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COLLINGWOOD AND THE
BLUE MOUNTAINS
DETACHMENT
ACTION PLAN

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2026-2029 Provincial Action Plan

Strategic Priorities and Commitments



Valuing Our People

A healthy and resilient OPP

We will be the employer of choice supporting our members, personally and professionally, in their pursuits of excellence.

Working With Purpose

A responsive and evolving OPP

We will be a leader of policing excellence empowering our members to deliver the best service for Ontarians.

Communities We Serve

A collaborative and progressive OPP

We will courageously pursue community safety outcomes, building cooperative and strategic relationships with partners who share Our Vision.

Connection Driving Alignment

A connected OPP

We are one OPP emphasizing curiosity and innovation, aligning with our members' efforts, while ensuring actions are consistent with Our Mission and Our Values.

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Message from the Detachment Commander

On behalf of the Collingwood and the Blue Mountains Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police, I am pleased to present the 2026-2029 Detachment Action Plan. This action plan has been prepared and adopted per the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019* (CSPA) and in alignment with the Ontario Provincial Police 2026-2029 Strategic Plan.



Collingwood and the Town of the Blue Mountains have continued to see significant growth and development over the past decade. We have also seen a change in the nature of investigations and community issues, and how we as the police navigate them. Socio-economic factors, a rise in the cost of living and an increased homelessness are but a few of those challenges we are all facing.

The 2026-2029 Collingwood and the Blue Mountains Detachment Action Plan outlines commitments, actions, and desired outcomes for the detachment over the next four years. It addresses how we will provide adequate and effective policing in our area and will meet the needs of the communities we serve. To reflect these priorities, the plan is organized in three sections:

- Crime
- Roadways, Waterways and Trails
- Community Well-Being

This plan will help direct and focus our efforts to respond to the needs of our communities over the next four years and is intended to be flexible so that we can work with our OPP Detachment Boards, partners and stakeholders to collaboratively address new challenges as they arise. We are also grateful for the part that community partners played in the formation of this plan. Beginning in March of 2025 our detachment conducted outreach with stakeholders across the community spectrum, including but not limited to municipal staff, councils and county partners, boards of education, youth and senior's groups, health care providers, homeless advocates, community service organizations, justice sector partners and focus groups. We have reviewed and taken into consideration our recent Community Satisfaction Surveys, Community Safety and Well-Being Plans, OPP Detachment Board citizen surveys and we have taken a data informed approach to this process to examine and monitor trends. Both of our detachment's OPP Detachment Boards have been instrumental in identifying public safety concerns and priorities outlined in this plan.

We plan to build on the successes of the past, and through outreach efforts, solid community based policing, through our Mental Health Response Unit, Offender Management and Apprehension Unit, Crime and Frontline units, we will work to continue addressing the needs and protecting the citizens of and visitors to our two vibrant communities.

Using a victim centered lens, crime prevention initiatives, and innovative investigative efforts and approaches, we will strive to investigate and address both crimes against persons and property crimes with excellence and efficiency. We will also continue and enhance our efforts to ensure the safety of our roads, waterways and trails through a combination of enforcement, education and engagement. This includes an ongoing focus on Commercial Vehicle Enforcement and continued use of covert and overt traffic data collection to support effective and efficient resource deployment.

Over the next four years, we will focus on supporting a compassionate and effective police response to Mental

Health related calls. We will continue to engage youth in our community to support the building of positive relationships based on a foundation of respect and trust.

The 2026-2029 Action Plan is representative of our commitment to the safety and security of the citizens and visitors of Collingwood and the Town of The Blue Mountains. It is also demonstrative of our commitment to supporting our detachment members, both civilian and uniform, so that they can continue to serve and protect our communities.

L.A. (Loris) Licharson

Inspector

Detachment Commander

Collingwood and the Blue Mountains Detachment

Message from the OPP Detachment Board Chairs

“Every three years, OPP detachments are expected to develop an action plan for the ensuing period to reflect both provincial and local trends in community safety and well-being priorities, and in response to current issues or priorities for additional policing efforts around crime prevention and public safety. The Town of the Blue Mountains (TBM) OPP Detachment Board is expected to develop and maintain a sense of local concerns and priorities for public safety and utilize that awareness to assist and influence policing work across the municipality and with neighbouring municipalities. The BM OPP Detachment Board has benefitted in 2025 from conducting a resident survey on satisfaction with our local OPP detachment’s work and on priorities for the 2026-29 period. The Board also worked (works) with our partner board in the Town of Collingwood.

