



INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES

2016 Annual Report

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To be the best Police Service, providing the highest standard of professionalism in partnership with our community.

Investigative Services

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Investigative Services Division

There are 36 members in Investigative Services comprised of 30 police officers and 6 civilian members. These members provide support to frontline patrol officers and also fulfill requirements mandated through policing standards or identified needs of our communities. The Units contained within the Investigative Services Division include: Asset Forfeiture, Crime Analysis, Crime Stoppers, Drugs, E-Crime, Elder Abuse, Forensic Identification, Fraud, High Risk Offenders, Intelligence, Internet Child Exploitation, Major Crime, Sex Offences, Street Crime, Technical Support, Victim Services and Video Analysis.

There were 9 personnel changes and 2 internal transfers in 2016, resulting in substantial training to ensure members had the appropriate qualifications to perform their duties. One of the personnel changes was our Crime Analyst, in which a retiring police officer was replaced with a qualified civilian member. Combined, members attended 78 courses or workshops throughout the year totaling 266 days of training. This, in addition to annual in-house training requirements of 4 days per member, invariably meant one or more members were always absent for training.

2016 was a very challenging year with many successes. The increase in calls for service required extra individual and team efforts as available resources were often stretched beyond their limits. Shift changes, overtime and flex time were necessary to meet the demands. Overtime for the year was 4,459 hours and flex time for the year was 1,226 hours. It also became necessary to prioritize calls and those that did not contain an element of community safety received a delayed response. Fortunately our members rose to the challenge, achieving excellent clearance rates. Their dedication through this busy year was also exhibited through very low absenteeism due to sickness, which averaged 1.7 days per person.

The crime rate in 2016 increased by 5% (241 calls for service). Most concerning was the increase in violent crimes with homicide related incidents up 166.7%, and sexual offences up 35.5%. These crimes require extensive resources to investigate in terms of personnel, finances, and time commitment. Robberies in general decreased but robberies where a firearm was used increased by 80%. Also of note was the increase in fraudulent crimes by 29.9% which have become more challenging and time consuming to investigate in our changing world of technology. In total, of the 57 crime categories tracked there were increases in 35 categories. A further breakdown of the 2016 statistics can be found at the end of my summary.

The criminal clearance rate in 2016 was 59.7%, an increase of 2.7%. This is remarkable considering the increased volume of work and is a testament to the investments in our members, technology, and the daily commitment that each member makes.

Homicide related incidents were a constant presence throughout the year. In March, John Lai was arrested for the homicide of Cindy Tobar at her Middlefield Road home. Lai was shot during his apprehension and subsequently hospitalized in Toronto for more than a month. This required security by 2 police officers 24 hours a day until he was coherent to understand his arrest and remand into custody. In November, 6 people were arrested in connection with the homicide of Terry Pringle at his Stewart Street home. The number of crime scenes and suspects involved in this investigation required all members to set aside other work and come together as a team for successful results. In addition to these 2 homicides we also investigated a conspiracy to commit murder, 5 attempted murders, including 2 shooting incidents, and a fatal plane crash. With the exception of the 2 shooting incidents, which involve reluctant witnesses, all of the other

incidents have been solved. These major incidents had a direct impact on our ability to be proactive in other areas of non-violent crime. This is reflected in a lower clearance rate for property crimes, such as break and enters that had a clearance rate of 25.4%.

Much of the increased violence can be attributed to drug related activity which continues to thrive to meet the demand of those with severe addictions. Our enforcement focus remains on those who sell illicit drugs for a profit and not those who are suffering with addictions. The focus for 2016 was a local drug trafficking group called the Ugly Crew. An investigation, named Project Runway, continued throughout the year by the Drug and Intelligence Units with extra resources from the Street Crime and High Risk Unit committed in the fall. In December, 9 search warrants were executed resulting in 21 arrests, 150 charges, and the seizure of 8 firearms and approximately a half million dollars in illicit drugs and proceeds. The examination of evidence and court preparation resulting from this project will keep the Drug Unit busy well into 2017.

Other projects in 2016 included Project Cargan, an investigation of a Peterborough Police Special Constable who was arrested on drug charges, and Project Glasgow, an investigation of a local businessman who was arrested for conspiring to commit the murder of his ex-partner. Both cases remain before the court heading into 2017.

Crimes in our contracted communities accounted for a relatively small percentage of our overall crime; Cavan-Monaghan Township was 2.4% and the Village of Lakefield was 1.2%. The majority of these crimes were property related offences.

Partnerships with community organizations remain at the forefront of our Service model. We continue to work with strategic partners who can support us in providing better service. To that extent we engaged in conversations with the Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre (KSAC). In 2014/15, KSAC conducted research and prepared a report titled "Lessons From Behind the Door." The report outlined a number of recommendations, including areas where police response could be improved. This prompted us to review our current training and find ways to improve our response. Sexual assault investigators participated in sexual violence and harassment action plan workshops hosted by the province and also attended a 2 day sexual consent conference hosted by KSAC. This led to our Service writing 2 grant proposals for funding to support police response to sexual violence and harassment in partnership with KSAC, 4 other community partners and 3 surrounding police agencies. The 2 grants were approved for a total of \$206,495.00 over 2 years. We are very excited to move forward with these projects that focus on training for front line workers to have an improved trauma-based response for victims, and a video project to help victims have a better understanding of the criminal justice system process and available supports.

With the emerging crisis of fentanyl, we also applied for and received \$95,544.00 in a Proceeds of Crime Grant to ensure our local hospital emergency department was prepared to assist patients at risk for overdose. This partnership with the Peterborough Drug Strategy and the Peterborough Regional Health Centre will ensure that the emergency department staff is fully trained to provide support and the Naloxone antidote to those at risk. We are already seeing more than a dozen deaths annually due to accidental opiate overdoses and if we follow the pattern of the Western provinces we are likely to see an increase in fentanyl deaths in our communities. This has also created safety concerns for first responders resulting in all of our police officers receiving training on fentanyl exposure and the Service purchasing Naloxone for officers to carry

while on patrol. We are also exploring options to provide a properly ventilated processing area for members to handle drug evidence in the police station.

In the area of technology, which is always growing and creating strain to keep pace with, we purchased a cell phone kiosk. This should help to alleviate some of the workload for our E-Crime officer and improve customer service. The kiosk allows trained members to extract information from cell phones and is currently being used for victim or witness phones only. All members in Investigative Services and 3 members on each platoon have been trained to use this piece of equipment.

Despite the many successes in 2016, challenges lay ahead if we are to continue provide the same level of service and results that we currently do. We are in a perpetual state of having to ask members to do more work than they have time to accomplish and more frequently investigations are being delayed due to the lack of available personnel or competing priorities. There are also some emerging trends and expectations that will have a trickle-down effect on where we decide to focus our attention.

A Supreme Court of Canada decision in July, R vs. Jordan, has set new presumptive ceilings for cases going to trial. The new standard is measured from the time a charge is laid until the commencement of a trial; 18 months for Provincial Court matters and 30 months for Superior Court matters. This has created new pressures that we are already experiencing in terms of processing evidence, completing any ongoing investigative steps and getting full disclosure to the court in shorter timelines. Members have lost some flexibility and time to work on other cases until they have fully completed all aspects of a current case being worked on. In a similar vein, we expect to see more requests from the Crown's office to redact our briefs before they go to court. For Project Runway the redaction process resulted in 180 hours of work.

Over the years the need for search warrants and production orders to obtain evidence has also increased. Writing these authorizations has become a staple of our job that requires additional training and time. A simple warrant may take 3 to 4 hours to prepare and obtain, but most take longer and some even take days or weeks. In 2016 our Division authored approximately 340 warrants or production orders equating to around 2,000 hours of time invested.

Currently we have one dedicated Fraud Investigator and two Major Crime Investigators who are trained as back-up. Unfortunately the major crime investigators are rarely available to assist due to the number of violent crimes occurring. Frauds have also been on the rise over the last few years, especially more complex cases involving the technical underworld. With a 29.9% increase in frauds for 2016 and resources not keeping pace, we are now experiencing a back log of cases.

