



To: Community Safety Committee **Date:** November 4, 2014
From: Rendall Nessel, Superintendent **File:** 09-5000-01/2014-Vol
 Officer In Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment 01 (14.28)
Re: RCMP's Monthly Report – October Activities

Staff Recommendation

That the report titled "RCMP's Monthly Report – October Activities", dated November 4, 2014, from the Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP be received for information.

Rendall Nessel, Superintendent
Officer In Charge, Richmond RCMP Detachment
(604-278-1212)

Att: 4

REPORT CONCURRENCE	
CONCURRENCE OF GENERAL MANAGER 	
REVIEWED BY STAFF REPORT / AGENDA REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE	INITIALS:
APPROVED BY CAO¹ 	

Staff Report

Origin

At the request of the Community Safety Committee, the Officer in Charge will keep Council informed on matters pertaining to policing in the Richmond community. This report supports Council's Term Goal #1 Community Safety:

To ensure Richmond remains a safe and desirable community to live, work and play in, through the delivery of effective public safety services that are targeted to the City's specific needs and priorities.

Analysis

Below is the RCMP's Monthly Report regarding October 2014 activities.

Noteworthy Files and Activities

Stabbing Near Bridgeport Skytrain

An investigation is underway after a man was stabbed near the Bridgeport Canada Line Station. Richmond RCMP and Transit Police Service were called to the area on October 3 just after 6:30 pm. One man was taken to hospital and is in stable condition. The suspect allegedly attempted to flee on foot on the Canada Line tracks, and was arrested and taken into custody. A news release was sent out on October 3 asking for witnesses to contact the RCMP.

Pedestrian Fatality

The detachment is investigating a fatal motor vehicle accident involving a pedestrian in the area of Blundell and St. Albans Roads. Richmond RCMP were called to Blundell Road just after 7:00 am on October 21, when a report was received of a pedestrian struck. The elderly Richmond resident was deceased at the scene after attempts to revive him were unsuccessful.

The driver of the vehicle that struck the man remained at the scene of the accident and is cooperating with the police. The road was closed to allow the Richmond Detachment's Road Safety Unit (RSU) and the Integrated Collision Analysis and Reconstruction Service (ICARS) to conduct their investigation.

The detachment sent out a news release to remind all members of the public to use caution in the darker driving conditions and further urge those out walking to wear bright clothing and take an extra second to ensure they can safely cross the street. The RCMP is also asking anyone who witnessed the incident to contact the Richmond RCMP. The Richmond RCMP encourages pedestrians to Stop, Look, Observe and Walk (#SLOW). Further on in the document #SLOW will be discussed in greater detail.

Pedestrian Struck at Minoru and Alderbridge

The detachment is investigating a serious motor vehicle crash involving a pedestrian that was struck on October 29 at Minoru near Alderbridge way. The elderly victim of the crash was rushed to hospital and suffered critical injuries. ICARS was called to investigate.

#SLOW

The Richmond RCMP joined by the City of Richmond, ICBC, citizens and the media participated in a pedestrian safety campaign launch on October 30 at 9:00 am. The 2014/2015 pedestrian safety campaign was initiated as a result of the numerous tragic pedestrian crashes in Richmond and to remind citizens to walk safer.

The pedestrian safety campaign kickoff took place at No. 3 Road and Saba and involved all emergency service agencies: RCMP, Richmond Fire Rescue, BC Ambulance Services, Transit Police and numerous volunteer groups from Richmond. The goal is to cause a cultural shift in the walking behaviours of Richmond citizens and to reach as many people as possible.

The #SLOW campaign stands for Stop, Look, Observe then Walk. To reach as many people as possible a multi-faceted approach is being used which included this major event. Social media is being used to get the message out as well as face-to-face contact by giving out hundreds of reflective decals. It is the detachment's hope to reduce the number of pedestrian deaths and injuries in Richmond by reminding our citizens to walk safely.