This 2026-2029 OPP Action Plan captures community and provincial OPP priorities for policing and community safety, in part through feedback from the municipality, business community and the public.

The TBM OPP Detachment Board encourages feedback from the Town and the public over the next 3 years as we strive to provide a safe, healthy and positive community in which to live, work and recreate.”

Jim Oliver,
Chair, Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board

"The Collingwood OPP Detachment Board endorses the Collingwood OPP Detachment Action Plan. The Board feels that the process to arrive at the goals and objectives of the Plan was fulsome in that it included a broad community engagement exercise to understand the needs of the community. The Collingwood OPP Detachment Board offered a community wide survey as our form of input to understand the priorities and satisfaction levels of the public regarding the various police services offered in our Town - the community's priorities are evident in the Plan. The Action Plan also takes into account evidence-based actions, ongoing statistical trends, promising practices, research and other inputs. The actions outlined in the Plan are reflective of the Policing needs of Collingwood. An annual report will keep the Plan accountable to the public in that it will update Collingwood residents on the various actions taken to achieve these commitments. We commend the Collingwood OPP Detachment Commander and staff in keeping efforts focused on priorities and ensuring that Collingwood continues to be a safe community."

Claire Tucker-Reid,
Chair, Collingwood OPP Detachment Board

Our Detachment

The Collingwood and Blue Mountains Detachment encompasses the Town of Collingwood in Simcoe County and The Town of the Blue Mountains in Grey County. Both communities continue to see significant growth and development. The Town of Blue Mountains population has grown more than 33% since 2016, according to 2021 census data released by Statistics Canada (most current census data), and it is the second fastest growing community in the nation. According to the census, the Blue Mountains grew from a population of 7,025 people in 2016 to 9,390 people in 2021. In Collingwood, there was a 13.8% increase in population from 21,793 people in 2016 to 24,811 people in 2021. The total permanent population within the detachment area is approximately 34,000 people, however that number can inflate many times over due to the influx of seasonal visitors. This surge of visitors has presented a number of unique challenges for our detachment as we see dramatic increases in traffic volumes and usage of area amenities.

Collingwood remains the commercial and industrial core of the detachment area and is continuing to experience residential growth. 26.3% of the total population is over 65 years of age. Collingwood has also become the primary area for permanent residency, increasing from 82% in 2016 to 87% in 2022, with more seasonal and recreational residents remaining in The Town of the Blue Mountains.

Numerous new developments are occurring, and growth is particularly significant in the southern portion of Collingwood (i.e. Mountaincroft, Pretty River Estates, Summit View and Indigo). A proposed hotel and condominium development at the Collingwood Grain Terminal is currently in process.

The Town of Blue Mountains also continues to experience ongoing development (Lora Bay, Windfall, and Monterra), including significant proposed development and growth at the Blue Mountain Resort properties. The Town of the Blue Mountains had a staggering 229 million dollars worth of building activity in 2022. The municipality is very progressive and is exploring innovative growth options.

The Collingwood detachment area continues to support special events such as the Side Launch Days, the Pride Festival, and other celebrations and events in and around the waterfront. The Town of the Blue Mountains hosts several large marathon and road racing events. The Town of Collingwood, the Village at Blue Mountain Resort, and the Town of The Blue Mountains remain popular tourist destinations; our waterways, trails and communities are second to none. Our detachment area will continue as one of the province's premiere four-season tourist areas, with many activities and events (golf, cycling, skiing and water activities).

The detachment is committed to maintaining public safety and safe roadways. Visibility, investigative excellence and community engagement by the members of the detachment aims to foster a safe residential and tourist community and backstop our detachment efforts during the 2026-2029 Action Plan duration.

Our Detachment Area



Action Plan Commitments Summary

The OPP's action planning process is guided by Section 70 (1) of the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019* and ensures compliance with the *Adequate and Effective Policing (General)* standards filed as O. Reg. 392/23.

Through analysis and consultation, the following objectives and priorities were identified for the next four years. These are reflective of how adequate and effective policing will be provided in the area served by the detachment, in accordance with the needs and diversity of the population.