Similar trends can also be seen in other areas of the Division. Areas such as elder abuse, human trafficking, and internet child exploitation (ICE) are secondary duties assigned to members with other full time duties. We do what we can but tend to be mostly reactive dealing with these issues. The human trafficking and ICE functions are within the responsibilities of the 4 member Sexual Offences Unit, but with sexual offences up 35.5% it is difficult for these members to perform any type of secondary function with a proactive approach. In 2016 we know that there were 308 different locations where child pornography was downloaded in our jurisdiction, unfortunately we only had time to investigate about 2% of these cases. Further, we know that there are people advertising daily for a sexual purpose in our community and that a percentage

could be victims of human trafficking however, this is a complex issue that requires dedicated resources to properly address.

A domino effect has also been occurring for a number of years and it was more prevalent this year as members in the Street Crime, High Risk Offender and Drug Units were diverted from their daily work to assist with violent crime. In 2013 the Street Crime Unit was reduced to 3 members, with the fourth member moving to Major Crime to address the violent crime. This worked for a while but the calls for service have exceeded us again resulting in the need to prioritize and focus on solving crimes that affect community safety. Another area that we have never seemed to be able to stay ahead of is the illicit drug problem. This is a thriving business with many victims of addiction and it is often linked to violent crime. Based on the amount of intelligence and complaints relating to drugs we are only containing the tip of the iceberg.

In closing, I would like to express my gratitude to all of our members for their dedication and excellent performance during a very busy 2016. Maintaining the level of service we have become accustomed to will be a challenge as we move forward given our current resources, the increasing calls for service, and external demands but we will continue to strive to provide the best service possible in 2017.

The individual unit reports that follow further exemplify the work accomplished in Investigative Services during 2016.

Larry Charmley
Inspector of Investigative Services

2016 Year End Statistics

	2015	2016	Percentage Difference
Reported Crimes	4824	5065	5% increase
Clearance Rate	57%	59.7%	2.7% increase

The total calls for service in 2016 were 31,712. Of these calls 5065 were classified as crimes. That accounts for 16% of our total calls for service. Our clearance rate for these crimes remains high at 59.7%.

Homicides (Clearance rate of **75%**)

Homicide related incidents increased by 166.7% in 2016. There were 2 homicides, 5 attempt homicides and 1 conspiracy to commit homicide in 2016. This is compared to 1 homicide and 2 attempt homicides in 2015. Arrests have been made in 6 of these cases and 2 attempt murder investigations are ongoing.

Assaults (Clearance rate of **88%**)

The total number of assaults remained the same in 2016 with 475 incidents. Assaults are broken down as follows:

- Aggravated (Level 3 – most serious) 5 (decrease of 61.5%)
- Bodily Harm/with weapon (Level 2) 97 (increase of 10.2%)
- Assault (Level 1) 184 (decrease of 11.1%)
- Assault Police 39 (increase of 105.3%)
- Domestic Assault 150 (increase of 1.4%)

Sexual Assaults (Clearance rate of **82.8%**)

Reported sexual assaults increased by 35.5% to 145 incidents in 2016 compared to 107 incidents in 2015. The clearance rate for these incidents also increased from 71% in 2015.

Robberies (Clearance rate of **71.4%**)

Robberies decreased by 12.5% in 2016. In 2016 there were 48 reported robberies with 49 victims compared to 55 reported robberies with 56 victims in 2015. Clearance rates were up substantially from 53.6% in 2015.

- 21 of the 48 robberies (43%) were drug motivated.
- 9 of the 48 robberies (18%) involved a firearm.
- 26 of the 48 robberies (53%) involved some type of weapon.
- 16 of the 49 victims (33%) received injuries.

Offences involving weapons, not including robberies (Clearance rate of **86.2%**)

These offences remained fairly consistent at 29 incidents compared to 30 in 2015.

Break and Enters (Clearance rate of **25.4%**)

Break and enters decreased by 16.6% from 397 incidents in 2015 to 331 incidents in 2016. This is closer to levels that we saw in 2014. Of the reported break and enters, residential break-ins decreased by 86 incidents to 195 for the year. We were fortunate to see this drop in occurrences given that the Street Crime Unit was diverted from their focus in this area several times throughout the year to assist with violent crime. The clearance rate reflects this reduced focus.

Frauds (Clearance rate of **43.8%**)

Frauds increased substantially this year to 313 incidents compared to 241 in 2015. ATM/Debit frauds declined by 54%, but all other areas increased and most notably frauds related to internet scams continue to be a growing problem. Ongoing public education needs to continue in this area as the ability to identify and locate suspects is becoming increasingly difficult.

Drug Offences (Clearance rate of **92.9%**)

Drug offences increased by 30.6% to 141 incidents in 2016. Illicit drugs continue to plague our communities like many others across the country. In 2016 the Drug Unit concentrated on a local group called the Ugly Crew who controlled most of the cocaine market in Peterborough and who were resorting to violence to intimidate clients and competitors. The resulting “Project Runway” concluded with 21 arrests and 150 charges. Powdered fentanyl also became a hot topic in 2016 as western provinces struggled with overdose deaths. While we had no seizures locally, larger centres in Ontario have started to make seizures and there is no doubt that it is in our community. Therefore, preparation in terms of educational awareness and acquisition of personal safety equipment and nasal Naloxone have taken place to protect our members when seizing powdered drugs. We also remain very active with the Peterborough Drug Strategy and public health agencies to share information and collaborate in the areas of enforcement, education, harm reduction and treatment.

The numbers:

- Value of all drugs seized \$516,355
- Number of persons charged 51
- Total charges laid 254

Additional Criminal Code Offence Categories

- Other (25 various offences) 736 (increase of 63.2%)
- Shoplifting 469 (decrease of 24.8%)
- Mischief (Property Damage) 431 (decrease of 12.8%)
- Disturbing the peace 246 (increase of 17.1%)
- Impaired Driving 84 (increase of 33.3%)
- Theft of motor vehicles 68 (increase of 30.8%)
- Assault Police 39 (increase of 105.3%)

Asset Forfeiture Unit

Our Provincial Asset Forfeiture Unit (PAFU), comprised of 1 Detective Constable, had an extremely successful year in 2016. The Unit reconciled over 3 times the amount of currency and assisted in almost twice as many motor vehicle seizures over the previous year.

With the retirement of a long time OPP PAFU member in March, our Service assisted the OPP and Kawartha Lakes Police Service with several investigations throughout the year. As a result of these liaison efforts, \$31,651 was reconciled and 4 motor vehicles were seized, with management orders being obtained for 3 of them.

The Unit fulfilled the provincial mandate by providing a body of expertise in relation to proceeds of crime and offence-related property. The Unit's mandate includes identification, seizure, restraint and forfeiture of offence-related property, and proceeds of crime related to the commission of designated offences.

In total, 13 motor vehicles were seized. Management orders were obtained for 4 of the vehicles and 1 vehicle is currently being detained by the Ministry of the Attorney General as a result of the execution of a Special Search Warrant in March.

The Unit assisted with the reconciliation of \$170,453.60 in currency that was seized by uniform members and the Drug Unit, of which \$88,797.55 was ordered forfeited by the court.

The highlight of the year occurred in December 2016 with the successful conclusion of Project Runway. As a result of this project \$113,385.00 was seized along with a motor vehicle, several firearms and large amounts of illicit drugs.

The Unit also participated in 2 provincial project takedowns, Project Neebing and Project Baldwin.

2016 AFU Numbers

1. PPS ACTIVE FILES	13
2. OPP/KLPS Active files	4
3. Vehicles Seized	13
4. Management Orders/Restraints	5
5. Notice of Illicit Activity Forms	13
6. Currency Reconciliation	\$170,453.60
7. Currency Forfeited	\$88,797.55
8. Provincial Takedowns	2
9. Notice to Crown Attorney	9
10. PAFU Intakes Submitted	21

Crime Analysis

There is one Crime Analyst for the Peterborough Police Service. The role has been occupied by a new civilian member since July 2016. Responsibilities include conducting a variety of crime and statistical analysis in support of crime analysis activities for the Service. Functions and duties include collecting and analyzing data on crime patterns, trends, potential suspects, utilizing crime analysis databases and tracking systems for investigations, linking offences, identifying high crime areas and methods of offending. The Analyst attends team meetings and coordinates requests for information from other police services, uniformed officers, investigators, senior staff and community partners.

