



MAY 17, 2021

PRINCE ALBERT BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC AGENDA

THURSDAY, MAY 20, 2021

9:00 A.M.

MAIN BOARDROOM, 2ND FLOOR, CITY HALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

"That the Agenda for this meeting be approved, as presented."

READING MINUTES:

1. Minutes of the Board of Police Commissioners Meeting held April 22, 2021.

Recommendation:

Minutes be taken as read and adopted; and, that the Board Chairperson and the Board Secretary be authorized to execute the Minutes.

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POWERPOINT PRESENTATION:

2. Historical Missing Person and Unsolved Homicide Section – Overview/Billboard Campaign

PowerPoint Presentation by Sergeant Kathy Edwardsen

Recommendation:

Be received as information and filed.

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3. Missing Persons Billboard Advertising Campaign

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Be received as information and filed.

STATISTICS:

4. April 2021 Monthly Statistics Report

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Recommendation:

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Be received as information and filed.

5. April 2021 Community Safety Officer (CSO) Report

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Recommendations:

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1. *That the Board receives the report as information and filed; and,*
2. *That the Board forwards the report to the Community Safety Officer (CSO) Program Manager as per the Saskatchewan CSO Policy Manual.*

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

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6. First Quarter Financial Report

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Recommendation:

Be received as information and filed.



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REPORTS:

7. Saskatchewan Association of Chiefs of Police Annual Awards of Excellence

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Recommendation:

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Be received as information and filed.

8. Bicycle Theft Deterrence and Bylaw Enforcement

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Recommendation:

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That following recommendations be approved:

- 1. That the Board directs the Prince Albert Police Service to collaborate with the City of Prince Albert to establish a web page and media awareness program addressing bicycle theft prevention, tips for identification and reporting bicycle theft.*
- 2. That the Board forwards the report to City Council to consider an amendment to The Bicycle Bylaw which would require a bicycle serial number to be visible and not altered, or the bicycle be subject to seizure and impoundment by the Prince Albert Police Service.*
- 3. That the Board directs Police Administration to ensure the Prince Albert Police Service members are made aware of The Bicycle Bylaw provisions and track/monitor use.*



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ANNUAL REPORT:

9. Prince Albert Police Service 2020 Annual Report

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Recommendation:

Be received as information and filed.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT:

10. Executive Committee Report – Request for Support in Abolishing Mandatory Minimum Sentences under Bill C-22 in Partnership with Local Indigenous Communities

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Recommendation:

That the Correspondence be referred to the Mayor's Office.

CORRESPONDENCES: N/A

DISCUSSION ITEMS: N/A

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, June 10, 2021

9:00 a.m.

Main Boardroom, 2nd Floor, City Hall

MOTION TO AJDOURN:

Recommendation:

That this Board do now adjourn the Public meeting.



PRINCE ALBERT BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MINUTES OF MEETING

THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 2021

9:00 A.M.

MAIN BOARDROOM, 2ND FLOOR, CITY HALL

Present in Boardroom:

Sheryl Kimbley, Chairperson

Mayor G. Dionne, Vice-Chairperson

Councillor B. Edwards (*Excused from the meeting at 9:35 a.m.*)

Councillor C. Miller

Janet Carriere

Darcy Sander

Blaine Broker

J. Bergen, Chief of Police

C. Mushka, Inspector

M. Boulet, Board Secretary

Nigel Maxwell, PA Now

Meeting convened at 9:01 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

031. **Moved by Councillor C. Miller, AND RESOLVED:**

That the April 22, 2021 Board of Police Commissioners Public Meeting Agenda be approved as presented.

READING MINUTES:

1. Minutes of the Board of Police Commissioners Meeting held March 18, 2021.

032. Moved by J. Carriere, AND RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Board of Police Commissioners Meeting held March 18, 2021, be taken as read and adopted; and, that the Board Chairperson and Board Secretary be authorized to execute the minutes on behalf of the Board of Police Commissioners.

STATISTICS:

2. March 2021 Monthly Statistics Report

033. Moved by Mayor G. Dionne, AND RESOLVED:

That the Report from Chief of Police dated April 15, 2021, regarding March 2021 Monthly Statistics Report be received as information and filed.

3. March 2021 Community Safety Officer (CSO) Report

034. Moved by Councillor C. Miller, AND RESOLVED:

That the Report from Inspector Kellett dated April 5, 2021, regarding March 2021 Community Safety Officer (CSO) Report be received; and that the following be approved:

1. That the Board receives the report as information and filed; and,
2. That the Board forwards the report to the Community Safety Officer (CSO) Program Manager as per the Saskatchewan CSO Policy Manual.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

4. 2020 COVID-19 Unbudgeted Expenditures – Prince Albert Police Service

035. Moved by Mayor G. Dionne, AND RESOLVED:

That the Report from Board Secretary to Prince Albert City Council dated February 25, 2021, regarding 2020 COVID-19 Unbudgeted Expenditures and City Council Resolution #150 dated April 12, 2021 be received as information and filed:

Resolution #150. City Council – Motion of April 12, 2021

“That funding from the Provincial Funding of the Safe Restart Program in the amount of \$73,371, relating to unbudgeted costs due to the impact of COVID-19 to the Prince Albert Police Service respecting additional cleaning and janitorial services, cleaning supplies and personal protective equipment expensed in Year 2020 be transferred to the Prince Albert Police Service Operating Reserve.”

5. Multi-Year Proactive Policing Strategy – Prince Albert Police Service

036. Moved by B. Broker, AND RESOLVED:

That the Report from Chief of Police dated April 9, 2021, regarding Multi-Year Proactive Policing Strategy Report be received; and that the following be approved:

1. That the Board forwards the proposed Multi-Year Proactive Policing Strategy to City Council for funding approval.
2. That the Board requests funding from the City in the amount of \$554,000 annually to be directed to the Proactive Policing Strategy for the Prince Albert Police Service.
3. That the Board approves the creation of a Police Service Proactive Policing Reserve created specifically for the Multi-Year Proactive Policing Strategy for the Prince Albert Police Service.
4. That the Board approves the estimates contained within this report for spending relating to the Multi-Year Proactive Policing Strategy.
5. That any unspent funds from the City funding of \$554,000 annually be forwarded to the Police Service Proactive Policing Reserve to fund future years.
6. That the authorized strength of sworn officers for the Prince Albert Police Service be increased by four (4) sworn members from 100 to 104 sworn members, and that the four (4) sworn members are contingent on the annual funding from the City relating to the Proactive Policing Strategy.

REPORTS:

6. Cell Block Policy Amendments

037. Moved by Mayor G. Dionne, AND RESOLVED:

That the Report from Inspector Mushka dated April 16, 2021, regarding Cell Block Policy Amendments Report be received; and that the following Policy amendments be approved:

- Part 5 – Communications and Automated Systems, Chapter H: Comentix Electronic Mugshot System.
- Part 9 – Court and Legal Process, Chapter E: Prisoners and Escorts, Part 31: Identification and Fingerprinting of Prisoners.
- Part 9 – Court and Legal Process, Chapter E: Prisoners and Escorts, Part 40: Closed Circuit Video Equipment.

CORRESPONDENCES:

7. March 17, 2021 Executive Committee Disposition regarding Correspondence from Prince Albert & Area Community Alcohol Strategy Steering Committee, dated March 12, 2021.

038. Moved by Mayor G. Dionne, AND RESOLVED:

That the funding request from Prince Albert & Area Community Alcohol Strategy Steering Committee dated March 12, 2021 be forwarded to the 2022 City Council Budget Deliberations for consideration.

DISCUSSION TOPICS: N/A

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, May 20, 2021

9:00 a.m.

Main Boardroom, 2nd Floor, City Hall

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

8. Adjournment – 9:37 a.m.

039. Moved by J. Carriere, AND RESOLVED:

That this Board do now adjourn.

CHAIRPERSON

BOARD SECRETARY



PRINCE ALBERT POLICE SERVICE

TITLE: Historical Missing Person and Unsolved Homicide Section – overview/billboard campaign

DATE: May 13, 2021

TO: Chief of Police ☒

Board of Police Commissioners ☐

PUBLIC: ☒

INCAMERA: ☐

RECOMMENDATION(S):

- That the Board of Police Commissioners receive this report as information and file.

TOPIC & PURPOSE:

This report provides an overview of the current investigations assigned to the Historical Missing Persons and Unsolved Homicide Section of the Prince Albert Police Service.

BACKGROUND:

Sergeant Kathy Edwardsen is currently assigned to the Historical Missing Persons and Unsolved Homicide Section of the Prince Albert Police Service. There are nine historical missing person and one unsolved homicide investigation that occurred in the City of Prince Albert.

The Ministry of Policing, Corrections, and Public Safety externally fund the position. As such there are specific mandates and objectives that are required within the section. The unit demands an experienced investigator with the ability to be multi-faceted in the approach to progress challenging and demanding investigations. Public education and awareness on the investigations is a critical component to gathering intelligence or information that could result in closure for the families and the investigation.

PROPOSED APPROACH AND RATIONALE:

Historical Missing Person Investigations include the following:

- June Johnson – last seen August 13, 1979
- Robert Wiggins – last seen July 28, 1980
- Joseph Couldwell – last seen May 25, 1981
- William Slywka – last seen November 7, 1982
- Samuel Lachance – last seen July 29, 1987
- Ernestine Kasyon – last seen December 6, 1990
- Norman Halkett – last seen May 1, 2004
- Timothy Charlette – last seen October 8, 2014
- Happy Charles – last seen April 3, 2017

Unsolved Homicide Investigations include the following:

- Lean Lachance – murdered on September 15, 1991

Each investigation is challenging and unique in their specific circumstance. The pursuit of the truth, public education, and continual investigative measures are done to find closure to the families that seek answers to their loved one's disappearance or murder.

CONSULTATIONS:

The Historical Missing Persons and Unsolved Homicide Section work collaboratively with the Victim Services section to raise awareness on all missing persons to hopefully generate information that will advance the investigation. The section utilizes the National Center for Missing Persons and Unidentified Remains (NCMPUR). A National Missing Person DNA Program was created in an effort to potentially link DNA with any unidentified remains found in Canada with that of the missing persons in Prince Albert. In order for a comparison to be made, family members of the missing person submit their DNA to the National DNA Data Bank (NDDB) to be compared to all unidentified remains (UR) in the data bank.

The section continues to work closely and collaborate with police agencies, government, and non-government agencies to collect and share information with a focus on missing persons. While making a concentrated effort to develop and enhance the relationship of families of missing persons, we develop strong external relationships with the assistance of the Provincial Partnership Committee on Missing Persons (PPCMP) and connecting with several local community groups and agencies.

The result strong working relationships and compassionate dealings with families have allowed the section to provide an invaluable service in continuously seeking answers to historical missing persons and unsolved homicide investigations.

A recent example of proactive initiatives and the police service continuous commitment in seeking answers for the families is a billboard campaign will cover the western prairie provinces. The intention of the campaign to is continue to raise awareness and generate information to advance the investigations.

COMMUNICATION AND/OR ANNOUNCEMENT PLAN:

Sergeant Edwardsen has participated in several media requests to continue to educate the public in her assignment and bring awareness to missing persons from our community.

On May 11, 2021, a media release was disseminated highlighting the billboard, including the communities that will display the billboards and the timeframe that it will be public (May 10-23).

STRATEGIC PLAN:

Priority #1; Visible Police Service

Priority #2; Healthy Community

Priority #3; Professional Service

PRESENTATION: **VERBAL** ☐ **AUDIO/VISUAL** ☒ **NONE** ☐

ATTACHMENTS:

1. PowerPoint presentation to be presented to the Board of Police Commissioners by Sergeant Edwardsen

Written By: Insp. Mushka

Signature: 

Approved by: **Chief of Police** ☒

Signature: 



**Prince Albert Police Service
Historical Missing Persons and
Unsolved Homicide Section**

**Presentation by
Sergeant Kathy Edwardsen**

PAPS has 9 Historical Missing Persons

Prince Albert Police Service



June Johnson
Last seen August 13, 1979



Born in 1945 and would be 76 years old in 2021.

Prince Albert Police Service



•On August 3rd, 1979, (a Friday evening) June Johnson was given a ride from her home to the Marlboro Inn. She was last seen entering the Marlboro Inn.

•June Johnson was a single mother of 3 children and worked as a nurse at Victoria Hospital.

•In July of 1979, several weeks prior to her disappearance, she had quit her job and planned to move to Winnipeg. The arrangements in Winnipeg did not work out so she returned to Prince Albert and was reported missing a week later.

Several persons of interest were identified. Many of those were cleared by either verification of the facts or polygraph.

There have been several Tips that have been investigated. One tip of a possible burial ground lead police to conduct a dig north of the river but results were negative.

June Johnson family DNA in on the National MP DNA Data Bank.

Prince Albert Police Service



Robert Wiggins
Last seen 1980-07-28



Born in 1951 and would be 70 years old in 2021

Prince Albert Police Service



Robert Wiggins, known to many as Bud, was dropped off by friends at the 500 block of 11th street East in Prince Albert. He was not seen again by family or friends.

Wiggins wallet was later found on the highway near Radisson SK several months after he was reported missing.

Wiggins had been living in Calgary and spent time in the Prince Albert area where he grew up. He had a passion for cars and prior to going missing he owned a black 2 door 1972 Camaro.

Investigators have followed up multiple leads and ruled out several suspects via verification of the facts and polygraph as well as other police techniques.

Police still seek to locate some people of interest who were uncooperative in the past. We hope with the passing of time and maturity that witness or those responsible will recognize the importance of closure and come forward with information.

Wiggins family DNA has been added to the National MP DNA Data Bank.

Prince Albert Police Service



Joseph Couldwell
Last seen 1981-05-25



Born in 1951 and would be 62 years old in 2021.

Prince Albert Police Service 

Joseph Couldwell was last seen by his mother on the morning of May 25, 1981.

Around 9:00PM the night of May 25, a male was seen swimming in the North Saskatchewan River. Police were called and conducted a thorough search of the river and river bank with PADF. No body was located.

At 12:30 PM on May 26, 1981 a witness located an abandoned motorcycle (red and black Honda) on the rivers edge parallel to 9th Ave W. The bike was identified as belonging to Couldwell.

Foul play is not suspected.

Couldwell family DNA in on the National MP DNA Data Bank.

Prince Albert Police Service 

Samuel Lachance
Last seen July 29th, 1987



Born in 1936 Samuel would be 85 in 2021

Prince Albert Police Service 

Samuel Lachance was in Prince Albert visiting his ex-girlfriend July 29, 1987 and was last seen down town Prince Albert. He was reported missing a short time after.

Samuel Lachance spent time between White Fish IR and Prince Albert and travelled up north working in bush camps and fishing.

Police have had multiple tips which were investigated. Investigation has directed police resources towards extensive digs (area north of Victoria Hospital and BRFN) for possible burial grounds but results were negative.

Several persons of interest were identified. Many of those were cleared by either verification of the facts or polygraph

Lachance family DNA in on the National MP DNA Data Bank.

Prince Albert Police Service 

Ernestine Kasyon
Last seen December 6, 1990



Born in 1963 Ernestine would be 58 years old in 2021

Prince Albert Police Service 

On December 6, 1990 Ernestine was with friends and relatives at apartment 101 10th St Prince Albert when she went to use the pay phone outside the building. She was not seen again.

She had booked a flight home for December 14, 1989 and the ticket was not used.

Friends and family were interviewed and all usual locations Ernestine frequented were checked.

Police along with family and friends searched extensively for Kasyon with negative results.

Several persons of interest were identified. Many of those were cleared by either verification of the facts or polygraph.

Kasyon family DNA in on the National MP DNA Data Bank.

Prince Albert Police Service 

William Slywka
Last seen November 7, 1982



Born in 1925 Slywka would be 96 in 2021

Prince Albert Police Service 

On November 7, 1982 William Slywka went missing from North Park Centre. He had been a resident of North Park Centre for 6 years due to mental illness. Nursing staff observed him last on the grounds at 3:30 PM that day.

Witness believed they saw Slywka at Little Red River Park late on the afternoon of November 7, 1982.

Area searches were negative.

There were tips of possible sightings of a male fitting the description of Slywka in areas outside of Prince Albert but police were unable to locate.

All those associated to Slywka were interviewed.

Slywka family DNA in on the National MP DNA Data Bank.

Prince Albert Police Service 

Norman James Halkett
Last seen on May 1, 2004



Born in 1966 Norman Halkett would be 55 in 2021

Prince Albert Police Service 

Norman Halkett was last seen in Prince Albert by family in March of 2003.

He was known to travel to around Saskatchewan and spent time in Edmonton. It wasn't unusual for him to be gone for months at time.

Family and friends were spoken to and there was information provided that Halkett also had plans to go to Winnipeg.

All leads were investigated and it was unknown where Halkett had gone.

Police urge anyone who has information to please come forward and bring closure to the family and friends of Halkett.

Halkett family DNA in on the National MP DNA Data Bank.

Prince Albert Police Service 

Timothy Charlette
Last seen October 8, 2014



Born in 1987 Timothy Charlette would be 34 in 2021

Prince Albert Police Service 

Timothy Charlette was last seen on the train bridge overlooking the North Saskatchewan River with his girlfriend, Beatrice Adam, on the night of October 8, 2014.

Upon being reported missing police began an extensive search. Friends and family were interviewed which lead investigators to areas where Charlette was reported to have been.

Investigators were able to collect surveillance video from multiple business and establish a time line confirming Charlette was walking in the direction of the train bridge that night with Beatrice Adams.

On October 12, 2014 Beatrice Adam body was found in the river by Kayakers.

The police and PAFD searched the river with the help of Helicopter Ariel search conducted by Athabasca airways helicopter, PAGC Emergency Preparedness, Search and rescue Association of Volunteers (SARSAV) and many volunteers. Charlette body was not located.

Further checks of the river dam were made later with negative results.

Prince Albert Police Service 

Happy Mary Charles
Last seen April 3, 2017



Born in 1975 Happy Charles would be 46 years old in 2021

Prince Albert Police Service 

- Happy Charles was reported missing when family lost contact with her while she was in P.A. the weekend she arrived in P.A. from Laronge.
- Information was gathered of areas Happy had been seen that weekend. Surveillance video was collected and police were able to establish a time line of Happy actions. Happy was last seen on surveillance video April 3rd at 11:52 PM by PACI school.
- The family, community, many volunteers along with police have searched multiple locations looking for Happy. River Search by PAFD and Ariel search by SPS Air Surveillance Unit was conducted with negative results.
- Police have received over 100 tips of which several are still being investigated.
- Several persons of interest were identified. Many of those were cleared by either verification of the facts or polygraph.
- Happy Charles profile has been uploaded to the National Centre for Missing Person and Unidentified remains (NCMPUR).

PAPS has one unsolved Historical Homicide.

Prince Albert Police Service 

Jean Lachance Homicide
Murdered on September 15, 1991



Born in 1962 Jean Lachance would have been 59 in 2021

Prince Albert Police Service 

On September 15, 1991 Jean Lachances body was discovered along the bush line in a field south of Victoria Hospital.

Jean had 5 children between the ages of 4 and 11 left without a mother.

Jean was last seen that Saturday night at the Coronet bar at closing time. There were multiple witness who were able to assist police in providing a time line of Jeans actions that weekend.

Extensive investigation by PAPS, RCMP and many police partners took place at the onset of this homicide. Investigation has been ongoing.

Several persons of interest were identified. Many of those were cleared by either verification of the facts or polygraph.

We continue to receive tips and follow all leads.

Prince Albert Police Service 

Conclusion

•We continue to investigate all of the missing and murdered victims and hope with the passing of time those who have information regarding our investigations will come forward and provide information.

•Somebody out there knows the truth and we hope they will do the right thing and come forward. The families and friends of the missing and murdered cannot rest until they know the truth and they deserve to know what happened.

•We encourage anyone with information to contact the police and bring justice and closure to the victims families.

Prince Albert Police Service 



PRINCE ALBERT POLICE SERVICE

TITLE: Missing Persons Billboard Advertising Campaign

DATE: May 12, 2021

TO: Chief of Police ☐

Board of Police Commissioners ☒

PUBLIC: ☒

INCAMERA: ☐

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Police Commissioners receive this report as information and file.

TOPIC & PURPOSE: This report details efforts to raise awareness about nine long-term missing persons files still under investigation by the Prince Albert Police Service through a new billboard campaign across Saskatchewan, Alberta, and Manitoba.