CRIME	ROADWAYS, WATERWAYS AND TRAILS	COMMUNITY WELL-BEING
Enhance proactive patrol and/or initiatives to target specific local crime trends and reduce victimization, while increasing community safety.	Expand local level expertise in specialized traffic enforcement that would directly benefit our detachment area.	Increase community engagement and strengthen community relationships through enhanced communication and information sharing.
A focus on violent crime and clearance rates for violent crime; objectives based on specific crimes/concerns raised in consultations.	Proactive enforcement and visibility in our detachment area continuing to enforce the Big 4 and target specific local trends in traffic safety and enforcement.	Strengthen relationships with local youth by providing structured and unstructured youth programming, delivering information about topics that impact youth, and prioritizing partnerships with local youth-focused organizations.
A focus on property crime and clearance rates for property crime; objectives based on specific crimes/concerns raised in consultations.	A focus on road safety, through new/enhanced initiatives, enforcement, technology/equipment and training.	To create and support local programs reflective of the 2026-2029 OPP Strategic Plan: -Innovation in technology -Support for OPP Recruiting -Auxiliary Unit Support -Member Wellness -Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
Continued vigilance in drug trafficking/firearms related investigations to address crime and opioid/non-opioid deaths and overdoses in our communities.		To identify and collaborate on solutions to demands for service that impact police resources that are non-police related. Primarily calls for service involving persons with a mental health (MH) illness or experiencing a mental health crisis but extending to those in crisis through addictions and circumstances such as homelessness.

CRIME

Violent crimes (assaults, sexual assaults and intimate partner violence), property crimes and illicit drugs (including opioids) are priorities that the Collingwood and the Blue Mountains Detachment will focus on over the next four years.

COMMITMENTS	ACTIONS	OUTCOMES
Enhance proactive patrol and/or initiatives to target specific local crime trends and reduce victimization, while increasing community safety.	We will continue to use the Regional Operational Analyst Program (ROAP) to support a data led, analytical approach to crime prevention and investigative engagement. We will take a data informed approach to crime trend identification and seek to develop operational responses and crime prevention programming.	Data-driven patrol/initiatives based on analysis and community input, resulting in increased personal and community safety.
A focus on violent crime and clearance rates for violent crime; objectives based on specific crimes/concerns raised in consultations.	Strengthen professional relationships with Victim Services of Barrie and Bruce, Grey, My Friends House and VWAP (Victim Witness Assistance Program) to support victims and cultivate a safe environment where victims are empowered to participate in the judicial process. Support for Victims of Crime (Victim Services, 211, MFH Crisis Shelter, Child Advocacy Grant, Safety planning, CAS, Court assistance). Coordinated investigative efforts in relation to violent crime in Collingwood and the Blue Mountains. Ensure officers receive Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) training to comply with OPP critical policy with IPV and sexual assault offences. Supervisors will receive	Increased number of detachment members with specialized training and experience in a variety of criminal investigations, resulting in investigative excellence and improved community safety. Continued support for victims of violent crime in our community, using a victim centered, trauma informed approach. Stronger relationships with our victim assistance partners. Increased investigative support for frontline officers. Effective crime prevention efforts and community communication on public safety, and violent crime related topics.

	the IPV Supervisor course when available. Ensure detachment members receive investigative courses and advanced training to support constant learning and investigative excellence. Likewise, we will ensure members complete mandatory training to remain up to date on best practices. Increase the capacity of our Crime Unit through our detachment Crime Mentorship Program, allowing uniform members to work in the unit and support benchmark investigations, gain experience and technical expertise while in the unit and on platoon afterwards. Support the continued development and refinement of the Detachment Abuse Issues Investigator (DAII) position to review IPV occurrences compliance with OPP and Ministry guidelines. This position will also provide investigative support, education and advice to frontline, and serve as a primary contact and link to support victims groups and services in our community. Continue to develop and refine the Offender Management and Apprehension Program (OMAP) unit within our detachment, to monitor offenders released on conditions, and track contacts/compliance checks, investigate breaches and charges accordingly. This dedicated team will also be responsible for	
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	tracking and apprehending individuals wanted on warrants, and work in collaboration with neighbouring detachments and Probation and Parole. Goal is to reduce/prevent recidivism. Engagement of specialized services (Crime Unit, Forensic Identification Services and Scenes of Crime Officers) to ensure comprehensive, high-quality investigations are completed. Continued enforcement/support through our Community Street Crime Unit to combat firearms related offences, controlled drugs and substances investigations and seizures. Continued utilization of grant funding programs when available to develop innovative approaches designed to reduce violent crime in our communities (such as our 2025 Community Engagement and Enforcement Team – CEET initiative). This initiative is designed to deliver heightened police visibility in high needs areas in our communities. Public awareness campaigns, media releases and social media posts will be delivered by the Community Engagement Officer to educate and deliver key messaging to the community. School Resource Officer to continue to support high school students, staff and families and take a relationship based and preventative approach. They will continue to receive training in, and support investigations	
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	regarding human trafficking and other criminal incidents involving youth or schools. Support and communicate crime prevention programs such as CamSafe, to promote investigative avenues and encourage the public and support for police investigations. Outreach with marginalized communities such as the homeless in our community, through Frontline Units and MCRT. Relationship-based approach outside of calls for service building connection, understanding, and familiarity. When those elements are in place, we can draw on them during times of crisis or conflict to help ease tensions and work toward positive outcomes, whether through enforcement or mediation	
A focus on property crime and clearance rates for property crime; objectives based on specific crimes/concerns raised in consultations.	Provide education to the public through community engagement, increasing awareness of fraud schemes and encourage police engagement at the earliest opportunity. Promote the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre use as resource to citizens. Improve communication between our detachment and the public through media outreach with regards to cyber scams, frauds and other property crimes such as thefts from or of motor vehicles occurring in our communities. Goal minimum of 3 Lock it or Lose it Campaigns and 6	Increased number of Community Engagement Officer visits, engagements and presentations related to crime prevention, demonstrating an enhanced transparency in local crime data trends. Reduction in fraud victimization and greater community awareness of on-going scams, with a focus on high risk/victimization groups such as seniors. Crime Prevention programs to be delivered in support of a reduced number of thefts from vehicles and mischiefs.