Team - The Crime Analyst attends team meetings held by Teams 1 through 6 throughout the year providing a systematic study of crime and disorder specific to their geographic area. Further, the Crime Analyst completes a weekly crime report each Thursday which offers a wide array of information to support team members' specific area of assignment, team supervisors for identifying problem solving and crime prevention strategies, Investigative Services for crime specific issues and strategic planning opportunities for the Administration. On occasion the Analyst also supports grant writing for the Service.

Assistance to other Police Services - Requests are received throughout the year from various police services in Ontario. Requests range from data base searches to multijurisdictional investigations with multiple suspects. Duties have also involved working with other services on joint investigative projects.

Audio Visual Evidence - Crime bulletins are sent to the Analyst from other services to share information on similar fact evidence, items, identification of offenders and multi-jurisdictional cases. The Crime Analyst reviews each case in order to determine if our Service has any other related solved/unsolved cases. Peterborough Police bulletins are also created by the Analyst and sent to other services; 5 bulletins were disseminated from the Analyst to other services since July 22, 2016.

Training - Since the new Analyst started, training has been taken at the Canadian Police College, International Analyst Learning Program on i2 Analyst Notebook, and the Canadian Police Knowledge Network. There have also been job shadowing opportunities with other police services.

Professional Affiliations - The Crime Analyst continues to be an active member of the Ontario Crime Analyst Network and International Association of Law Enforcement Intelligence Analysts.

Requests not completed - A steep learning curve with multiple software and tools has delayed the learning of and completion of some routine tasks such as updating the Service website crime map and completing the weekly crime report. A busy year of crime in Peterborough increased requests and demand from various departments, hindering routine task acquirement. Ongoing efforts to learn all software and routine tasks are continually being pursued through job shadowing and course enrolment.

Crime Stoppers

Crime Stoppers is a partnership between the community, the media and the police. In 2016 that partnership continued to yield significant results.

Crime Stoppers is run by a volunteer Board of Directors comprised of concerned citizens from the Peterborough-Northumberland Community. The Board of Directors is responsible for the operation of the Crime Stoppers Program. The Board administers the funds for reward payments, is responsible for fundraising efforts, and campaigns to educate the community about Crime Stoppers. Money raised by the Board comes from community events, sponsorships and donations by local citizens and businesses.

The Crime Stoppers Board was chaired by Dave Houston, with Ken Erskine serving as Vice Chair. The remaining Executive was made up of Treasurer, Peggy Roberts, Secretary, Paul Shaughnessy, and Fundraising Chair, Kristy Baitley. The remaining Directors of the Board were community representatives from Peterborough and Northumberland Counties. In 2015 the Board wanted a student's perspective into the Crime Stoppers Program. A student from Trent University and a student from Fleming College were elected to the Board. In 2016 the Crime Stoppers Program maintained a Fleming College student on the Board. The Trent University student is no longer a Board member but maintains an active presence within Trent University.

The 2016 police coordinators for the Peterborough-Northumberland Crime Stoppers Program were Ontario Provincial Police Constable Ernie Garbutt and Peterborough Police Service Detective Constable Ian Maxwell. Both officers have an extensive policing background in drugs and weapons. The coordinators grew up in the area and have many contacts in the community to benefit the Crime Stoppers Program.

The Crime Stoppers Board meets on a monthly basis to discuss upcoming events, tip awards, financial statements, and discuss the direction the Crime Stoppers Program is heading. The Board is made up of community volunteers from both Peterborough and Northumberland from all walks of life who give their time and energy for free to make their community a better place to live.

Why Crime Stoppers Works?

Crime Stoppers has been successful in providing police with information pertaining to crimes while ensuring complete ANONYMITY and CASH REWARDS for information about a crime. By offering these rewards, Crime Stoppers addresses fear and apathy; two factors that often impede members of the community from coming forward with valuable information.

Statistics	2016	2015	Since Inception
New Calls	681	729	37,105
Arrests	77	61	3,295
Charges	215	198	8,615
Cases Cleared	68	102	4,260
Property Seized	\$194,418.00	\$37,515.00	\$4,954,562.00
Drugs Seized	\$487,207.00	\$110,540.00	\$159,371,125.00

Statistical Summary

In 2016, the Peterborough-Northumberland Crime Stoppers Program continued to focus on increasing their profile in the community through signage, public events, public speaking and attending community events. 2016 saw an increase in charges laid, arrests, as well as property and drugs seized. Although tips related to drugs remain high, there was also an increase in tips relating to robberies, thefts, missing persons, Highway Traffic Act and major cases involving homicides both locally and around Ontario. Our web-based tips remain steady and continue to grow which is close to 50% of all tips received. Web-based tips are handled the same way as phone tips and anonymity is still our highest priority.

Peterborough-Northumberland Crime Stoppers aim to surpass the \$160,000,000 in seizures of property and drugs in 2017.

Notable Crime Stoppers Tips Used In Police Investigations in 2015

It should be noted that this is a sampling of the quality of tips used. A large portion of the information which does not lead to arrests is categorized as “intelligence.” This is difficult to put a value on this type of information.

- Tips provided police with valuable information to assist with missing persons investigations in our community and around Ontario.
- Tips provided detailed information about homicides within our area and across Ontario.
- Tips provided details about illegal hunting, fishing and poaching and animal abuse which were passed onto our partners involved in the Ministry of Natural Resources and local Humane Society to follow up.
- 2016 saw an increase in calls and investigations relating to break and enters and thefts. Crime Stoppers was able to get pictures of suspects caught on cameras, place these photos onto the Crime Stoppers website (stopcrimehere.ca), and there was an immediate response from tipsters identifying the culprits.
- An increase in the amount of Highway Traffic Act calls received. Calls received regarding Highway Traffic Act and impaired driving resulted in the arrest of many individuals who may have hurt or killed someone with their dangerous behaviour.
- A significant number of tipsters this year provided information on drugs and weapons which resulted in quantities of drugs and guns taken off the streets.

Community Interaction

Like any other business, having a good product is not enough. The Crime Stoppers Board recognizes the need to promote the Crime Stoppers Program through interaction with the public. To that end, information booths were set up at a number of home shows, garden shows, seniors events, Partners In Education, Community Care, Trent University and Fleming student presentations, Police Week displays in the various Townships, Cobourg Car Show, St Patrick's / Christmas Parades and the Peterborough Pete's/ Crime Stoppers night. As well, the coordinators gave presentations to a number of service organizations such as Knights of Columbus, Rotary, high schools, post-secondary school groups, seniors groups, breakfast clubs and police service boards.

Partners in Education

In 2016 Crime Stoppers increased school presentations all over the region. They continued their partnership with the Peterborough Petes, and the Canadian Mental Health Association, to promote good choices, team work, mental wellness and getting involved in anti-bullying efforts.

In 2016, the Partners In Education initiative visited numerous schools and spoke to more than 4,000 students about how they can make a difference and look out for their fellow students. A “big thank you” goes out to our Partners in Education including:

- Matt D’Agostini, the Peterborough Petes players, and the Petes organization
- Ryan Luscombe and Shelley King from the Canadian Mental Health Association
- All our school principals, teachers and school boards across Peterborough/Northumberland area.

In 2017, Crime Stoppers will continue our work in the schools with presentations on drug abuse, bullying and making good choices. We will continue our Partners In Education Program with Petes players who make positive impressions on the students every time. Crime Stoppers will look to increase exposure and partner with our university and college partners to expose our student population to the same community partners in education.

The Partners In Education would not be a success without the large support and financial commitment from Cameco Corporation. Cameco committed to two years of support for the Partners In Education Program. This partnership was sought and fostered by Crime Stoppers to make this partnership possible and to continue the Partners In Education presentations.

Fundraising

Crime Stoppers is a community project supported by donations of money, goods or services. Contributions from individuals, corporations, clubs, professional associations, retailers, civic and social groups keep the Crime Stoppers program functional. All donations to a Crime Stoppers Society are tax deductible.

