



REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

2018 Third Quarter

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SGT. MARK BLOXHAM RETURNS FROM INTERNATIONAL POLICING MISSION

On July 1, 2017, Sgt. Mark Bloxham arrived in Jerusalem and celebrated what was left of Canada Day in the Middle East. Surrounded by fellow Canadians taking part in Operation PROTEUS, it would be a year to the day before he would return home.

Operation PROTEUS, Canada's contribution to the Office of the United States Security Coordinator (USSC), is a critical part of Canadian effort in the Middle East peace process. Members of the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) serve the USSC team to help the Palestinian Authority Security Forces (PASF) build capacity in training, logistics, and professionalism.

Assigned to Rotation 18, CAF, Operation PROTEUS, Sgt. Bloxham was stationed in the occupied West Bank of Jericho, Palestine and worked out of the Palestinian Officer's Academy (POA). His primary objectives were to assist in the professionalization of the PASF, specifically the leadership and tactics of the POA, while participating in the design and delivery of the Junior Officer Leadership Course.

Sgt. Bloxham is a 25 year member of the EPS and has had previous international policing experience.



RECRUIT TRAINING CLASS 141 GRADUATES IN JULY

EPS Chief Rod Knecht and Lacombe Police Chief Lorne Blumhagen congratulate Const. Derek Lewko, Lacombe's newest recruit.

Friends and family celebrated the swearing in of 28 new members of EPS from Recruit Training Class (RTC) 141 on July 27. RTC 141 marks a milestone as this was the first time a Lacombe Police service member received recruit training in partnership with EPS.



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OVER 3,300 TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS ISSUED DURING "BIG TICKET EVENT"

EPS officers and City of Edmonton automated enforcement handed out a total of 3,331 traffic violations during Operation 24 Hours.

The 24-hour enforcement period took place on Sept. 6. Of the total 3,331 traffic violations, 2,507 were solely related to speed while 824 violations were for seatbelt infractions, distracted driving and other Traffic Safety Act violations.

EPS and the City of Edmonton coordinate regular enforcement campaigns throughout the year (such as Operation 24 Hours) to improve traffic safety on Edmonton's roadways.



"DO THE MATH. SPEED KILLS!"

Edmonton area roads became even more congested in early Sept., when more than 150,000 students returned to school across the city.

"Without question, our roadways get very busy," says Kerry Bates, EPS Traffic Safety Coordinator. "It's extremely important for pedestrians and motorists alike to pay attention to the rules of the road to help keep one another safe."

Police especially wanted to remind motorists to "slow down" and adhere to the 30 km/h speed limits in and around Playground Zones near schools.

During the 2016-17 school year, (Sept. 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017), the city's Traffic Safety Services (TSS) mailed out more than 46,000 speeding tickets to drivers, who were caught speeding through School/Playground Zones by its photo radar vehicles. During the 2017-18 school year (same time frame), TSS mailed out over 30,000 tickets, a 35 per cent reduction.

EPS manned enforcement issued more than 8,400 tickets to motorists speeding through School/Playground Zones, during the 2017-18 school year.

EPS re-launched its familiar "Be a textbook driver" public awareness campaign in early Sept., in conjunction with the first day of school. The public awareness campaign reminds motorists to slow down and be mindful of the 30 km/h speed limit in Playground Zones located on the perimeters around schools across Edmonton.



Const. Brett Chipchase, NE STAT (Specialized Traffic Apprehension Team), reminds motorists to slow down and adhere to the 30 km/h speed limit in and around Playground Zones near schools.



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KEEP YOUR BIKE SAFE

EPS recovers 225 to 300 bicycles each week, believed to be abandoned or stolen. Only 24 per cent are returned to owners as EPS is unable to return bikes to people who cannot prove ownership. Approximately 75 per cent of the recovered bicycles are sent to city auction.

To prove ownership of a bicycle, owners need to remember one key piece of information: the bike's serial number.

To increase the number of reunions between owners and their bicycles, EPS developed a public education campaign to remind all cyclists to keep their bikes safe by following three simple steps:

- 1) Recording the bike's serial number
- 2 Always locking up the bike
- 3) Reporting bike theft to police

For more information: <http://www.edmontonpolice.ca/biketheft>.