Community Policing

Highlights in October 2014 for Community Policing include:

- There were 83 residential and 18 business break and enter email alerts and 214 residential and 9 business letters were sent during this period to registered Richmond residents and businesses. These emails and letters were sent to inform home and business owners that a break and enter has occurred, provide crime prevention information, and direct residents and business owners to the crime prevention web pages.
- On October 1, two constables from Community Policing presented at a home safety fair at the Minoru Senior Centre on prevention tips for: break and enters, theft from vehicles and Block Watch information. There were 50 people in attendance.
- On October 27, one constable from Community Policing presented to a group at South Arm Community Centre on prevention tips for: break and enters, thefts from vehicles and pedestrian safety. There were 50 people in attendance.
- The Police Contact Information contact cards were distributed at various community centres, Sikh temples and presentation forums throughout the Richmond community. (Attachment 3)
- Theft from Motor Vehicle Crime Alerts were distributed at Richmond Community Centres as well as Watermania, Riverport and Minoru Aquatic Centre. (Attachment 4)

Richmond Detachment Stolen Auto Recovery and Lock Out Auto Crime Statistics

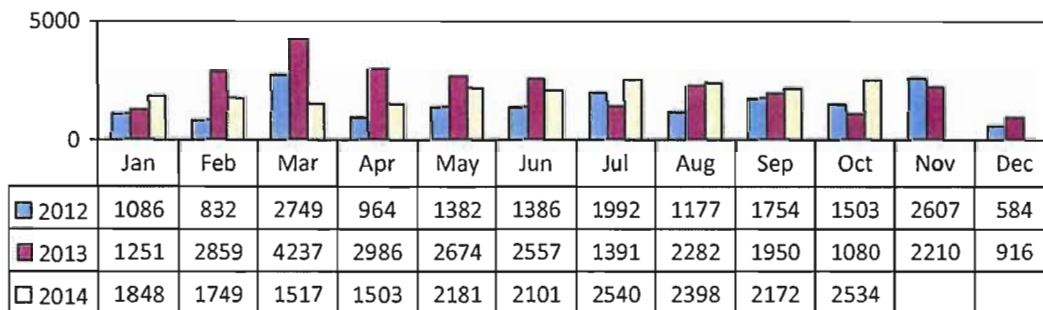
Notices supplied by ICBC are issued by a community volunteer and left on every car in a local parking lot. The notice contains the Community Police Station name, crime prevention tips, location and date of inspection, as well as a list of questions that have been checked “yes” or “no”. These notices indicate to the driver what issues need to be addressed in order to keep the vehicle safe. In October the volunteers were concentrating more on theft from autos as part of the Crime Reduction strategy.

Example questions:

- Does the vehicle have an anti-theft device? (e.g.: alarm, immobilizer or steering wheel-lock)
- Are there any personal belongings in plain view?
- Is the vehicle locked?
- Have all suitable steps been taken to prevent auto crime?

Figure 1 provides a comparison by year for the number of vehicles issued a notice.

Figure 1: Richmond Detachment Stolen Auto Recovery / Lock Out Auto Crime Vehicles Issued a Notice

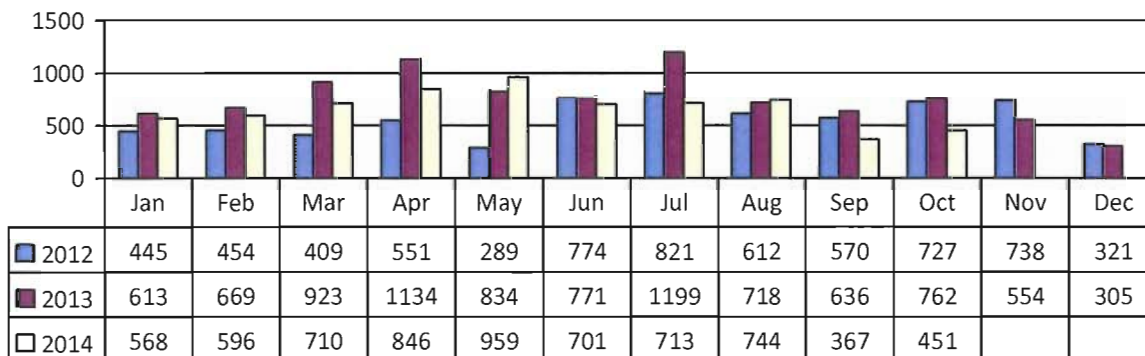


Richmond Detachment Speed Watch Statistics

Speed Watch promotes safe driving habits by alerting drivers of their speed in school zones and on roadways. Trained volunteers are equipped with radar and a speed watch reader board that gives drivers instant feedback regarding their speed. The volunteers record the license plate number and the speed, and a letter is sent to the vehicle’s registered owner when there is an infraction. The letter includes the date, time, location and what the penalties would be if the driver had received a violation ticket.