	media releases focusing on property crime prevention. Utilize the ROAP to create focused patrol initiatives related to property crime to reduce victimization of property owners and identify suspects. Detachment Auxiliary Unit will continue to deliver Crime Prevention Programs (Lock It or Lose It and Safeguard Ontario) to reduce victimization. Support and communicate crime prevention programs such as CamSafe, to promote investigative avenues and encourage the public and support for police investigations. Community Engagement Officer will engage local businesses and residents to educate on Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED). Continue to develop and refine the Offender Management and Apprehension Program (OMAP) unit within our detachment, to monitor offenders released on conditions, and track contacts/compliance checks, investigate breaches and charge accordingly. This dedicated team will also be responsible for tracking and apprehending individuals wanted on warrants, and work in collaboration with neighbouring detachments and Probation and Parole. Goal is to reduce/prevent recidivism. The Community Street Crime Unit will be engaged during periods of high incident rates as a	Greater public awareness of strategies and trends to support crime prevention and thereby reducing victimization. Satisfaction in our community in relation to property crime and overall safety.
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	specialized resource to investigate property crimes. Ensure officers are submitting comprehensive reports for property crimes, ensuring detailed descriptions of stolen property which will assist in recovery of property. Superior and thorough data entry can support ROAP analysis and data driven focused patrol activity. Continued utilization of grant funding programs when available to develop innovative approaches (such as our 2025 Community Engagement and Enforcement Team – CEET initiative) designed to reduce property crime and heighten police visibility in high needs areas in our communities. Ensure detachment members receive investigative courses and advanced training such as the Scenes of Crime Officer (SOCO) course, to support constant learning and investigative excellence. Specialized teams such as Forensic Identification Services, Crime Unit, Canine, Serious Fraud Office, Anti-Rackets and Scenes of Crime Officers will be engaged as required to support thorough investigations.	
Continued vigilance in drug trafficking/firearms related investigations to address crime and opioid/non-opioid deaths and overdoses in our communities.	Mandatory training of frontline officers on the use of Narcan in suspected opioid overdoses. Engagement with community partners to ensure proper referrals for citizens dealing with addictions.	Continued focus on trafficking of controlled drugs and substances and firearms related investigations and increased public education/awareness as a result.

	Continue community education and communication (media) regarding the dangers associated with drug use. Use of the ROAP to support investigations and enforcement strategies. Work with OPP speciality units to achieve investigative successes through collaborative intelligence and mutual support. Work to increase the number of Criminal Code search warrant executions related to drug trafficking in our community. Increase the capacity of our CSCU through the detachment Crime Mentorship Program, allowing uniform members to work in the CSCU, gain experience and technical expertise while in the unit and support investigative excellence on platoon afterwards.	Reduction in the number of opioid and non-opioid related drug deaths and overdoses. Reduction in community and service provider impacts related to opioid use.
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ROADWAYS, WATERWAYS AND TRAILS

Collingwood and The Blue Mountains Detachment will focus on the education and enforcement of the 'Big Four' (aggressive driving, lack of seatbelts, distracted driving and impaired driving), marine safety and promoting cyclist safety. Our community is diverse and growing exponentially; we must as a detachment continue to meet the needs of our residents and visitors in traffic, marine and trail safety. By utilizing analytical data, and focusing on Engagement, Education and Enforcement, we will work to ensure our roads, waterways and trails are safe and secure.