Crime Stoppers is a not-for-profit organization and fundraising is essential to keeping the program alive. One of our major fundraisers was the annual September Golf Classic held at the Quarry Golf Club in Ennismore. Once again in 2016, our tournament showed how generous and supportive the community is to the Crime Stoppers Program. Everyone had a great time and the tournament raised just over \$10,000.00. Special thanks goes out to, Kawartha Dodge, Dignity Memorial, Pizza Hut, The Brick, Steel Works, and The Quarry Golf Club.

Other 2016 fundraising events included:

Tribute and Magic Shows held in Peterborough and Cobourg – Thanks to Connect Marketing
The Shred Your Documents event in Peterborough and Cobourg – Thanks to Shred North
9 and Dine Golf Tournament held in Cobourg – Thank to Cobourg Creek Golf Club

Each year brings new challenges in the quest for funds to run the Crime Stoppers Program. In 2017 Crime Stoppers has taken on a raffle draw for an outdoors package. The outdoors package draw will not only create a \$30,000 profit it will garner much excitement and awareness for the Crime Stoppers Program. We thank everyone for their hard work and continuing support in the community.

Donations to Crime Stoppers

Peterborough Northumberland Crime Stoppers continues to be the envy of every Crime Stoppers Program in not only Ontario but Canada. The Crime Stoppers Program was once again the recipient of the single largest financial donation (\$100,000) ever made to any Crime Stoppers Program. This extremely generous donation was made by two local Peterborough residents. These residents did their own homework in the community to find out who best would benefit from their donation and would make an impact on the community they live in. This money ensured the Crime Stoppers Program a strong financial future.

This monetary gain has helped to update old equipment, buy new promotional material and most importantly ensure that tipsters are paid for successful tips. To acknowledge this generous donation, Peterborough-Northumberland Crime Stoppers has adopted the golden “C” as an emblem to show our gratitude.

Promoting the Program Through the Media

This past year Crime Stoppers continued to its enhanced exposure both on transit buses and at the bus terminal. Several road signs in and around Peterborough City, County and Northumberland Counties were replaced.

Our website (stopcrimehere.ca) has continued to evolve as has our presence on social media. Our web-site and social media presence allows the public to know what is happening with the program and to view local crimes which they may have information about.

The Crime Stoppers “Crime of the Week” spot continues to be aired on local radio stations in both Peterborough and Northumberland Counties and cities.

Crime Stoppers has partnered with Robins Nest Photography Video and Branding to produce Crime Stoppers videos to create awareness about the Crime Stoppers Program and local crimes. This partnership continues to grow and our first video received a tremendous amount of positive feedback. <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=2vmxkMkgLyI>

2016 Crime Stoppers Board Members

Dave Houston - Chair	Ken Erskine - Vice Chair - Steelworks
Peg Roberts - Treasurer	Paul Shaughnessy - Secretary - Retired Police Officer
Kristy Baitley - Fundraising Chair - My Broadcasting Corporation	
Cindy Ward - Peterborough This Week	Daphne Robertson - Robertson Financial
Rita O'Brien - RBC	Martha Jean Slauko - Radio
Scott Chamberlain - Radio	Shauna Ashworth - Shorelines Casino
Shannon Leitz - Fleming Student	

Honorary Board Members

Dale Goldhawk
Don Roberts

Non-Voting Member - Police Coordinators

Detective Ian Maxwell, Peterborough Police Service
Constable Ernie Garbutt, Ontario Provincial Police

Drug Unit (ICAD)

The Drug Unit is part of a larger team, referred to as the Intelligence, Crime Analyst, Asset Forfeiture and Drug (ICAD) Unit, consisting of 1 Sergeant who supervises 4 Detective Constables in the Drug Unit, 2 Detective Constables in the Intelligence Unit and 1 civilian Crime Analyst.

There were 115 calls for service in relation to drugs in 2016, which is almost identical to the amount of calls for service in 2015. The majority of the calls were dealt with through uniform patrol resulting from the community getting involved and contacting police. The ICAD Unit generated 30 of these drug calls through active investigations utilizing surveillance, confidential informants and input from the community.

Of the incidents investigated by the Drug Unit, 18 required Controlled Drugs and Substance Act (CDSA) search warrants and the Emergency Response Team (ERT) assisted on 11 of those. In comparison, in 2015 the Drug Unit executed 15 search warrants and ERT was used on 9 occasions. This increase in utilizing ERT was a result of the parties that were being investigated. A number of them were high risk and linked to firearms and other weapons and were known to fortify the residences that they were working out of. Eight firearms were seized in 2016 which is a 700 % increase from 2015. These guns consisted of a Tec 9, Archangel 5.56 semi-automatic rifle with a 50 round drum, 3 X 9mm handguns, a 44 calibre handgun and 2 long guns.

The focus in 2016 was a local street gang known as the “Ugly Crew” that distributed a large percentage of cocaine to the Peterborough area. This group was also linked to a number of violent crimes that occurred within the Peterborough area in 2016. The ICAD Unit continued their investigation throughout the year and, with the assistance of the Street Crime and High Risk Units, intensified this into a project dubbed Project “Runway” in November and December. Project Runway was very successful, resulting in a large seizure of cocaine and other drugs along with the 8 firearms and a large amount of currency. This project was taxing on all resources and took away from other community needs but was paramount to ensure the safety of citizens of Peterborough and surrounding areas. This project required assistance from other police services such as Durham, Toronto, OPP and Cobourg. The totals for the project were:

- Arrests - 21
- Charges - 150
- Firearms - 8
- Cocaine - 5,629 grams (5.6 kilograms)
- Heroin - 149 grams (5.2 ounces)
- Crystal Meth - 316 grams (11.1 ounces)
- Marijuana - 8,102 grams (8.1 kilograms)
- Hash – 1,000 grams (1 kilogram)
- Cash - \$113,385.00
- Bullet proof vest - 1
- Seized Vehicle - 1

The Drug Unit continued to build relationships outside of Project Runway with other police services and worked closely with Durham Regional Police, Kawartha Lakes Police and OPP, throughout the year on a number of investigations.

Although we identified a large supplier of cocaine which was local, the product was still coming from the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). The trend for GTA drug suppliers coming into Peterborough and setting up shop at residences continued. These suppliers are targeting the vulnerable sector of Peterborough. They are paying them with drugs and cash or they use intimidation and takeover their residence with very few options to the homeowner.

Cocaine was the largest quantity of drug seized during the year but we also encountered heroin, fentanyl, hydromorphone, marihuana, hash, MDMA, MDEA, prescription drugs and crystal meth.

In September Cannabis Culture opened in the downtown core and was selling marijuana to anyone over the age of 18 years. Surveillance was conducted and it is estimated that over 70 people were attending the store on a daily basis purchasing marijuana. As a result, the Drug Unit executed a search warrant and arrested the owner and a worker at the store in the hopes that it would close the store for good. Within three days the store opened up again and continued with the illegal business. A second warrant was then executed at the store along with a hotel and three associated hotel rooms. This action resulted in the store closing for over a month. The store has since reopened but is no longer selling marijuana, only paraphernalia.

Members of the ICAD Unit presented at our local training courses. Three officers presented at the Search Warrant Course and one officer ran the C-24 training and was assisted by another. This is beneficial as the local officers taking the training are getting a local perspective from officers who have the experience and knowledge and who can assist these officers in the future.

Entry training was also provided in February by the Emergency Response Team to all members of the ICAD Unit. This was valuable training in terms of officer and public safety.

The ICAD officers are all trained in surveillance and warrant writing and maintain as close to an equal workload when it comes to drafting these warrants. Each officer takes ownership of specific targets and this is overseen by the supervisor to ensure each is actively participating and all are sharing the workload. All members work well as a team to make this process work.

During 2016, members of the ICAD Unit wrote approximately 100 search warrants that included production orders, tracking warrants, Criminal Code warrants, general warrants and Controlled Drugs and Substances Act search warrants. Project Runway consisted of 36 warrants on its own and that is not including the warrants post-takedown. Drafting of these warrants is very time consuming. More often the content is being challenged in court and if dismissed it can often result in losing the ability to submit the very evidence that supports a criminal charge.

