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White Rock Community Policing Year End Report 2018

The White Rock community policing program focuses on education, prevention, problem solving, community engagement, and partnerships to reduce crime and nuisance behaviour. Our Police and citizens work together in programs such as, Block Watch and Crime Free multi housing. Volunteers are involved in many aspects of crime prevention: Van and bicycle patrols, road safety initiatives, senior safety workshops, and more. Our partners include: The Block Watch Society of BC, the British Columbia Crime Prevention Association, the City of White Rock and White Rock Recreation and Culture, the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and the Semiahmoo Community Safety Society. Together we are making a difference in keeping White Rock a safe place to live, work and play.



This year our volunteers recorded one hundred and thirty three van, foot and Bicycle patrols. Volunteers focused on delivering auto crime prevention notices, handing out reflective decals in an effort to improve pedestrian safety and warning people of the dangers of walking on the railroad tracks. In addition volunteers delivered court documents, found lost property, transported items, patrolled areas noted for crime or nuisance behaviour, located missing persons, provided minor first aid and interacted with local citizens, providing them with information and passing on their concerns to police.

Volunteers were involved in many Community and City Events acting as extra eyes and ears for the police as well as providing interactive activities for the public designed to teach safety and build positive police-public relationships:



Block Watch Training



Fund Raising

Coldest Night of the Year Walk, Pink Shirt anti-bullying day, Busker's Festival, Walk for Hospice, Peace Arch Elementary Bike Parade, Special Olympics Torch Run, Canada Day, White Rock Princess Party, Sea Festival, Block Watch Party, Walk for Parkinson's, Cops for Cancer, Terry Fox Run, Pumpkin Run, Red Serge Gala, Families for Justice, Christmas Clothing Drive.

Quick Facts

Total Number of Volunteers: **38**

Total Hours contributed for 2018: **3,354 hours**

Accumulative Years of Service: **142 Years**



Number of Block Watch Captains: **36**

Number of Block Watch Participants: **830**



"Thanks for your faithfulness and reliability in helping us navigate how to create safe communities." Peter Block Watch Captain since 2004.



- Vehicles Checked: 30,163
- Warning Letters: 1,300



- Vehicles Checked: 2,259
- Warning Letters: 328



Community Policing Volunteers log any vehicles observed speeding; noting the speed of the vehicle, the license plate and description of the vehicle. The registered owners of offending vehicles may receive a warning letter. Drivers are also given a visual reminder from the Speed Watch Board. Similar programs are in place for vehicles that fail to stop at intersections (Stop Watch) and drivers who use hand held devices while operating a vehicle. (Distracted Driving).

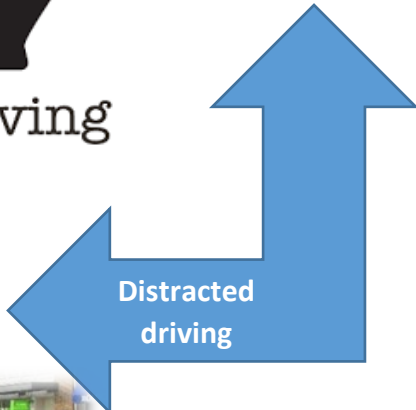
Top Ten Items Stolen from vehicles:

- Smart Phones*
- Personal electronics (tablets, laptop, iPods, GPS units)*
- Work tools*
- Credit cards and identification*
- Stereo equipment*
- Cash and change*
- Car parts and accessories*
- Garage door openers*
- Sunglasses*
- Keys*



while driving

Vehicles Checked: 7,979



Warning Letters: 25



Crime Prevention Notices Distributed: 619

Vehicles Checked for Signs of Auto Crime: 21, 152

Other Road Safety Initiatives:

- School Cross Walk Safety
- Back to School Safety
- Counter Attack
- Think of Me Campaign
- Integrated Road Safety Unit Deployment





We're in the News!

White Rock Event Boosts Vehicle Security for 21 Anti-theft clubs given away:

TRACY HOLMES Apr. 27, 2018

Nearly two dozen Semiahmoo Peninsula residents took advantage of a [free opportunity](#) to protect their vehicles from thieves, during a recent giveaway organized by White Rock Community Policing. Crime prevention Coordinator Julia Everett said 21 people turned out to pick up an anti-theft club for their pre-2007 car or truck April 23, at a two-hour event held at the White Rock Community Centre. Eligible vehicles were those without a built-in immobilizer; attendees had to show their registration.



Surrey boy's cancer fight inspires Cameron Bulger 'the face' of White Rock officer's Tour de Valley efforts: TRACY HOLMES May. 4, 2018

...The Sunshine Hills Elementary student is the drive behind White Rock RCMP Const. Carly Godlien's efforts in this year's upcoming [Cops for Cancer Tour de Valley](#), an 800-kilometre cycling trek to raise funds for pediatric cancer research, treatment and support programs... Bulger said that after meeting the officer, her family had no hesitation agreeing to Cameron being "the face" for her ride. She just blew us away," Bulger said.



"She is the kindest person. She has, really, a real passion for what she's doing. "Her and Cameron just hit it off," Bulger added. "He adores her." As of this week, Godlien has raised more than \$7,100 for the cause. In addition to raising funds, Godlien has pledged to donate 12 inches of her hair to Wigs for Kids...She was connected to Cameron through his grandfather, Ian McLean, a longtime White Rock volunteer...