RAINY RIDE

On Sept. 8, nine members of EPS Northeast Beats participated in the 2018 Courage Ride for Rehab in support of the Glenrose Rehabilitation Hospital Foundation. The members rode the 60 km distance in full uniform, that's approximately 30 lbs of equipment. Everyone who participated in this ride had a challenging day in rainy, windy conditions.



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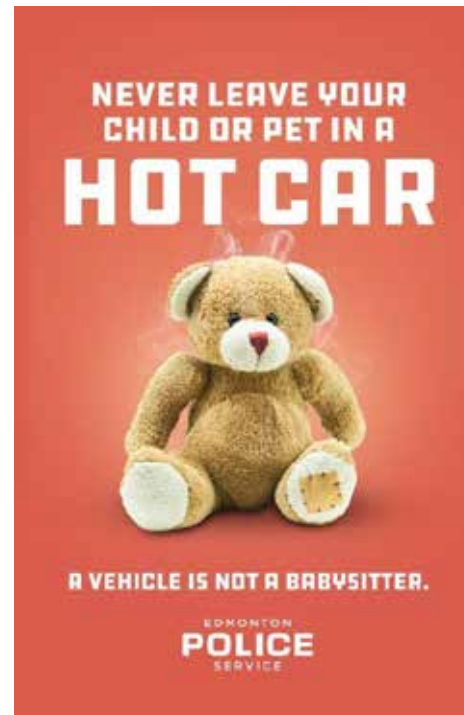
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A VEHICLE IS NOT A BABYSITTER

On a warm day, even vehicles parked in the shade with windows down can reach a staggering 49 C in minutes. In addition to risks of heatstroke and medical distress, a thief could easily steal the vehicle, not knowing there is a child or pet left inside. Left unattended, children can also put the car in motion by moving the gear shift or by playing with the brakes.

EPS's "A Vehicle is Not a Babysitter" campaign ran in July and August, resulting in a 33.3 per cent decrease in the number of police calls involving children left alone in vehicles compared to the number of cases seen the previous summer.

For more information: <http://www.edmontonpolice.ca/CrimePrevention/PersonalFamilySafety/ChildProtection/kidsincars.aspx>



SQUATS FOR TOTS EVENT RAISES THOUSANDS FOR LOCAL CHARITY

On Sept. 8, 2018, more than 20 participants and volunteers convened at Evolve Strength Gym to squat for a good cause raising more than \$12,000 for the Kids with Cancer Society.

In its fifth year, the Squats for Tots event was born in 2014 when Const. Jed Winter with EPS Southwest Division Patrol had an idea for a fitness-based fundraiser.

"I had a random idea for a fun fitness fundraiser and just wondered what it might be like to follow through on it," says Winter.

"When someone mentioned the Kids with Cancer Society as a recipient of the funds, and I heard about all of the great work they do supporting sick kids and their families, I knew I had to make it happen."

Winter and his friend Yukon Jack were working on their personal bests in power-lifting at the time. This gave Winter the idea that others were likely doing the same and that a friendly competition doubling as a fundraiser may be a fun way for them all to work towards these goals. Weighted squats became the activity of choice for the competition and Winter developed a multi-category event in which those achieving the highest number of squats in a weight category would receive a prize. All prizes were and continue to be generously donated by the Edmonton Police Association and other community partners.