Officers within the ICAD Unit continue to develop and maintain many confidential informants which assist in ongoing investigations. These investigations are not just drug focused but include all types of criminal and provincial offences. Utilizing informants is a cost effective way of conducting business. This is a huge risk management to our Service but a necessary one if we are to continue to gather intelligence and combat the criminal elements.

The ICAD Unit continued to support the other units within Investigative Services for a variety of investigations when specific skills or additional resources were required. One investigation was a conspiracy to commit murder, which involved a male looking to have his partner killed. This investigation involved an undercover officer and was initially managed by the ICAD Unit and

then taken over by the Major Crime Unit once the arrest was made. A second investigation that the ICAD Unit was heavily involved in was the homicide on Stewart Street in Peterborough where 6 parties were arrested for a number offences including first degree murder.

Throughout the year members of the ICAD Unit wrote 10-15 search warrants/production orders for the other units in Investigative Services. One member, who has the open sourcing training, assisted the other units on a number of investigations totaling over 40 hours of their time.

The Drug Unit continued to maintain close relationships with community partners, including the Peterborough Drug Strategy, Grand Rounds, Canadian Mental Health Association and local doctors and pharmacists. Patch for Patch presentations were also provided to the hospital.

The majority of drug investigations remain complex and are resource intensive. They are also becoming more dangerous due to the gun information and the seizures in 2016 illustrate this. Following an arrest, preparation for court and time spent in court is also taxing on our limited resources. This creates challenges when trying to stay proactive in the community.

Our Crime Analyst and Intelligence Officers have provided support for all areas of our Service throughout the year. Separate reports submitted from each of these units' highlights their work.

Statistics for 2016

- Arrests - 51
- Charges - 254
- Drugs and other property seized
- Cocaine - 6491 grams (6.4 kilograms)
- Heroin - 156 grams
- Crystal Meth - 316 grams
- MDMA - 119 grams
- Psilocybin (Mushrooms) - 791 grams
- Marijuana - 13751 grams (13.7 kilograms)
- Hash - 1101 grams (1.1 kilograms)
- Currency - \$146,211.00
- 8 Firearms
- 1 Motor Vehicle

Electronic Crime Unit

There is 1 fulltime sworn member in the Electronic Crime Unit. In 2016, this officer was involved in 54 investigations and examined 90 devices as follows:

- 62 cellular devices
- 18 hard disk drives
- 8 kiosk devices
- 2 tablets

The cases itemized above also include assisting outside agencies. Five cases were with the City of Kawartha Lakes Police Service and 2 cases were with the O.P.P Provincial Strategy Unit. These investigations resulted in the examinations of 5 computer hard disk drives, 2 tablets, and 8 cellular devices.

While many investigations involve frontline members seizing devices and submitting them to the Unit, on several occasions the E-Crime Analyst was also required to attend directly at the scene to assist with the seizure. Cases covered a wide spectrum of crimes including murder, sexual assaults, possession of child pornography, drugs, frauds and others. Three cases required a complete forensic analysis and report for court. These full scale reviews require approximately 80 hours per case.

With the purchase of a cellular extraction kiosk in 2016, seven cases were examined by members of the Service without submitting the devices to the Electronic Crime Unit. In 2016, selected uniform members completed the Kiosk Operator training. Therefore, this number should increase significantly in 2017 and reduce some pressure for the Unit while improving service delivery.

The estimated current back log in the Electronic Crime Unit is approximately 4 months, which is a reduction of 2 months from 2015. This estimate is based on if all submissions to the Unit stopped, how long it would take to complete all current submissions including all necessary reports.

Training received for the year included X-Ways Forensic Software training, Analyze DI Software training, attendance and workshops at the Provincial Child Exploitation Conference, and mandated annual training with the Service.

Training provided to members included search and seizure case law, e-crime case law, and Cellebrite Kiosk training.

In closing, the Electronic Crime Unit continues to try and find efficiencies and adjust process to reduce backlog. However, with the increased use of electronic devices by the consumer and the available evidence that is often contained in them, it can be expected that the workload for this Unit will remain very heavy.

Fingerprint and Photograph Destruction

During 2016 there were 16 paid applications received, 3 of which were initially submitted with either no payment or an incorrect amount and returned. All 3 were re-submitted with payment. 1 appeal was received without payment requesting reconsideration of a 2015 decision (more than a year after the initial decision). This resulted in a total of 17 applications to be processed. 4 of the applications were denied - 3 by our Service and 1 by the RCMP. Of those 4, 1 was appealed and again denied.

There were 30 files where the process was totally completed in 2016. The original applications were from the following years:

- 2013 – 1
- 2014 – 5
- 2015 – 18
- 2016 – 6

At end of 2016, there were 6 2016 applications still waiting final completion and all previous applications have been completed.

Forensic Identification Services

The Forensic Identification Service (FIS) consists of 3 sworn members. These officers train in forensic identification techniques and attend scenes of major crimes in search of physical and trace evidence to assist the investigation through evidence that will identify the persons responsible. The officers work with all officers and civilians of the Service to ensure crime scene evidence examination assists investigations. They record crime scenes through videos, photographs and drawings to orient and inform the courts with details of the scene and events. The officers' duties also include training and mentoring members of the Scenes of Crime Officer (SOCO) team to ensure quality of examinations. Daily duties of these officers include data input and maintenance of the Automated Identification Fingerprint System (AFIS) system, creating photo line-ups for officers, filing digital photographs from crime scenes, maintenance of office files and assisting staff with a variety of administrative tasks related to Forensic Identification Officer duties.

Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS)

All 3 FIS officers are trained by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) to use the Remote Transcoder. Only 22 locations with 135 users exist within Canada. In 2016, there were 44 fingerprint identifications made to known offenders who possessed finger impressions on the RCMP Criminal Database. The use of AFIS has been a proven success in the identification of offenders in Peterborough. Continued training in 2017 through use and conferences will lead to further successes with AFIS.

SOCO (Scenes of Crime Officer) Program

The Scenes of Crime Officer (SOCO) Program was introduced to the Service in June of 2000. In the spring of 2016 the FIS officers trained 8 new Scenes of Crime officers. One FIS officer has been trained to facilitate the training to meet the Ontario Police College Standard. In 2016 there were 26 active officers used to conduct field examinations and photography for minor break and enters, theft, minor assaults and other incidents. They responded to 626 calls for service in 2016, down slightly from 653 in 2015. These officers also complete weekend fingerprint duties for those held in police custody.

Fingerprinting of Charged Offenders – Civilian Fingerprint Submissions - Livescan

The majority of offenders are fingerprinted by a reassigned Livescan Coordinator Police Officer to allow FIS officers more time in processing evidence and reporting major cases. FIS assists when this officer is unavailable. Special Constables continue to fingerprint all in custody accused persons. Weekend fingerprinting is completed by SOCO officers.

The same Livescan Coordinator submits civilian fingerprints directly to the RCMP system rather than mailing the submission, resulting in quicker returns. Civilian fingerprint submissions include employment, pardons, adoption, volunteer, VISA and Canadian/United States Border Waivers. Criminal and civilian combined, there were 2,125 people fingerprinted in 2016.

DNA Samples

DNA samples are collected from convicted offenders by Peterborough Police Service Special Constables at Provincial Court. The Livescan Coordinator submits DNA sample paperwork to the National DNA Data Bank. The Forensic Identification Service receives notification from the National DNA Data Bank regarding crime scene submissions that 'hit' to another submitted crime scene sample or to a convicted offender. DNA submissions and coordination is an invaluable tool to the FIS officers in solving and completing an investigation. There were 343 samples obtained in 2016.