COMMITMENTS	ACTIONS	OUTCOMES
Expand local level expertise in specialized traffic enforcement that would directly benefit our detachment area.	Identified Liaison Officers, will continue to work with municipalities and County Roads departments to collaborate on exploring infrastructure / environmental solutions to traffic related concerns/issues as enforcement is only one tier in traffic management. Focus on detachment initiatives such as growing our force motorcycle and marine programs - more operators can result in greater presence on our streets and waterways. Continued utilization of grant funding programs when available to develop innovative approaches designed to enhance police visibility in high needs areas in our communities, including foot and bicycle patrol on local trails. This includes applications for the RIDE Grant, to increase efforts to combat impaired driving. We will attempt to ensure detachment members receive operational courses such as CMV Inspector, Radar/Lidar Operator and Instructor, Intoxilyzer Technician, to support traffic enforcement and safety efforts.	Increased number of detachment members with specialized training in traffic enforcement techniques directly impacting the community, resulting in positive traffic safety outcomes. Increased engagement with municipal and county roads departments to support the use of CPTED principles in road engineering to support traffic safety.

Proactive enforcement and visibility in our detachment area continuing to enforce the Big 4 and target specific local trends in traffic safety and enforcement.	Rotational platoon level Traffic Management Officer opportunities for front line officers to learn and specialize in traffic management, utilizing options such as the detachment Code 9 Traffic enforcement vehicle. Continue a collaborative, joint Marine and Specialty Patrol (All Terrain/Motorized Snow Vehicle) program with our neighbouring detachment to maximize specialty patrol hours while minimizing frontline impacts. We will continue to leverage mutual support opportunities to collaborate on traffic safety and enforcement actions such as Commercial Vehicle Enforcement initiatives. Maintain partnerships with the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) and Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) to conduct joint patrols, and or commercial motor vehicle enforcement initiatives. Through our Media Officer and Community Engagement Officer, ensure effective public communications regarding road, water and trail safety. Wide public dissemination of provincial traffic campaigns, local issues and safety programs/initiatives. Collaborate with Regional and Provincial Traffic Operations to serve as a host location for specialty and advanced training courses such as Commercial Motor Vehicle Inspector and Technical Traffic	Increased number of engagements and presentations related to traffic safety, vehicle safety, and traffic-related legislation, enhanced transparency in local traffic data trends. A reduction in total motor vehicle collisions linked to the 'Big Four' causal factors, through traffic management efforts including engagement, education and enforcement. 250 Marine hours of dedicated patrol resulting in safer waterways. 365 completed Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere (R.I.D.E.) initiatives annually to provide a visible deterrent and combat impaired driving in our community. Productive results by our detachment in the area of traffic/marine safety, participation in Regional initiatives and creating local traffic enforcement initiatives and actions. Strengthened relationships with our Ministry and community partners as we work collaboratively towards safe roads, waterways and trails. Focused enforcement that has curbed impaired driving and removed offenders from the roadways, waterways and trails. Year-round officer efforts in the area of the 'Big Four' driving factors, resulting in increased confidence from the motoring
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	Collision/Reconstructionist courses.	public and safer travel through our detachment area.
A focus on road safety, through new/enhanced initiatives, enforcement, technology/equipment and training.	Utilize the ROAP program and employ analytics to review data, identify areas of concern, and determine focused patrols to deploy resources where the need is greatest and where police presence will be effective. Utilize technology such as the Black Cat covert traffic data device and County speed signs to rely upon traffic data to support determination of actual versus perceived traffic concerns, and to effectively deploy resources and respond to community concerns/complaints. Leverage technology such as mobile workstations to increase visibility and officer presence in identified locations. Upgrade detachment equipment as required (Radars / Lidars / Intoxilyzer). Effective use of Automated Licence Plate Reading (ALPR) technology and In-car Camera (ICC) systems to support traffic enforcement and investigations.	Increased number of data-driven patrol and initiatives based on analysis and community input, resulting in positive traffic safety outcomes. Appropriate deployment of resources to support traffic management using a data driven and informed approach. Increased officer presence with enhanced capabilities and technologies to support all aspects of road safety.

COMMUNITY WELL-BEING

The Collingwood and the Blue Mountains Detachment remains committed to building and maintaining relationships and partnerships that will improve public safety, assist in the well-being of our community and streamline our activities. These identified commitments and priorities build upon and impact our key policing responsibilities and have far reaching safety and well-being impacts within our communities.

