



REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

2018 Fourth Quarter

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CONSTABLE RECOGNIZED AS UNSUNG HERO

Constable Amanda Trenchard won the John Carion Unsung Hero award at the International Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) conference in Las Vegas in November 2018.

"I'm proud to be recognized for something I love to do" said Trenchard. "This is my passion."

Amanda was nominated by the Alberta Committee of the LETR, and the nomination was evaluated against competing nominations from around the world. In the words of the LETR's Executive Council, the award recognizes, "Outstanding individuals who have contributed to the success of LETR on a local state and community level, someone who contributes to the torch run and Special Olympics in sport, dedication and enthusiasm in an effective and unheralded fashion."

The award was created in memory of John Carion from the Sterling Police Department in Missouri, USA. John was a low key, effective leader in the torch run effort, and encouraged law enforcement volunteerism for the Special Olympics program.

Since 2010, Constable Trenchard has been the service's LETR Coordinator and is currently the Edmonton Region Chair.



Constable Trenchard (second from right) receives her award at the LETR International Conference.

ACTS OF BRAVERY RECOGNIZED

The Royal Canadian Humane Association (RCHA) recognized 30 Albertans for exceptional acts of bravery and lifesaving at a ceremony at police headquarters in October, 2018.

The Honourable Lois E. Mitchell, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, EPS Chief Rod Knecht, and RCHA President Rudy Berghuys presented the awards. Among those being recognized were five EPS officers whose actions went above and beyond the call of duty.

Constables Jessica Ulmer, Andrew Fahlman, Timothy McCallum, and Sergeant Glen Klose each received the Bronze Medal of Bravery for rescuing elderly residents from an apartment complex fire in September 2016.

Constable Michael Chernyk received the Silver Medal for Bravery for fighting off an attacker intent on taking his firearm after being run down by the attacker's vehicle in September 2017.

The RCHA was established in Canada in 1894 by Queen Victoria to honour the courage and sacrifice of rescuers.



Constable Jessica Ulmer with Chief Rod Knecht and the Honourable Lois E. Mitchell, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta.

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BUMPER YEAR FOR GIVING BACK

The last months of 2018 saw many EPS employees making an extra effort to lend a hand to those in our city who need it most. Here are a few notable initiatives:

Blue Santa

Throughout December, in collaboration with 630 CHED's Santa's Anonymous, EPS members delivered Christmas gifts to Edmonton families.



Gift Bags for Youth

In July, a citizen reached out to EPS seeking assistance with a Christmas project to provide gift bags to 100 youth in Edmonton who access community outreach services. The bags contained hoodies, mitts, socks and toques. In late December, EPS members delivered 50 bags to youth at the Boyle Street Youth Unit and another 50 bags to Youth Empowerment and Support Services.

Santa's Anonymous Potluck

Integrated Operations Facility held its 8th Annual Santa's Anonymous Christmas Potluck Luncheon raising \$850.

Sock Drive

Recruit Training Class 144 donated new and lightly-used socks to Edmonton's homeless shelters.

Shopping Spree

Northeast Division officers took kids on a shopping spree at Londonderry Mall. The CopShop event makes the holidays brighter for deserving youth and helps build positive relationships between young Edmontonians and police.

EPS Christmas Family

Northeast Division surprised a family, a single mom in her 40s with four kids (two boys and two girls), by making their entire Christmas wish lists a reality.

Fill a Purse for a Sister

This campaign provides comfort to women by collecting and sharing new and gently used purses filled with personal necessities. This year, EPS delivered 56 purses to the Hope Mission, Edmonton Food Bank, Salvation Army, WIN and three services in St. Albert.

Stuff a Police Cruiser

Stuff a police car helps those who are struggling to feed their families. This year, donated food filled a Ford Explorer.

Pancake Breakfast

West Division held a pancake breakfast at Sherwood School. They also collected money from members, presenting it to the Bent Arrow Traditional Healing Society for their Coyote Mentoring Program.

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MONUMENT FOR FIRST EDMONTON POLICE OFFICER KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY

The first Edmonton police officer killed in the line of duty, Constable Frank Beevers, was honoured with a monument after it was discovered his grave was left unmarked for nearly a century.