PROPOSED APPROACH AND RATIONALE:

In February 2021, the Victim Services Unit (VSU) and the Prince Albert Police Service applied for funding through the provincial government for a new billboard awareness campaign that would highlight the nine historical missing persons files still under investigation. Prince Albert Police members continue to review evidence and investigate these long-term files, some dating back more than 40 years.

These files include:

- **Happy Charles:** Missing Since April 3, 2017. Last seen near P.A.C.I.
- **Ernestine Kasyon:** Missing Since December 6, 1989. Last seen the evening of December 6, 1989 while using a payphone in the 100 Block of 10th Street East.
- **Robert Allan Wiggins:** Missing Since July 28, 1980. Last seen just before sunrise on July 28, 1980 after getting a ride to a residence in the 500 Block of 11th Street East in Prince Albert.
- **William Slywka:** Missing Since November 7, 1982. Last seen leaving North Park Centre and may have been in the area around Little Red River Park.

- **June Ann Johnson:** Missing Since August 3, 1979. Last seen leaving the former Marlboro Inn in the Unit Block of 13th Street East.
- **Timothy Charlette:** Missing Since October 4, 2014. Last seen on the train bridge overlooking the North Saskatchewan River.
- **Norman James Halkett:** Missing Since March 16, 2003. Last location is unknown.
- **Joseph Couldwell:** Missing Since May 25, 1981. Last seen near the North Saskatchewan River.
- **Samuel LaChance:** Missing Since July 29, 1987.

In collecting information for the application, the police service sought out quotes for the cost of billboard advertising from a number of companies across Saskatchewan and Alberta.

As part of the application for funding, the police service contacted several billboard advertising companies for quotes and information about billboard locations across the three prairie provinces. The police service requested billboard locations in larger communities such as Winnipeg, Edmonton, Calgary, Saskatoon and Regina, along with highways and smaller points in between.

In March 2021, the police service was informed that their application had been denied. However, in notifying the companies that supplied quotes of this result, one company requested the opportunity to take another look at the project with a goal to provide the same level of promotion at a reduced rate.

That company, Vendo Media, replied with a significantly discounted quote for coverage on more than 20 billboards across the prairies with no extra charge for design of the billboards.

Missing Persons Week typically falls in May each year. The proposed billboard campaign through Vendo Media includes two weeks of billboards in Saskatchewan, followed by a one-week blitz across all three prairie provinces between May 10 and May 23.

The goal of this campaign is to generate awareness of current long-term missing persons files across a wider geographical area and build relationships with community and agency partners in other communities that could lead to new information and aid the investigations.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The cost of this billboard campaign was funded through the Criminal Investigations Division of the police service, which oversees the Missing Persons and Historical Crimes section of the service. The final cost totalled \$4,997.14 plus tax.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

Priority #1 – Visible Police Presence

- Develop Authentic Relationships

Priority #2 – Healthy Community (Internal/External)

- Social Responsibility



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As required by the Information Access Act



Ernestine **KASYON**

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Timothy **CHARLETTE**

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Samuel **LACHANCE**

PRESENTATION: VERBAL ☒ AUDIO/VISUAL ☐ NONE ☒

Written By: Charlene Tebbutt, Public Relations & Media Coordinator

Signature: Charlene Tebbutt

Approved by: Chief of Police ☒

Signature: [Signature]



PRINCE ALBERT POLICE SERVICE

TITLE: April 2021 - Monthly Statistical Report

DATE: May 13, 2021

TO: Chief of Police ☐

Board of Police Commissioners ☒

PUBLIC: ☒

INCAMERA: ☐

RECOMMENDATION:

- That the Board of Police Commissioners receive this report as information and file.

TOPIC & PURPOSE:

The report reviews the total statistics related to calls for service responded to by police service members. This public report is to keep informed our community and the Prince Albert Board of Police Commissioners on statistics and service requirements for April and the year to date for 2021.

BACKGROUND:

Monthly statistics related to police calls for service are captured, reviewed and released to the Board and public. The Statistics captured in this report are measured and compared to the previous year, and in some cases, a five-year comparative review is provided to identify anomalies or trends to monitor and determine effective and efficient deployment of all police resources. The report will also capture the specific monthly data for April 2021.

PROPOSED APPROACH AND RATIONALE:

Total Calls for Service Five-Year Trend:

The all calls created and attended to by the Prince Albert Police Service members to the end of April 2021 was 13,965, this was a .86% increase over the previous year. The calls captured in the total amount include a 13.9% decrease in proactive "neighbourhood strengthening" efforts, which is a proactive patrol and attendance that has been recorded by a member to capture a general patrol effort or specific response to an area of focus.

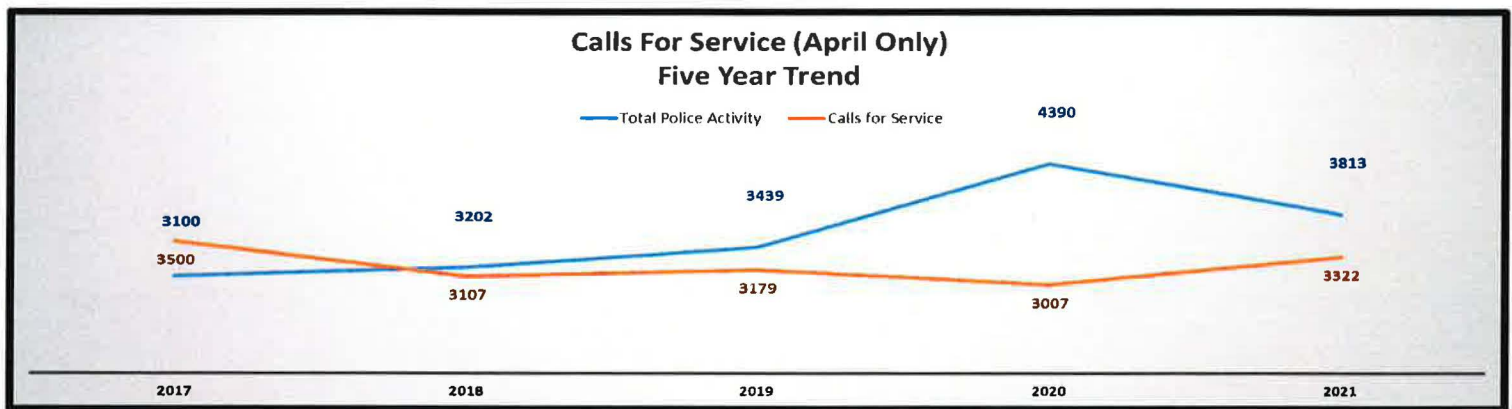
The total calls responded to by the members of the police service in April 2021 after taking out proactive calls for service – such as neighbourhood strengthening, COVID compliance, and court conditions checks – was 12,038 and that is an increase of 3.28% over the previous year. The following graphical representation provides the five-year total call trends for all calls and dispatched calls.



Appendix 1: a visual representation that shows the calls for service over the previous five years.

Total police activity, including proactive high-visibility patrols in the month of April was 3,813 and that represents 577 fewer calls than the previous year. The five-year April average for all calls is 3,588.

Calls for service was higher than the previous year by 10.48% with 3322 calls compared to 3007 in April 2020.

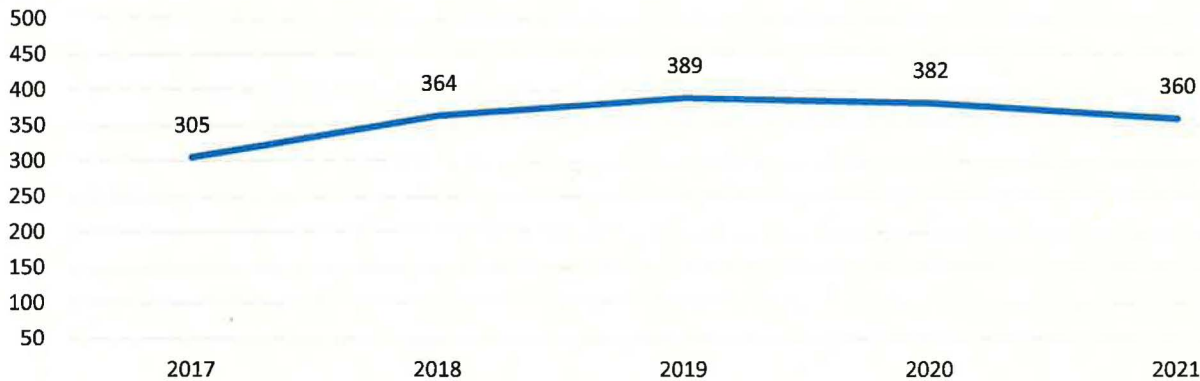


Appendix 2: a visual representation that shows the April five-year calls for service.

Violent Crime:

The Prince Albert Police Service responded to 360 victims of violent crime (YTD) in 2021, which represents a 5.76% decrease from the previous year of 382. The five-year average of violent crime victims was 360 reported (YTD).

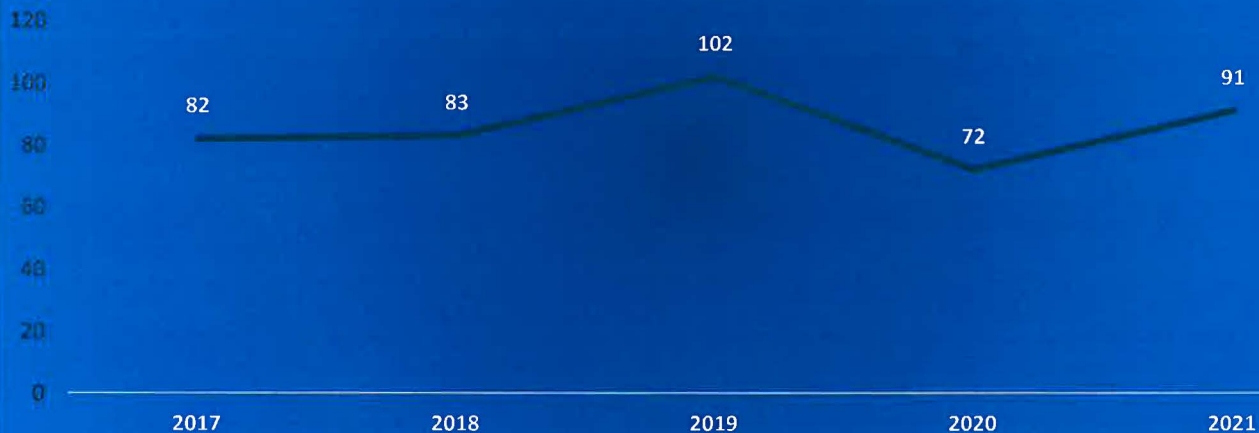
Total Crimes Against Persons (Victims) YTD to end of April



Appendix 3: a visual that shows the total number of victims of violent crime over the previous five years YTD.

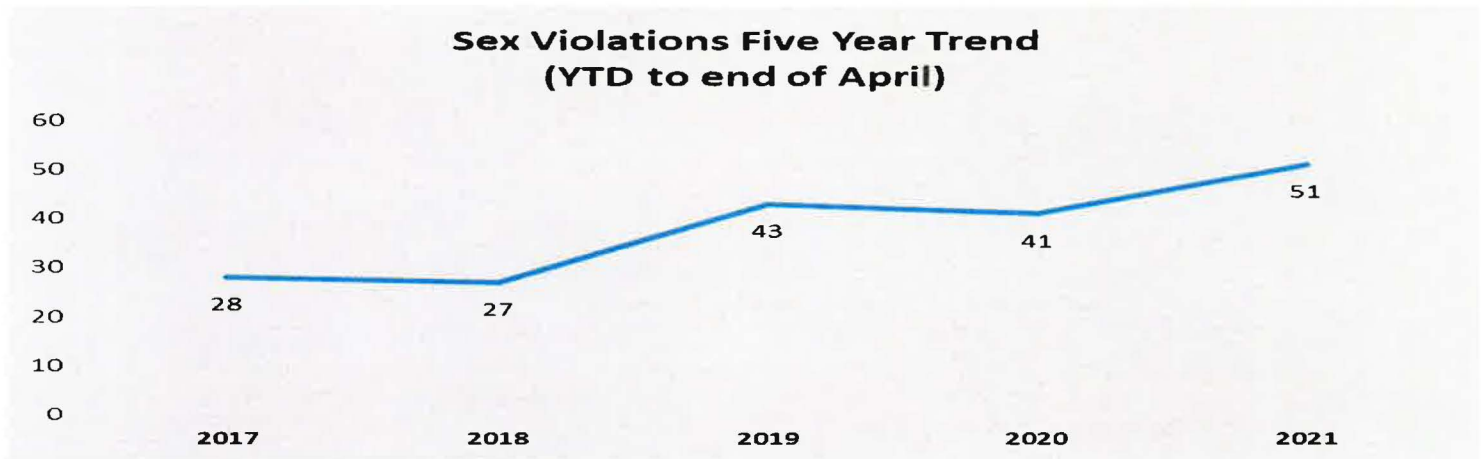
In April 2021, reports of violent crime involved 91 victims, which represents 19 more victims than the previous year. The April average of victims of violent crime is 86. This year shows a 5.8% higher victim rate than the average.

Total Violent Crime Five Year Trend (April Only)



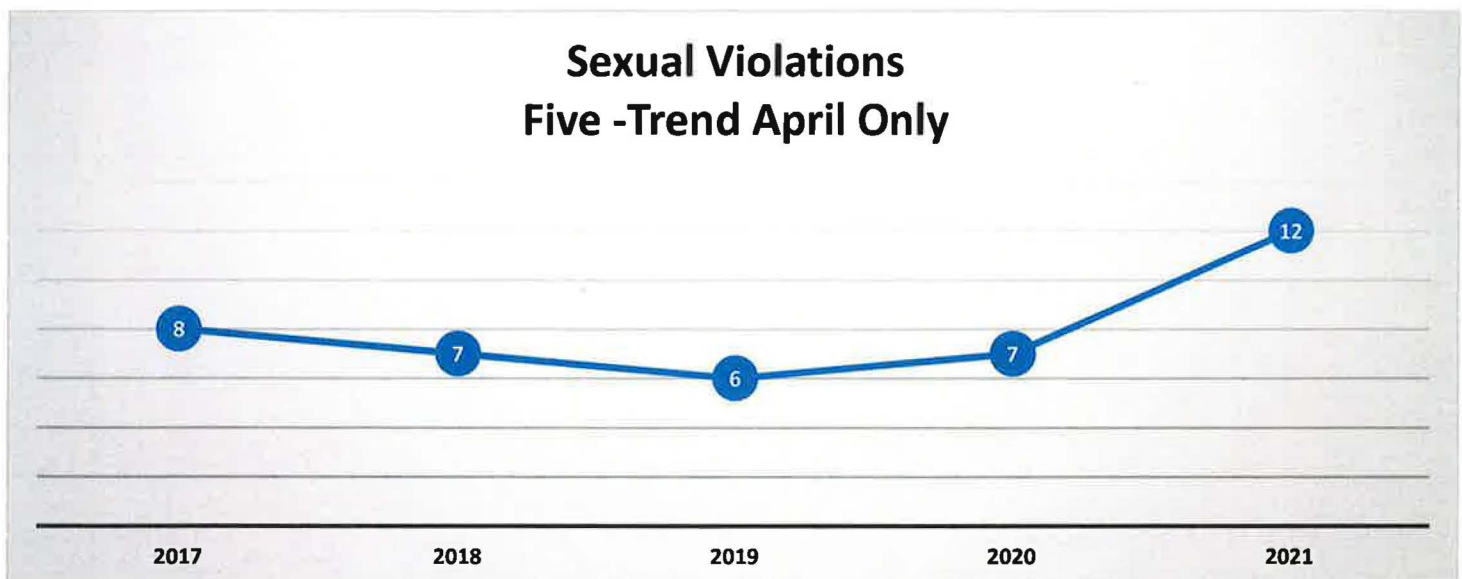
Appendix 4: a visual representation that shows total number of victims of violent crime reports and the five-year comparison.

Total victims of sexual violations reported and investigated in 2021 was 51, an increase of 24.39% over the previous year when 41 victims were reported. The five-year average incidents reported of sexual violations is 38.



Appendix 5: a visual representation that shows the total year and five-year average of sexual violations reported.

The April total victims of sexual violations reported was 12 and that represents a higher than five-year average of eight (8), and significantly higher than the previous year when seven (7) victims reported.



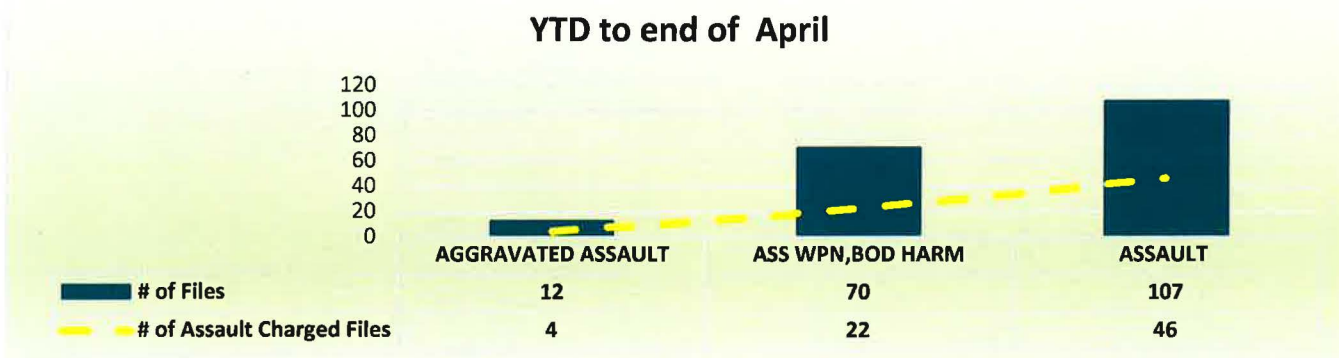
Appendix 6: a visual representation that shows the month of April and five-year average of sexual violations reported.

Reported Assaults

The Prince Albert Police Service responded to 229 victims of assault complaints in 2021 and that represents 12.6% fewer victims than the previous year when there were 262 victims of assault.

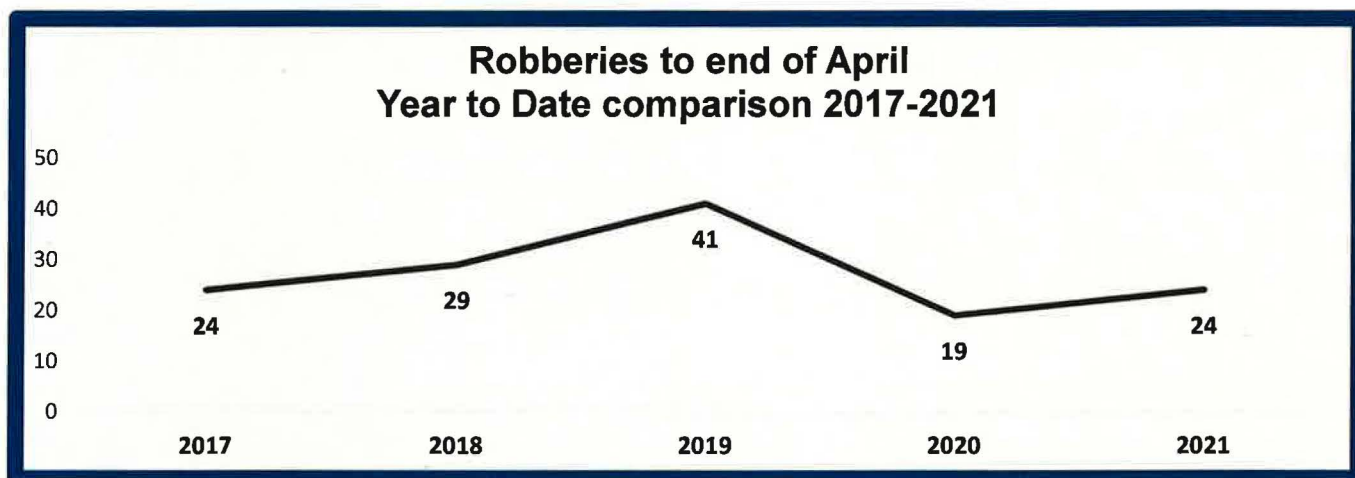
The top three (3) assault types make up 82% of the victims of assaults.

