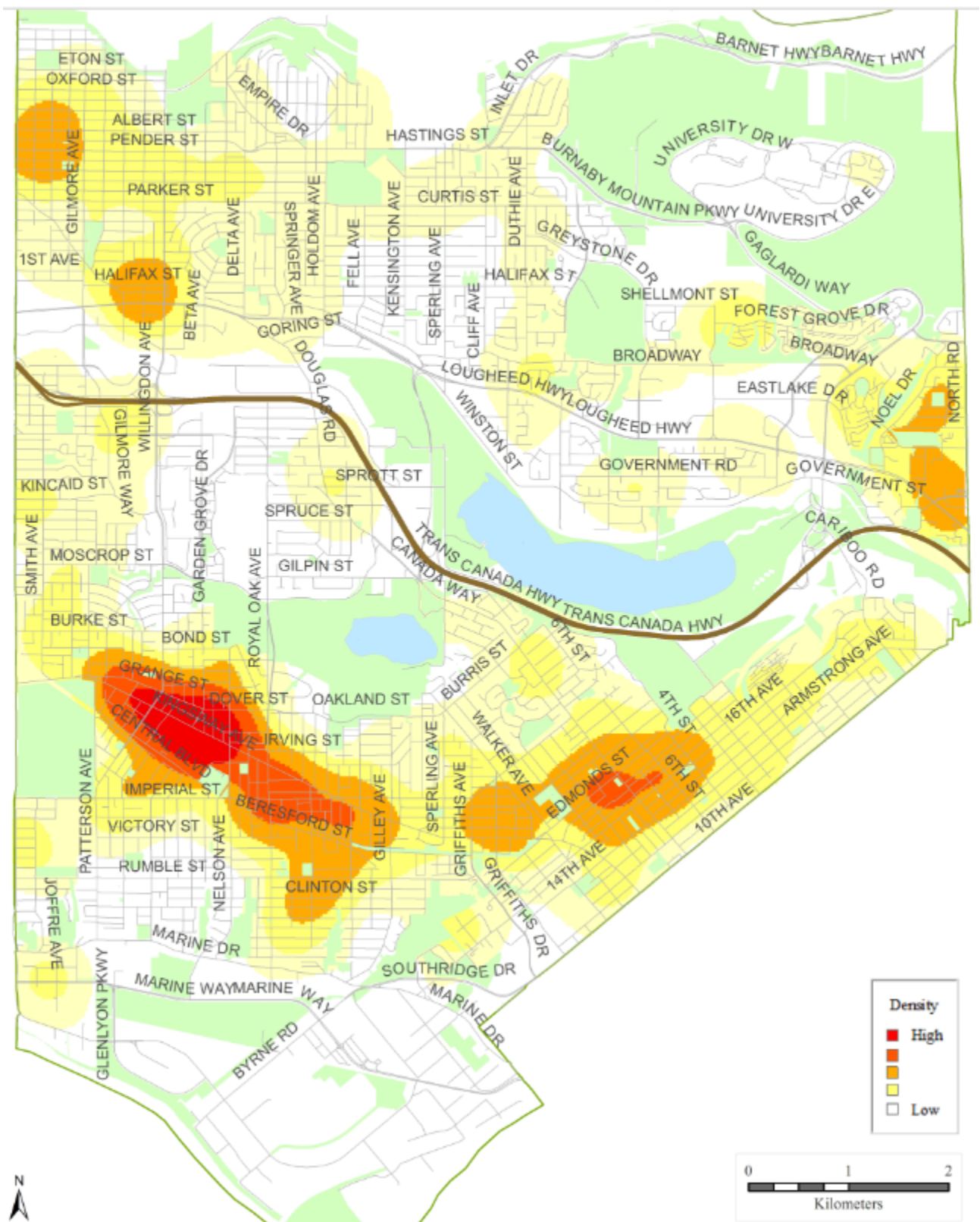
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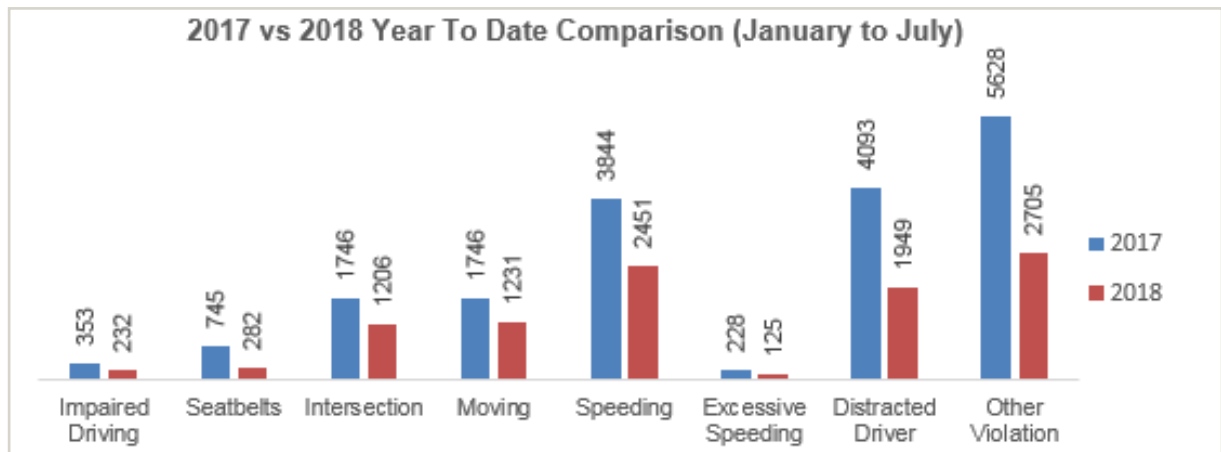