Constable Beevers was killed on October 17, 1918, while attempting to arrest a fugitive wanted for the robbery and murder of a local businessman.

Three days later he was laid to rest with full police honours at Edmonton Cemetery, but for reasons unknown, a permanent marker was never installed.

In 2016, local amateur historian Sheila Thomas discovered Beevers did not have a headstone on his grave, and approached the EPS with her findings.

There was overwhelming support to recognize Constable Beevers' service and sacrifice, and Edmonton Granite Memorials graciously donated the headstone, which was installed to mark the 100-year anniversary of his death.

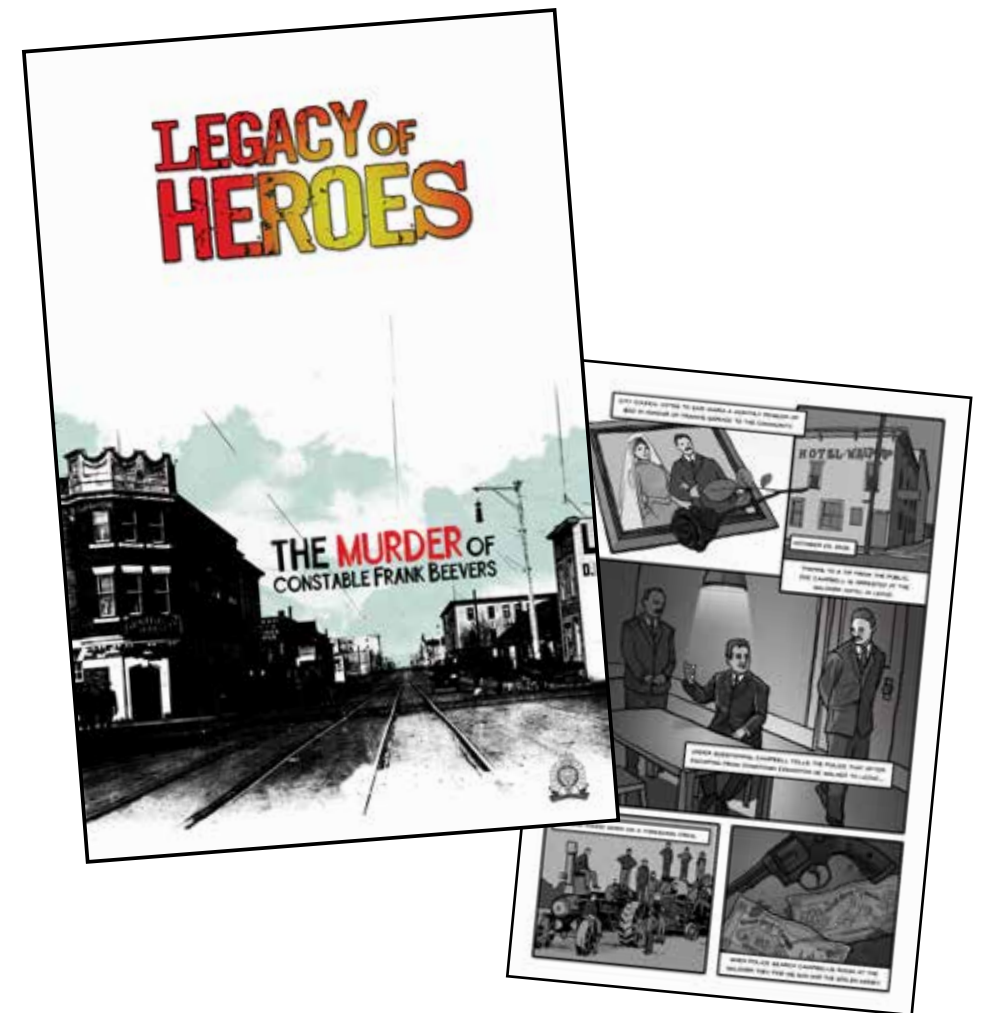
Members of the EPS, community, and Beevers family participated in the official dedication ceremony at the fallen officer's grave on October 11, 2018.