2016 Major Crimes

In 2016 the FIS attended major crime scenes that included 2 homicides, attempt murders and aggravated assaults involving adults and infants and sexual assault scenes. FIS officers attended 42 of the 112 sudden death calls that officers attended in 2016. A homicide in late December 2015 continued into 2016. Three homicides in less than a year have consumed the FIS in scene and evidence examinations. FIS officers continually liaise with investigating officers to ensure forensic evidence continuity and examination is complete, as well as with the Centre of Forensic Sciences to ensure forensic evidence examinations are exhausted and complete for each case. Investigations from years prior continue in court preparation while FIS juggle their daily work to ensure cases are complete. Case law within Canada creates additional requirements in evidence collection and handling. It is up to the FIS officer to ensure they are up to date with latest developments in law and evidence examination to ensure an investigation is dealt with properly.

Training

Each member attended training in separate areas including Tire Tread Examination, Shooting Scene Investigation, C24 Lawful Justification and Professional Standards. Forensic Identification Service Officers have participated in community presentations at Trent University, Fleming College, Peterborough Regional Health Center and local television broadcasts at COGECO Peterborough.

2016 Statistics

The following statistics document calls for service that 3 Forensic Identification officers are tasked with. 1 call for service may have all 3 Forensic Identification Officers involved with that call for service recorded 3 times.

Administrative

Photo Lineups	42
Photograph Disclosure	18

Evidentiary

	Quantity
DNA Submissions	40
DNA links to known offender(s) or a crime scene	17
Fingerprint Ident - Criminal	44
Fingerprint Ident - Deceased	15
Fingerprint Ident - Other	0
Footwear	1

Calls for Service

Homicide	2
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Attempt Murder	5
Aggravated Assault	1
Assault with weapon	2
Assault	19
Sexual Assault	19
Sudden Death	42
Attempt Suicide	0
Robbery	18
Home Invasion	4
Arson / Fire	8
Explosion	13
Domestic Dispute	0
Stolen Vehicle	30
MVC / Fail to Remain	6
Baby Injury	0
Found Remains	2
Counterfeit	22
Drug Offences	10
Fraud	3
Firearms / Weapons	10
Break and Enter	52
Harassment	2
Mischief	7
Property Related	2
Child Pornography	4
Threats	2
Impaired Operation of a Motor Vehicle	1
Bail Breaches	0
Assist with Search Warrants	1
Community Services	4
Dangerous Operation of a Motor Vehicle	1
Work Place Injury	2

Intelligence Unit

The Intelligence Unit is comprised of 2 Detective Constables who work within the Intelligence, Crime Analyst, Asset Forfeiture and Drug (ICAD) Unit of Investigative Services. In September, a seven year member of the Unit transferred to the Operations Division and was replaced by another detective from the Drug Unit. The transition has been relatively smooth and the new member has already been receiving additional training.

In 2016, the Intelligence Unit members maintained a continuous caseload with investigations ranging from organized crime and drug offences to homicides. They also worked with many organizations throughout the year including our US counterparts on a variety of investigations. Intelligence officers maintained active source files and continued in their recruitment of community contacts and confidential sources.

Outlaw Motorcycle Gang (OMG) activity was fluid throughout the year in the City of Peterborough with various clubs represented. Currently the only known OMG clubhouse in Peterborough is Outlaws MC owned however is currently up for sale.

Training /CISO Courses

Training or instruction on the following topics was provided throughout 2016:

- Witness Assistance and Relocation
- C24 Lawful Justification – Train The Trainer
- Use of Force
- PPS Search Warrant Course

Central Intelligence Service Ontario (CISO)

Members attended and actively participated in scheduled CISO meetings throughout the calendar year, resulting in a positive meaningful participation report from CISO. Our local threat assessment was completed and several Automated Criminal Intelligence Information System (ACIIS) submissions were forwarded resulting support funding for Project Runway.

In 2016 our Service used members of the CISO Undercover Operations Program to assist with various investigations. Our Service will remain active in providing trained officers to this program in order to receive its benefit if the investigative need arises.

Witness Protection (WP)

Our Service took carriage of 1 witness protection file which is currently active. Intelligence officers utilized contacts obtained within the witness protection community to assist with this file. Further, Intelligence officers assisted other services with witness protection files relating to our community.

Considering the expense associated with other investigative options, witness protection remains a viable option. This investigation resource is cost effective and can ensure witness/victim testimony for successful prosecutions of dangerous offenders for serious offences.

Hate Bias Crime

Hate Bias Crime is still an area of concern for our Service however, the number of total incidents reduced by almost 50% in 2016. A total of 14 incidents were reported to police resulting in 8 being classified as hate crimes. Of the 8 crimes, 5 resulted in charges, 1 was mediated by police and 2 remain unsolved. These recorded incidents were motivated by race and sexual identity.

Areas of Concern

The Peterborough area is identified by criminal groups as a lucrative market for drug and human trafficking. With the recent completion of Project Runway, which focused on the Ugly Crew, Peterborough has and will continue to see an influx of GTA drug traffickers attending the City of Peterborough as the Ugly Crew has lost its stranglehold for the moment. Gathering intelligence on individuals and their patterns can consume a lot of resources, but is time well spent to provide focus for the best service response.

Multijurisdictional frauds and counterfeit currency remain a problem for our area considering our proximity to the Highway 401. These types of crimes will only increase with Highway 407 connecting to the Highway 115 in the near future.

In conclusion, allocating resources to identified areas of concern and threats should remain a priority for our Service. This proactive approach is cost effective and will only benefit the police service and community as a whole.

Major Crime Unit

The Major Crime Unit is comprised of 9 sworn members; 3 in Major Crime, 4 in Sexual Offences, 1 in Fraud and 1 supervising Sergeant.

Statistics	2015	2016
Murder	1	2
Attempt Murder/Other	2	6
Frauds	241	313
Arson	9	9
Indecent Act	15	21
Sexual Assaults Total	107	145
Sudden Deaths	103	112

Violent Crime Linkage Analysis System (ViClas) Statistics

ViClas is a provincial software system managed by the OPP to analyze violent crime in an attempt to identify individuals who may be responsible for multiple crimes. There were a total of 159 ViClas reports completed in 2016. These reports are being electronically submitted to the ViClas Centre in Orillia via a secure portal. Of the 159 reports 92 were threshold investigations and 67 were non-threshold.

Powercase

Powercase is a Ministry mandated software system that police services use to manage major cases. Members utilized Powercase throughout the year for 199 investigations. Of those investigations 55 were submitted as “full functionality” and 144 were “tomb stoned”.

Sex Offender Registry (SOR) Statistics

- Number of offenders on the Sex Offender Registry - 173
- Number annual registrations - 172
- Number change of addresses - 54
- Number address checks - 133
- Number of charges laid related to the Sex Offender Registry (SOR)/ Sex Offender Information Registration Act (SOIRA) compliance - 10

Elder Abuse

In 2016, the Peterborough Police Service received 201 calls for service from long-term care homes and retirement homes in Peterborough, Lakefield and Cavan Monaghan Township. More than 86% of these calls were categorized as police information with the other call types including domestic disputes, sexual assaults, thefts, assaults, break and enters, mischiefs, and police assistance. Approximately 90% of these calls were managed by the Elder Abuse Unit, which consists of 1 member on a part-time basis in the Major Crime Unit. A Crime Prevention Post Card Campaign, in partnership with CrimeStoppers, was also launched in 2016 to assist seniors being targeted by a Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) scam.

Frauds

Frauds increased exponentially in 2016 to 313 cases. While many of these crimes are investigated by uniform members, the 1 member Fraud Unit is responsible for taking carriage of the more complex cases and providing advice for all members. Due to the workload for this 1 member, some of the investigations had to be reassigned to other members in the Major Crime Unit. The management of response in this area is expected to be an ongoing challenge.

Ministry Grant

In the fall of 2016 a collaborative effort was utilized to apply for 2 grants from the Provincial Government termed, "Supporting Police Response to Sexual Violence and Harassment Grant." Our Service was successful in obtaining both grants totaling more than \$206,000. One grant is designed to enhance police training in an effort to improve our response and understanding of victimology. The second is to prepare a video which will assist victims/survivors navigating through the criminal and judicial systems.