Figure 2 provides a comparison by year of the number of letters sent.

Figure 2: Richmond Detachment Speed Watch Letters Sent

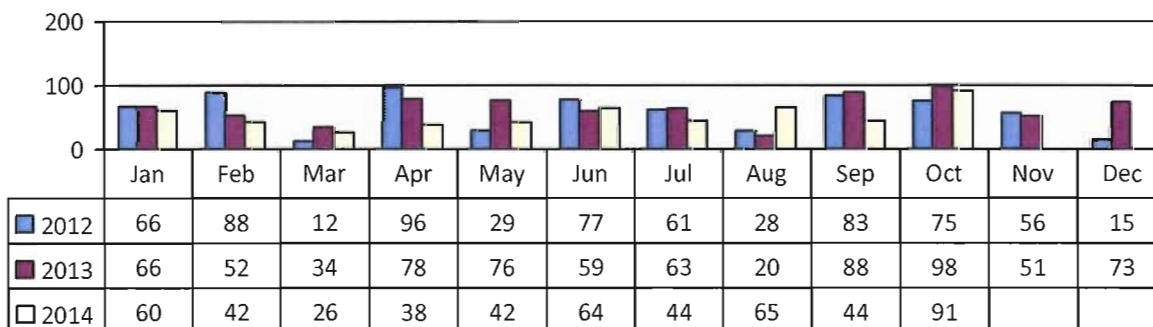


Richmond Detachment Distracted Drivers Statistics

While volunteers are doing bike/foot patrols or on Speed Watch duty, they note drivers that are on their cell phones; talking or texting, using other electronic devices, reading a newspaper, shaving or putting on makeup. The registered owner of the vehicle is sent a letter with the date, time and location. Also included in the letter is the type of driving infraction and amount the fine would be had the driver received a violation ticket. The continuous media messages from ICBC on the radio and television regarding distracter drivers seem to be reaching the population as the volunteers are not observing as many distracted drivers per volunteer shift.

Figure 3 provides a comparison by year for the number of letters sent.

Figure 3: Richmond Detachment Distracted Drivers Number of Letters Sent



Community Police Volunteer and Foot/Van Patrol Program

In October 2014, there were 8 bike patrols totaling 69 hours, as well as 14 foot/van patrols totaling 102 hours. The volunteers assisted the public with directions and general questions, witnessed minor vehicle collisions and offered assistance. They also reminded jaywalkers to use the crosswalks, noted any distracted drivers and used palm pilots to run license plates to see if any vehicles were stolen. During the patrols, the volunteers visited local parks and schools to make sure that everything was secure and looked for possible grow-ops and abandoned houses.

*Highlights in October**2014 for the Volunteers include:*

- On October 3 four City Centre Community Police Station volunteers went out with Crime Watch.
- 2 volunteers participated in an interview on distracted driving for CBC French Radio.
- 5 volunteers participated in the Lock Out Auto Crime Blitz on October 7 and gave out 305 notices in 2 hours.
- 14 volunteers participated in the Lock Out Auto Crime Blitz on October 16 and gave out 424 notices in 1.5 hours.
- ICBC requested volunteers for a 2 day Work Safe BC employee fair to highlight the Distracted Driver's Obstacle Course. The event was held on October 21 and October 22 from 10 am to 2 pm and 9 volunteers participated.
- 17 volunteers participated in the Lock Out Auto Crime Blitz on October 29 and gave out 425 notices in 1.5 hours.
- Volunteers participated in the Flash Mob # SLOW event on October 30 at No. 3 Road and Saba Road.
- 4 volunteers participated in the Crime Watch workshop held at the BC Crime Prevention Conference on October 30.
- A Mature Driver's workshop was held on October 14 at the Minoru Seniors Centre and there were 15 participants.

Road Safety Unit

Name	Act	Example	Aug	Sep	Oct
Violation Tickets	Provincial Act Offences	Speeding	809	607	820
Notice & Orders	Equipment Violations	Broken Tail-light	375	373	336
Driving Suspensions	Motor Vehicle Act	24 hour driving prohibition for alcohol or drugs	36	30	24
Parking Offences	Municipal Bylaw	On or off the street Municipal parking offences	10	10	13
MTI's	Municipal Ticket Information	Any other Municipal Bylaw offence	1	1	0