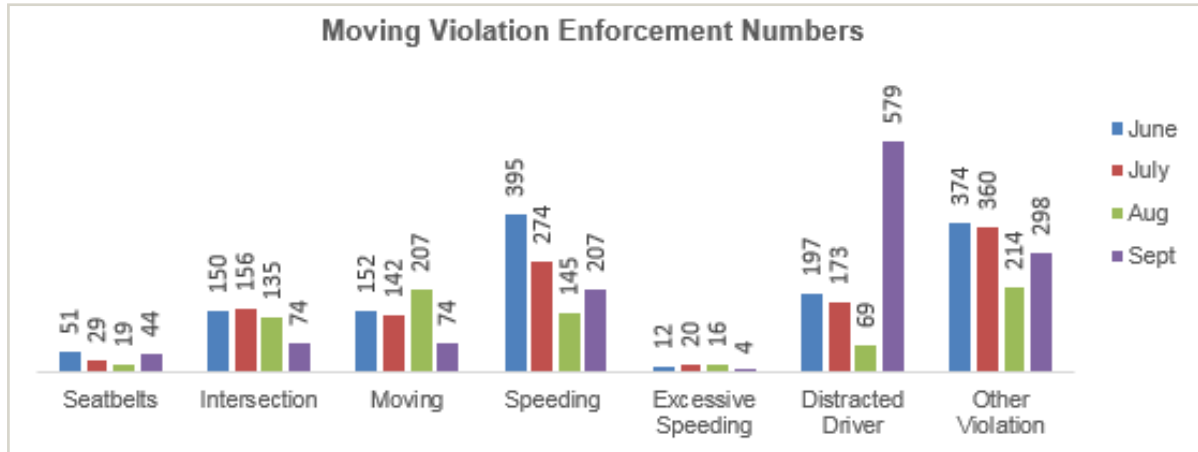
August 1 to September 30, 2018 Auto Crimes Density Map

