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LOWER MAINLAND DISTRICT REGIONAL POLICE SERVICE – **CONNECTED TO OUR COMMUNITIES**

RCMP Richmond and Mental Health

April 2016

For Richmond City Hall
Community Safety

Cst. Heather Hall



Royal Canadian Gendarmerie royale
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Schedule 1 to the Minutes of the
Community Safety Committee
meeting of Richmond City
Council held on Tuesday, April
12, 2016.

RICHMOND RCMP & MENTAL HEALTH

- Richmond RCMP in 2007 determined that Mental Health calls to the Police were increasing and determined that a proactive approach to mental health in the community be a priority
- The Community of Richmond has embraced the role of the Mental Health Officer and many positive partnerships have been formed

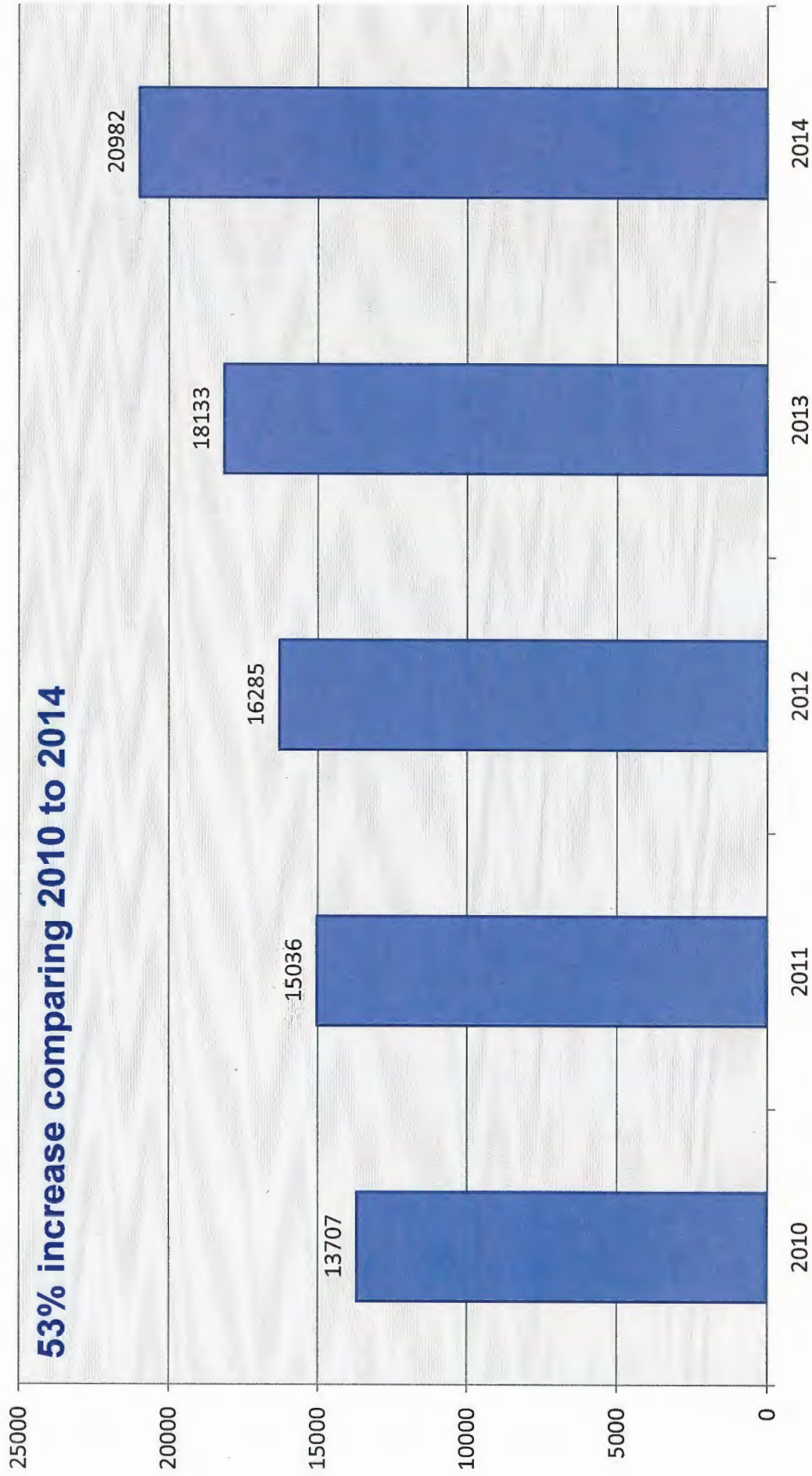


Facts and Stats:

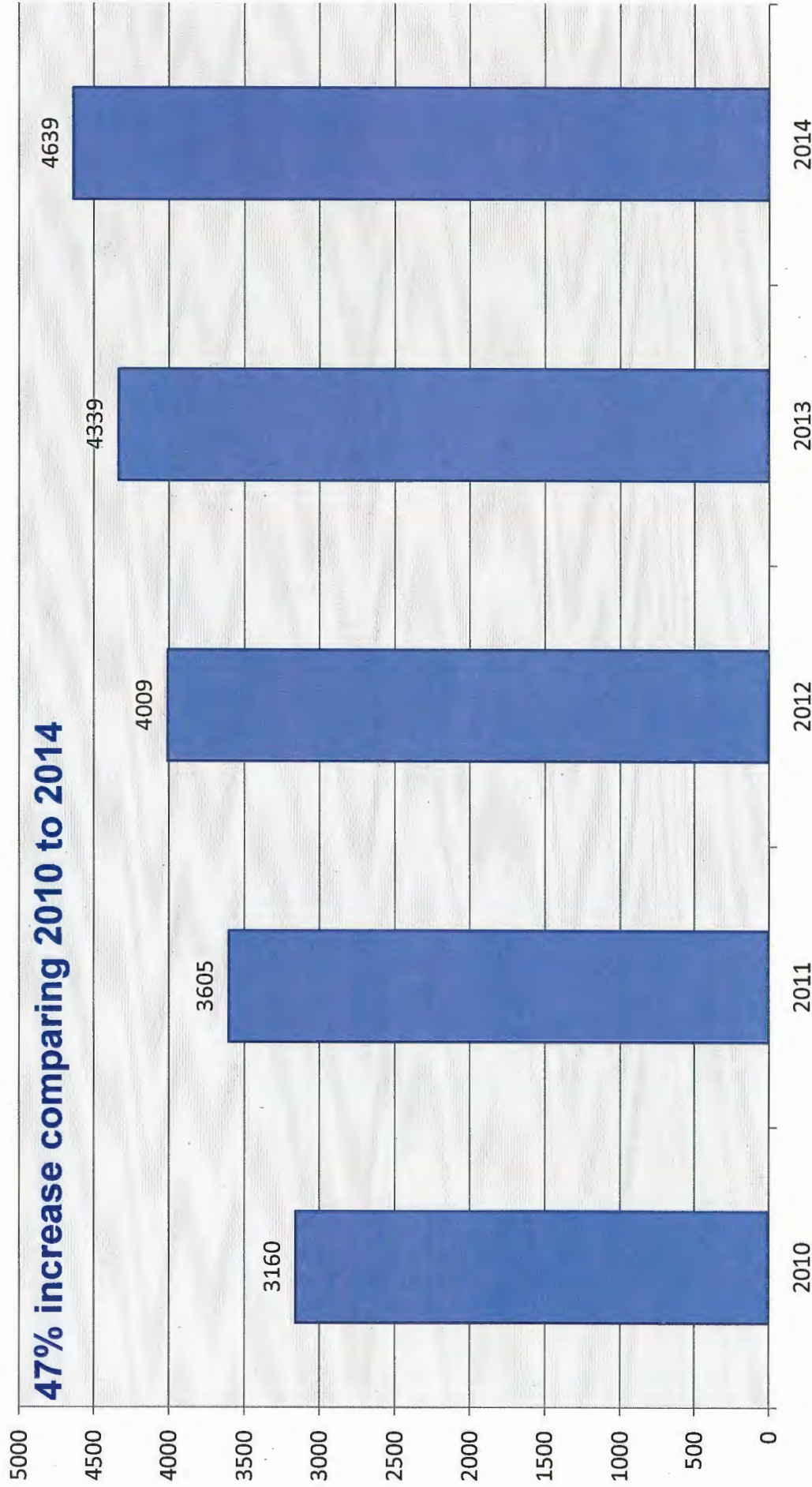
- Approximately 1 in 20 (5%) police dispatches or encounters involve persons with mental health problems, with rates ranging from 1% to 31%.
- About 2 in 5 (40%) people with mental illness have been arrested in their lifetime, ranging from 11% to 63%.
- Approximately 3 in 10 (30%) people with mental illness have had the police involved in their care pathway, with prevalence ranging from 15% to 52%.
- Over 50% of people with mental illness have a co-occurring substance use disorder
- 30-35% of Canada's homeless population suffer from some form of mental illness