Top Three Types of Assaults / Corresponding # of Assault Files with Charge



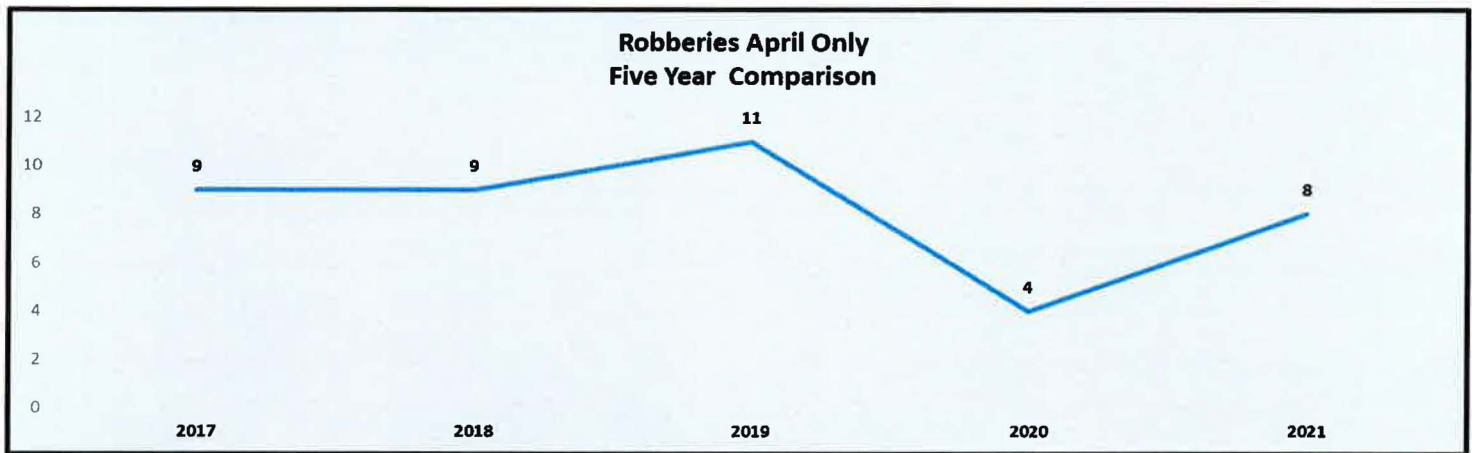
Appendix 7: depicts the number of victim of the top three (3) assault types and the corresponding number of assault files with charges.

The total robbery complaints in 2021 were 24 incidents and that represents 11.11% less than the five-year average of 27 incidents.



Appendix 8: a visual representation that illustrates the five-year total robbery complaints.

The average robbery complaints in the month of April over the past five years has been eight (8) incidents. In April 2021, we observed eight (8) incidents of robbery.

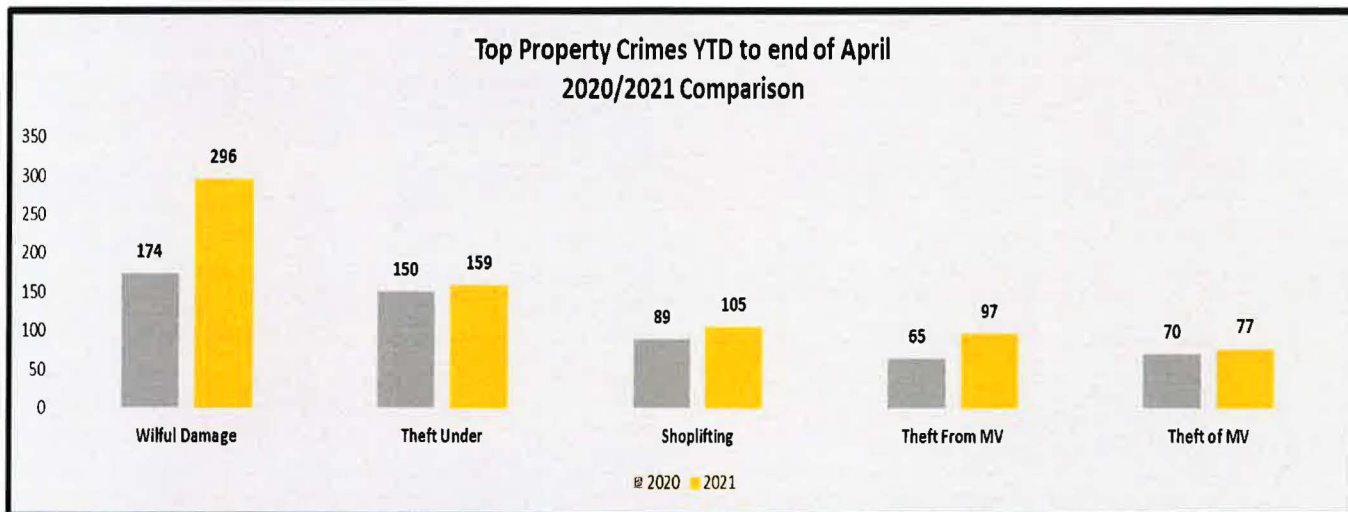


Appendix 9: represents the five-year total robbery complaints for the month of April.

Property Crime:

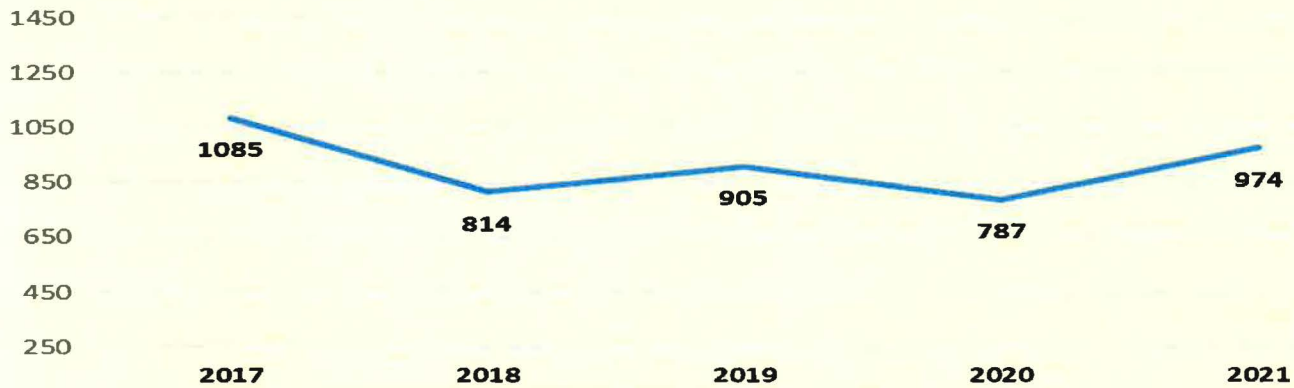
The Prince Albert Police Service has responded to a higher amount of reported crimes against property YTD. The total number of property crimes reported was 974 incidents and that represents 23.76% more incidents than 2020 when 787 complaints had been reported.

The top five YTD property crimes reported have been; willful damage, theft under \$5,000, shoplifting, theft from vehicle, and theft of motor vehicle.



Appendix 10: represents the 2021 top five property crime incidents compared to 2020.

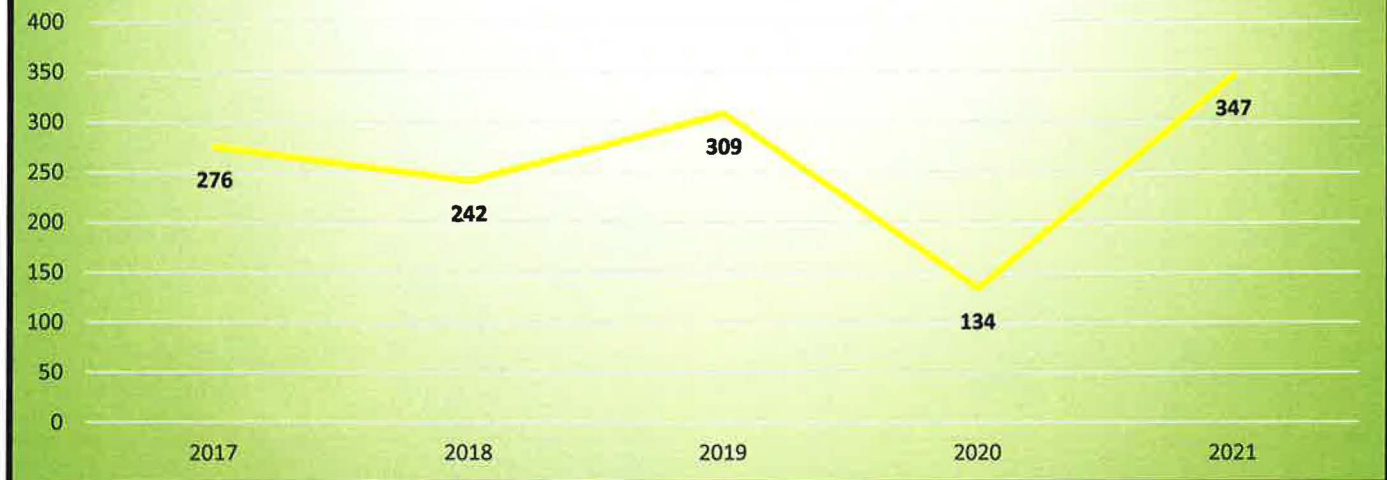
YTD Crimes Against Property (to end of April)



Appendix 11: a visual representation that illustrates the five-year total property complaints.

The higher-than-average property offences were further observed in the month of April with 347 offences compared to the five-year average of 262.

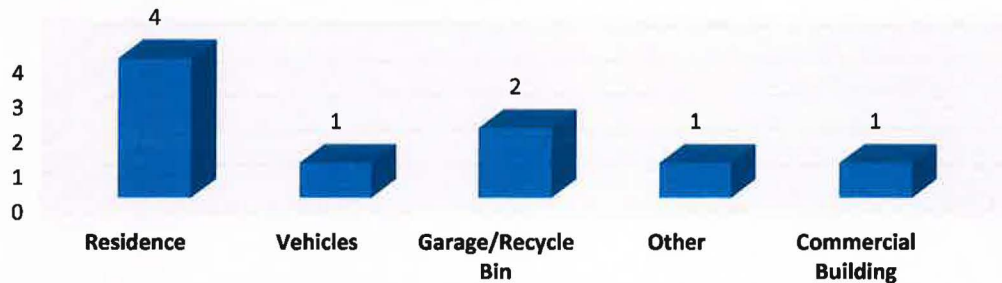
Total Crimes Against Property Five Year Trend (April Only)



Appendix 12: a visual representation that illustrates the five-year total property complaints for the month of April.

In April 2021, the Prince Albert Police Service responded to an increase in suspicious fire incidents with two (2) incidents. The previous year there was one (1) incident reported in April, which was a commercial building on Central Ave.

Arsons 2021 YTD (to end of April)

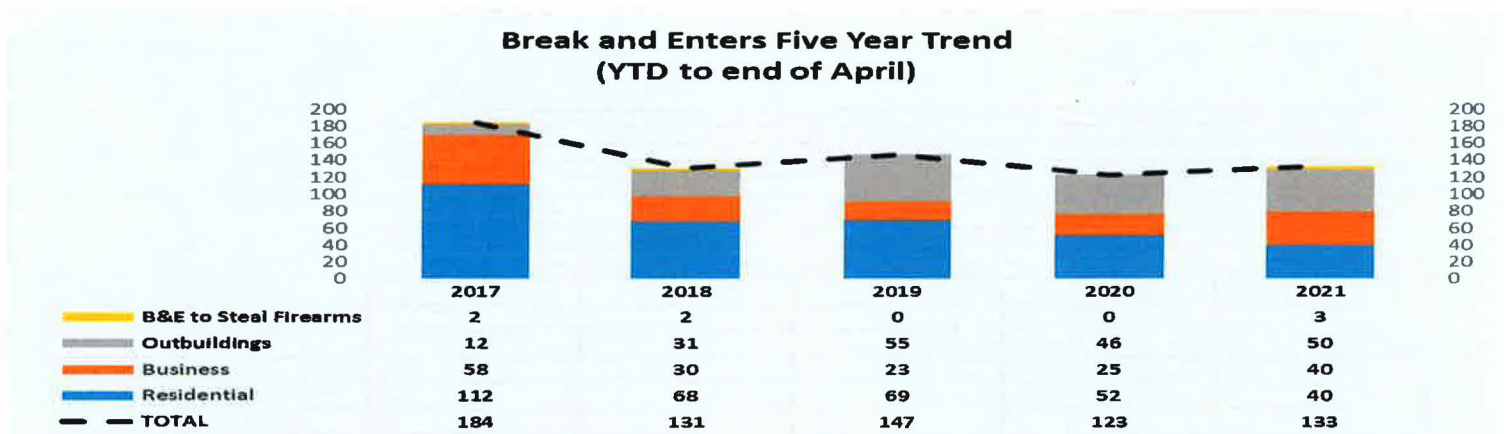


Appendix 13: a visual representation that illustrates the YTD arsons and the type of incident.

Investigations have resulted in one (1) criminal charge, while four (4) others remain under investigation, 5 are stated as insufficient evidence to proceed

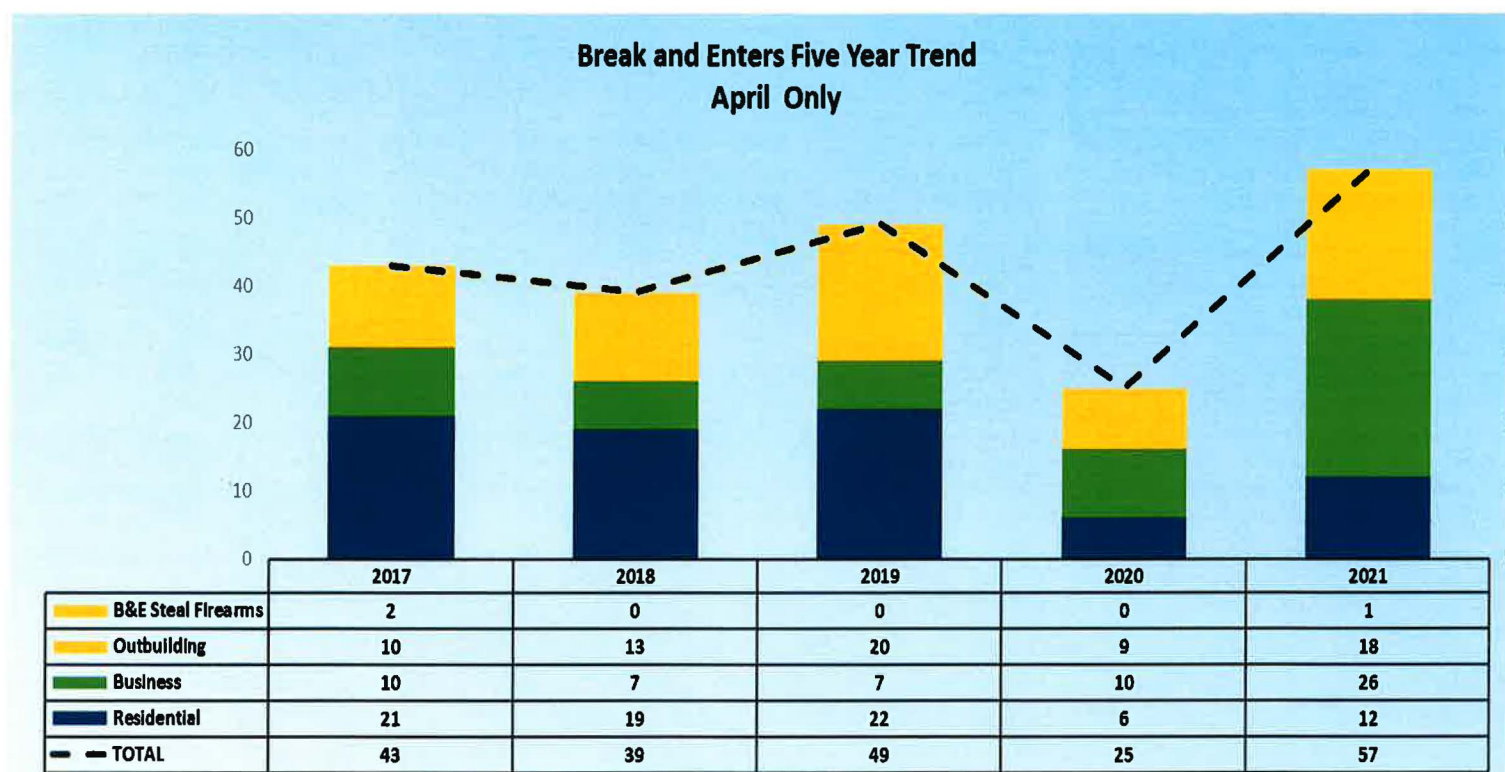
Break and Enters

The five-year average for break and enters is separated into types of property to include a residential property, outbuilding and commercial or non-residential, and break and enter to steal firearms. The offences of break and enter reported in 2021 was higher than 2020 in related properties with an increase of 8.13%.



Appendix 14: a visual representation that illustrates the five-year YTD total Break and Enter complaints to the end of April.

The five-year average of Break and Enters during the month of April alone are 42.6 total events. April 2021 there was a 34% increase in Break and Enters with 57 events.



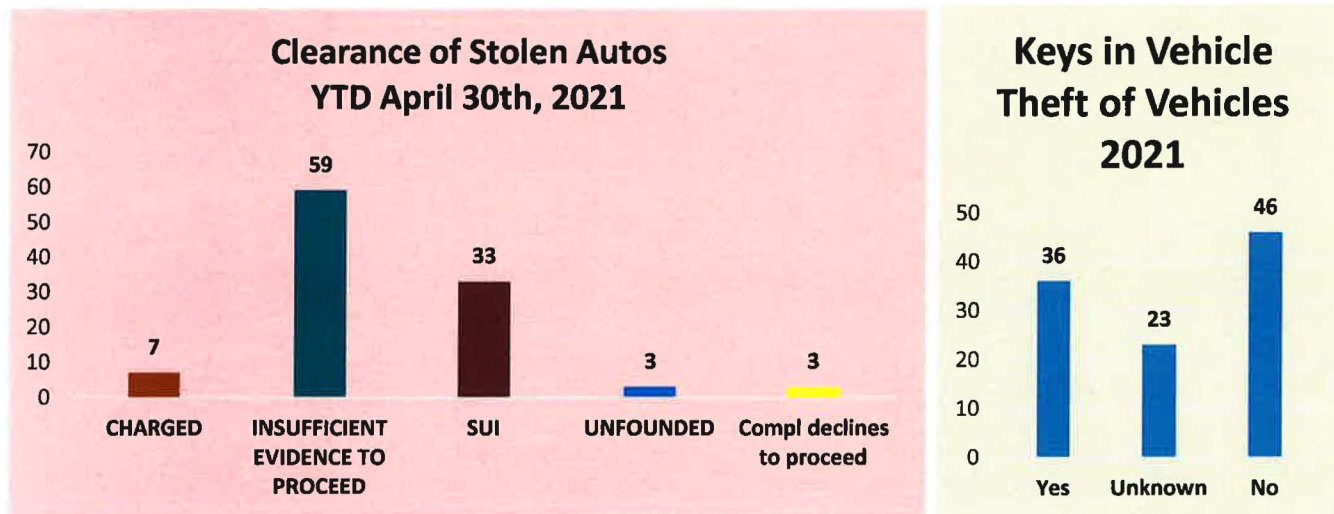
Appendix 15: a visual representation that illustrates the five-year total Break and Enter complaints for the month of April.

Theft of Motor Vehicles:

The Prince Albert Police Service saw a 17.98% increase in reported theft of motor vehicles in 2021. The total of 105 stolen vehicles was compared to 89 stolen the year prior. The charge clearance of "Theft of MV" is 8.87%.

The clearance rate represents the number of charges relating to theft of motor vehicles only, not the number of charges involving charges for possession of stolen property over \$5,000, which may also involve a motor vehicle. Out of the 15 Possession of Stolen Property Over files in 2021, 12 include stolen vehicles.