Victim Services

- From October 1, 2014 to October 31, 2014, Richmond RCMP Victim Services provided services to 52 new clients and attended 19 crime and trauma scenes, in addition to maintaining an active caseload of 187 on-going files.
- Victim Services provided on-going emotional support to help victims and witnesses of fatal motor vehicle crashes, robberies and homicides. Referrals are provided for long term help.
- Victim Services assisted in providing support to victim's families of two situations that involved elderly persons that were struck by vehicles. A third case involved a high speed crash into a local business. Victim Services provided support to the family.
- Victim Services provided support to a number of citizens concerned with the death of man in a local park.
- Victim Services provided support to a Richmond man who was notified of the death of his father who was murdered in another area of the lower mainland.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

The Officer in Charge, Richmond Detachment continues to ensure Richmond remains a safe and desirable community.



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- Att. 1: Crime Statistics
2: Crime Maps
3: Police Contact Information Card
4: Theft from Motor Vehicle Crime Alert



OCTOBER 2014 STATISTICS

This chart identifies the monthly totals for all founded Criminal Code incidents, 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 offence types are highlighted in this chart. In addition, monthly totals for Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (CDSA) incidents are included.

The Average Range data is based on activity in a single month over the past 5 years. If the current monthly total for an offence is above average, it will be noted in red, while below-average numbers will be noted in blue.

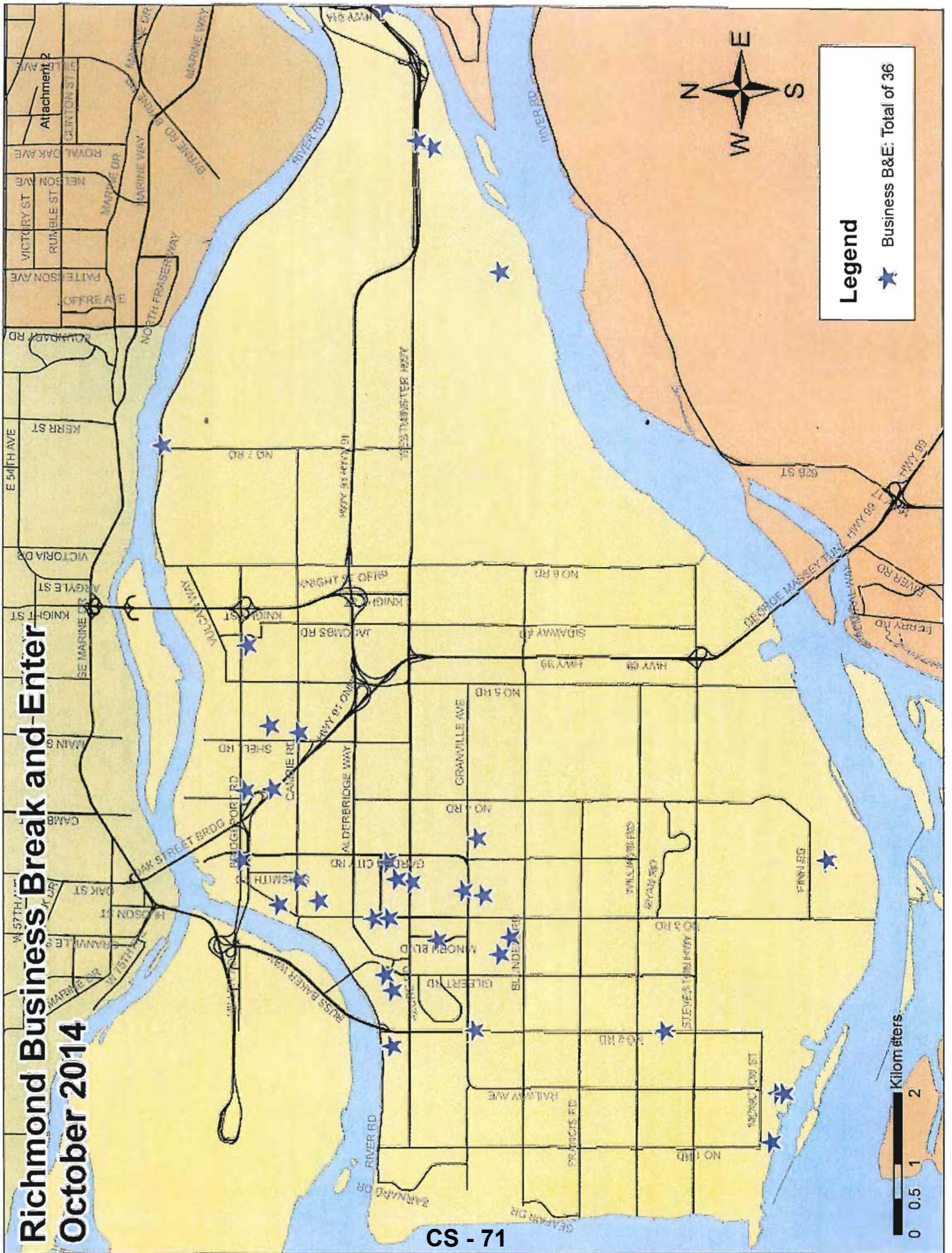
Year-to-Date percentage increases of more than 10% are marked in red, while decreases of more than 10% are blue. Please note that percentage changes are inflated in categories with small numbers (e.g.: Sexual Offences).