Graham Beevers and Candy Johnson, relatives of Constable Beevers, travelled from London, England, to participate in the unveiling of the new monument.

LEGACY OF HEROES 6

The first police officer killed-in-the line of duty in Edmonton, Constable Frank Beevers, is the subject of Legacy of Heroes 6. With over 80,000 copies in print, the on-going comic book series chronicles important moments in EPS history. The comics are available free-of-charge through EPS divisional stations.



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THE GOOD OLD HOCKEY GAME CELEBRATES 10 YEARS

On December 28, Downtown Division and other EPS officers laced up their skates for a friendly game of hockey marking the 10th annual McCauley Cup.

“We’ve received so much positive feedback from the community about the game,” says Constable Andrew Melney with Downtown Division and organizer of the McCauley Cup. “This game marked a milestone in the community and continues to gain more and more popularity by the year.”

The 10th McCauley Cup saw more than 50 kids, and almost as many officers, participate, including incoming EPS Chief Dale McFee. Councillor Scott McKeen proclaimed McCauley Cup Day in Edmonton and there was a surprise visit from Leon Draisatl of the Edmonton Oilers who signed and gave hockey sticks to the kids.

The McCauley Cup was created by a Downtown Beat officer who wanted to bridge the gap between police and the community. Since then, the game has grown in popularity every year and no matter the weather, youth from the neighbourhood are always eager to showcase their skills to their opponent police officers and spectators.



Chief Kevin Brezinski starts the game by dropping the puck for a youngster and incoming Chief Dale McFee.

OFFICER HONOURED WITH COMMUNITY POLICING AWARD

Constable Raj Sekhon from Northeast Division was honoured as the 2017 Community Policing Award recipient.

The annual award was created by the Neighbourhood Patrol Society to acknowledge and thank exceptional EPS members who have worked hard to develop and promote community policing.

Constable Sekhon and his partner came across a man of no fixed address who was known to them. They approached the man to ask how he was doing. Upon noticing the dilapidated condition of the man’s shoes, the man told officers he was hoping to find a new pair as his feet were always wet. Constable Sekhon noted they shared the same shoe size and arranged to meet the man at a nearby coffee shop in 10 minutes. Constable Sekhon went back to the station, grabbed his spare pair of boots, and took them to the coffee shop where he gave them to the man.

The kindness and compassion shown by Constable Sekhon, a 12-year veteran of the service, literally gave someone the shoes off his feet.

In addition, two other EPS members were recognized for the Community Policing Award. Sergeant Alanna Harrison from the Intelligence and Investigation Division, and Andrea Levey from Indigenous Relations Detail.

The Edmonton Neighbourhood Patrol Society is a volunteer organization that assists the community and police in identifying and reporting suspicious activity in neighbourhoods and has been actively helping to create safer communities for over 20 years.



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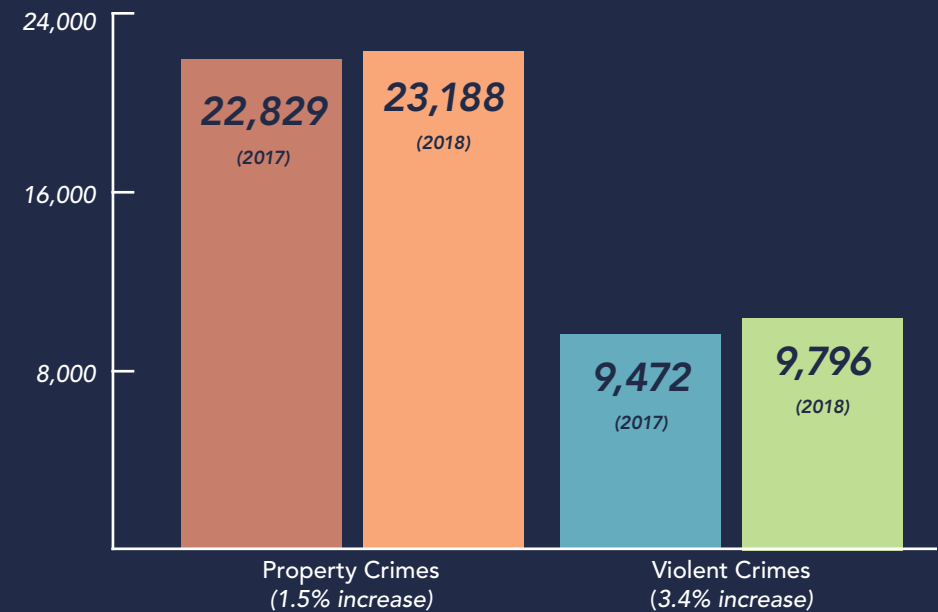
CHIEF KNECHT RETIREMENT