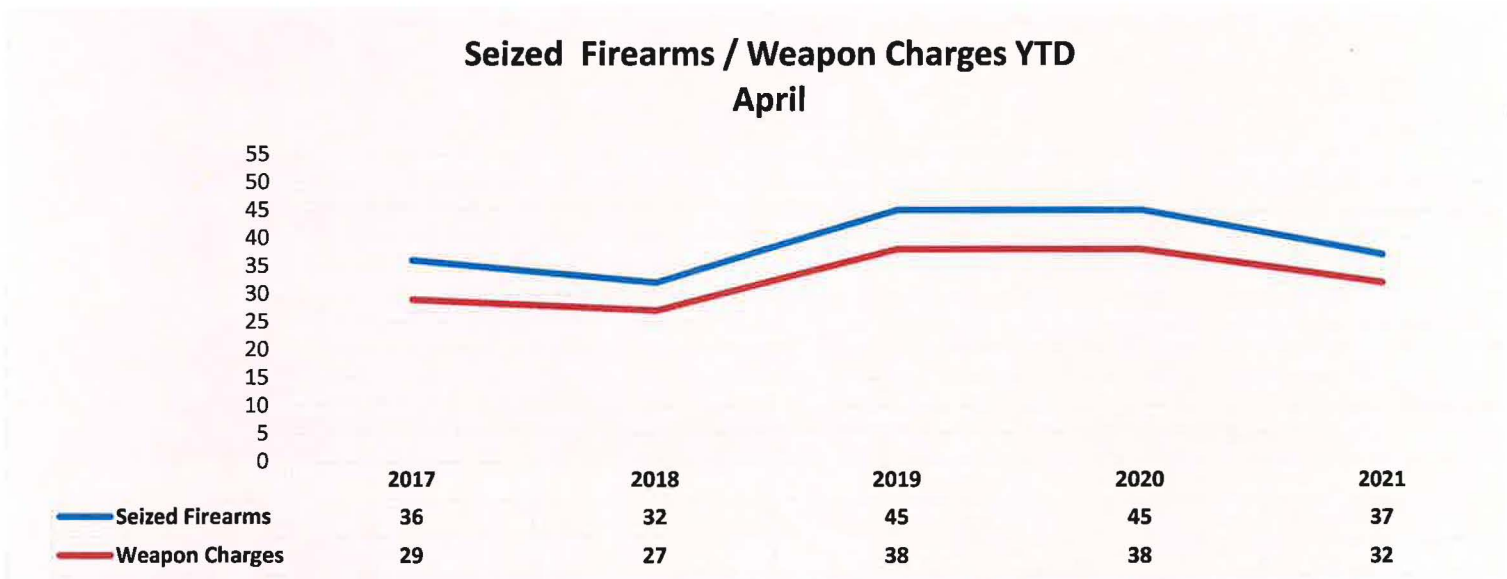
The majority of vehicles have been stolen using the key or fob, 36 vehicles had keys reported to be left in the vehicle. 74 reported confirmed that the doors were left unlocked.



Appendix 16/17: a visual representation of stolen vehicle data and investigative outcomes.

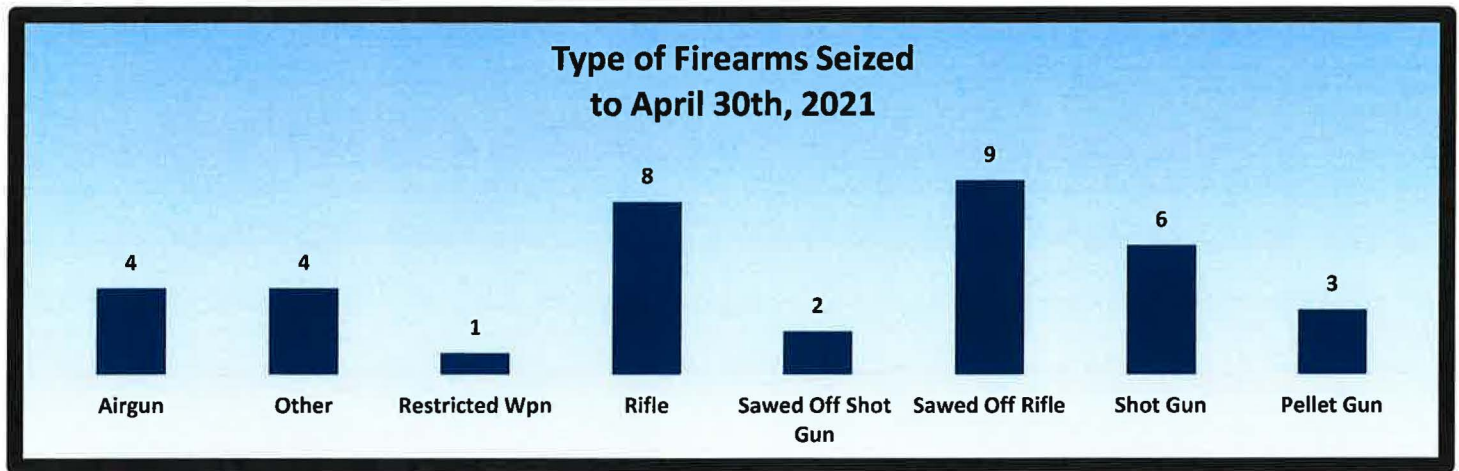
Firearms Seizures:

The total number of seized firearms this YTD was slightly lower with 37 seizures. The five-year average is 39 seizures. The five-year average for weapon charges is reflected this YTD with the same total of 32.



Appendix 18: a visual representation of total seized firearms and correlating weapon charges over past five years.

The following are the different types of the 37 firearms seized YTD in 2021.

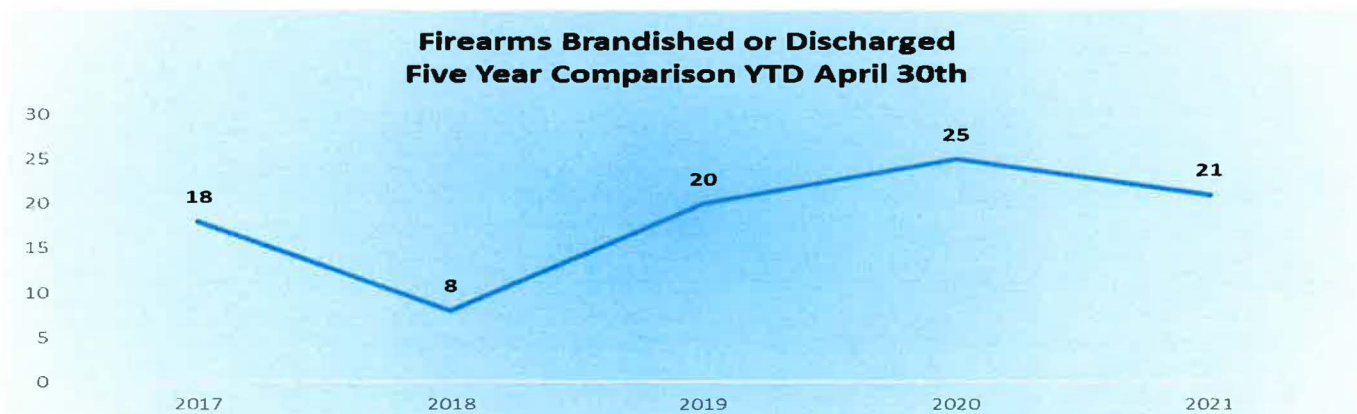


Appendix 19: a visual representation of the different types of firearms seized in 2021.

Firearms Seized from:	
Vehicle	14
Residences	14
Persons	5
On Street	3
Relinquished	1
Found	0
Total	37

Appendix 20: represents where and how firearms were seized in 2021.

In 2021, there were 21 incidents where firearms were brandished or discharged. Five (5) of those incidents happened in April. This is a decrease of firearms brandished or discharged from the previous year of 16%, when there were 25 to the end of April.

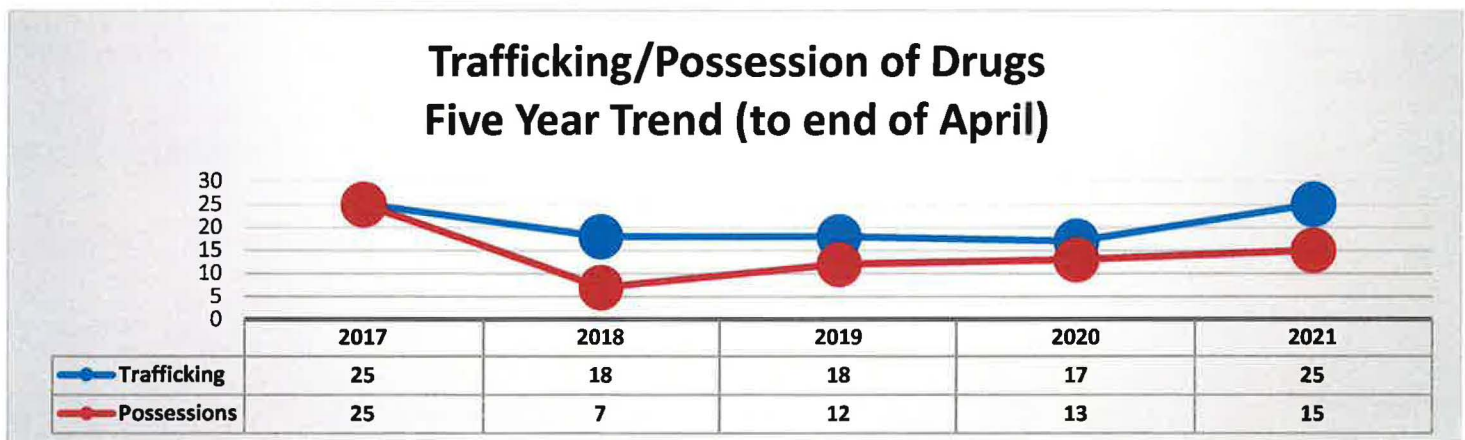


Appendix 21: a visual representation of firearms brandished or discharged year to date to end of April.

Controlled Drugs and Substances:

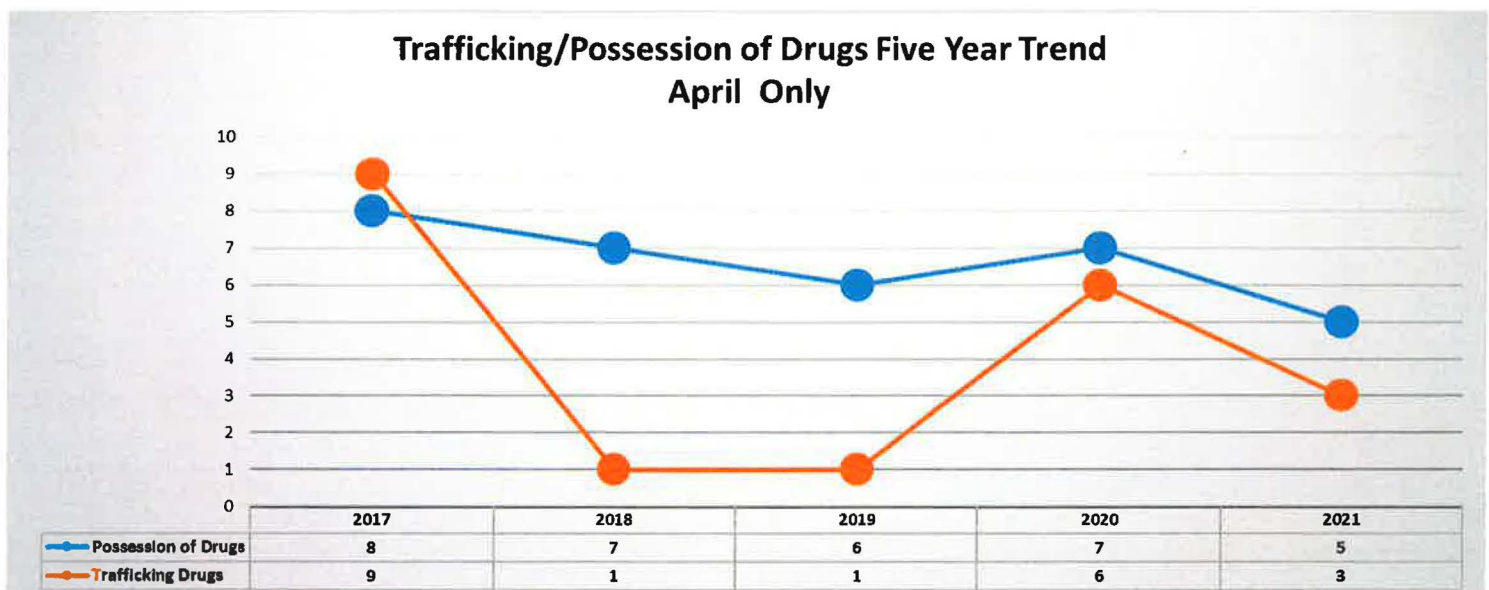
The Prince Albert Police Service has a multi-level response to drug trafficking including the general enforcement by front-line uniformed members complimenting the focused enforcement that is carried out by the Street Enforcement Unit and Integrated Crime Reduction Team. Early education delivered by all members and specifically the Community Policing Unit is a critical component to addressing the harms that drug addiction has on our community.

In 2021, the enforcement of drug trafficking contributed to many of the seized firearms and led to 25 drug trafficking offences with 15 possession offences. The trafficking charge events in 2021 is 25% higher than the five-year average of 20.



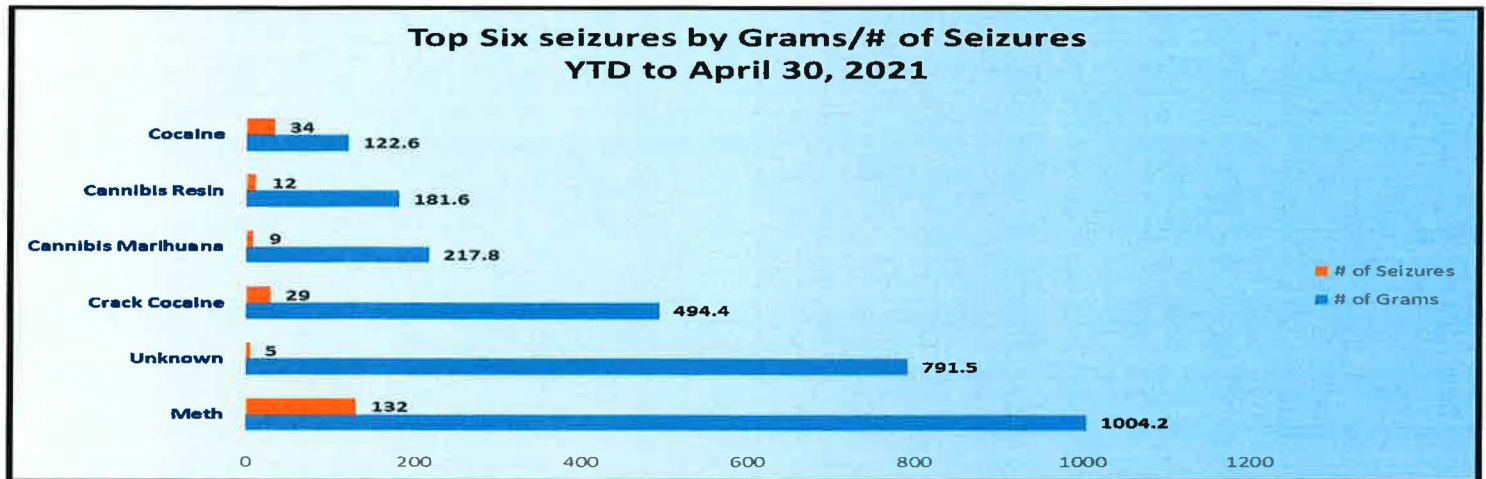
Appendix 22: represents the total drug trafficking and illegal possession charges in 2021.

Drug trafficking and possession in April alone is lower than the five year average of 11.



Appendix 23: illustrates the April drug enforcement for the past five years.

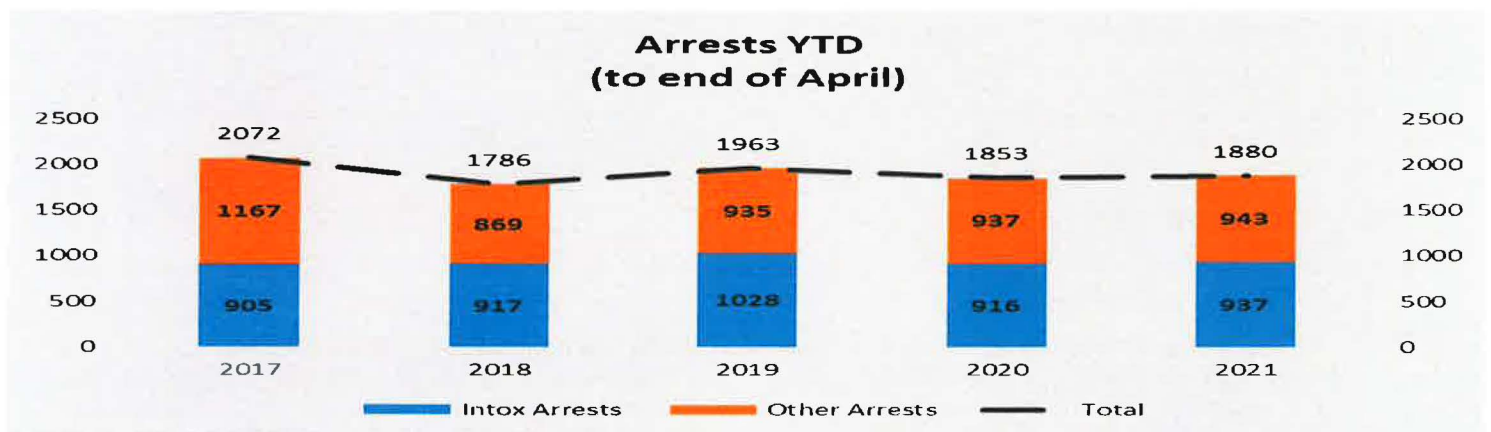
The top drug types that were seized in 2021 include; methamphetamine, cocaine, crack cocaine, crystal methamphetamine and cannabis resin. There is a fairly high quantity of unknown drug that has been seized, which has been sent to Health Canada for identification. However, because a high amount was seized, it has been included in the following charts. During the year, the greatest seizures by both weight and occurrence included the 132 seizures of Meth and the 34 seizures of cocaine.



Appendix 24: illustrates the six (6) different drug types, number of seizures and weight by gram.

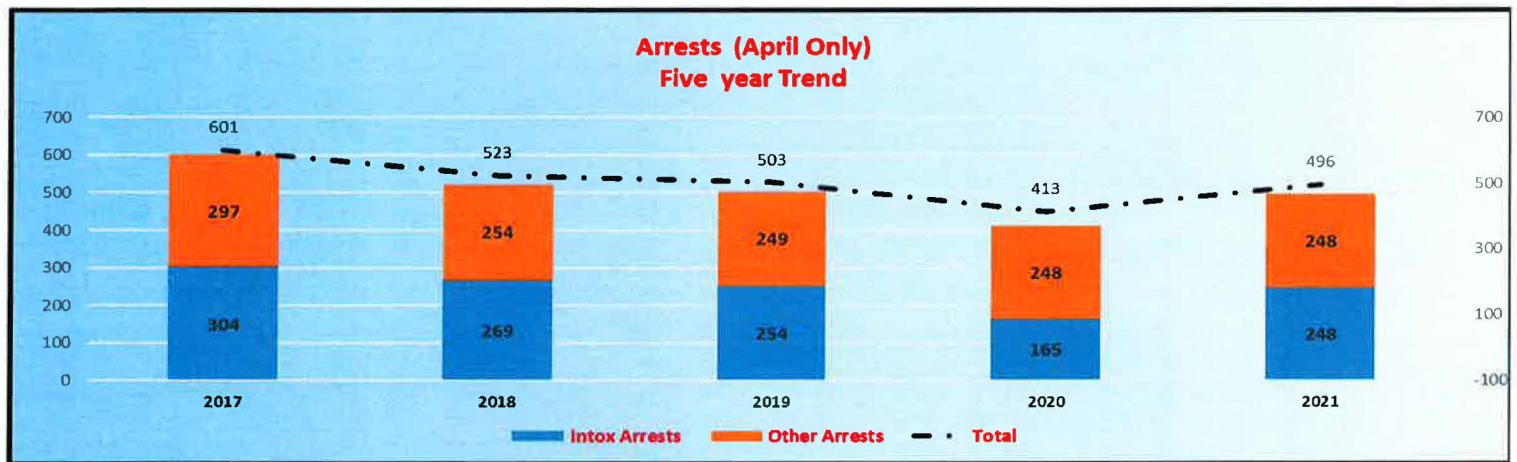
Arrests:

The total arrests that occurred in 2021 has been 1880 for both charge-related offences and general intoxication. This represents 1.45% more arrests than 2020 when 1853 total arrests occurred YTD.