	CURRENT MONTH	5-YR AVERAGE	5-YR AVERAGE RANGE	YEAR-TO-DATE TOTALS			
	Oct-14			October		2013	2014
VIOLENT CRIME (UCR 1000-Series Offences)	89	119.8	112-128	1009	1016	0.7%	7
<i>Robbery</i>	5	12.4	9-16	56	56	0.0%	0
<i>Assault Common</i>	31	40.2	35-45	390	347	-11.0%	-43
<i>Assault w/ Weapon</i>	14	12.4	8-17	100	107	7.0%	7
<i>Sexual Offences</i>	3	2.6	2-4	45	80	77.8%	35
PROPERTY CRIME (UCR 2000-Series Offences)	651	679.2	589-769	5717	6915	21.0%	1198
<i>Business B&E</i>	36	44.2	31-57	331	327	-1.2%	-4
<i>Residential B&E</i>	85	56.6	45-68	597	712	19.3%	115
<i>MV Theft</i>	25	31.8	18-45	176	279	58.5%	103
<i>Theft From MV</i>	184	203.4	152-255	1318	2115	60.5%	797
<i>Theft</i>	98	108.6	84-133	1038	1094	5.4%	56
<i>Shoplifting</i>	60	53.4	48-59	689	561	-18.6%	-128
<i>Fraud</i>	43	44.2	35-53	421	476	13.1%	55
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE (UCR 3000-Series Offences)	190	165.6	139-192	1699	1901	11.9%	202
<i>Arson - Property</i>	4	7.8	4-11	40	56	40.0%	16
SUBTOTAL (UCR 1000- to 3000-Series)	930	965	878-1051	8425	9832	16.7%	1407
DRUGS (UCR 4000-Series Offences)	71	84.2	69-100	680	546	-19.7%	-134