Between 2020 and 2024, our detachment saw an increase of approximately 60.81% in Mental Health Act calls for service. A year-to-date comparison indicates that we are continuing in that trend. In 2023 our Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT) had over 1300 interactions (calls for service, proactive outreach, follow-ups). This alarming and increasing pressure on police and emergency medical services has resulted in strains on existing police, EMS and hospital resources. Our MCRT formalizes a partnership between our detachment and the Collingwood General & Marine Hospital. Mental health crisis workers are paired with trained officers to respond to mental health related calls for service in our community. This unit provides referrals, community resources and supports where required and continues to be the most critical aspect of our strategy to support those in crisis moving forward. MCRT also supports proactive outreach with those most in need in our communities, including the homeless population. Their relationship-based approach seeks to build trust and familiarity, allowing for acceptance of supports and calls for service reduction.

With approximately 2000 students in our high schools alone, and thousands more in our area primary schools, youth engagement in a way that is positive and relationship based, is critical for future success and overall community health and safety. We will continue to prioritize our School Resource Officer and Community Engagement Officer programs and look at opportunities to enhance outreach and engagement with youth. The relationship between young people and police officers is foundational and will impact all interactions moving forward and in the future as adults.

Focusing on the health and well-being of our detachment members, and ensuring that they have the tools and resources to be as effective as possible will be a priority.

Focusing on these areas will help our detachment provide the most effective, supportive and efficient service delivery possible. Our detachment is committed to serving the residents and visitors in Collingwood and the Blue Mountains through operational commitments that are tailored to our community needs.

COMMITMENTS	ACTIONS	OUTCOMES
Increase community engagement and strengthen community relationships through enhanced communication and information sharing.	Consistent messaging with regards to policing operations and initiatives to support an informed public. Maintain a healthy relationship with local media and municipal communications departments to support a wide reach. Provide media training through OPP Corporate Communications and work with Regional Media officers to support organizational messaging and excellence in communications. Increase engagement between individual officers and the public through emphasis on foot, bike and specialty patrol including Motorcycle, All Terrain Vehicles (ATV) and Motorized Snow Vehicles (MSV). Continued utilization of grant funding programs when available to develop innovative approaches (such as our 2025 Community Engagement and Enforcement Team – CEET initiative) designed to reduce property crime and heighten police visibility and individual engagement in high needs areas in our communities.	Increased number of community engagements and local level communications, resulting in positive feedback from community members about transparency and accessibility of information. An informed public, knowledgeable about public safety issues, initiatives and efforts the police are taking to address them. Ongoing impactful engagement with the public, resulting in positive interactions and relationships.
Strengthen relationships with local youth by providing structured and unstructured youth programming, delivering information about topics that impact youth, and prioritizing partnerships with local youth-focused organizations.	Maintain the School Resource Officer (SRO) as a detachment priority, with the primary responsibility of creating a safe learning environment at our Secondary Schools through proactive and interactive approaches. SRO will also seek out engagement opportunities outside of the school setting, such as volunteering and	Increased partnerships, initiatives, engagements, and presentations with and for youth, resulting in positive feedback and outcomes for youth-related interactions with police. Enhanced engagement with local youth that has impacted and supported positive future interactions and relationships.

	supporting local youth attending Niigan Mosewalk; a leadership camp for Indigenous youth aged 13 to 17 years old, facilitated by the OPP Indigenous Policing Bureau (IPB). Community Engagement Officer (CEO) will bring child/youth programs to area public schools as we are able and permitted such as OPP KIDS (Knowledge, Issues, Decisions, Supports), which focuses on anti-bullying, cyber awareness, youth and the law. Developing ways to provide this program outside of a school environment to reach the maximum number of young people with the support of parents and caregivers. Continued engagement with all area school boards to support public safety in schools and collaborate on initiatives where possible. Support youth mental health services through our Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT) allowing young persons in crisis to receive timely assistance/health care access through our trained team. Ongoing support/attendance with such events/programs as permitted in our schools, including OPP support for the School Coop Program, Student Employment Program. Emergency preparedness training in collaboration with school boards, OPP In-Service-Training and Emergency Response Team, to conduct Immediate Rapid	Provision of appropriate mental health response and support to youth in crisis, including referrals. Continued operationalization of our Youth Engagement Strategy - creation and continuation of programs and initiatives that support youth in Collingwood and the Blue Mountains engaging in positive citizenship activities and providing youth with a voice, and the opportunity for engagement and leadership in the community.
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	Deployment training and tabletop exercises in local schools. Continue to maintain, revisit and grow our Youth Engagement Strategy developed in 2024, to support new youth outreach programs in the detachment area to create opportunities for relationship and engagement in sport and social settings. Maintain and grow our Youth Police Advisory Committee to ensure a youth voice and counsel in the development of police programming and services. Continue to support established programs such as Big Brother/Big Sisters Bigger Together and established relationships such as supporting the 1909 Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps. Collaborate with community partners to develop local Violence Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA) committees to proactively respond to potential risks involving youth and developing intervention strategies to mitigate. Continue to engage with the Canadian Police Youth Network (CPYN) which is comprised of police officers and partners from across the country who are engaged in youth programming or engaged with youth in a law enforcement capacity.	
To create and support local programs reflective of the 2026-2029 OPP Strategic Plan: -Innovation in technology -Support for OPP Recruiting -Auxiliary Unit Support -Member Wellness -Diversity, Equity and Inclusion	Detachment support for technology innovations within the OPP such as new/updated Records Management Systems (RMS).	Advanced technology and policing innovations that increase officer safety and public accountability in an effort to strengthen our service delivery model.