Appendix 25: represents the five-year arrested persons for both intoxication and charge.

The arrests that occurred in April, represented the trend seen throughout the year of more people arrested with more diversions from custody related to both charge arrest and intoxication.



Appendix 26: represents the arrested persons for both intoxication and charge.

Ticket violations related to traffic safety compliance saw an overall 69.1% increase from the previous year with 3169 total offences compared to the 1874 observed in the previous year.

ATTACHMENTS: Prince Albert Police Service Crime Statistics

PRESENTATION: **VERBAL** ☒ **AUDIO/VISUAL** ☐ **NONE** ☐

Approved by: Chief of Police ☒

Signature:  _____



Prince Albert Police Service

Monthly Crime Statistics

April 2021



Incident Offence Report (Most Serious Reported)

Violent Crime	Apr 20	Apr 21	Month%Chg	YTD 2020	YTD 2021	YTD%Chg
Homicides	1	0	-100%	6	2	-66.67%
Attempted Murder	0	0	0%	1	0	-100%
Sexual Violations	7	12	71.43%	41	51	24.39%
Assaults	46	58	26.09%	262	229	-12.6%
Kidnapping/Hostage Taking/Abduction	4	2	-50%	10	5	-50%
Robbery	4	8	100%	19	24	26.32%
Criminal Harassment	0	1	N/A	2	6	200%
Utter Threats	9	9	0%	33	37	12.12%
Other Crime Against Person	1	1	0%	8	6	-25%
Total Violent Crime	72	91	26.39%	382	360	-5.76%
Property Crime	Apr 20	Apr 21	Month%Chg	YTD 2020	YTD 2021	YTD%Chg
Arson	1	2	100%	4	9	125%
Break and Enter - Residential	6	12	100%	52	40	-23.08%
Break and Enter - Residential(Outbuilding)	9	18	100%	46	50	8.7%
Break and Enter - Non Residential	10	26	160%	25	40	60%
Break and Enter - Steal Firearm	0	1	N/A	0	3	N/A
Theft Over \$5000	2	0	-100%	4	1	-75%
Other Theft Under \$5000	31	120	287.1%	285	333	16.84%
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	16	35	118.75%	89	105	17.98%
Possession Of Stolen Property	2	4	100%	12	15	25%
Fraud	15	13	-13.33%	85	66	-22.35%
Mischief/Willful Damage	42	116	176.19%	185	312	68.65%
Total Property Crime	134	347	158.96%	787	974	23.76%
Other Criminal Code	Apr 20	Apr 21	Month%Chg	YTD 2020	YTD 2021	YTD%Chg
Weapon Charges	11	3	-72.73%	38	32	-15.79%
Other Criminal Code	64	115	79.69%	541	487	-9.98%
Total Other Criminal Code	75	118	57.33%	579	519	-10.36%
Controlled Drugs and Substances	Apr 20	Apr 21	Month%Chg	YTD 2020	YTD 2021	YTD%Chg
Possess Drugs	6	3	-50%	13	15	15.38%
Traffic Drugs	7	5	-28.57%	17	25	47.06%
Other Drug Related Charges	0	0	0%	0	0	0%
Cannabis Act	0	0	0%	1	0	-100%
Total Controlled Drugs And Substances	13	8	-38.46%	31	40	29.03%
Other Federal Statute Violations	Apr 20	Apr 21	Month%Chg	YTD 2020	YTD 2021	YTD%Chg
Total Other Federal Statute Violations	3	0	-100%	14	6	-57.14%
Provincial Statute Violations	Apr 20	Apr 21	Month%Chg	YTD 2020	YTD 2021	YTD%Chg
Total Provincial Statute Violations	0	0	0%	2	4	100%
Traffic Violations	Apr 20	Apr 21	Month%Chg	YTD 2020	YTD 2021	YTD%Chg
Impaired Driving/Refusal	7	12	71.43%	32	29	-9.38%
Other Traffic Violations	34	26	-23.53%	180	176	-2.22%
Total Traffic Violations	41	38	-7.32%	212	205	-3.3%
Information Offences	Apr 20	Apr 21	Month%Chg	YTD 2020	YTD 2021	YTD%Chg
Information Offences	128	177	38.28%	738	688	-6.78%
Information Offences(Internal)	60	60	0%	260	199	-23.46%
Total Information Offences	188	237	26.06%	998	887	-11.12%
All Incident Offence Total	526	839	59.51%	3005	2995	-0.33%

NOTE: Statistics on record as of 2021-05-05 taken from Prince Albert Records Management System. Crime statistics are constantly being updated due to new information being received, changes in reporting procedures, and ongoing investigations.
Violent crime reports the number of victims rather than the number of occurrences.

Tickets Report

Ticket Violations	Apr 20	Apr 21	Month%Chg	YTD 2020	YTD 2021	YTD%Chg
Cannabis Violations	0	0	0%	0	0	0%
Alcohol Violations	5	34	580%	80	153	91.25%
Traffic Violations	23	143	521.74%	395	545	37.97%
Bylaw Violations	116	6	-94.83%	266	30	-88.72%
Vehicle Inspection	1	4	300%	5	15	200%
CTSS City Violations	65	749	1052.31%	1256	2400	91.08%
All Tickets Total (Exclude Void)	106	937	783.96%	1874	3169	69.1%

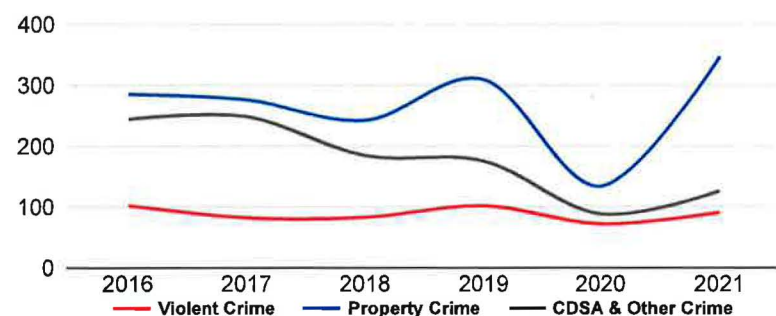
Arrest Report

Arrest Information	Apr 20	Apr 21	Month%Chg	YTD 2020	YTD 2021	YTD%Chg
All Intox Arrest Total	165	248	50.3%	916	937	2.29%
All Other Arrest Total	155	248	60%	937	943	0.64%
All Arrest Total	320	496	55%	1853	1880	1.46%
Male Total	228	362	58.77%	1305	1344	2.99%
Adult	227	352	55.07%	1266	1305	3.08%
Young Offenders	1	10	900%	39	39	0%
Female Total	92	133	44.57%	546	533	-2.38%
Adult	88	125	42.05%	521	504	-3.26%
Young Offenders	4	8	100%	25	29	16%
Gender Diverse Total	0	1	N/A	2	3	50%

Calls For Service Report

Calls For Service	Apr 20	Apr 21	Month%Chg	YTD 2020	YTD 2021	YTD%Chg
Family Wellness	215	281	30.7%	819	1165	42.25%
By-law Calls	348	16	-95.4%	898	67	-92.54%
Mental Health Incidents	49	68	38.78%	224	226	0.89%
Motor Vehicle Accident(HIT & RUN)	14	17	21.43%	103	104	0.97%
Motor Vehicle Accident(Property)	23	20	-13.04%	147	124	-15.65%
Motor Vehicle Accident(Fatal/Injury)	0	0	0%	10	12	20%
Other Calls	2358	2920	23.83%	9455	10340	9.36%
Total Complaints	3007	3322	10.48%	11656	12038	3.28%
Neighbourhood Strengthening	1349	459	-65.97%	2122	1827	-13.9%
COVID	34	16	-52.94%	68	42	-38.24%
Court Conditions - Compliance Checks	0	16	N/A	0	58	N/A
All Calls For Service Total	4390	3813	-13.14%	13846	13965	0.86%
Dispatched	4014	3316	-17.39%	12408	12117	-2.35%
Not Dispatched	376	497	32.18%	1438	1848	28.51%

April with 5-Year Trend



YEAR	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Violent Crime	102	82	83	102	72	91
Property Crime	285	276	242	309	134	347
CDSA & Other Crime	244	248	184	175	88	126

NOTE: Statistics on record as of 2021-05-05 taken from Prince Albert Records Management System. Crime statistics are constantly being updated due to new information being received, changes in reporting procedures, and ongoing investigations.
Violent crime reports the number of victims rather than the number of occurrences.



PRINCE ALBERT POLICE SERVICE

TITLE: April 2021 – CSO Report

DATE: 11 May 2021

TO: Chief of Police ☐

Board of Police Commissioners ☒

PUBLIC: ☒

INCAMERA: ☐

RECOMMENDATION:

- That this report be received as information and filed.
- That the Board forwards this information to the Community Safety Officer (CSO) Program Manager as per the Saskatchewan CSO policy manual.

BACKGROUND:

Two Community Safety Officers who follow and support our patrol operations compliment the Prince Albert Police Service.

The Ministry of Justice, Corrections and Policing, requires updated reporting of our CSO duties designed to strengthen the integrity of the program.

As our CSO's continue to build on their roles and job expectations, they also continue to support Bylaw calls and backfill the Court Liaison duties.

TOPIC & PURPOSE:

The following is a breakdown of the calls attended by our Community Safety Officers in April of 2021.

Total Calls Attended- 147
General Occurrence's Created- 61
General Occurrence Follow Ups- 59
Bylaw Complaints- 7

REPORT:

CSO REPORT, MONTH OF April, 2021	
Description	Number of Calls/Reports/Tickets
Theft Under \$5,000.00/ Attempted Theft	26
Willful Damage Under \$5,000/ Mischief	34
Trespass to Property Act	4
Motor Vehicle Accidents/ Hit and Run/ Provincial Statute/ Traffic Complaints	4
Found/Lost Property	9
Documents for Service	16
Crime Prevention & Neighborhood Strengthening	61
Traffic and Parking Tickets	9
Vehicle Seizures	2
Animal Welfare/ Barking Dog/ Dog Bite/ Dog at Large	4
Bylaw Other	3
CSO Trials/Court	0
Court Liaison Cover Off Days	1 day

Traffic and Parking Tickets Issued:

During the month of April 2021, there were Nine (9) Provincial Statute, Provincial Liquor, Bylaw and Parking violations noticed while on regular patrols.

- 6 Provincial Statute
- 3 Bylaw

Court / Court Liaison Duties:

The CSOs were needed to cover off the court liaison on (1) day in April 2021. The CSO's will continue to ensure the court process continues to proceed smoothly should there be any shortage at the position.

Animal Control:

The CSO members attended to four (4) animal related calls for service in the month of April 2021.

Service of Documents (Subpoenas, Summons, SOTI's):

There were sixteen (16) total documents were served or attempted to be served by the CSO's in April 2021. Document service requests are time consuming and take a considerable amount of work in locating persons to be served and making arrangements for service of these documents for court purposes. With the court starting to open more dates for trials that were postponed because of COVID it is anticipated that there will be a significant increase in document service.

Crime Prevention:

Regular Neighborhood Strengthening patrols to reduce crime have been a top priority. High visibility patrols were completed 61 times by our CSOs in attempt to reduce crime through proactive police presence. Some of the neighborhood strengthen efforts were directed at schools and shopping / high foot traffic areas at peak times.

Bylaw:

CSOs support and compliment the Municipal Bylaw Unit should there be an emergent call or gap in services. There were three (3) Bylaw related calls attended in the month of April 2021.

Non-Emergent Criminal Code Offences:

The CSO's have seen in increase in non-emergent thefts, damages and mischiefs in April 2021. The unit attended 60 calls for service related to theses offences throughout the month and it is expected that this trend will continue going into the summer.

Both CSO's have been assigned a Business Watch International account, which allows them to easily search pawnshop records in Prince Albert and surrounding communities for items that have been sold to pawnbrokers, which have been involved in a theft. Their supervisor is working with the company to complete a 90 min online webinar training for the CSO's as the companies new RAPID platform has numerous other functions, which could be beneficial for the CSO's going forward.

PRESENTATION: **VERBAL** ☒ **AUDIO/VISUAL** ☐ **NONE** ☒

Written By: **Inspector Tadd Kellett**

Signature: 

Approved by: **Chief Jon Bergen** **Chief of Police**

Signature: 



PRINCE ALBERT POLICE SERVICE

TITLE: First Quarter Financial Report

DATE: May 10, 2021

TO: Chief of Police ☒

Board of Police Commissioners ☐

PUBLIC: ☒

INCAMERA: ☐

RECOMMENDATIONS:

To be received as information and filed.

JUSTIFICATION FOR INCAMERA: n/a

TOPIC & PURPOSE:

To update the Board on the financial position of the Prince Albert Police Service as of March 31, 2021.

BACKGROUND:

The Board approved the PAPS budget on November 23, 2020 with the plan to reduce the burden to the taxpayer by budgeting a one-time transfer of \$200,000 from the Operating Reserve to cover operations. This total request was sent to City Council who approved the funding transfer less an additional \$60,000 on February 1, 2021.

DISCUSSION:

The first quarter financial information was completed late April for publishing. The following is a summary of the Service's financial accounts for the period of January 1, 2021 to March 31, 2021. The YTD (year-to-date) budget amount reflects an estimate that was made at the time the budget was completed for each month in the year. The timing of actual spending may differ from the initial estimate. This statement does not take into account the funding and budget for the additional police officers approved at the 04/22/21 Board of Police Commission meeting and 05/03/21 City Council meeting. This proactive policing initiative looks to begin in July 2021.

PRINCE ALBERT POLICE SERVICE
YTD TO March 31, 2021

	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD (Fav) Unfav Variance	Annual Budget
REVENUES				
User Charges and Fees	(\$382,456)	(\$317,730)	(\$64,726)	(\$1,034,650) a)
Operating Grants and Donations	(909,782)	(883,380)	(26,402)	(3,533,660) b)
Total Revenues	(1,292,238)	(1,201,110)	(91,128)	(4,568,310)
EXPENSES				
Salaries Wages and Benefits	4,344,943	4,384,350	(39,407)	18,025,620 c)
Contracted and General Services	281,570	328,890	(47,320)	1,335,080 d)
Financial Charges	360	150	210	620 e)
Utilities	31,684	31,640	44	130,900 e)
Interest on Long Term Debt	0	0	0	6,760 e)
Fleet Expenses	193,380	193,380	0	773,440 e)
Maintenance Materials and Supplies	464,735	599,580	(134,845)	1,560,920 f)
Insurance	7,493	6,010	1,483	17,780 g)
Total Expenses	5,324,165	5,544,000	(219,835)	21,851,120
Operating (Surplus) Deficit	4,031,927	4,342,890	(310,963)	17,282,810
CAPITAL AND INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS				
Capital Revenues	(12,363)	0	(12,363)	0 h)
Capital Purchase	12,363	0	12,363	0 h)
Transfer to capital reserve	0	0	0	255,040
Transfer from operating reserve				(200,000)
Capital and Interfund Transactions	0	0	0	55,040
TOTAL (SURPLUS) DEFICIT - FUNDING FROM CITY				
	4,019,564	4,342,890	(323,326)	17,337,850

Significant variances consist of:

- a) WCB one-time increase for Jan-March (29,000)
- Increase in program revenue offset by expenses (39,000)
- b) Metis Nation Saskatchewan Grant, to be offset by expenses (99,000)
- Funded equipment purchase offset by expenses (5,000)
- Timing of program funding offset by expenses 75,000
- c) Predominantly due to the vacancy of the Deputy Chief
- d) Health services position not filled yet, funds will be spent (25,000)
- Timing of miscellaneous expenses that will be spent (22,000)
- e) on budget
- f) Timing of purchases, funds will be spent
- g) Insurance costs will be slightly over the budgeted estimate
- h) Externally funded capital purchase

The Service is on track to be on budget at year-end. Please note that if the Service comes in on budget, the result would be to reduce the Operating Reserve by \$200,000. To keep the Reserve whole, the Service would need to produce a year-end surplus of \$200,000.

While the service will have savings due to vacancies throughout the year, it is anticipated that these savings will be offset by the further \$60,000 reduction of the budget.

CONSULTATIONS:

N/A

COMMUNICATION AND/OR ANNOUNCEMENT PLAN:

N/A

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS/IMPLICATIONS:

N/A

STRATEGIC PLAN:

N/A

PUBLIC NOTICE:

Public Notice pursuant to the Public Notice Bylaw No. 24 of 2015 is not required.

PRESENTATION: Verbal Presentation by Chief of Police

ATTACHMENT: N/A

Written By: Mona Pshebnicki, CPA, Finance and Human Resources Manager. 

Approved By: Chief of Police 



PRINCE ALBERT POLICE SERVICE

TITLE: Saskatchewan Association of Chiefs of Police Annual Awards of Excellence

DATE: May 7, 2021

TO: Chief of Police ☐

Board of Police Commissioners ☒

PUBLIC: ☒

INCAMERA: ☐

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board receives and files the report as information.

TOPIC & PURPOSE:

The Saskatchewan Association of Chiefs of Police (SACP) calls for nomination of excellence in policing annually for exceptional examples from the preceding year.

The Service Awards program celebrates the exemplary service policing members provide in the province of Saskatchewan every year. The Award program sets a standard of professionalism that is recognized by the SACP and provides the province with the opportunity to publicly profile the excellent policing services that communities are granted.

The nomination categories include the following:

Public Education Award
Leadership Award
Excellence in Performance Award
Valor Award
Community Policing Award
Life Time Achievement Award

BACKGROUND:

Prince Albert Police Service nominated nine staff for their significant contributions to the police service and our community.

The SACP provincial selection committee unanimously supported our nine nominated members of the Prince Albert Police Service.

REPORT:

Selected for the “**Excellence in Performance Team Award**” due to exceptional efforts related to a serious offence and the initial response is the following six members:

- 1) Sgt. Brian Glynn
- 2) Sgt. Tyson Morash
- 3) Cst. Kim Issel
- 4) Cst. Craig Reddekopp
- 5) Cst. Justin Parenteau
- 6) Cst. Michael Norrie

Selected for the “**Excellence in Performance Award**” involving extraordinary valor in a life saving river rescue in icy water by;

- 1) Cst. Darcy Burns.

Selected for the “**Lifetime Achievement Award**” for exemplary performance in policing throughout their career is the following staff:

- 1) D/Chief Jason Stonechild (retired)
- 2) D/Chief Jeff Rowden (2018 retired)

The SACP selection committee received a total of 26 nominations for recognition.

The recipients for the 2020 SACP Excellence in Policing Awards will be formally recognized by formal letter and their individual service.

COMMUNICATION PLAN:

The recipients have received correspondence from Chief Bergen of notification and congratulations.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

- Professional Service
- Healthy Community
- Visibility


PRESENTATION: **VERBAL** ☒

ATTACHMENTS:

None

Written by: **Inspector Tadd Kellett**

Signature:



Approved by: **Chief Jon Bergen** **Chief of Police**

Signature:





PRINCE ALBERT POLICE SERVICE

TITLE: Bicycle Theft Deterrence and Bylaw Enforcement

DATE: May 13th, 2021

TO: Chief of Police ☐

Board of Police Commissioners ☒

PUBLIC: ☒

INCAMERA: ☐

RECOMMENDATION:

That this report be received by the Board as information and consideration as follows:

1. The Board direct PAPS to collaborate with the CoPA to establish a web page and media awareness program addressing bicycle theft prevention, tips for identification and reporting bicycle theft.
2. The Board send this report to City Council to consider an amendment to *The Bicycle Bylaw* which would require a bicycle serial number to be visible and not altered, or the bicycle be subject to seizure and impoundment by police.
3. The Board direct Police Administration to ensure PAPS members are made aware of *The Bicycle Bylaw* provisions and track/monitor use.