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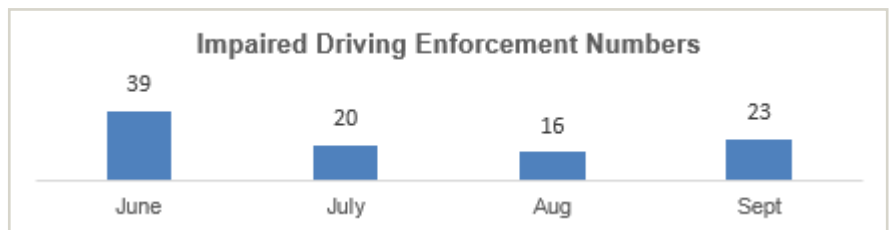


Traffic Operations Statistics

The Traffic Section conducted focused enforcement on Distracted Drivers during August and September as well as School Zone enforcement when the kids were back in school.



During the months of August and September, 349 collisions were investigated by General Duty and Traffic Section Officers. 76 involved non-life threatening injuries and there were 2 fatalities.



Major Investigations

Investigations of a more complex or longer term nature are handled by Burnaby RCMP's plainclothes units.

Drug Section

On August 8, 2018, after a year long investigation, Burnaby drug section executed a search warrant on a Burnaby residence and dismantled a substantial marihuana grow operation and seized a large amount of street sale fentanyl and cocaine from the residence. The Lower Mainland Integrated Emergency Response Team was used to effect the arrest at the house where one person was arrested. Two other people were arrested away from the residence and found to be in possession of a quantity of street level fentanyl, cocaine and methamphetamine.

On August 30, 2018, after a three week investigation, Burnaby RCMP arrested a male on a Canada wide warrant. A search warrant was subsequently executed on a residence in a high rise in the Metrotown area. A large quantity of methamphetamine and cocaine was seized.

On September 28, 2018, Burnaby drug section arrested one person and executed a search warrant on a Burnaby residence after a four month long investigation into fentanyl trafficking. A large quantity of fentanyl and cocaine packaged for street level sale was seized along with a vehicle used in the operation.

Prolific Offender Suppression Team (POST)

Mail Theft Investigation

In June 2018, Burnaby RCMP Prolific Offender Suppression Team (POST) initiated an investigation of a multi-jurisdictional large scale mail theft operation. Surveillance was conducted on a residence and evidence in support of a search warrant was obtained.

On August 9, 2018, Burnaby POST with assistance of the Burnaby Community Response Team executed a search warrant at the suspect residence in Burnaby that led to the seizure of hundreds of credit cards, identification cards, mail, a handgun, a taser, electronic storage devices, cell phones and computer equipment. One person was arrested outside of the residence prior to the search warrant being executed. Charges will be recommended against the suspect in this matter.



Community Response Team (CRT)

Soccer Camp

In August 2018, Constable Kwame Amoateng coordinated two free week long youth soccer camps in Burnaby. This event was a total success, Cst Amoateng provided a fun and safe environment for many kids who may not normally have the means or opportunity to participate in a soccer camp. The camps were well attended with nearly 100 kids participating.

Many Burnaby RCMP members and employees came by the camp and engaged in community building with the young people. This was great event to foster a positive police relationship with these kids. Burnaby Fire Department also took part, giving tours of a fire engine on the final day of the camp.



Foot Patrols

In August and September members of CRT were busy with foot patrols throughout the city. On one occasion while on foot patrol in Central Park, members were approached by a female who advised that she was being watched by a suspicious male while walking her dog. Members were unable to locate the male until the following day when a second complaint was made with a suspect matching the description from the previous day. The male was located and identified. Charges were forwarded against the male and he was subsequently placed on a peace bond with conditions prohibiting him from being at Central Park.

Drug and Weapons Investigation

While on patrol, CRT members observed a vehicle parked illegally with two occupants inside. A subsequent check of the vehicle's licence plates revealed that the plate was listed as stolen. The driver and passenger were arrested for Possession of Stolen Property. A search of the vehicle turned up a small amount of crystal meth, a black bb-gun, and a meth pipe. It turned out that the vehicle was not stolen, only the licence plates were, and the suspects were allegedly test driving the vehicle. The drugs, weapons and plates were seized for destruction. The registered owner of the vehicle was contacted and the vehicle was towed and secured.

Crime Prevention Unit (CPU)

On August 15, Crime Prevention Unit staff attended the Musical Ride at Swangard Stadium. Our staff and Burnaby Citizen's Crime Watch volunteers represented the detachment and enjoyed engaging with members of the community.