Some Investigation Highlights

- Homicide continuation from 2015 – The homicide investigation of Dr. Chan on December 28, 2015 continued well into 2016.
- Conspiracy to commit homicide – On February 25, 2016 a local resident was arrested following a two month investigation that revealed he was attempting to have his ex-partner killed. This investigation involved the use of an undercover operator.
- Homicide – On March 19, 2016 police responded to a disturbance on Middlefield Road and located resident Cindy Tobar deceased. The accused was shot on scene by police and as a result our investigation was conducted in parallel with the Special Investigations Unit. The accused was transported to a Toronto where police maintained continuity of him for more than a month until he was coherent enough to be formally arrested.
- Personation and Fraud – In April 2016 police began to investigate a Millbrook resident who had stolen her best friend's identification and slowly began personating her for financial gain. She then fled to the United States and was eventually located in the state of Kansas. An officer from Lawrence, Kansas assisted in the investigation, working collaboratively to bring the accused person back to Canada. The total fraud in this case is more than \$80,000.
- Internal Fraud – Following an extensive investigation, in April 2016 the Director of a local non-profit organization was charged in relation to more than \$300,000 in misappropriated funds.
- Sexual Assault and Choking – In July 2016 police were advised of a violent sexual assault that occurred in Peterborough by an unknown suspect from the Brampton area. A joint investigation with Peel Regional Police Service resulted in the male being identified. The male was subsequently arrested for various offences.

- Plane Crash – On August 12, 2016 a stolen airplane from Markham crashed on Lansdowne Street in Peterborough. The pilot of this stolen plane died on scene. This investigation made national news and involved a multijurisdictional investigation involving the York Regional Police Service, the Integrated National Security Enforcement Team (INSET) of the RCMP, and the Transport Safety Board of Canada. The investigation determined this was not linked to a terrorist attack.
- Shootings – In August 2016 a shooting occurred at a Brock Street residence in Peterborough and in October 2016 another shooting occurred at a McDonnell Street residence in Peterborough. Both are believed to be drug related. The victims survived their injuries and both cases are ongoing into 2017.
- Possession of Child Pornography - An online peer-to-peer investigation that began in September 2016 resulted in a search warrant being executed at a Peterborough residence in October. An examination of a computer in the residence located several graphic images of child pornography. As a result a resident was charged with possession of child pornography and making available child pornography.
- Operation Northern Spotlight - In October 2016, 6 members of the Peterborough Police Service, 1 member from the City of Kawartha Lakes Police Service, and members of the Peterborough Police Victim Services Unit participated in a provincial human trafficking project. Peterborough Police spoke to 6 women involved in the sex trade industry. One of these women has since followed up with our Victim Services Unit. No charges were laid.
- Internal Fraud – In November 2016 the co-founders of a local non-profit sports organization were charged with the fraudulent use of over \$40,000 from the team.
- Homicide – On November 26, 2016 Terry Pringle was found deceased in his residence on Stewart Street in Peterborough. This investigation required the team work and assistance from nearly every division within the Service, especially Investigative Services. 6 co-accused (including 2 youths) were arrested and charged.
- Sexual Exploitation – On December 22, 2016, following an investigation, an Educational Assistant with a local school board was arrested for having a sexual relationship with 2 of her students.

In conclusion, 2016 was a very busy year. The above highlights are just a few of the many cases handled by the Major Crime Unit. With the internal teamwork and support of other units we were able to solve the majority of incidents that occurred throughout the year.

Street Crime Unit and High Risk Unit

The Street Crime Unit saw several changes in 2016 that included a new supervisor and 1 new member who eventually transferred to the Drug Unit at the end of 2016. The Street Crime Unit is presently comprised of 3 Detective Constables, one of which has the shared responsibility of asset forfeiture investigations and RCMP firearms compliance investigations that accounts for approximately 50% of their time. This arrangement takes resources away from street crime on a regular basis as most asset forfeiture investigations revolve around drug investigations.

The Street Crime Unit's main responsibilities are investigating robberies, break and enters, theft from vehicles and stolen vehicles. Officers continually review uniform officer reports and complete follow-up in an attempt to identify patterns and or modus operandi that would allow for the identification of individuals responsible for these crimes to bringing the incidents to a successful conclusion.

There were 49 robberies in 2016, many of which occurred in the early part of the year and the clearance rate is in the range of 70% which is very impressive. There were 331 break and enters, of which 195 were residential and 113 were business with a clearance rate in excess of 25%. There were also 68 stolen vehicles and 480 thefts from vehicle.

During 2016 there were numerous times when the Street Crime and High Risk Units came together as one unit to complete complex investigations that required more resources or took on investigations that crossed between the units for the sake of efficiency. Both units also worked directly with ICAD for the last 2 months of the year to form a larger combined unit that allowed for the successful conclusion of Project Runway. The units also worked directly with the Major Crime Unit on many of the major investigations that came in throughout the year. As a result there was considerably less time available to focus on each of the unit's core duties but each managed to achieve very positive results in spite of this.

Some of the more complex investigations that the Street Crime and High Risk Units successfully completed during 2016 are noted below and many involved the drafting and execution of search warrants, ongoing surveillance and numerous hours of follow up to complete the court process.

- Robbery/attempt murder investigation - PB16008115 - male arrested
- Three males arrested for multiple break and enters downtown and property recovered.
- Multiple convenience store robberies solved with arrests: PB16012122 - male arrested, PB16012358 and PB16020481 - male arrested
- Shooting at Brock Street residence, Peterborough (ongoing) and stabbing at a Water Street address, Peterborough - male arrested
- Numerous incidents of coin thefts from car wash vending machines using a taped bill in Peterborough and outlying areas that resulted in 3 charged
- Numerous persons charged from the GTA with passing counterfeit currency at several stores in Peterborough area
- Numerous break and enters at Trent Severn Waterways and other locations - male arrested

The Street Crime Unit yearly objectives were met as a result of the following:

1 - Ongoing interaction with the local pawn shops which led to the seizure of stolen property and persons charged in several incidents. There are 2 pawn shops that are somewhat resistant to providing assistance because they do not typically receive any restitution from the courts. There is ongoing interaction with these shops to better improve the situation.

2 – The ongoing release of images and video through our Media Relations Coordinator to the public of unsolved crimes and identified trends.

The High Risk Unit has also seen many changes in 2016 with two new members starting and one transferring to the Drug Unit. The Unit is currently comprised of 3 Detective Constables that are partially funded by the Ministry of Correctional Services. They are responsible for ensuring the compliance of court orders for repeat offenders and parolees, and monitoring and drafting 810 orders and dangerous offender applications. The Unit also assists the Sexual Offences Unit with compliance checks and enforcement related to the Sex Offence Registry (SOR).

The High Risk Unit conducted 98 compliance checks, made 134 arrests and completed three 810 renewals during 2016. They also completed 70 SOR checks.

The High Risk Unit also maintains an intimate working relationship with local parole office, probation office and the provincial Repeat Offender Parole Enforcement (ROPE) Unit. They also continue to be a member of the Community Assessment Team (CAT) and meet monthly to discuss parolee's coming to Peterborough. They also participate with safety planning meetings with the local Children's Aid Society.

As previously noted, the High Risk Unit was called upon several times throughout the year to help other units within Investigative Services. As a result, the compliance check results were lower than other years but the arrests were up substantially as a result of these investigations.

The High Risk Unit was able to meet its yearly objectives by:

1 – Maintaining Unit statistics related to compliance checks for intensive and non-intensive offenders in the Niche data base and completing SOR compliance checks with the Major Crime and Sexual Offence Units with the end result of improving community safety.

2 – Maintaining a positive ongoing relationship with Probation and Parole on an almost daily basis, including yearly meetings with all Probation and Parole members at their respective offices and attending all CAT meetings in 2016.

Victim Services Unit

The Victim Services Unit of the Peterborough Police Service is unique and innovative when it comes to delivering services for victims of crime and tragic circumstances. Victim Services strives to offer empathic and trauma-informed assistance to our community members in the wake of a crisis.

In 2016 we continued to strengthen our collaborative partnerships in the community to deliver the best service to victims and their families. The focus of our Unit in 2016 was to improve service delivery by way of technology-based alternatives. One area that we have seen this improvement in is when following up and completing victim impact statements with clients, we are able to reach a larger majority by offering this service via e-mail. We have also improved information sharing about victim's rights through our website and our member's business cards. These improvements will hopefully increase victim's self-advocacy and empower them to seek further information.

