



February 11, 2024

Inspector Barry LaRocque
Detachment Commander RCMP Fort Saskatchewan
Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta

Dear Mayor Hnatiw,

Please find the quarterly Community Policing Report attached that covers the October 1st to December 31st, 2023 reporting period. The attached report serves to provide a quarterly snapshot of the human resources, financial data and crime statistics for the Fort Saskatchewan Provincial Detachment.

I would also like to update you on one of our current technological endeavours. Over the last decade, the RCMP has utilized Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS) to support our specialized units, i.e. our Emergency Response Teams – which has been incredibly effective for enhancing police and public safety. Although the advancement of technology benefits industry and recreation, it facilitates greater accessibility for criminals, which requires a strategic response. To remain current in our ever-changing environment, and to be responsive to public reviews that call for better access to air support such as the Nova Scotia Mass Casualty Commission of Inquiry, we are actively researching and testing new technologies in a policing environment to enhance public safety. One such technology is how we might use RPAS for potential new police applications. This includes how we might use RPAS to assist with select calls for service, crime photography, search and rescue, and unfolding critical incidents, i.e. an active shooter. With its potential and capability for wider applications, we are further considering program options for our municipal, rural, and Indigenous communities; scalable depending on community need and interest. While we will always need a helicopter and fixed-wing aircraft for the movement of resources, these larger assets are not always immediately available. RPAS technology is providing an opportunity for our communities to effectively have their own police air support, at a significantly lower cost. As I learn more about further opportunities and challenges, I will be sure to keep you updated and informed.

Your ongoing engagement and the feedback you provide guides our Detachment team, and supports the reinforcement of your policing priorities. I always remain available to discuss your community-identified policing priorities and/or any ideas you may have that will enhance our service delivery to address the priorities that are important to you. As the Chief of Police for your community, I invite you to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

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RCMP Provincial Policing Report

Detachment	Fort Saskatchewan
Detachment Commander	Insp. Barry Laracque
Quarter	Q3
FTE Utilization Plan	2023/24
Date of Report	2024-02-11

Community Consultations

Date	2023-11-08
Meeting Type	Town Hall
Topics Discussed	Crime Reduction initiatives
Notes/Comments	Members conducted a Town Hall for the Town of Bruderheim to discuss the crime landscape in the area. The community members were encouraged to share policing and safety concerns.

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Date	2023-11-22
Meeting Type	Town Hall
Topics Discussed	Crime Reduction Initiatives
Notes/Comments	Members attended a conference at the Lamont Rec Centre. Several people attended, including several elected officials. Updates on priority progress, statistics and concerns. A presentation about Crime Prevention through Environmental Design was given by a resource from the Community Safety and Well Being branch out of "K" Division Headquarters

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Date	2023-11-28
Meeting Type	Meeting with Elected Officials
Topics Discussed	Regular reporting information sharing
Notes/Comments	Members presented the Fort Saskatchewan RCMP Quarter 2 Report to the Town of Lamont Mayor and Council.

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Date	2023-11-30
Meeting Type	Town Hall
Topics Discussed	Crime Reduction Initiatives
Notes/Comments	Members conducted a Town Hall for the Village of Chipman and Lamont County to discuss the crime landscape in the area. The community members were encouraged to share policing and safety concerns. A presentation about Crime Prevention through Environmental Design was given by a resource from the Community Safety and Well Being branch out of "K" Division Headquarters

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Date	2023-12-12
Meeting Type	Meeting with Elected Officials
Topics Discussed	Regular reporting information sharing
Notes/Comments	Members presented the Fort Saskatchewan RCMP Quarter 2 Report to the Sturgeon Mayor and Council.

