

City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To:

Community Safety Committee

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From:

Rendall Nesset

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Officer In Charge, Richmond RCMP

Detachment

Re:

RCMP's Monthly Activity Report for April 2009

Staff Recommendation

That the RCMP's Monthly Activity Report be received for information.

Rendall Nesset

Officer In Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment

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Staff Report

Origin

The Officer In Charge of the Richmond RCMP Detachment acknowledges and supports that the City of Richmond should be kept informed on matters pertaining to policing in the community and has developed a framework to provide regular reporting cycles.

Analysis

Below is the RCMP's Monthly Activity Report for April 2009.

Noteworthy Files:

Kidnappers Plead Guilty

Recently the three males that had been arrested and charged in a Richmond kidnapping case from last year appeared in court and pled guilty. All three had been arrested within days of the crime as a result of information received in the early stages of the incident. Sentencing will occur in the future.

A Hairy Month of March for the Richmond RCMP

The month of March was deemed "Moustache March" for Richmond's Detachment personnel. In support of the Children's Hospital Foundation approximately 45 staff members donned moustaches for all of March.

The participants were encouraged to donate \$10 to be a part of the moustache cultivation. Other staff, not participating in the cultivation, were also asked to donate \$10 in order to be given the opportunity to vote on the three distinguished categories.

- 1. The best moustache (The "Tom Selleck" award for moustache excellence)
- 2. The most disturbing moustache (The "don't ever grow a moustache again" award)
- 3. The most pathetic moustache (The "peach fuzz" award)

To date, staff have raised over \$850 for the Children's Hospital Fund. Although the participants were proud to be supporting such a great cause, most were grateful to see the month of April and the ability to put the razor to work.

Illegal Drinking Establishment Operator Pleads Guilty

In May, 2008 the Richmond RCMP Detachment, in partnership with City of Richmond Business Licensing Group, gained entry into a commercial property to investigate a suspected illegal drinking establishment. Pleading guilty to "Unlawfully changing the use of a building" (Section 2.2.1(b) of the Building Regulation Bylaw No. 7230) and "Permitting smoking" (Section 6.1.1.1 (h) of the Public Health Protection Bylaw No. 6989) the operator was fined \$6,000 in March of this year.

Traffic Section:

During the month of March, 2009 the Richmond RCMP traffic section utilized the Automatic Plate Recognition Vehicle (ALPR) for 7 days. A total of approximately 10,000 plates were checked with 40 Violation Tickets and 3 prohibited drivers apprehended for various offences.

Richmond Detachment Traffic Statistics

Name	Act	Example	Jan	Feb	Mar
Violation Tickets	Provincial Act Offences	Speeding	1445	1881	1455
Notice & Orders	Equipment Violations	Broken Tail-light	660	638	711
Driving Suspension	Motor Vehicle Act	24 hour driving prohibition for alcohol or drugs	63	56	67
Parking Offences	Municipal Bylaw	On or off the street Municipal parking offences	62	56	22
MTI's	Municipal Ticket Information	Any other Municipal Bylaw offence	4	4	6

Community Policing Section

Adopt-A-School: Although most schools were closed during Spring Break, 138 visits were made to the local elementary and high schools during the month of March.

Auxiliary Program: Currently, the Richmond Detachment Auxiliary team boasts a complement of 33 active Auxiliary Constables with another 36 enrolled in the 2009 Troop due to graduate in the summer of this year.

Block Watch: Staff attended several meetings regarding updating the Telephone Notification Fan-out System. This system is used by staff to inform registered Block Watch participants of residential break and enters or other criminal activity in their neighbourhoods.

Criminal Activity Maps: The Block Watch/Crime Prevention Team has been nominated for a Richmond Chamber of Commerce 9-1-1 Award for the interactive Criminal Activity Maps. Visitors can view Richmond neighbourhood maps for current crime summaries of residential and business break and enters, auto thefts, and theft from motor vehicles. The site also has links to home and auto security tips. Please visit www.richmond.ca/crime

DARE: Congratulations to the 57 DARE class graduations during the month of March.

Presentations: There were 10 presentations by the Detachment Youth Section in the month of March, ranging in topics from cyber bullying, internet safety, bullying, drugs and general policing.

Crime Statistics:

January 2009 – see attachment "A"

February 2009 – see attachment "B"

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

The Officer In Charge, Richmond Detachment has developed a framework and will continue to provide a monthly reporting cycle to Community Safety Committee.