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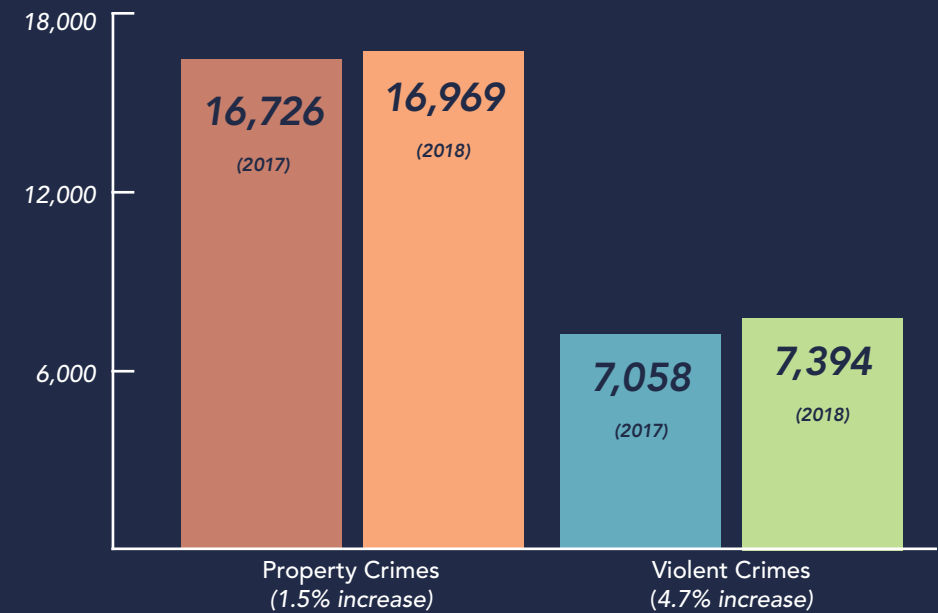
EPS EMPLOYEES WALK A MILE

On Wed., Sept. 12, 2018, EPS employees joined hundreds of participants in the annual Walk a Mile in Her Shoes charity event. The unseasonal snow began just as the walk commenced, and employees walked fabulously and courageously in bright heels, as a show of support for all families who walk away from abusive homes.

In total, the event raised over \$230,000 to support YWCA Edmonton and their domestic violence prevention and recovery programs.



OVERALL CRIME IN THE EIGHT CRIME INDICATORS 2017 AND 2018 YEAR-TO-DATE COMPARISONS



For January to September, property crimes increased by 1.1 percent and violent crimes increased by 4.2 per cent compared to the same time frame in 2017.

THE EIGHT CRIME INDICATORS ARE:

PROPERTY CRIMES

- Break and enter
- Theft from vehicle
- Theft of vehicle
- Theft over \$5,000

VIOLENT CRIMES

- Homicide
- Assault
- Sexual assault
- Robbery

The eight crime indicators are measured daily and the data is used to focus on criminal activity and identify trends, patterns, and hot spots in Edmonton. Police resources are then deployed to address emerging and enduring crime and disorder issues. Violent crime statistics are based on the number of victims of crime, rather than the number of incidents of crime.

Source CSR-12 UCR Violations, ran October 9, 2018

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FOUR FOOTED EPS MEMBER BRINGS HOME THE GOLD

For the fourth consecutive year, a member of the EPS Canine Unit claimed the Top Dog award, Const. Kelly Lang and PSD Fozzy.

The EPS's Canine Unit was in Vancouver in early Sept. to participate in the Police Canine Association (CPCA) Trials.

More than 35 Canadian teams including both general duty and specialized detection dogs faced various challenges to test skills such as tracking, criminal apprehension, agility and obedience.

CPCA events took place across the greater Vancouver area from North Vancouver to New Westminister. A public event was hosted in Stanley Park to test the agility, obedience, and arrest demonstrations of our four-legged protectors.

Commitment, focus, dedication, and pride – this strong relationship between the handlers and PSDs is nothing short of amazing teamwork.

Three of the four EPS teams placed in the top five overall.



PSD Fozzy shows off some of the hardware that he and other members of the EPS Canine Unit brought home from the CPCA Trials.

POLICE MEMORIAL

Hundreds of people gathered in Edmonton on Sept. 30 for the 2018 Police and Peace Officers Memorial. Police and peace officers from across the province marched to the lawn of the Alberta Legislature for the ceremony, which honoured officers who have lost their lives in active service in the province.



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EPS STAFF COMPLEMENT

SWORN, CIVILIAN, AND RECRUITS

STAFF	2018 AUTHORIZED FTE'S	2018 FTE'S AS OF 2018 JUNE 30	VACANCIES (OVER STRENGTH)
SWORN	1,817.00	1,787.83	29.17
RECRUITS	0.00	67.00	(67.00)
CIVILIANS	816.50	781.68	34.82
FULL COMPLEMENT	2,633.50	2,636.51	(3.01)

The authorized FTE's represent 2,633.50 authorized positions in 2018

OTHER COMMISSION AND EPS PUBLICATIONS

The Edmonton Police Commission and the Edmonton Police Service publish a number of reports that provide further details on policing in Edmonton.