In October, Chief Rod Knecht retired from the EPS. Knecht, a 40-year veteran of policing, occupied the position for over seven years. During a year-end interview, Chief Knecht said, "The Edmonton Police Service is positioned well for the future. We have strong leadership at every level. We are the best equipped and the best trained police service in Canada, and arguably, in North America."

After a nationwide search, the Edmonton Police Commission announced that Dale McFee, a former chief in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, and current Deputy Minister of Corrections and Policing in Saskatchewan, was chosen as Edmonton's new Chief of Police. He will be sworn in on Feb. 1, 2019.



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



For 2018, property crimes increased by 1.5 per cent and violent crimes increased by 3.4 per cent compared to property crime indicators 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: Cognos CSR-12 UCR Violations, generated January 9th, 2019

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TRAP TEAM ARRESTS AND CHARGES 236 PEOPLE WITH AUTO THEFT IN 2018

The EPS Targeted Response to Auto-theft Prevention (TRAP) team charged 236 people with auto-theft related offences and recovered 218 vehicles in 2018. In only its second year of operation, TRAP's impact on auto theft in Edmonton was significant, as members of the EPS Unit recovered more than \$4,641,000 in stolen vehicles.

"These numbers certainly demonstrate the progress that our team is making," says Sergeant Quinton Cruise, of the EPS TRAP team. "Unfortunately, there's no shortage of work for our members these days, though it's certainly rewarding to bring more and more of these stolen auto investigations to a positive conclusion."

In many cases, says Cruise, the vehicle stolen is a crime of opportunity, and one that is preventable.

"Criminals are often scoping out their targets beforehand, looking for vehicles left unlocked or running in driveways and parking lots across the city. We will continue to message and attempt to raise awareness with the public throughout the year."

TRAP members laid 1,035 new auto-theft related charges this year against 236 individuals, while executing 392 warrants. Investigators also recovered six utility cargo trailers, three travel trailers, one boat trailer, one boat, an excavator and skid steer, and one ATV.

A total of 45 weapons (20 firearms and replica weapons) and 79 stolen licence plates were also recovered by TRAP.

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TWO RTC CLASSES GRADUATE IN LATE FALL

Friends and family celebrated two swearing in ceremonies in late 2018. In total, 59 new officers hit the streets. The recruits have come from diverse careers and countries to join the EPS. While many were born in Canada, others were born and raised in China, Italy, Poland, Romania, Somalia, United States, and Zimbabwe.



Joining RTC #139 was Hunter, Human Remains Detection Dog, and handler Staff Sergeant Tom Bechthold.



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ONLINE CRIME REPORTING ENJOYS STEADY GROWTH

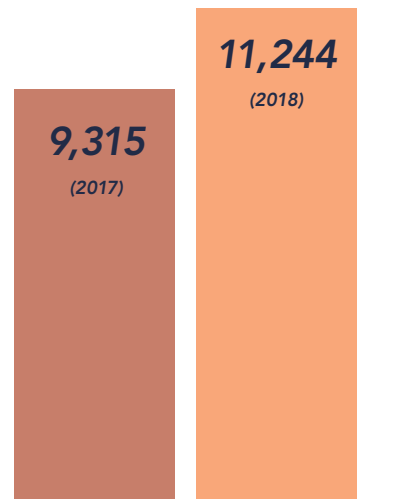
By the end of 2018, Investigative Management and Approval Centre (IMAC) processed 11,244 reports. For the same time period in 2017, IMAC processed 9,315 reports, a 21 per cent increase over 2017 levels.