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Community Priorities

<p>Priority 1</p>	<p>Enhance Road Safety</p>
<p>Current Status & Results</p>	<p>During this quarter the Detachment issued 265 written traffic violation tickets and issued 34 verbal/written warnings for various traffic infractions. These tickets/warnings were issued across the entire Fort Saskatchewan Detachment area.</p> <p>During this quarter, General Duty and Traffic /Crime Reduction Unit took part in a total of 9 check stops throughout the detachment area. During this time, approximately 315 vehicles were checked resulting in 3 Immediate Roadside Sanction fails and 1 Immediate Roadside Sanction caution.</p>
<p>Priority 2</p>	<p>Police / Community Relations - Police Visibility</p>
<p>Current Status & Results</p>	<p>This quarter the Detachment has been busy strengthening relationships with the rural community and community partners. Some examples of these efforts include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In October Cst O'Brien conducted visits to the Lamont Elementary School - In November Members participated in Remembrance Day Ceremonies in Chipman, Bruderheim, Lamont and Bruderheim - In November, Town Hall meetings were conducted in Chipman, Bruderheim and Lamont - In November, Insp LaRocque attended the Light up the Night in Lamont and the Chipman Perogy supper. <p>Cst Boulton partnered with ATB in Lamont County and delivered fraud presentations to an affected group of citizens in the rural area. The fraud presentation was well received and more presentations have been requested.</p> <p>The rural patrols continue to be a focus of the Fort Saskatchewan Detachment. At town halls people are indicating that they are not being seen but when explained that the patrols happen at all hours of the day it is a bit more understood.</p>
<p>Priority 3</p>	<p>Crime Reduction</p>
<p>Current Status & Results</p>	<p>The Capture Program (Citizen Registry of Video Surveillance) is an initiative being led by the Community Safety and Well Being Branch out of "K" Division Headquarters, The intention remains to carry forward with the program and promote the video registry. especially within businesses.</p> <p>The RAVE messaging platform has been expanded by the RCMP provincially and is beginning to be utilized more to put out alerts about stolen vehicles, crime information and crime prevention tips.</p> <p>CPTED presentations were completed at three town hall events during Q3 and were</p>

**Current Status & Results**

extremely well received by the public. In addition there have been a number of documented assessments, and community members have been invited to reach out to CPTED personnel directly.

There have been 21 offender management files carried during Q3, and each watch has contributed to compliance checks. A total of 61 checks were completed, resulting in 2 breaches.

In October, the Fort Saskatchewan Detachment leadership team met with a representative from a group of concerned citizens in Lamont Country regarding a number property crimes and a group of people who are living in the area who are suspected to be responsible. Enforcement was undertaken, arrests were made but the accused were released by the courts. Efforts continue to be made to work with the concerned citizens to identify and arrest the individuals.

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Crime Statistics¹

The following table provides policing statistics on actual offences within the periods listed. Please see Appendix for additional information and a five-year comparison.

Category	October - December			January - December		
	2022	2023	% Change Year-over-Year	2022	2023	% Change Year-over-Year
Total Criminal Code	228	232	2%	751	832	11%
<i>Persons Crime</i>	33	34	3%	116	145	25%
<i>Property Crime</i>	170	165	-3%	538	571	6%
<i>Other Criminal Code</i>	25	33	32%	97	116	20%
Traffic Offences						
<i>Criminal Code Traffic</i>	18	19	6%	60	62	3%
<i>Provincial Code Traffic</i>	571	533	-7%	2494	2101	-16%
<i>Other Traffic</i>	0	2	N/A	3	2	-33%
CDSA Offences	5	7	40%	14	23	64%
Other Federal Acts	6	8	33%	22	30	36%
Other Provincial Acts	73	84	15%	293	364	24%
Municipal By-Laws	6	11	83%	32	27	-16%
Motor Vehicle Collisions	81	89	10%	328	282	-14%

1. Data extracted from a live database (PROS) and is subject to change over time.

Trends/Points of Interest

Property Crime still is trending higher. Arrests in Lamont County have been made but accused have been released by the Courts

Mental Health and Wellness Checks continue to be a draw on detachment resources.



Provincial Police Service Composition Table²

Staffing Category	Established Positions	Working	Soft Vacancies ³	Hard Vacancies ⁴
Police Officers	8	5	3	0
Detachment Support	2	1	1	0

2. Data extracted on December 31, 2023 and is subject to change.

3. Soft Vacancies are positions that are filled but vacant due to maternity/paternity leave, medical leave, etc. and are still included in the overall FTE count.

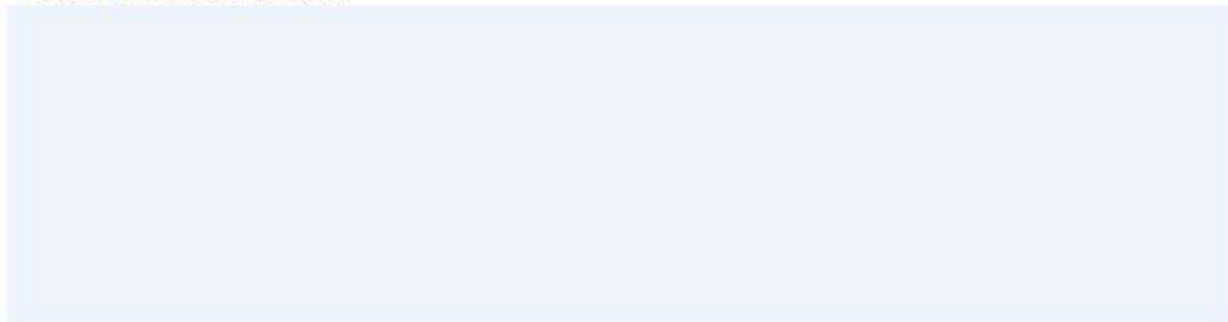
4. Hard Vacancies reflect positions that do not have an employee attached and need to be filled.