TOPIC & PURPOSE:

This report is intended to examine the current bicycle bylaw and provide recommendations to reduce bicycle theft and increase enforcement.

BACKGROUND:

Theft of bicycles, bicycle chop shops and the use of stolen bicycles to facilitate criminal activity are a common concern within Canadian cities. The City of Prince Albert Bylaw No. 20 of 2001 regulates bicycle use in the city.

Reported statistics from PAPS RMS show:

1. 26 bicycle thefts in 2021
 - a. 11 from break and enters where one or more bikes were stolen
 - b. 10 theft complaints
2. 9 found bicycles
3. 1 stolen and recovered bicycle
4. 16 bicycle bylaw tickets have been issued since 2010, all of which were for riding a bike on the sidewalk.

PROBLEM / ISSUE:

Bicycle theft enforcement statistics are low. Investigation of stolen bicycles pose unique challenges.

RESEARCH / ANALYSIS:

The current bicycle bylaw is consistent with other major municipalities and does provide enforcement opportunity including seizure and impoundment. Required equipment includes brakes, horn or bell, and a headlight with rear red light or reflective device. These equipment regulations would allow officers to conduct inspections in public day or night.

Bicycle licensing programs have failed across Canada and the US because they have been considered punitive, unlikely to be enforced, expensive to administer, unnecessary and a barrier to cycling (BikeCalgary.org).

In 2018 the city of Toronto proposed a bylaw to ban 'chopping' of stolen bicycles in downtown parks, <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/stolen-bicycle-chopping-bylaw-1.4593707> however it appears the vote was not passed as the bylaw was not found on their bylaw legislation. Other cities have also attempted to deter chop shops however enforcement of stolen property investigations requires the requisite grounds to obtain judicial authorization in order to search for stolen goods at a private location (i.e. reasonable grounds to believe that there is stolen property currently at the location to be searched). Mere suspicion of the activity without compelling details (i.e. identifiable markings, serial numbers etc.) is insufficient.

Of the 26 bikes stolen in 2021 only 4 had serial numbers entered into the property subsystem. Serial numbers improve the chance of return to owners and provide evidence to support

charges. Unique identification markers (i.e. stickers, engraving, etc.) would similarly provide valuable evidence. The reality is that once bikes are stolen they are commonly stripped down, parts swapped, serial numbers removed and repainted to avoid detection posing challenges to identification and enforcement.

It is suspected that many victims of bicycle theft do not report it due to the likelihood of recovery, value of the theft or unavailable serial numbers.

Most municipal cities and police service's have web pages regarding bicycle safety, bylaws and theft prevention strategies which provide valuable information to citizens. Bikeindex.org and bikecalgary.org are comprehensive resources.

In an effort to reduce bicycle thefts the following suggestions are offered:

1. PAPS and CoPA collaborate to establish a web page and media awareness program addressing bicycle theft prevention, tips for identification and reporting bicycle theft.
2. Council consider an amendment to *The Bicycle Bylaw* which requires a bicycle serial number to be visible and not altered, or subject to seizure and impoundment.
3. Educate PAPS members of *The Bicycle Bylaw* provisions and monitor use.

PRESENTATION: VERBAL ☒ AUDIO/VISUAL ☐ NONE ☐

Written By: Inspector Brent McDonald

Approved by: Chief of Police ☒

Signature: 



PRINCE ALBERT POLICE SERVICE

TITLE: Annual Report 2020

DATE: May 12, 2021

TO: Chief of Police ☐

Board of Police Commissioners ☒

PUBLIC: ☒

INCAMERA: ☐

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Police Commissioners receive this report as information and file.

TOPIC & PURPOSE: This public report is to keep informed the Board and the community on the work of police service members and staff for the year 2020.

PROPOSED APPROACH AND RATIONALE:

The 2020 Annual Report provides an overview of activities and initiatives by the Prince Albert Police Service in 2020.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Printing costs for the 2020 Annual Report are funded through the Advertising & Marketing budget managed by the Public Relations & Media Coordinator.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

Priority #1 – Visible Police Service

PRESENTATION: VERBAL ☒

AUDIO/VISUAL ☐

NONE ☒

Written By: Charlene Tebbutt, Public Relations & Media Coordinator

Approved: Chief Jonathan Bergen

A blue ink signature of Chief Jonathan Bergen, written over a horizontal line.

PRINCE ALBERT POLICE SERVICE



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ANNUAL REPORT

Board of Police Commissioners



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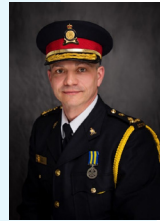
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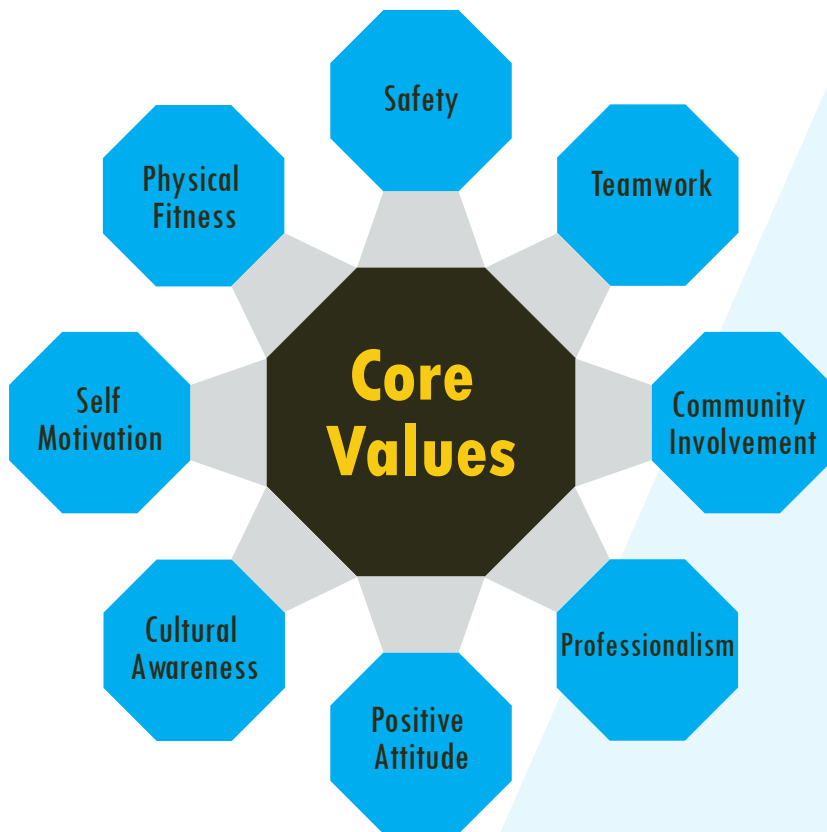
The Prince Albert Police Service receives strategic direction from the Board of Police Commissioners and is governed by The Police Act, 1990, Saskatchewan. The Board of Police Commissioners is an independent body and operates separately from City Council. The Board of Police Commissioners is responsible for providing general direction to the police administration team, establishing policy, outlining priorities and assisting with long-term planning for the police service.

The Board of Police Commissioners includes the Mayor of Prince Albert, two members of City Council, and four members at large representing the community.

Please note

Many of the photos included in this annual report were taken before COVID-19 restrictions were put into place in Saskatchewan, or were taken when individuals were appropriately distanced or wearing masks. The Prince Albert Police Service continues to follow all Public Health guidelines and orders related to COVID-19.





Vision

“With integrity and innovation we deliver professional service to our citizens”

Mission

A Diverse Police Service dedicated to community safety and reducing crime.

Core Values

The Prince Albert Police Service recognizes the value and need for clear direction to its dedicated employees. We therefore value, respect, and recognize our most valued resource is our people. We remain committed to our community in providing professional service. Therefore, the Police Service personnel will be guided by our core values.



Message from the Chair

The Board of Police Commissioners is a seven-person group consisting of the Mayor, two city councillors, and four civilian members at large. Our team brings a range of experience and knowledge to the board, including backgrounds in education, policing, community and social services, and corrections.

The Board of Police Commissioners operates within the guidelines and policies of The Police Act, 1990, Saskatchewan, and is committed to ensuring transparency, accountability, and equity within both the police service and the wider community. Public safety remains a priority, and the police service operates several specialized teams targeting violence, gang activity, weapons, and drug and property crime.

The Board supports the police service in its mandate to proactively patrol the community and engage with residents and community leaders on issues affecting public safety. The board would also like to acknowledge the leadership and significant efforts of Chief Jonathan Bergen and his administration team to support police members and staff and their health and wellness by promoting access to a variety of online and personal supports, including mental health supports and ongoing work toward diversity within the ranks.

As always, residents can play a proactive role in reporting suspicious activity to police, and ensuring their property is always locked and secure. We know that violence and related crime can have a traumatic effect on our community, and the Prince Albert Board of Police Commissioners continues to support the police service in their work to proactively police the community and connect with local agencies and leaders on ways to better address root-cause issues that can lead to crime.



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Message from the Chief of Police

This last year presented many new challenges for our service, as it has for those in our community and others across the province and throughout Canada. Our professional members and staff have continually adapted to meet the health risks associated with COVID-19 while still working to serve the community with a focus on public safety and visible policing. COVID-19 has affected our members and staff in different ways, including illness, lost work time, and repeated isolations, and we continue to learn how to manage this new health risk as we await vaccinations for front-line officers.

2020, while a challenge, the pandemic has also presented new opportunities to promote public safety and engage with the community in different ways. As families and organizations looked for new ways to connect with family and friends, our members worked hard to accommodate frequent requests for vehicle parades, drive-by birthday parties, and outdoor public events for residents of all ages.

As a police service, we continue to respond to a high number of calls involving public intoxication and disturbances and continue to meet with our community partners to work together to address root causes of crime, including poverty, addictions, mental health concerns, and violence. In 2020, our members responded to approximately 40,000 calls for service in 2020, an increase of 11.47 per cent over the previous year.



Chief Jonathan Bergen



In response to an increase in property crime over the summer months and into the fall, the police service designated a select enforcement team to target those with known ties to gang activity and proactively target property crime in the community. Members of this new Crime Suppression Team were tasked with investigating repeat offences and identifying suspects to coordinate a proactive response. I am encouraged to note a 23 per cent drop in property offences in 2020.

The Crime Suppression Team includes various members of the police service who can be deployed at key times. Members of this task force also conduct regular neighbourhood patrols and support the Prince Albert Police Service's Integrated Crime Reduction Team (ICRT), Street Enforcement Team (SET), and Canine on their shared mandates of gang suppression and prevention of illegal gun and weapons violence.

Our service noted a small decrease in violent crime over the past year. We continue to work to address inter-personal violence in our community and partner with local community organizations to address intoxication arrests and mental health concerns. Members of the Prince Albert Police Service continue to work with numerous community groups such as the Community Alcohol Strategy Steering Committee (CASSC), Prince Albert Grand Council, Metis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S), the Prince Albert Indian and Metis Friendship Centre, MADD, and the Sexual Assault Centre, and the Saskatchewan Health Authority on strategies to address addictions and trauma.

2021 represents a milestone for our police service as we head into our 135th year of service in Prince Albert. The Prince Albert Police Service continues to focus on the health and wellness of our members and staff with the planned addition of an in-house mental health professional and a number of new constables to our front lines. Moving forward, we continue to listen to the needs to the community while supporting our members and staff.

This past year, we have seen our community come together to support our police service, and each other. Like so many dealing with the daily challenges of COVID-19, our police service continues to look for new ways to connect with our community as we work to build on our shared goals of enhanced public safety and visible policing.

“This past year has been challenging given the pandemic and the increasing presence of firearms and serious violent crime in our community. As a police service, we appreciate the continued support from the public as we work to target crime in Prince Albert and continue to focus on positive relationships with community and social agencies that can help make a difference in the lives of residents and families.”

- Chief Jonathan Bergen



Police Strategic Plan 2017-2021 (Extended to 2021)



Prince Albert Police Service Resources



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Sworn Officers



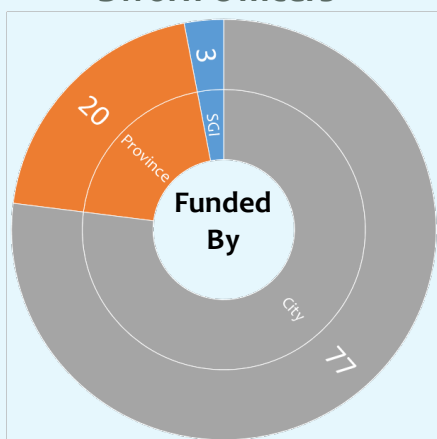
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Police Service Dogs



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Permanent Civilian Staff



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Vehicle Fleet



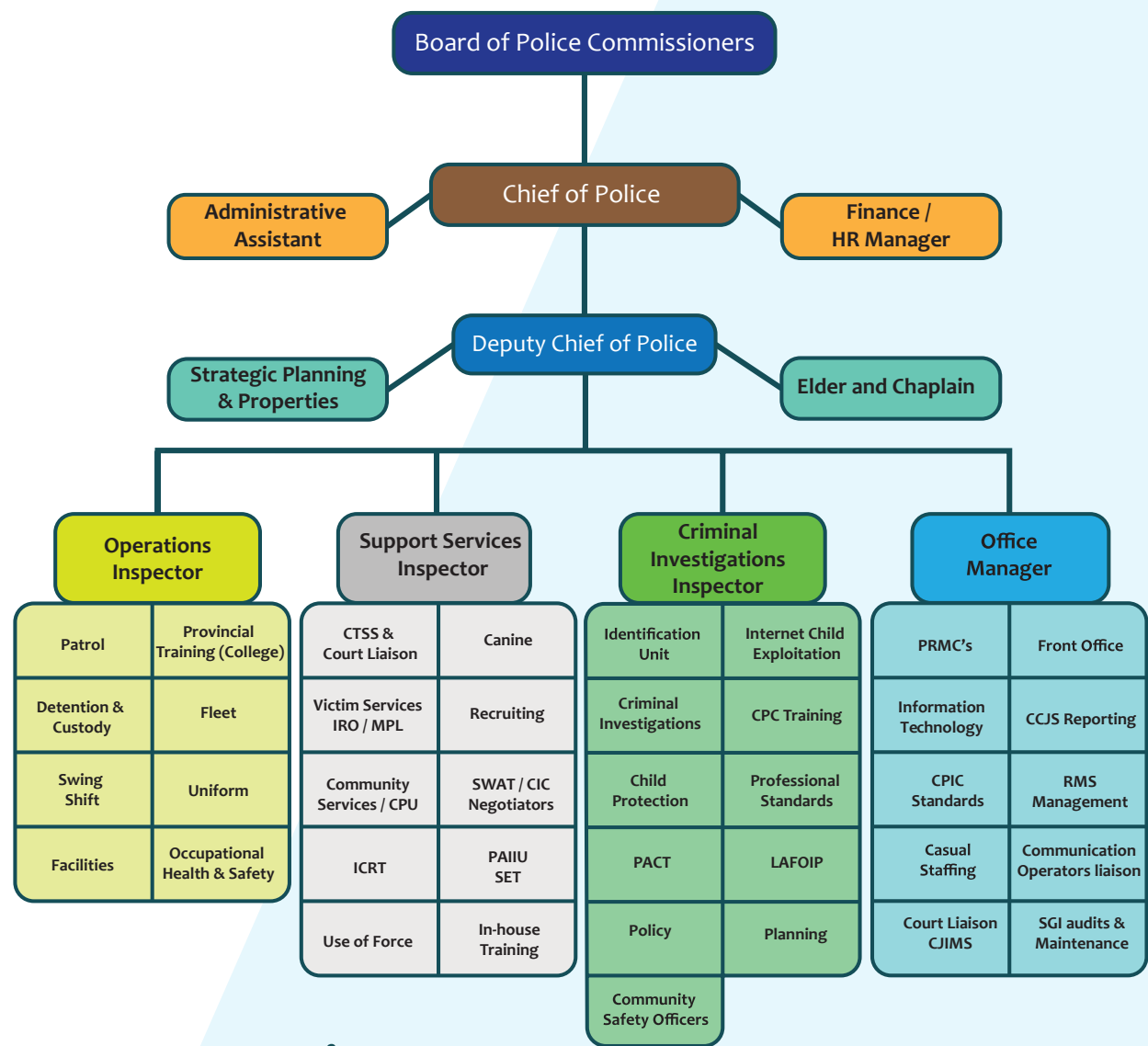
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Buildings Owned - Main & Sub-Station



Detention Facility

Organizational Structure



In your Community



In Memoriam - Elder Jacob Sanderson

Our police service was saddened to learn of the passing of our Elder Jacob Sanderson in the fall of 2020.

Elder Sanderson had been with our service as an advisor and mentor for more than a year before his passing, and we are grateful for his encouragement, knowledge and commitment to our members and staff. Elder Sanderson was a respected mentor in the community and was often called upon to offer blessings and prayers at important community events, and provide support and guidance to families and community members.

Elders play a significant role in the function of a police service, and Elder Sanderson's guidance was an important part of the Prince Albert Police Service's continued efforts to promote positive relationships within the wider community.

Our service benefitted from Elder Sanderson's knowledge and wisdom. We are grateful for his guidance and understanding of traditional teachings and beliefs as we continue to develop positive relationships within the wider community.



Prince Albert Police Service Impacted by COVID-19

On March 18, 2020, a State of Emergency was declared in Saskatchewan related to the COVID-19 Coronavirus and the worldwide pandemic. Similar to other police agencies, the Prince Albert Police Service was quick to adopt changes to operations with an aim to reduce the spread of COVID-19 amongst members and staff, protect the public, and maintain the same level of public safety services to the community.

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Prince Albert Police Service activated a Pandemic Operational Plan that guides best practices to manage the Police Service during COVID-19. The plan has been updated as new information becomes known that is specific to the virus and related best practices. The plan has been adjusted to align with public health orders and guidance from medical professionals.

Two days before the provincial State of Emergency was declared, front offices at both the main station on 15th Street West and the police substation on 10th Street East were closed to the public. Certain services, such criminal records checks, were offered online only and non-emergent calls for service were handled over the phone or online.

Officers with the Prince Albert Police Service continue to be exposed to the virus during the course of their duties and have experienced positive test results and many cases of isolation over the past year. A February report to the Prince Albert Board of Police Commissioners showed members had been in isolation and away from duty for more than 300 days. This number does not include personal time a member may be required to isolate, such as over regularly-scheduled days off, for example.



Prince Albert Police Service Impacted by COVID-19

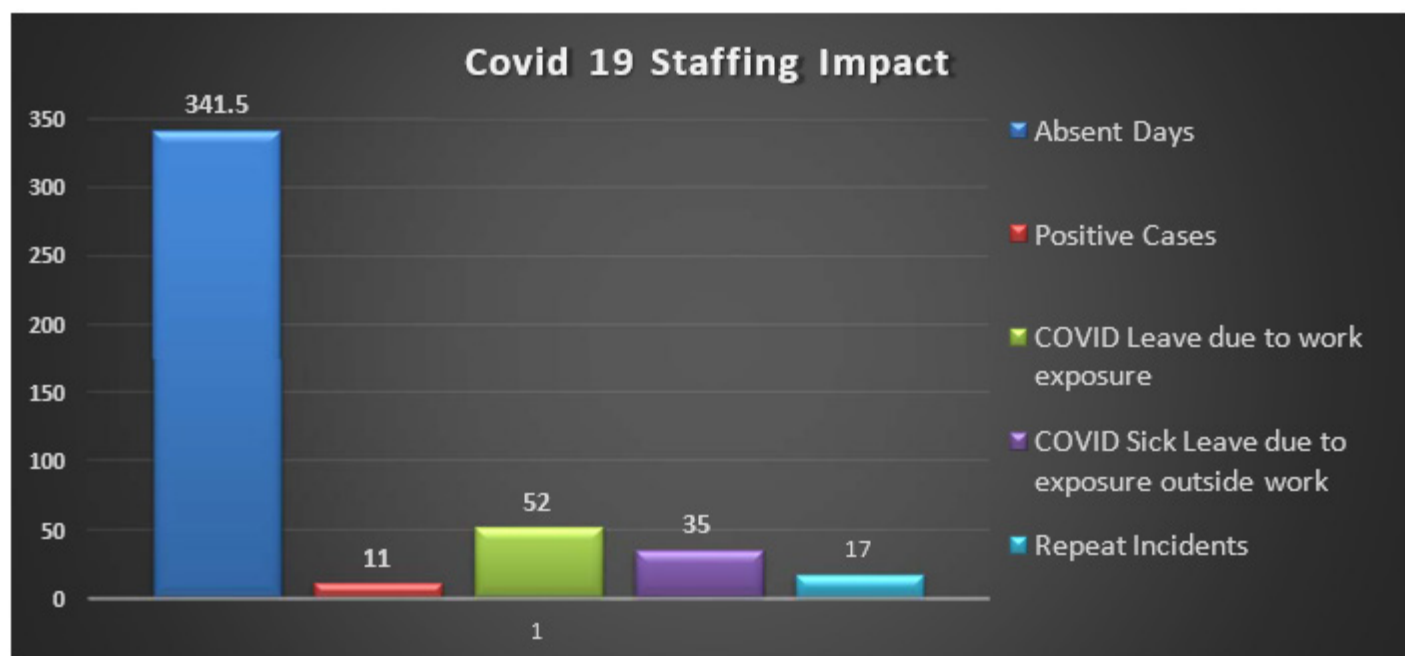
The impact from COVID-19 became acute in October 2020, when one of our members contracted the virus, followed by a number of additional members, and an outbreak was declared.