CPU staff also attended Block Watch socials on August 12 and 19. This provided our team a great opportunity to connect with our community, answer questions, and provide crime prevention tips at these fun family events.

The Burnaby RCMP Crime Prevention Unit is continuing to work towards meeting service delivery and program expansion goals for 2018. Part of this was the creation of an online component of our Block Watch Training. This was completed and is expected to go live in the next month or so. This will allow us to reach a greater audience within the community, promoting this excellent neighbourhood crime prevention program.

CPU staff also provided a safety presentation to new Canadians at Immigrant Services Society of BC. CPU staff work to accommodate as many requests for presentations as possible every month. This is an excellent way to promote community safety and crime prevention information, affording attendees the opportunity to ask questions on a range of related topics.



Community Police Offices (CPO)

The CPO volunteers were busy in August and September. Despite the poor air quality in August, Cell Watch volunteers checked 2278 vehicles, Speed Watch volunteers checked 3612 vehicles and Stop Watch volunteers checked 2831 vehicles.

District 2 and District 4 volunteers also conducted foot patrols and checked over 3000 vehicles.

In addition, volunteers spent 45 hours volunteering in the community police offices.



Youth Investigative Team (YIT)

Back to School Safety Blitz

In preparation for the start of new school year, on September 6 and 7, YIT conducted a school safety blitz jointly with Burnaby RCMP Traffic Section. The overall goal of this operation was to increase awareness of the presence of "in-operation" school zones throughout the city. Photographs of marked Police vehicles at schools were shared on social media to make the public aware that School Zones were back in effect. The partnership was well placed to fill and support both units combined goal and mandate of traffic safety especially as it relates to children. Violation tickets as well as verbal and non-verbal warnings were given to a number of motorists. More than 30 elementary and high schools were attended by Traffic Unit and Youth Section members.

Coffee with a Cop event

On Tuesday, September 25, YIT responded to a community request for attendance to a Starbucks "Coffee with a Cop" event. YIT member Cst. Tarape joined a member of Metro Vancouver Transit police to attend this event. The event was put on by Starbucks to engage citizens in dialogue and understanding of Police and to foster that communication over free coffee. Members answered questions, shared stories and gave stickers to kids. The event took place over a two hour period, from 5 pm to 7 pm, at the Station Square Starbucks beside the Metrotown Bus loop. During the event both attending members took a turn behind the bar and learned how to make a few drinks which went over well with the guests who snapped their own photos. This was probably not what they expected to see a Police Officer doing on a Tuesday night but it actually sparked more interest in speaking to the members.



Victim Services Unit

In August VSU opened 126 files for the month and completed 113 hours of Crisis Intervention. Since last August VSU has had an increase of 14% in file load. Crisis Intervention stayed about the same as last years around this time. In addition, in August, the Victim Services Unit attended a presentation on Terrorism Event Pre-Incident Indicators.



In September VSU opened 175 files for the month and completed 160 hours of Crisis Intervention, this was the busiest month for VSU this year. Since last year (September 2017), VSU has had an increase of 16% in file load and the 47% increase crisis intervention hours. This increase is partly due to high volume of call outs for Motor Vehicle Incidents and incidents involving sudden death.



Also in September, the VSU Coordinator attended training on Worksite Safety Inspections and Access to Information and Privacy (ATIP) Branch Training.

Youth Services Unit

In August, Youth Services attended the youth soccer camp held in the Edmonds area in order to provide support. Staff who attended were able to meet some of the young people who were participating in the camp and make great connections.

Starting September 2018, the Retail Theft Circle (RTC) program will be offered during the first week of each month as opposed to at the end of the month. Due to a low number of shoplifting referrals, and other circumstances of the youths who were referred, the September RTC was cancelled. However, the October RTC will be offered for the youths who are able to participate.