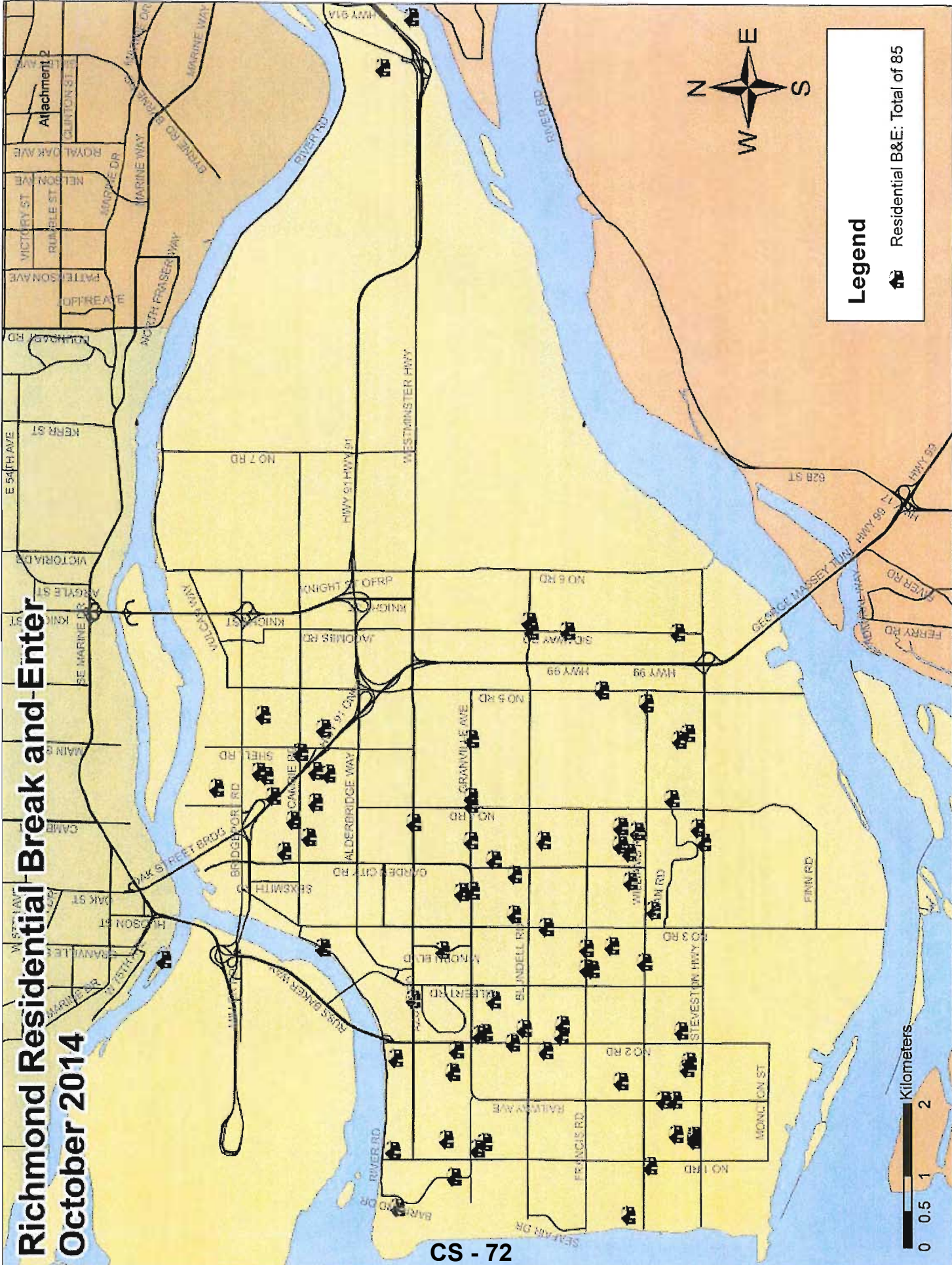
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Richmond Business Break and Enter October 2014

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Richmond Residential Break and Enter October 2014



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 Residential B&E: Total of 85