Police, volunteers monitor White Rock school zones Warnings and tickets issued for school-zone speeders: AARON HINKS Sep. 5, 2018

Community policing volunteers and White Rock RCMP were out in force Wednesday morning monitoring speeders in city school zones. Officers were outside both White Rock and Peace Arch schools this week, issuing tickets to those violating the 30 km/h school-zone speed limit...



White Rock RCMP help youngster celebrate birthday; Police-themed birthday package was auctioned for Peace Arch Elementary: AARON HINKS Jun. 9, 2018

The White Rock RCMP taped off a Kent Street home Saturday morning for a youngster's birthday party. The detachment offered a police-themed birthday package to Peace Arch Elementary to use as a silent auction item...Proceeds are to be used to build a new playground for the school. The six-year-old "constable" celebrated his birthday, which was May 22, by being sworn in as an RCMP officer for the day by White Rock RCMP Const. Chantal Sears. The kids participated in a series of activities, including fingerprinting and a boot camp.



Police, volunteers spread distracted-driving message in White Rock TRACY HOLMES Mar. 2, 2018

White Rock Mounties and community policing volunteers were outside the city's two elementary schools Thursday afternoon armed with stickers and a message: don't use your phone while driving. The effort was planned to mark the kickoff of a provincial campaign targeting the offence, Const. Chantal Sears told *Peace Arch News*. The main goal was education, Sears said...Volunteers Brenda Beal and Nancy Murchison handed out stickers for children to share with their parents, encouraging the youngsters to share the safety message...



Pink Shirt Anti-Bullying Day



Visiting Senior Homes at Easter



By Patricia Vasylichuk RCMP Gazette. Volume 80, No.3, 2018

In an attempt to fight back against victimization of seniors in a small seaside city in British Columbia, White Rock RCMP has partnered with the community to offer a Savvy Seniors workshop. "If we can prevent one person from being defrauded or having a crime committed against them then our efforts are worthwhile," says Julia Everett, a crime prevention coordinator with the detachment. "But we hope that those who attended can help spread the word to others who might be at risk."

Nearly 100 people, aged 55 plus, attended the workshop, held on the mornings of April 5 and 6. Topics presented included fraud prevention, brain health, emergency preparedness and driver re-testing. Everett organized the first event in 2016 as a way to help empower the community's seniors to speak up when they would normally stay silent. "As a senior, you're a valuable part of our community," she tells participants. "We want you to be safe and we're here to help you if you need us."

Fraud cases are getting increasingly complex, especially in places like White Rock, where many people come to retire. According to Constable Travis Anderson, an officer with the detachment's Community Policing Unit, fewer people are being victimized but the stakes have gotten higher.

"Fraudsters are going for more and more money these days," he says. "Before, if they got \$100 out of somebody they'd be happy, but now they're really going for large amounts of money. "In White Rock, romance and telemarketing scams make up the majority of fraud cases where seniors are targeted, says Anderson, who spoke at the workshop about personal safety.

In addition to having money, assets and good credit, many seniors makes an ideal target group because they are more likely to be polite and trusting, less tech-savvy, and statistically less likely to report when they have been victimized.

Education

Community:

- ✦ Block Watch Captain and Participant Training & Coffee with the Constable: Ongoing
- ✦ Car Seat Safety Check: February
- ✦ Fraud Awareness Seminars: March (Evergreen Baptist Home), November, White Rock Computer Club
- ✦ Home, Business and Condominium Security Checks and Recommendations: Ongoing.
- ✦ Bike Safety: April, White Rock Community Centre
- ✦ Raising Digitally Responsible Youth: May, White Rock Elementary School.
- ✦ Employee/Volunteer Safety & Theft Prevention: September, thrift store presentation.
- ✦ Senior Driving Workshop: September, October

Schools:


Community Response Team Officers make regular visits to local schools to promote safety, deal with any school related issues, take part in school assemblies such as Remembrance Day and the Terry Fox run, participate in school barbeques and fairs and deliver the following programs:

- ✦ WITS & LEADS (Anti-Bullying Initiatives)
- ✦ The **WITS LEADS** Program provides strategies and resources that are developmentally appropriate for older elementary aged students so that they can become **WITS LEADERS**. The Program teaches five problem-solving strategies to help children deal with conflict and keep safe: **Look and listen, Explore points of view, Act, Did it work? And Seek help.**
- ✦ Cyber Bullying
- ✦ Substance Abuse
- ✦ Inclusivity



Volunteer Training:

- ✦ BC Crime Prevention Symposium.
- ✦ Being Effective on Patrol
- ✦ Conflict Resolution
- ✦ Court Orientation
- ✦ Crowd Behaviour
- ✦ Fentanyl Awareness
- ✦ First Aid
- ✦ Respectful Workplace
- ✦ Speed Watch
- ✦ Violence in the Workplace



WE FOUND WITS DELIVERS STRONGER EFFECTS THAN OTHER PROGRAMS AT A LOWER COST, AND SHOWS LONG-TERM BENEFITS. THE PROGRAM ALSO HAS COMPONENTS THAT PROMOTE HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS.

Dalhousie Medical School Analysis of school based bullying prevention programs 2016.

*“Every dollar we spend on crime prevention saves \$16 in enforcement.”
(RCMP Mounted Police Foundation)*



Leading the Torch Light Parade



Supporting the Special Olympics Fundraiser



Bike Patrol



Impaired Drivers Awareness Campaign



Polar Bear Swim



Princess Party Fund Raiser



Volunteers at work in the community