	Support and participate in the Central Region Data Integrity Project to review and improve clearance status and other information with regards to police reporting to support more accurate Statistics Canada reporting. We will also conduct offence type reviews/audit to ensure accuracy of data. Ongoing promotion of and support to OPP Recruitment through local recruitment presentations, initiatives and leveraging of media outlets and community partners. These recruitment efforts will focus on both the regular membership stream and for Auxiliary positions. The goal is to generate interest and guide/inform quality candidates forward in the process. Our goal is 2 recruitment initiatives a year. Continued engagement with and support for our detachment Auxiliary Unit, including inclusion of Detachment Command in Auxiliary Unit meetings, and supporting the unit with social media and media emphasis. Continued inclusion of the Unit in detachment operations and planning. Detachment efforts that mirror organizational emphasis on employee wellness, peer support and occupational medicine programs. Increased collaboration and visitation by our Healthy Workplace Team (HWT) with clinicians actively in our workplace. Goal is a minimum of	Improved data integrity efforts and solutions to ensure accuracy of crime trends and support prevention efforts. Local recruitment initiatives that support organizational commitments and directs/encourages quality candidates on a policing career path and Auxiliary volunteerism. Increased support for and capacity of our local Auxiliary Unit. Through consistent collaboration at detachment with our Healthy Workplace Team and a supportive management lens our members well-being will be safeguarded. Welcoming and safe communities in Collingwood and the Town of the Blue Mountains, that recognize the value and strength of diversity and equality and promote the well-being of all.
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	10 HWT engagements at detachment per year. Healthy Workplace Team engagement with our detachment leadership team, to ensure NCOs are apprised of new supports and wellness programs. Healthy Workplace Team engagement to support members in the event of critical incidents, to provide support and facilitate debriefs. Monitor and act to ensure the protections under the Charter of Rights and Freedoms and the Human Rights Code and ensure the safety and security of individuals in the community in the expression and enjoyment of those rights. Work with all to ensure the lawful, peaceful and safe expression of public discourse and discussion, and engage appropriate additional resources (such as the Provincial Liaison Team - PLT) in order to do so. Model and exhibit behaviours and attitudes in accordance with our organizational values (Service with pride, professionalism and honour, Interacting with respect, compassion and fairness, and Leading with integrity, honesty and courage).	
To identify and collaborate on solutions to demands for service that impact police resources that are non-police related. Primarily calls for service involving persons with a mental health (MH) illness or experiencing a mental health	Provide specialized service delivery to those suffering from mental health related issues by supporting front-line officers through the Mobile Crisis Response Unit (MCRT) also	A reduction in repeat contacts between police and persons in mental health crisis and/or those with substance abuse disorder.