One of the most significant events in British Columbia for Restorative Justice Practitioners and Academics, is the Annual Campagnola Lectures in Restorative Justice held by the Community Justice Centre in the Comox Valley. Named after the 27th Lieutenant Governor of Canada, The Honourable Iona Campagnola, in recognition for her life long commitment to justice for Indigenous people, and her work as a Restorative Justice Ambassador throughout her career. Each year, a special guest speaker is invited to present their insights about their role, function and effects of enhancing the practice of Restorative Justice in modern society. This year, the speaker was Jody Wilson-Raybould, Canada's Minister of Justice and Attorney General, who has been tasked by the Prime Minister to instigate restorative practices within the justice system and promote reconciliation.

Burnaby RCMP Restorative Justice Coordinator, Kaylie Maughan was there as part of a delegation of Restorative Justice practitioners from the surrounding Vancouver area, coming to hear Ms. Wilson-Raybould's vision in introducing an overarching cross-government reconciliation framework to implement what has been directed by the courts and set out in the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. The evening was full of passionate discourse and dialogue surrounding the current challenges of supporting the growth of Restorative Justice within all aspects of our justice system.

In early September, School District 41, RCMP members and Youth Services held an annual review meeting where last year's accomplishments were discussed and the letter of understanding between the organizations was reviewed. School District 41 will continue to partner and provide partial funding for the Restorative Justice program for the year 2018-2019.

Youth Services Number of Referrals 2018			
	Aug	Sept	YTD
Counselling	4	9	71
Restorative Justice	10	9	129
Retail Theft Circle	4	4	79
Restorative Intervention	6	5	50

Auxiliary Program

During the month of August, Auxiliaries contributed 182 hours to community events including the Burnaby Blues and Roots Festival, the Korean Festival and the RCMP Musical Ride.



In September, our Auxiliaries assisted with three open-air concerts held at Deer Lake Park. Four Auxiliaries came out on October 1 to help with “Portugal the Man”; On October 14, another four Auxiliaries helped with the Lauren Hill concert; and four more volunteered to assist with the Ben Howard concert.

A general unit meeting was held on September 27, 18 Auxiliaries attended and participated.



RCMP Musical Ride



Honourary Staff Sergeant Major Casey Wright with Cpl Brett Cunningham and a Musical Ride member

Staff Sergeant Major John Buis received an award for all his work in bringing the RCMP Musical Ride to Burnaby



Cops for Cancer Jail and Bail

On September 7, 2018, Burnaby RCMP's Cops for Cancer riders hosted a Jail and Bail at Lougheed Mall. The event raised over \$4,000. Among those "arrested" were Chief Superintendent Deanne Burleigh and Ashlin Prasad from Burnaby RCMP's Crime Prevention and Victim Services Unit.



Cops for Cancer Day

On Thursday September 20, 2018, riders from the Cops for Cancer Tour de Coast stopped at Burnaby City Hall. The 800 kilometre ride raised over \$680,000. Burnaby RCMP members Cpl. Daniela Panesar, Sgt. Tess Landry and Cst. Tom Walker took part in the ride.



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) 646-9999 or explore our website at

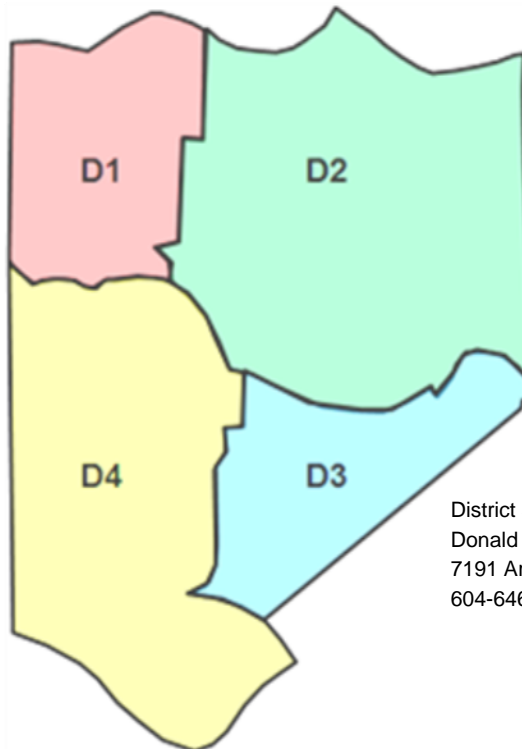
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