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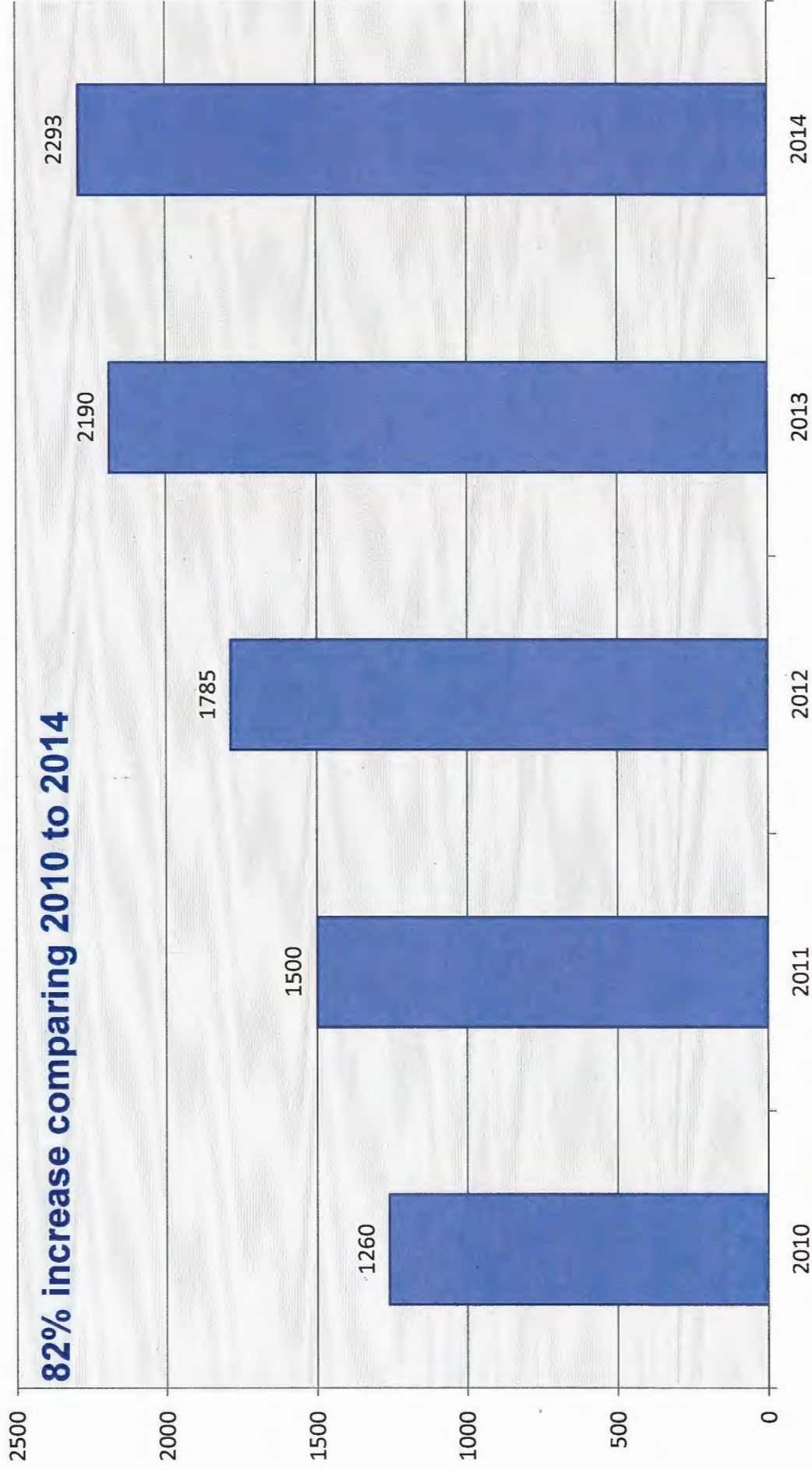


VANCOUVER COASTAL HEALTH



Includes Detachment totals from Bowen Island, North Vancouver, Richmond, Squamish, Sunshine Coast, University and Whistler/Pemberton

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Role of the Mental Health Constable

- Build/maintain partnerships with the Richmond Mental Health Community
- Ensure Richmond members are appropriately trained to deal with persons suffering from a mental health crisis
- Participate in community initiatives committees and education opportunities
- Be responsible for files involving high-risk/chronic clients in the Community
- Liaise with Crown Counsel when a Mental Health client is criminally charged
- Provide on-going support and consultation for Members in the field on a mental health call
- Conduct file reviews of all Mental Health calls



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