crisis but extending to those in crisis through addictions and circumstances such as homelessness.	known locally as the Mental Health Response Unit (MHRU). Conduct proactive outreach and engage with identified individuals and groups in our communities to ensure and facilitate access and referral to appropriate resources. Continued engagement with the joint Mental Health Response Unit between the Collingwood General Marine Hospital (CGMH) and Southern Georgian Bay Community Health Centre (CHC). This will ensure an integrated community response to individuals experiencing mental illness. Continued input to be sought from stakeholders such as the Collingwood General Marine Hospital (CGMH), The Canadian Mental Health Association, The Southern Georgian Bay Community Health Centre and the Southern Georgian Bay Assertive Community Treatment Team (ACTT) to develop appropriate response strategies. Actively engage in community forums, support community-based approaches and engagement opportunities to address social issues in the community such as poverty, homelessness, addictions and food security. We have worked with the CGMH in Collingwood and resumed the Police Hospital Committee, meeting quarterly to discuss mutual concerns and issues. We are likewise part of the Grey Bruce Police Hospital Committee in the	Improved outcomes for individuals in crisis and their families, through engagement and access to appropriate and effective resources and supports. Enhancement of reporting procedures/data collection to support operational decision making and allow comprehensive reporting to OPP Detachment Boards and local partners. Coordinated solutions with local health care and local service providers that have a significant impact for vulnerable persons in Collingwood and the Town of the Blue Mountains. Coordination and collaboration with the Collingwood General and Marine Hospital that have reduced wait times for officers engaged in mental health related calls for service. Delivery of supports and referrals for those suffering from addictions and substance abuse issues.
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	Blue Mountains. We have worked with both partners to complete transfer of care agreements to support and facilitate the turnover of persons in crisis from police to the care of medical staff. We will continue to monitor and develop these TOCs to support efficiency. Engage with local partners and media to increase awareness of support services within the community to assist families dealing with mental health and substance abuse issues. Engagement with the OPP Crime Prevention and Community Support Bureau (CPCSB) that holds the organizational lead on developing consistent MCRT programs across the province. Take advantage of grant funding opportunities as they arise to maintain and expand MCRT capacity. Participate in "Community of Practice" calls and meetings to review and discuss best practices and trends pertaining to MCRT, with a goal of improving service and engagement. Maintain 100% compliance in the use of the Brief Mental Health Screener forms. Continued partnership and mutual support with the Huronia West Detachment in relation to MCRT. We will continue to support innovative programs such as the Adult Pre-Charge Mental Health Diversion Program we began in	
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	2025, in cooperation with the Canadian Mental health Association, to support those in crisis and reduce criminality (non-violent offences only) associated with those suffering mental health related issues. Support the police/211 referral initiative in collaboration with 211 to support those who may need services and support in our communities as outlined in our Community Safety and Well-Being Plans.	
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OUR VISION

Safe Communities...
A Secure Ontario

OUR MISSION

To serve our province by
protecting its citizens,
upholding the law
and preserving
public safety.

OUR VALUES

Serving with
PRIDE,
PROFESSIONALISM
& **HONOUR**

Interacting with
RESPECT,
COMPASSION
& **FAIRNESS**

Leading with
INTEGRITY,
HONESTY
& **COURAGE**



Always doing the right things for the right reasons

CONTACT THE OPP

Know your location - be ready to describe the situation and your location. Look for addresses, landmarks and buildings that may help identify your location.

REACH THE OPP BY PHONE

- Call 9-1-1 if there is an immediate risk to someone's life or property
 - to stop or report a crime in progress
 - to report a fire
 - to report a life-threatening medical emergency
 - Don't hang up, stay on the line
- To report non-life-threatening incidents that require a police response, use the non-emergency line (1-888-310-1122) or go to opp.ca/reporting
- TTY 1-888-310-1133 or agent 511 for registered subscribers may be used for individuals in the Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Speech Impaired (DHHSI) community to contact police
- For all administrative inquiries or to schedule an appointment, find contact information for your local detachment at opp.ca/detachments

PROVIDE AN ANONYMOUS TIP

- Call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or visit www.crimestoppers.ca

REPORT AN INCIDENT ONLINE

- The OPP offers online reporting for minor, non-emergency occurrences in areas of OPP jurisdiction. opp.ca/reporting allows you to submit a report without visiting or calling.
- Use the online reporting tool for:
 - Theft Under \$5,000
 - Mischief / Damage to Property Under \$5,000
 - Mischief / Damage to Vehicle Under \$5,000
 - Theft from Vehicle Under \$5,000
 - Lost / Missing Property Under \$5,000, including a licence plate(s) or validation sticker(s)
 - Driving Complaints

If you are reporting an emergency, call 9-1-1.

#KNOWWHENTOCALL

9-1-1 is for emergencies only:
If there is an immediate risk to someone's life or property.

- ✓ a crime in progress
- ✓ a fire
- ✓ a life-threatening medical emergency

Dialed 9-1-1 accidentally? #Be911Ready. Don't hang up, stay on the line and speak with an OPP Communicator to confirm there's no emergency.

The misuse of 911 ties up emergency lines, communicators and officers, which can result in a slower response to a real emergency and risks the safety of people who may need urgent help.

It is against the law to call 9-1-1 as a joke. Prank 9-1-1 calls can be dangerous and waste valuable emergency resources.

ACTION PLAN

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