OPERATIONAL AREA	PUBLICATION
Performance Measurement	Annual Policing Plan
Performance Results	Annual Policing Plan Report Card
Complaints Against EPS	Professional Standards Branch Annual Report
Citizen Opinions on Policing	Citizen Survey

All publications can be found at www.edmontonpolicecommission.ca and www.edmontonpolice.ca

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EDMONTON POLICE COMMISSION (EPC) & AUDIT BUDGET VARIANCE BY MAJOR CATEGORY FOR THE PERIOD ENDING SEPT 30, 2018 (000S)

	CURRENT PERIOD				YEAR END FORECAST			
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	%	BUDGET	PROJECTION	VARIANCE	%
EXPENDITURES								
PERSONNEL								
Salary	684	563	121	18%	929	929	-	0%
Benefits	146	85	61	42%	201	201	-	0%
EPC Overtime	5	1	4	80%	7	7	-	0%
	835	649	186	22%	1,137	1,137	-	0%
NON-PERSONNEL								
Materials & Supplies	3	2	1	34%	3	3	-	0%
Furniture & Equipment	9	2	7	77%	10	10	-	0%
Contracts & Services	407	304	103	25%	559	559	-	0%
Building Cost	117	117	(0)	0%	156	156	-	0%
Travel and Training	76	49	27	35%	98	98	-	0%
Other General Costs	22	12	10	47%	23	23	-	0%
	633	486	148	23%	849	849	-	0%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,469	1,135	334	23%	849	849	-	0%
REVENUE	-	0	0		-	0	-	
NET POSITION	1,469	1,135	334	23%	1,986	1,986	0	0%

2018 COMMISSIONER MEETING ATTENDANCE RECORD

COMMISSIONER	# COMMISSION MEETINGS ATTENDED
TIM O'BRIEN, CHAIR	8/8
MICKI RUTH, VICE CHAIR	8/8
KAREN MACKENZE	8/8
LAURIE HAWN	8/8
JANET-SUE HAMILTON	7/8
ANEELA HUSSAINALY	8/8
JOHN MCDUGALL	5/8
ERICK AMBTMAN	7/8
SARAH HAMILTON	7/8
SCOTT MCKEEN	7/8

Visit the Edmonton Police Commission website to view attendance at standing committee meetings.

The Edmonton Police Commission budget is part of the overall budget allocated to the Edmonton Police Service.

EXPENSES

FOR THE PERIOD ENDING SEPTEMBER 2018

	J. Krikler	T.O'Brien	M. Ruth	K. Mackenzie	L. Hawn	J. McDougall	A. Hussainaly	J. Hamilton	E.Ambtman
Conferences	1792.36	1732.83	2818.12		1617.3	2030.82			
Hosting	14.75								
TOTAL	\$1,807.11	\$1,732.83	\$2,818.12	\$0.00	\$1,617.30	\$2,030.82	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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BUDGET VARIANCE BY MAJOR CATEGORY OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES THIRD QUARTER FORECAST (\$000'S)

	CURRENT PERIOD				PROJECTED YEAR-END			
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	%	BUDGET	PROJECTION	VARIANCE	%
REVENUE	73,337	73,313	(24)	0.0%	97,704	96,395	(1,309)	-1.3%
<i>Personnel</i>	230,061	235,188	(5,127)	-2.2%	358,951	361,570	(2,619)	-0.7%
<i>Non-Personnel</i>	43,511	40,331	3,180	7.3%	66,699	62,964	3,735	5.6%
EXPENSE	273,572	275,519	(1,947)	-0.7%	425,650	424,534	1,116	0.3%
TCA					9,431	9,431	-	0.0%
TRANSFER TO/FROM EPS RESERVE	-	-	-	0.0%	-	(193)	193	0.0%
NET POSITION	200,235	202,206	(1,971)	-1.0%	337,377	337,377	-	0.0%