At the time, the Prince Albert Police Service looked to our partners with the Saskatchewan RCMP to coordinate local patrols and ensure adequate resources on shift at all times. Together with the RCMP, we continued to focus on high-visibility patrols throughout the community and proactive policing initiatives.

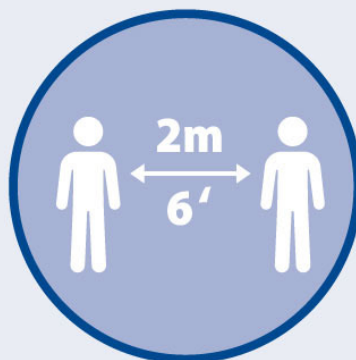
We are grateful to our community partners for their support and assistance during this time.

We were also excited to see the level of community support from residents as our members rested at home and recuperated from the virus. Members and staff appreciated the encouragement from the community.

As the pandemic continues, our police service is committed to keeping the public informed on the impacts of COVID-19 on members and staff through our website at www.papolice.ca, with information about positive cases updated as needed.



Stay safe and healthy



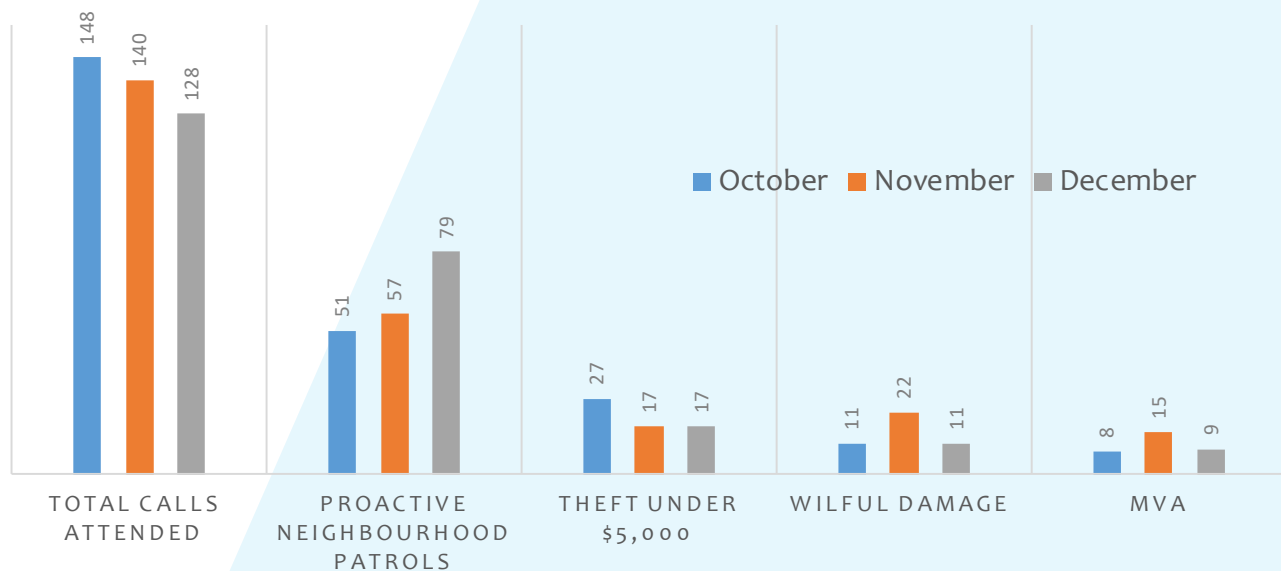
Bylaw Enforcement Transitions Back to City of Prince Albert

In June 2020, management of municipal bylaw enforcement, including issues around noise complaints, stray cats and dogs, unsightly properties and boarded-up homes, moved back under the umbrella of the City of Prince Albert. The department had been part of the Prince Albert Police Service since 2006.

As a result of this transition, the Prince Albert Police Service retained two senior Community Safety Officers (CSO) to assist members on patrol. The CSOs assist officers on patrol by responding to complaints involving minor vehicle accidents, shoplifting, theft and mischief. CSOs also assist with serving legal documents and managing some court liaison duties as needed.

The police service continued to assist with bylaw enforcement until the transition to City management was complete in the fall of 2020. Regular reporting on CSO files and statistics is directed both to the Prince Albert Board of Police Commissioners and the Saskatchewan Ministry of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety.

In the last couple months of 2020, Community Safety Officers also focused on car seat safety and awareness, promoting school zone safety, high-visibility community patrols, while responding to more than 300 calls for service from the community.





The Prince Albert Police Service joined the City of Prince Albert in September 2020 to launch a new awareness and enforcement campaign to curb speeding in the community. The campaign includes the purchase of a number of new speed monitoring signs to be placed around the city to remind drivers to slow down.

The police service encourages drivers to focus on the road and slow down to ensure their safety, and the safety of other drivers and pedestrians.

Partnering with MADD Prince Albert

The Prince Albert Police Service was happy to support MADD Prince Albert, SGI and the City of Prince Albert in announcing a new mobile sign initiative aimed at raising awareness and educating drivers about the dangers and impact of impaired driving. Under the new program, MADD volunteers place signs at locations where police have made an impaired driving arrest in the community in an effort to remind drivers of their responsibility in curbing impaired driving and encourage them to call 9-1-1 to report dangerous drivers.



Prince Albert Police Chief Jonathan Bergen joined representatives from MADD, SGI and the City of Prince Albert at the announcement in September 2020, saying having to inform families that a loved one has been seriously injured or killed in an impaired driving incident takes a significant emotional toll and has such a profound effect on police officers.

The memories of those devastating incidents never leave you, Chief Bergen said.

The mobile signs are updated every two weeks by MADD volunteers using information provided by the Prince Albert Police Service on locations involving impaired driving arrests. Statistics for the year 2020 show police investigated 139 files involving impaired driving, up from 127 the year prior.



Police and Crisis Team (PACT)

Since the fall of 2018, the Prince Albert Police Service has managed a Police and Crisis Team (PACT) to assist vulnerable members of the community and connect them with mental health and long-term supports in the community.

PACT is made up of two police officers from the Prince Albert Police Service and three staff members with the Saskatchewan Health Authority on a rotating basis, who have training in the areas of social work, psychiatry, and community health. PACT operates on a model similar to other agencies in the province, and responds in emergency situations involving those in need of mental health support.

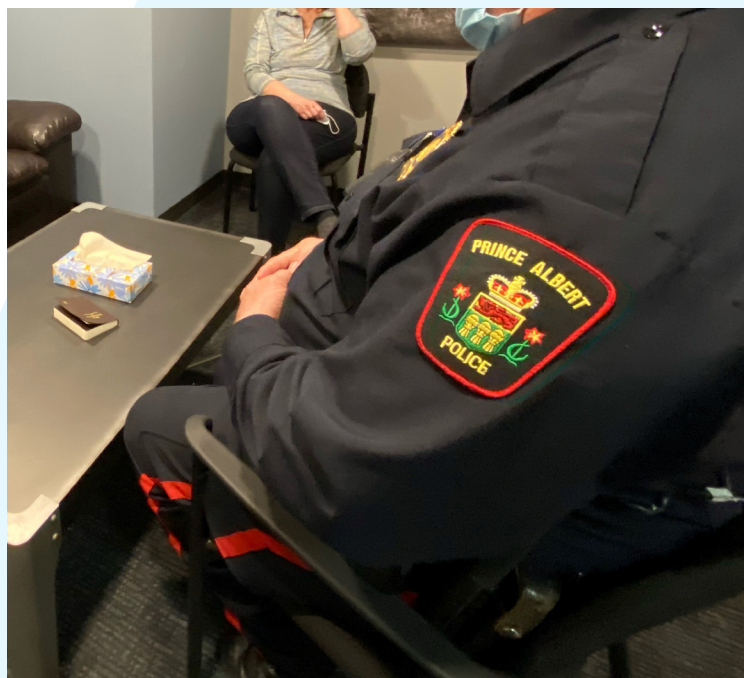
The PACT is now the primary unit dispatched from the police service to calls involving warrants for apprehension under the Mental Health Act and calls involving self harm or suicide.

Statistics show PACT worked with nearly 300 clients in 2020 and helped manage investigations into an additional 559 reports involving missing persons.

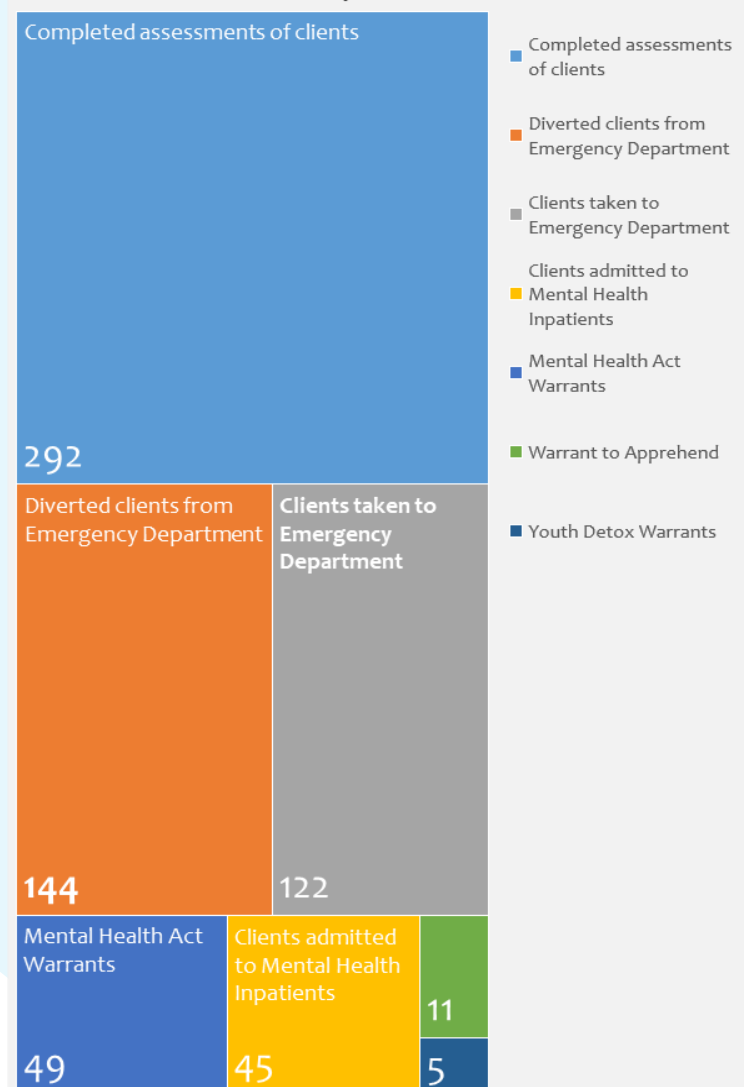
The PACT also works closely with the HUB program, which brings together representatives from social service, education, health, and various other community agencies to address issues facing families in Prince Albert, including poverty, addictions, mental health, and violence. The HUB committee continues to meet virtually twice a week.

The police service's efforts with the HUB include both police officers and a member of the Victim Services Unit, who attend regular meetings and help to coordinate resources in situations addressing youth and families in our community. The Prince Albert HUB and the coordinated response from various community agencies, including the police service, continues to have a direct impact on families and individuals needing assistance.

The PACT and the HUB align with the priorities in the police service's current strategic plan, including visible policing, professional service and a healthy community.



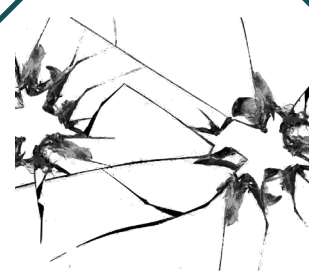
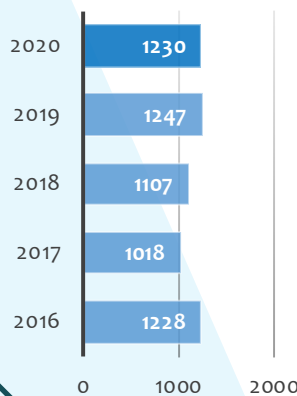
PACT Responded in 2020



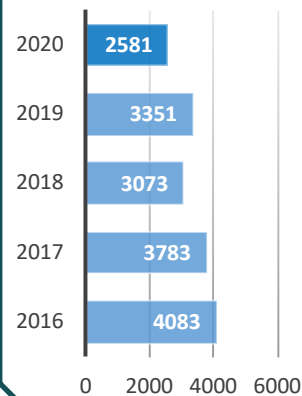
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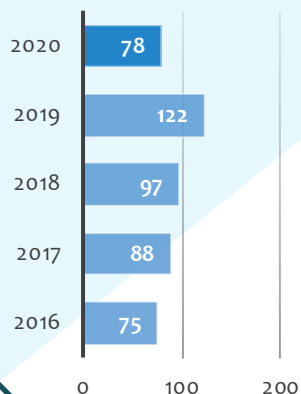
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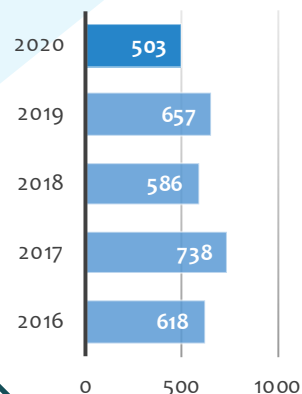
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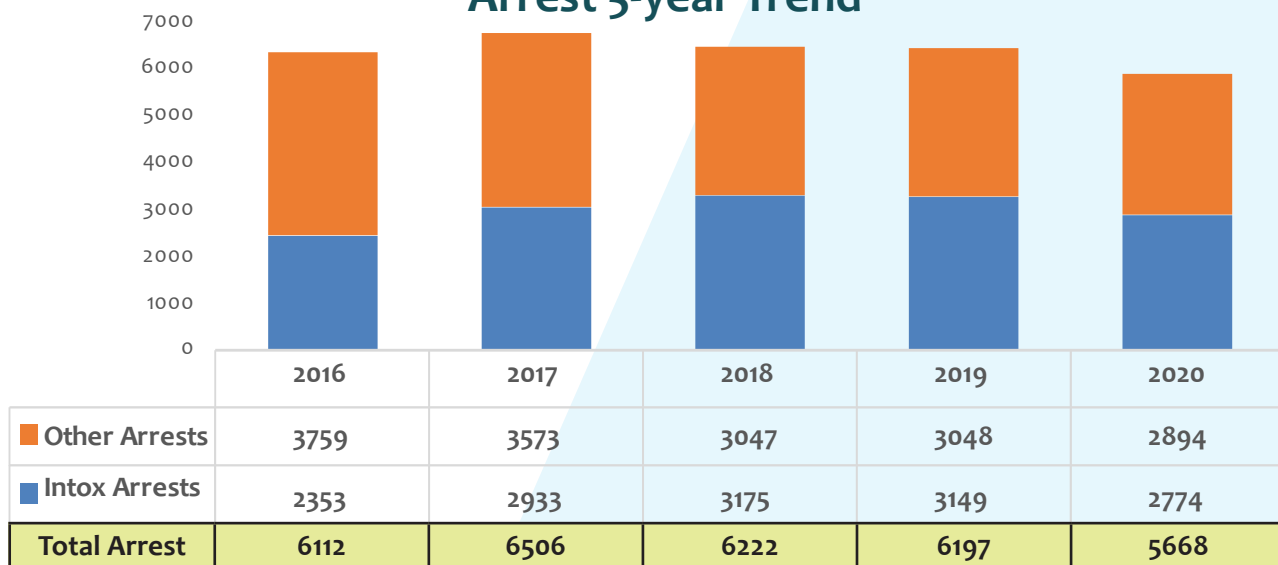


Break and Enter



2020 by the numbers

Arrest 5-year Trend



The total number of people arrested by Prince Albert Police were down in 2020. Arrests due to intoxication were also down over the previous year. Approximately 30 per cent of arrests each year involve residents whose primary address is outside the City of Prince Albert. Throughout 2020, the Prince Albert Police Service continued to lend support for numerous community-based initiatives aimed at promoting positive lifestyles and a healthy community.

The Prince Albert Police Service saw a 20% decrease in reported thefts of motor vehicles in 2020. The total stolen vehicles was 264 compared to 330 the year prior.



Too many of vehicles are stolen by the use of key.

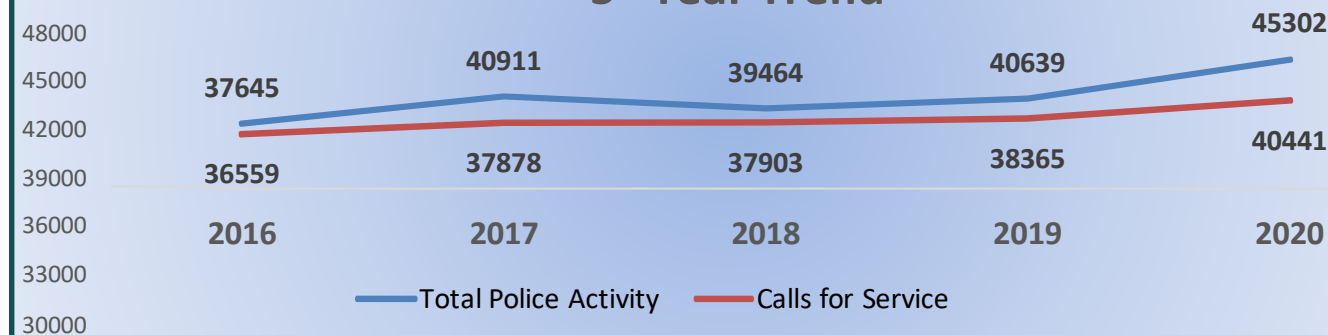
75 vehicles had keys reported to be left in the vehicle.

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Calls for Service

5 - Year Trend



Prince Albert Police members responded to an 11.47 per cent increase in overall calls for service in 2020, with a total of 45,301 calls. This number included a more than 100 per cent increase in proactive Neighbourhood Strengthening efforts, or high-visibility patrols across the community.

Transition to Street Enforcement Team

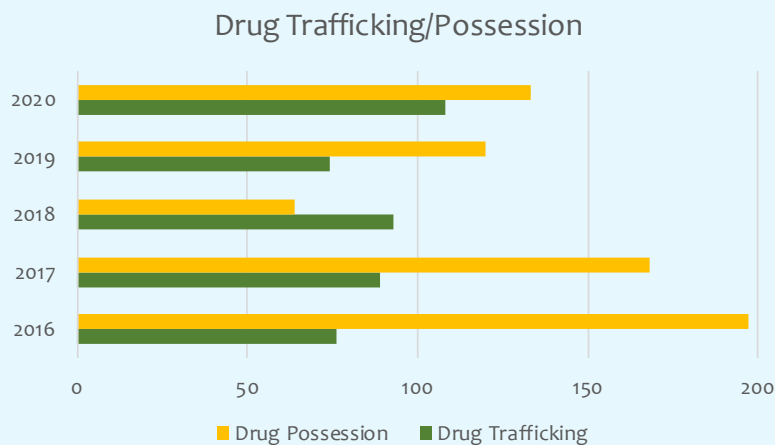
Early in 2020, our service transitioned to a Street Enforcement Team (SET) focused on targeted drug and gang activity in the community. The SET had previously worked in an integrated capacity with the Saskatchewan RCMP.