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JANUARY 2009 STATISTICS

	CURRENT PREV		JS MONTH	SAME MONTH, Previous year		YEAR-TO-DATE TOTALS			2-YEAR TREND
	Jan-09	Dec-08	% Change	Jan-08	% Change	2008 YTD	2009 YTD	% Change	
VIOLENT CRIME (UCR 1000-Series Offences)	89	106	-16,0%	80	11.3%	. 80	89	11.3%	
Robbery	7	9	-22.2%	6	16.7%	6	7	16.7%	→
Assault	46	64	-28.1%	58	-20.7%	58	46	-20.7%	→
Assault w/ Weapon	9	13	-30.8%	8	12.5%	8	9	12.5%	→
Sexual Assault	4	2	100.0%	3	33.3%	3	4	33.3%	→
PROPERTY CRIME (UCR 2000-Series Offences)	574	529	8.5%	527	8.9%	527	574	8.9%	
Business B&E	37	42	-11.9%	43	-14.0%	43	37	-14.0%	-
Residential B&E	73	70	4.3%	44	65.9%	44	73	65.9%	7
MV Theft	54	37	45.9%	22	145.5%	22	54	145.5%	→
Theft From MV	184	172	7.0%	162	13.6%	162	184	13.6%	→
Theft	121	113	7.1%	126	-4.0%	126	121	-4.0%	*
Shoplifting	63	40	57.5%	35	80.0%	35	63	80.0%	
Metal Theft	4	1	300.0%	20	-80.0%	20	4	-80.0%	*
Fraud	21	35	-40.0%	51	-58.8%	51	21	-58.8%	1
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE (UCR 3000-Seriés Offences)	315	354	-11.0%	324	-2.8%	324	315	-2.8%	-
Arson - Property	3	3	0.0%	7	-57.1%	7	3	-57.1%	
TOTAL. (UCR 1000- to 3000-Series)	978	959	2.0%	931	5.0%	931	978	5.0%	
CDSA - DRUGS (UCR 4000-Series Offences)	75	71	5.6%	101	-25.7%	101	75	-25.7%	1

This chart identifies the monthly totals for all founded Criminal Code offences, excluding Traffic Criminal Code. Based on Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) scoring, there are three categories: (1) Violent Crime, (2) Property Crime, and (3) Other Criminal Code. Within each category, particular offences are highlighted in this chart. In addition, totals for Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (CDSA) offences are included.

Percentage increases of more than 10% are marked in red, while decreases of more than 10% are blue. Please note that percentage changes are inflated in categories with small numbers (e.g.: Sexual Assault). The arrows in the right-hand column reflect the overall trend (increasing/decreasing/stable) of the past two years. See the following pages for more detailed trend lines.

NOTES

- Residential B&E totals have been increasing in the latter half of 2008 and continue to be quite high.
- After records lows in January 2008, the drastic decrease in MV Theft has slowed. Over the course of last year, monthly stolen MV totals increased gradually, and the two-year trend is stabilizing.



FEBRUARY 2009 STATISTICS

	GURRENT PREVIOUS MONTH		JS MONTH	1254 00 CONTO 1875 CO.	SAME MONTH, PREVIOUS YEAR		-TO-DATE T	OTALS	2-YEAR TREND
	Feb-09	Jan-09	% Change	Feb-08	% Change	2008 YTD	2009 YTD	% Change	
VIOLENT CRIME (UCR 1000-Series Offences)	92	89	3,4%	79	16.5%	159	152	-4,4%	
Robbery	5	7	-28.6%	10	-50.0%	16	12	-25.0%	>
Assault	50	46	8.7%	46	8.7%	104	96	-7.7%	→
Assault w/ Weapon	14	9	55.6%	11	27.3%	19	23	21.1%	—
Sexual Assault	3	4	-25.0%	6	-50.0%	9	7	-22.2%	*
PROPERTY CRIME (UCR 2000-Series Offences)	556	574	-3:1%	475	17.1%	1002	1130	12.8%	
Business B&E	41	37	10.8%	31	32.3%	74	78	5.4%	1
Residential B&E	59	73	-19.2%	40	47.5%	84	132	57.1%	_
MV Theft	33	54	-38.9%	27	22.2%	49	87	77.6%	→
Theft From MV	180	184	-2.2%	182	-1.1%	344	364	5.8%	→
Theft	106	121	-12.4%	106	0.0%	232	227	-2.2%	
Shoplifting	74	63	17.5%	33	124.2%	68	137	101.5%	
Metal Theft	3	4	-25.0%	11	-72.7%	31	7	-77.4%	\
Fraud	36	21	71.4%	39	-7.7%	90	57	-36.7%	1
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE (UCR 3000-Series Offences)	291	315	-7.6%	389	-25.2%	713	606	-15.0%	-
Arson - Property	3	3	0.0%	12	-75.0%	19	6	-68.4%	\rightarrow
TOTAL (UCR 1000- to 3000-Series)	939	978	-4.0%	943	-0.4%	1874	1888	0.7%	
CDSA - DRUGS (UCR 4000-Series Offences)	74	75	-1,3%	79	-6,3%	180	149	-17.2%	

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NOTES

- Residential B&E totals continue to be quite high, but thus far in 2009 they are lower than the peak in October 2008.
- Metal Theft has dropped dramatically since the economic downturn in the last quarter of 2008, when the
 price of metal feli.