Comments

Police Officers: Of the eight established positions, five officers are currently working. There are three officers away on leave (one Graduated Return to Work, two Medical leave). There are no hard vacancies.

Detachment Support: Of the two established positions, one resource is currently working and the other is currently on medical leave. There are no hard vacancies.

Quarterly Financial Drivers





Fort Saskatchewan Provincial Detachment Crime Statistics (Actual) Q4: 2019 - 2023

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

January 5, 2024

CATEGORY	Trend	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	% Change 2019 - 2023	% Change 2022 - 2023	Avg File +/- per Year
Offences Related to Death		0	0	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	0.2
Robbery		1	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.2
Sexual Assaults		2	2	1	2	4	100%	100%	0.4
Other Sexual Offences		0	0	0	3	3	N/A	0%	0.9
Assault		19	11	31	11	11	-42%	0%	-1.6
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Extortion		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Criminal Harassment		5	6	8	5	7	40%	40%	0.3
Uttering Threats		7	5	11	12	8	14%	-33%	0.9
TOTAL PERSONS		34	24	51	33	34	0%	3%	0.9
Break & Enter		21	10	9	17	30	43%	76%	2.5
Theft of Motor Vehicle		14	22	15	26	22	57%	-15%	2.0
Theft Over \$5,000		3	4	5	7	4	33%	-43%	0.5
Theft Under \$5,000		21	15	23	41	27	29%	-34%	3.8
Possn Stn Goods		18	18	8	24	27	50%	13%	2.4
Fraud		13	6	9	16	21	62%	31%	2.6
Arson		0	1	1	3	1	N/A	-67%	0.4
Mischief - Damage To Property		29	19	23	24	23	-21%	-4%	-0.7
Mischief - Other		5	6	3	12	10	100%	-17%	1.6
TOTAL PROPERTY		124	101	96	170	165	33%	-3%	15.1
Offensive Weapons		6	4	1	5	13	117%	160%	1.5
Disturbing the peace		6	2	4	3	1	-83%	-67%	-0.9
Fail to Comply & Breaches		10	16	5	7	9	-10%	29%	-1.1
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		9	6	8	10	10	11%	0%	0.6
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		31	28	18	25	33	6%	32%	0.1
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE		189	153	165	228	232	23%	2%	16.1



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Drug Enforcement - Production		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Possession		2	3	2	5	5	150%	0%	0.8
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		5	1	0	0	2	-60%	N/A	-0.7
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Total Drugs		7	4	2	5	7	0%	40%	0.1
Cannabis Enforcement		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Federal - General		0	0	0	1	1	N/A	0%	0.3
TOTAL FEDERAL		7	4	2	6	8	14%	33%	0.4
Liquor Act		3	11	1	5	4	33%	-20%	-0.4
Cannabis Act		5	9	2	1	0	-100%	-100%	-1.8
Mental Health Act		11	19	19	19	31	182%	63%	4.0
Other Provincial Stats		42	37	45	48	49	17%	2%	2.5
Total Provincial Stats		61	76	67	73	84	38%	15%	4.3
Municipal By-laws Traffic		0	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
Municipal By-laws		3	0	9	6	11	267%	83%	2.2
Total Municipal		3	1	9	6	11	267%	83%	2.1
Fatals		0	0	1	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Injury MVC		14	9	15	13	15	7%	15%	0.6
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		74	49	75	50	65	-12%	30%	-1.7
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		12	11	20	17	9	-25%	-47%	0.0
TOTAL MVC		100	69	111	81	89	-11%	10%	-1.0
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	10	N/A	N/A	N/A
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Provincial Traffic		587	686	576	571	533	-9%	-7%	-22.3
Other Traffic		3	8	1	0	2	-33%	N/A	-1.0
Criminal Code Traffic		24	30	11	18	19	-21%	6%	-2.2
Common Police Activities									
False Alarms		15	12	5	11	12	-20%	9%	-0.7
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		16	15	7	6	10	-38%	67%	-2.1
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		23	40	49	24	58	152%	142%	5.4
Persons Reported Missing		3	4	4	2	4	33%	100%	0.0
Search Warrants		3	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.6
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		27	35	31	17	20	-26%	18%	-3.2
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		2	3	3	1	1	-50%	0%	-0.4