The mandate of the SET continues to be on focused enforcement of drugs, gangs, and weapons in our community. Members with SET take an intelligence-driven approach to investigating crime involving drug trafficking and illegal activity, with the aim of preventing further victimization from crime.

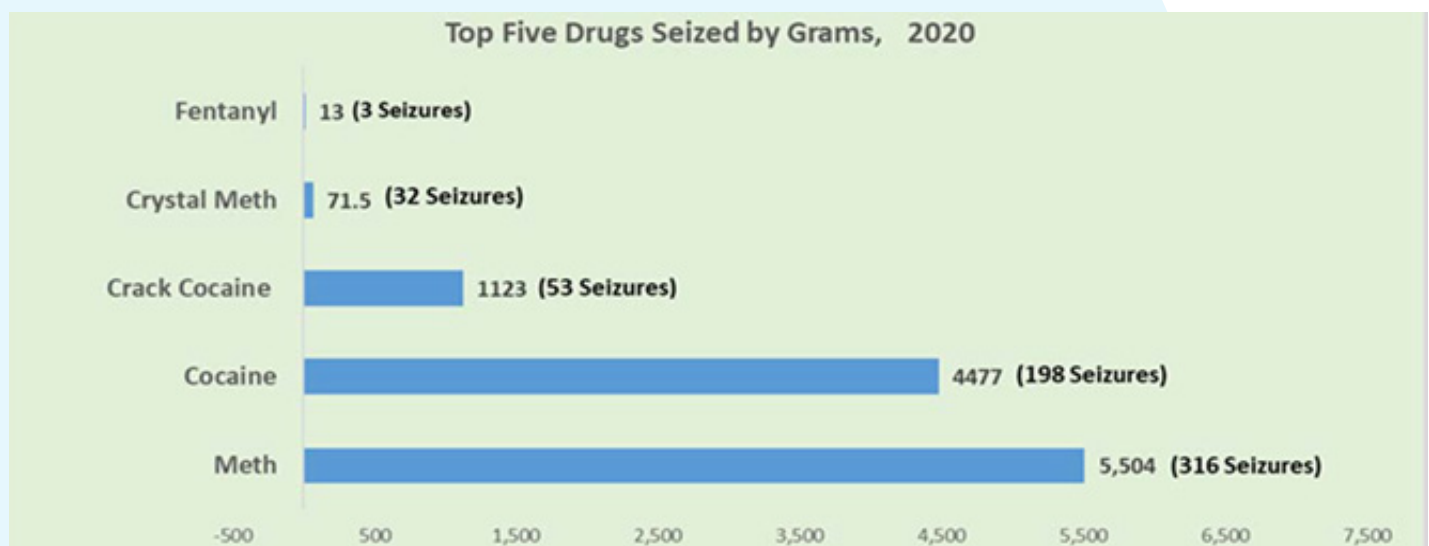
This specialized team of police members supports members on the Integrated Crime Reduction Team (ICRT), and works closely with members on patrol and other investigative areas as well. Three specially-trained officers are currently assigned to this investigative unit. The Prince Albert Integrated Intelligence Unit (PAIIU) works closely and is embedded in the SET.

Our police service issued a warning to residents in the fall of 2020 over the presence of Fentanyl in Prince Albert, and we continue to monitor its presence and use in the local community.

The work of this targeted unit, doubled with the strength of the Integrated Crime Reduction Team resulted in more arrests and more seizures related to drugs and illegal activity in 2020.



As our statistics show, members of the Prince Albert Police Service continue to see more drugs and weapons in our community. This results in more charges laid for drug possession and trafficking. In 2020, the most common types of drugs seized include methamphetamine, cocaine, and crack cocaine. Crystal meth continues to be a concern in the community, along with Fentanyl, which can be fatal even in very small amounts.



New Integrated Crime Reduction Team for Prince Albert

The past year marked the beginning of a new team of specially-trained police officers focused on gun violence and illegal gang activity in our community.

The Integrated Crime Reduction Team (ICRT) is a result of the Saskatchewan government's Provincial Gang Violence Reduction Strategy aimed at addressing an increase in gang and firearm-related crimes in Prince Albert and the wider community. The ICRT uses intelligence-driven data to direct police resources to specific public safety initiatives targeting gangs, guns, property crime and violence.

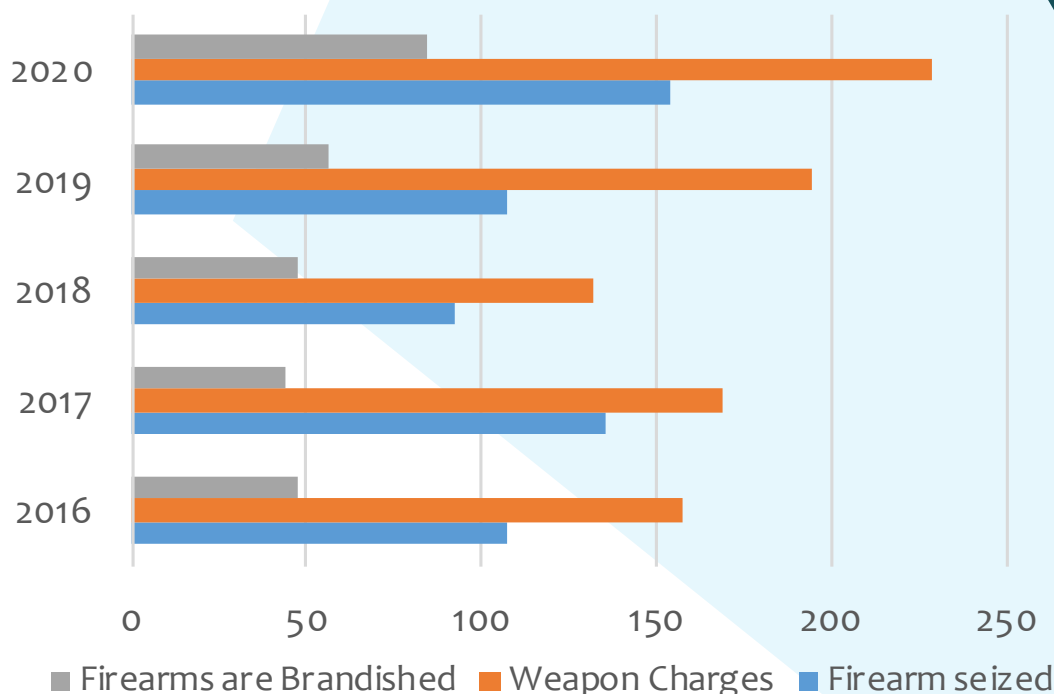
This specialized team of officers also supports the police service's Street Enforcement Team (SET), an enhanced investigative unit focused on illegal drug activity, including guns and gangs.

Funding for the ICRT is provided by the Saskatchewan Ministry of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety. ICRT members continue to seize weapons, firearms, money and drugs as part of their investigative work throughout the community.

The continued funding to support the ICRT team in 2020 allows for a total of 23 provincially-funded police positions in Prince Albert. This funding also includes partnerships in other enforcement areas such as traffic, missing persons, the Internet Child Exploitation (ICE) Unit and the Police and Crisis Team (PACT), Combined Traffic Services Saskatchewan (CTSS).



Seized Firearms/Weapons Charges



Prince Albert Police Thank Community Partners for Helping Make Holiday Wishes Happen - Shop with a Cop

The 2020 annual Shop with a Cop program was another success thanks to support from the Prince Albert High Noon Optimist Club and local businesses including Canadian Tire, McDonald's and Old Dutch Foods.

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, 26 local children from five different schools in both the Prince Albert Catholic and Saskatchewan Rivers School Divisions participated in the 2020 Shop with a Cop event. All in-person activities were cancelled due to the pandemic, meaning some new ideas were needed to make the event happen in 2020.

The police service relied on teachers and resource workers at five participating schools: St. John Community School, St. Catherine Catholic School, Vincent Massey Public School, King George Public School, and Princess Margaret Public School, to help students shop online for their gifts in 2020. Once the gifts were chosen, team members at Canadian Tire helped select and sort the items on each student's list. Canadian Tire also waived the taxes on all items purchased through the Shop with a Cop program.

Once each child's order was completed, members with the police service spent time personally delivering the gifts to each student.

Officers from patrol, forensic identification, and the Community Policing Unit worked together to deliver gifts to all 26 children in the program over several days in December. The Prince Albert Police Service appreciates the support and effort from our local community partners in helping to make the holiday season a little brighter for children and their families.



Canine Unit

Late in 2019 and early into 2020, we welcomed two additional police service dogs (PSD) to our organization. The addition of PSD Kal and PSD Ares compliments our current team of Sgt. Kelsey Bighetty and PSD Febee.

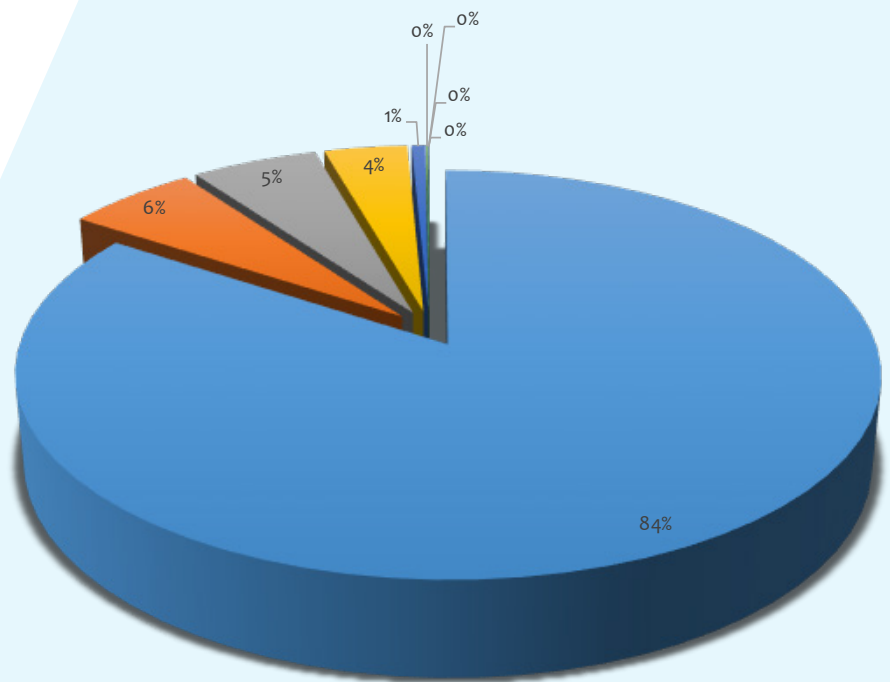
Following training for both the handler and the police dog, the two new teams were deployed to assist members on patrol. The two additional teams include Cst. Mat Brown with PSD Kal; and Cst. Garth Mostowich and PSD Ares. These dedicated teams assist members on patrol in responding to and investigating crime in the community.

Looking ahead, the police service is planning to add a fourth canine team to the organization, with the intent of having one canine team follow each regular patrol shift.



2020 Police Service Budget

- Salaries, Wages, and Benefits \$18,091,310
- Contracted and General Services \$1,240,560
- Maintenance Materials, and Supplies \$1,195,050
- Fleet Expenses \$786,570
- Utilities \$130,960
- Insurance \$16,790
- Interest on Long Term Debt \$11,830
- Financial Charges \$500
- Grants and Donations \$0



Salaries, Wages, and Benefits	\$18,091,310	84.25%
Contracted and General Services	\$1,240,560	5.78%
Maintenance Materials, and Supplies	\$1,195,050	5.56%
Fleet Expenses	\$786,570	3.66%
Utilities	\$130,960	0.61%
Insurance	\$16,790	0.08%
Interest on Long Term Debt	\$11,830	0.06%
Financial Charges	\$500	0.00%
Grants and Donations	-	0.00%
Total Expenses	\$21,911,120	100.00%

Awards & Recognition



Kelsey Bighetty was promoted to the rank of Sergeant with the Prince Albert Police Service in December 2019.



Sgt. Darren Androsoff was promoted to the rank of Sergeant with the Prince Albert Police Service 2020.



Sgt. Tyson Morash was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 2020 by Police Chief Jonathan Bergen.



Inspector Brent McDonald was recognized by the City of Prince Albert in 2020 for 25 years of service.



Sgt. Rhonda Meakin was recognized by the City of Prince Albert in 2020 for 25 years of service.



Chief Bergen presented Staff Sergeant Lawrie George with a gift on behalf of the City of Prince Albert in recognition of his 25 years of service to the community.



Sgt. Terry Epp received a plaque from Chief Bergen in 2020 for 20 years of service to the community.



Sgt. Kathy Edwardsen was recognized in 2020 for two decades of service to the community.



Cst. Craig Reddekopp was recognized by the City of Prince Albert in 2020 for 15 years of service.



Sgt. Brian Glynn was presented with a gift from the City of Prince Albert in 2020 for his 15 years of service to the community.



Cst. Darcy Burns was recognized by the City of Prince Albert in 2020 for 15 years of service to the local community.



Cst. Darcy Bear was recognized by the City of Prince Albert in 2020 for 15 years of service to the local community.

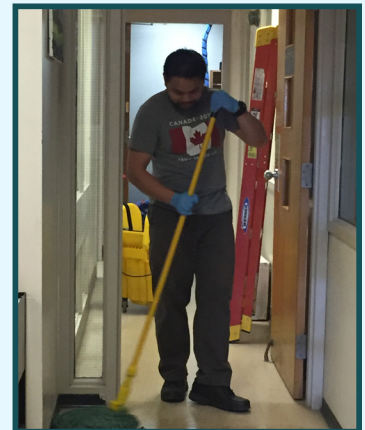


Cst. Rob Lindsay was recognized by MADD Prince Albert and MADD Canada in 2020 with a Van de Vorst Family Award for his significant efforts to combat impaired driving in our community.



Police long service awards: In early 2020, several members of the Prince Albert Police Service were recognized with long service awards for the year 2019.

Thank you to our facility staff



As the COVID-19 pandemic took hold in Prince Albert, the Prince Albert Police Service took steps to enhance cleaning protocols to better protect members and staff against spread of the virus.

The police service quickly facilitated the hiring of an outside team of facility cleaners to assist, and we called on our regular staff to do more as well. Chuck, Josef and Caesar stepped up to keep our two locations sanitized, working every day to help us all stay healthy, a task that continues to be just as important in 2021.

Milestones & Promotions in 2020

Milestones:

SWORN

25 Years

Insp. McDonald
S/Sgt. George
Sgt. Meakin
Cst. Court

20 Years

Sgt. Edwardsen
Sgt. Dumont
Sgt. Epp

15 Years

S/Sgt. Barlow
Sgt. Glynn
Cst. Bear
Cst. Burns
Cst. Reddekopp

CIVILIAN

30 Years

Hemsworth, J.

Promotions:

SWORN

Sgt. Bighetty
Sgt. Androsoff
Sgt. Morash

CIVILIAN

Ziegeman, K.

Engagements:

SWORN

Cst. Illingworth
Cst. Romanuik
Cst. Quirion

CIVILIAN

Estrada, E.
Felix, J.
Felix, V.
McKnight, J.
Ray, J.



Cst. Spencer Illingworth was presented with his badge by Chief Bergen upon completion of his training.



Chief Jonathan Bergen presented Cst. Andie Romanuik with her badge in January 2020 upon completion of training.



Cst. Troy Quirion successfully completed police training and received his badge from Chief Bergen.

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COMMITTEE DISPOSITION

Report Title: Request for Support in Abolishing Mandatory Minimum Sentences under Bill C-22 in Partnership with Local Indigenous Communities

Date: April 20, 2021

Prepared By: Executive Committee

Prepared For: Board of Police Commissioners

DISPOSITION:

"That CORR 21-35 be received and referred to the Prince Albert Board of Police Commissioners and the Mayor's Office to discuss at a meeting with the Prince Albert Grand Council."

Respectfully Submitted,

for *Mervin*
Sherry Person, City Clerk



City of Prince Albert

CORR 21-35

TITLE: Request for Support in Abolishing Mandatory Minimum Sentences under Bill C-22 in Partnership with Local Indigenous Communities

DATE: April 12, 2021

TO: Executive Committee

PUBLIC: X

INCAMERA:

SUGGESTED DISPOSTION:

That the Correspondence be received and referred to the Mayor's Office for review during a regular Prince Albert Grand Council meeting.

PRESENTATION: None

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Letter dated March 1, 2021

Written by: Kim Beaudin, National Vice Chief, Congress of Aboriginal Peoples

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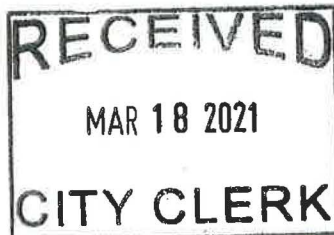


CONGRÈS DES
PEUPLES AUTOCHTONES

Mayor Greg Dionne
City of Prince Albert
1084 Central Ave
Prince Albert, SK S6V 7P3

March 1, 2021

Dear Mayor Dionne & City Council,



Executive Committee



I am reaching out to you with regards to Bill C-22, measures to eliminate mandatory minimum sentences for a range of offenses, including simple possession of 14 of the 67 controlled substances¹. As the representative organization for off-reserve Status and Non-Status Indians, Metis, and Southern Inuit Indigenous peoples, the Congress of Aboriginal peoples represents many communities that are disproportionately harmed by both drug epidemics, as well as discriminatory and incarceration-focused responses.

We feel that this legislation is a step in the right direction, but the development process raises concerns about whether it will be genuinely impactful for the constituents we represent. In particular, the bill doesn't propose asking police to refrain from arresting people for simple possession, it only requires law enforcement to consider it. The benefits depend on whether the federal government will coordinate with provinces, municipalities, and Indigenous communities to make sure that enforcement measures reflect a genuine movement towards community care, treatment-based responses to use of controlled substances, and alternatives to incarceration.

I am asking you to support this legislation with these strengthened amendments, and to call on Federal Justice Minister David Lametti and Public Safety Minister Bill Blair, to make sure that Indigenous communities living in rural and urban areas are included in this conversation, and that our concerns are taken into account. Further, we would ask you to reach out to CAP's Provincial Territorial Organization in your region (INSERT PTO NAME) and coordinate on how these measures will be implemented in your province or territory.

Further, I ask that you consider the draft motion below for adoption at the next meeting of your city council. I am at your disposal if you have any follow up questions or issues that you wish to raise. Please don't hesitate to reach out.

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Kim Beaudin
National Vice Chief

CC: Federation of Canadian Municipalities - CEO Carole Saab.

**Recommended
Disposition:**

*Refer to Mayor's
Office for review
during regular
Grand Council
meeting.*

¹ <https://www.canada.ca/en/departement-justice/news/2021/02/bill-c-22-mandatory-minimum-penalties-to-be-repealed.html>

DRAFT MOTION

Motion: To support the abolition of mandatory minimum sentences under C-22, and support treatment, community care, and culturally relevant supports in partnership with local Indigenous communities.

Mover:

Seconder:

Whereas, the city of (CITY NAME) recognizes that there is systemic racism in Canada's criminal justice system with disproportionate impact on Indigenous peoples, Black Canadians and people of colour,

Whereas, the city of (CITY NAME) is committed to working in partnership with Indigenous communities to fight discrimination and support the goals of reconciliation and respect for Indigenous rights,

Whereas, Indigenous peoples have a long history of their own justice systems, mental and physical healing journeys, and community-based justice that deserve respect and consideration in the practice of law enforcement,

Therefore,

Be it resolved that (CITY NAME) direct all policing services under its jurisdiction to engage in partnership with all local Indigenous communities, all Indigenous nations on whose traditional lands we live, and all Indigenous people currently residing here in both rural and urban areas,

Be it further resolved to respect the chosen representatives of Indigenous communities, and to refuse to discriminate between representative organizations, whether they are established by the "Indian Act", through modern land claims settlement, or formed by Indigenous people themselves,

Be it further resolved that all policing services be directed to prioritize, in partnership with local Indigenous communities, every available alternative to arrest and incarceration for any individuals in contact with the law, in particular taking into account options for culturally appropriate treatment and healing.