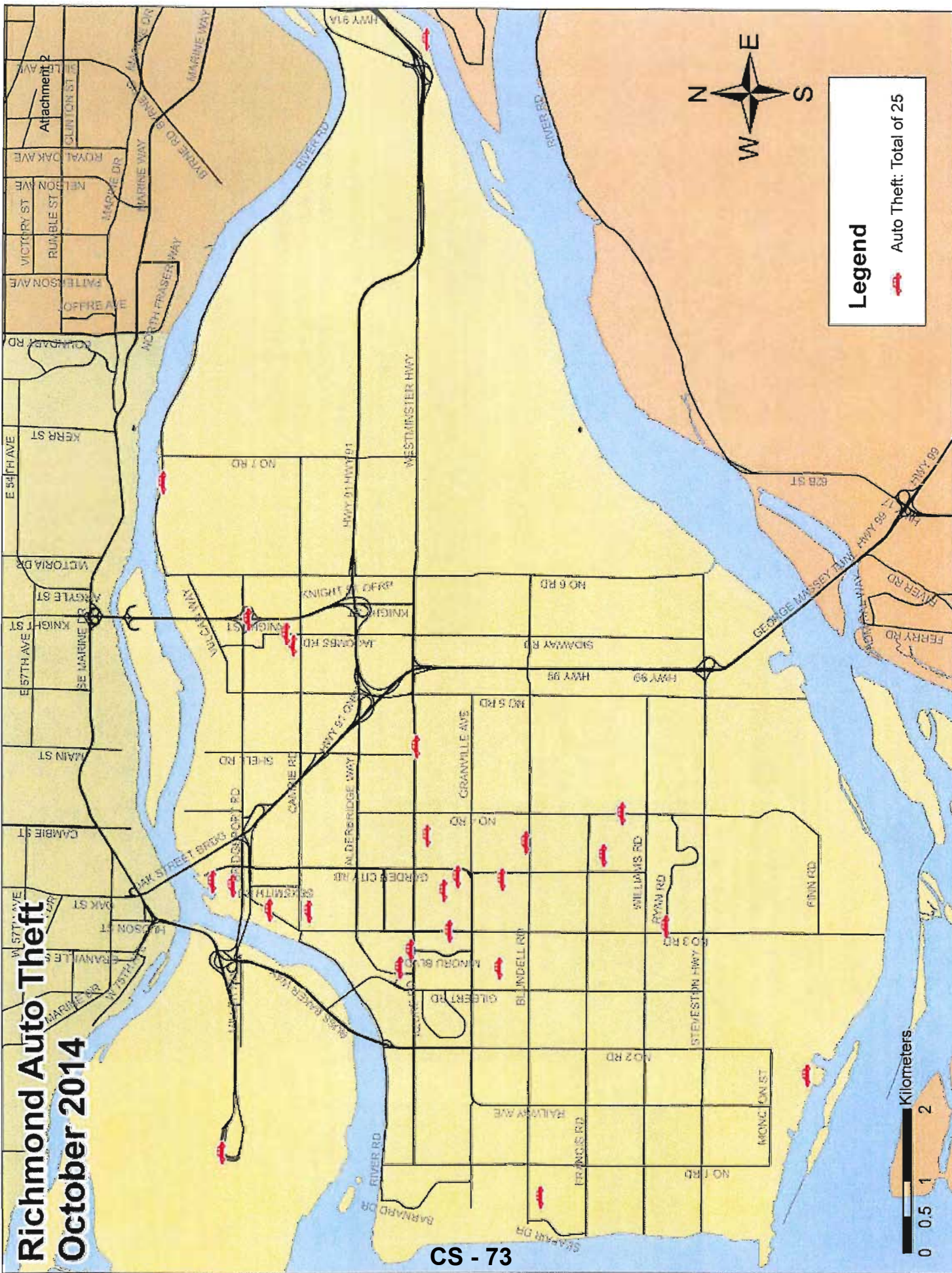


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Attachment 2

Richmond Auto Theft October 2014

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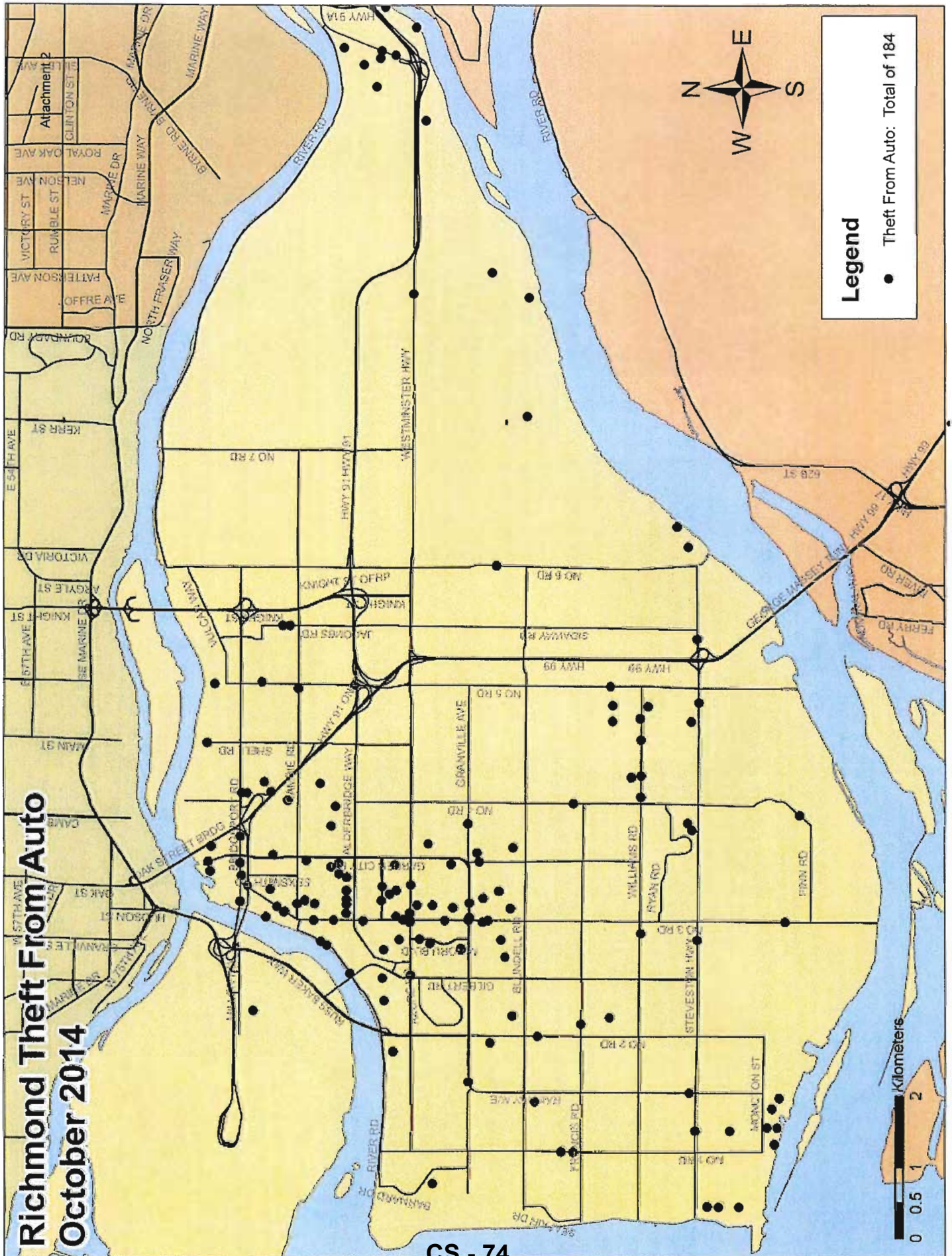