Of the filed reports, 27 per cent came from within Southwest Division boundaries. The most frequent type of crime being reported is Theft from Vehicle, at 34 per cent.

The six main incident types reported online during 2018 were:

- Break and enter (detached garage/shed)
- Lost property
- Mischief to property (including graffiti)
- Damage to vehicle
- Theft from vehicle
- General theft (including theft of bicycle)

Future plans in 2019 include the expansion of the above six incident types to include non-custody shoplifting incidents.



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Sergeant Cory Huculak offers a citizen a hot lunch and a warm smile.

In late fall, Downtown Division officers organized a series of food truck hot lunches for the homeless in the inner city. Officers took this opportunity to give back to the community and to engage with citizens who live in the downtown core.



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EPS STAFF COMPLEMENT

SWORN, CIVILIAN, AND RECRUITS

STAFF	2018 AUTHORIZED FTE'S	2018 FTE'S AS OF 2018 DECEMBER 31	VACANCIES (OVER STRENGTH)
SWORN	1,830.00	1,773.83	56.17
RECRUITS	0.00	49.00	(49.00)
CIVILIANS	805.50	820.43	(14.93)
FULL COMPLEMENT	2,635.50	2,6436.26	(7.76)

The authorized FTE's represent 2635.50 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 DECEMBER 31, 2018

	CURRENT PERIOD				YEAR END FORECAST			
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	%	BUDGET	PROJECTION	VARIANCE	%
EXPENDITURES								
PERSONNEL								
Salary	929	830	99	11%	929	929	-	0%
Benefits	201	132	69	34%	201	201	-	0%
EPC Overtime	7	1	6	83%	7	2	5	71%
	1,137	963	174	15%	1,137	1,132	5	0%
NON-PERSONNEL								
Materials & Supplies	3	3	0	9%	3	3	-	0%
Furniture & Equipment	10	7	2	22%	10	13	(3)	-34%
Contracts & Services	559	522	37	7%	559	559	-	0%
Building Cost	156	158	(2)	-2%	156	156	-	0%
Travel and Training	98	76	22	23%	98	95	3	3%
Other General Costs	23	18	5	21%	23	23	1	2%
	849	785	64	8%	849	849	1	0%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,986	1,748	238	12%	849	849	-	0%
REVENUE	-	0	0		-	0	-	
NET POSITION	1,986	1,748	238	12%	1,986	1,981	6	0%

2018 COMMISSIONER MEETING ATTENDANCE RECORD

COMMISSIONER	# COMMISSION MEETINGS ATTENDED
TIM O'BRIEN, CHAIR	11/11
MICKI RUTH, VICE CHAIR	11/11
KAREN MACKENZE	11/11
LAURIE HAWN	11/11
JANET-SUE HAMILTON	10/11
ANEELA HUSSAINALY	10/11
JOHN MCDUGALL	8/11
ERICK AMBTMAN	9/11
SARAH HAMILTON	9/11
SCOTT MCKEEN	9/11

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 JUNE TO DECEMBER 2018

	J. Krikler	T.O'Brien	M. Ruth	K. Mackenzie	L. Hawn	J. McDougall	A. Hussainaly	J. Hamilton	E.Ambtman
Conferences		2207.11	3670.69		986.54	2595.78			
Hosting	332.74	150							
TOTAL	\$332.74	\$2,357.11	\$3,670.69	\$0.00	\$986.54	\$2,595.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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BUDGET VARIANCE BY MAJOR CATEGORY OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2018 (\$000'S)

	2018 YEAR-TO-DATE			
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	%
REVENUE	95,718	94,742	(976)	-1.0%
<i>Personnel</i>	358,951	359,251	(300)	-0.1%
<i>Non-Personnel</i>	74,144	71,706	2,438	3.3%
EXPENSE	433,095	430,957	2,138	0.5%
TCA				
TRANSFER TO/FROM EPS RESERVE	-	1,162	(1,162)	0.0%
NET POSITION	337,377	337,377	-	0.0%