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 Auto Theft: Total of 25



Richmond Theft From Auto October 2014





Police Contact Information

Richmond RCMP – 11411 No. 5 Road, Richmond, BC
Emergency Phone: 9-1-1 / Non-Emergency 604-278-1212

**SERVICE IS AVAILABLE IN YOUR NATIVE LANGUAGE
– ASK THE CALL TAKER**

When to call Emergency - 911

- Risk of injury or death to any person.
- Crime in progress or just occurred.

When to call non-Emergency - (604) 278-1212

- There is no risk to the safety of any person.
- No urgent police attendance required, such as vehicle break in.
- To report information of interest to police, such as possible drug house.

Information the call taker / dispatcher will ask

Who

- Your full name as on government issued ID, address, birth date, and contact number (mobile / home).
- Details regarding the person(s) / vehicle(s) who prompted call to police – descriptors, location, name, licence plate, etc.

What

- Reason for calling the police.

When

- Is occurring now / or has already occurred.

Where

- Address and location of incident.
- Location to find the caller.

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警察聯絡 資料

列治文皇家騎警 — 卑詩省列治文市第五路11411號

緊急電話：9-1-1 / 非緊急電話：604-278-1212

我們能以你的母語提供服務

— 請向接線生提出要求

何時撥緊急電話 — 911

- 任何人有受傷或死亡的危險。
- 罪案正在發生，或不久前發生。

何時撥非緊急電話 — (604) 278-1212

- 沒有任何人的安全受到威脅。
- 不需警方立即到場，例如車內財物被竊。
- 舉報警方想知道的消息，例如懷疑有毒品屋。

接線生／調派員會問的資料

人物

- 您在政府身份證明文件上的全名、地址、出生日期，以及聯絡電話（手機／住宅）。
- 關於令您報警的人物／汽車的細節 — 特徵、地點、名稱、車牌號碼等。

性質

- 報警的原因。

時間

- 正在發生／已發生。

地點

- 事發地點及地址。
- 可以找到報案人的地點。





CRIME ALERT

- THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLES -

The Richmond RCMP would like to inform you that a theft from motor vehicle occurred in your neighbourhood. For information regarding neighbourhood criminal activity, please visit www.richmond.ca/crime and drill down to your neighbourhood.

How you can help

- Report suspicious activities to the RCMP: **604-278-1212**
- Report crimes in progress: **9-1-1**

Crime prevention tips

Visit www.richmond.ca/safety/police/personal/vehicle for information to improve the security of your vehicle.

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11411 No.5 Road

Phone: 604-278-1212

For Emergencies Call 9-1-1

Steveston Community Police Station

4371 Moncton Street

Phone: 604-713-2323

Fax: 604-713-2309

Monday to Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

City Centre Community Police Station

140-5671 No 3 Road

Phone: 604-207-4761

Fax: 604-270-9372

Monday–Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 pm.

South Arm Community Police Station

8880 Williams Road

Phone: 604-713-2300

Fax: 604-713-2349

Monday–Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Closed statutory holidays

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