Service Delivery

- A. Niche Tasks:** On a daily basis staff receives, reviews, assesses and follow up when required to do so with mandated cases. In 2016, Victim Services received and reviewed 2771 incidents. Of those incidents, 1672 incidents required follow up. Follow-up consists of a phone interview, in person interview and/or referrals to provide adequate and appropriate emotional and practical support to victims of crime and tragic circumstance. Often these follow up interviews/conversations allow for an alternate method for vulnerable persons to contact and reach out for support, rather than calling 9-1-1 or the police service for non-emergency purposes. These numbers have increased from 2015.
- B. Victim Impact Statements:** Victim Services takes initiative and tracks court cases throughout the Criminal Justice System. Upon a plea or finding of guilt, and in conjunction with the Crown Attorney's Office, Victim Services contacts the victim(s), canvasses and explains their legislative right to completing a Victim Impact Statement. An appointment can be scheduled to assist in preparation of the statement as well. In 2016, Victim Services assisted in completion of 155 victim impact statements. Since the introduction of the Victims Bill of Rights, our Unit has found that the rise in requests from the Crown Attorney's Office has resulted in the completion of many more Victim Impact Statements. The number more than doubled from 71 in 2015.
- C. Criminal Injuries Compensation Packages:** Victims of violent offences have the right to apply and be considered for compensation through the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board of Ontario. The application process is a 15 page document where the victim discloses personal information in relation to the crime and the aftermath effects of the crime. This process is often, if not always, overwhelming for someone and can take several office meetings. Victim Services assisted in completion of 63 criminal injuries compensation packages in 2016. This number has increased since 2015 when there were 37.

- D. Court Accompaniment:** Attending court, either as a witness or a victim while giving evidence or for information gathering purposes is often an overwhelming and traumatic event; it is often referred to as a re-victimization experience. With this in mind, Victim Services provided court support on 94 different occasions in 2016. This number has increased from 76 in 2015.
- E. Office Interviews:** Victim Services offers to meet with anyone seeking general advice and referrals on any matter which may give rise to and govern the attention of the Service. These office interviews are booked for one hour periods but can extend much longer or require subsequent scheduling to address all issues/concerns. In 2016, Victim Services conducted 334 office interviews. This number has decreased since 2015, primarily as a result of technology based alternatives.
- F. Student Placements and Volunteers:** The Unit received 2 student placements in 2016. Brianne Walton from Trent University's Forensic Science Program and Kaitlyn Johnson in the Bachelor of Science Program in Family and Child Development from Liberty University. Both students completed successful placements and Kaitlyn was able to secure employment in her field of study.
- G. Committee Memberships:** Between the two staff members, Victim Services is represented on 17 different community based committees which meet monthly. Last year, three committee groups collapsed however, the Unit subsequently joined four new ones: Peterborough's Risk Driven Situation Table, the LGBTQ Task Force, Improving Police Response to Sexual Violence and Harassment Grant Committees and the Durham College Victimology Advisory Committee.
- H. Professional Community Presentations:** Throughout 2016, Victim Services provided various professional community presentations in areas of Trauma Informed Investigations, Compassion Fatigue, Vicarious Trauma, resiliency skills, community policing. In addition, we were featured on Chex TV Daily's "Cop Talk" discussing the new Federal Victims Bill of Rights and its implications for victims.
- I. Newsletters:** The Victim Services Newsletter was created in May of 2013, and is sent out bi-monthly. This internal information bulletin accomplishes two things: first to keep a dialogue going with the officers and administration about what Victim Services has been involved with. Secondly, to bring awareness to the Victim Bill of Rights and how it may influence day-to-day interactions with victims of crime.
- J. EFAP:** Both staff in Victim Services have been a part of the EFAP Advisory Committee since its inception in 2015. EFAP has provided training to staff including the Road to Mental Readiness and refresher training at shift briefings.

Video Analysis

There is currently 1 Video Analyst for the Peterborough Police Service. The Video Analyst is responsible for all CCTV, video and digital-imaging matters of the Service. This includes crime scene videos, cell-block CCTV systems, public safety CCTV systems and the collection and processing of audio and video files in all formats with regard to criminal and internal occurrences. As well, the Video Analyst is required to attend meetings and share information with uniformed officers, investigators, senior staff and community partners. The Video Analyst keeps members informed of current investigations by way of crime bulletins. Furthermore, the Video Analyst works with the community and other police services to ensure the best evidence is collected and preserved.

Investigative Services: The Video Analyst actively assists all units and members within Investigative Services - Street Crime, Major Crime, Sexual Offences, Intelligence, Drugs, High Risk, Fraud, ICE and AFU.

Whether it is collecting or processing digital multimedia evidence, or canvassing to find video cameras within the community, the Video Analyst is an integral part of any major crime case that Investigative Services examines.

Assistance to other Police Services: Requests are received throughout the year from various police services and the OPP. Requests for the assistance of the Video Analyst range from interview room video extraction to digital multimedia evidence file conversions. Requests for these services continue to increase each year.

Community Stakeholders: Numerous businesses and homeowners have installed digital video recorders (DVR). Most have little to no experience with these systems. Whenever a member of the community requires assistance extracting video from their systems, the Video Analyst is called upon to perform the extraction. This requires the Video Analyst to have a working knowledge of all possible DVR systems. In addition, the Video Analyst also provides setup and configuration advice to business and home owners.

In 2016, the Video Analyst assisted with or personally extracted 236 different videos. These videos were then processed and submitted in to evidence by the Video Analyst.

Crime Bulletins: The Video Analyst creates crime bulletins for the Service. This requires reviewing the digital multimedia evidence to determine the best possible view of the suspect. Then creating the actual crime bulletin, editing the accompanying video and disseminating it Service wide. This process is done for every occurrence that has video and an unknown suspect.

In 2016, the Video Analyst created 245 crime bulletins. This is up from 2015, when 170 Crime bulletins were created. This represents an increase of 44 percent. It is expected that the number of crime bulletins required will continue to increase, year after year.

Digital Evidence: All digital evidence is directed the Video Analyst office for processing. The digital evidence is uploaded to the Service's Digital Evidence Server (DES). If this evidence is not already in the form of a CD or DVD, a copy is created and stored for safe keeping.

In 2016, 1,413 unique pieces of digital evidence were processed and uploaded to the DES. This is up from 2015, when approximately 1,000 unique pieces of digital evidence were processed and uploaded to the DES. This represents an increase of 40 percent. It is expected that the volume of digital evidence will continue to increase, year after year.

Court Disclosure & FOI Requests: The Video Analyst is responsible for preparing all Crown & FOI requests for disclosure of digital multimedia evidence (DME). This includes all video interviews conducted by the Service, all video and audio seized during investigations and copies of the SOCO photos.

In 2016, 1,208 discs were charged to the Crown's Office. This is up from 2015, when 987 discs were charged to the Crown Attorney's Office. This represents an increase of 22%. It is expected that due to recent court rulings, the volume of Crown Attorney disclosure requests will continue to increase.

Training: In 2016, the Video Analyst participated in 2 training sessions with the Law Enforcement & Emergency Services Video Association International (LEVA).

The first was LEVA Level 1: Digital Multimedia Evidence Processing (March 2016). This course introduced students to advanced theory and hands-on techniques that conform to the Best Practices for the Acquisition and Processing of Digital Multimedia Evidence (DME). Various software programs were introduced.

The second was LEVA Level 2: Forensic Video Analysis & the Law (June 2016). This course was a mixture of lecture and hands-on training consisting of practical exercises with various digital video recording systems. Skills and knowledge was obtained on the proper acquisition of video evidence, with emphasis on gleaning information from the evidence and accurately distributing the information obtained. As well, various case laws were reviewed and examined.

After successfully completing these 2 courses, the Video Analyst was granted the title of Certified Forensic Video Technician by LEVA.

Professional Affiliations: The Video Analyst continues to be an active member of the Ontario Forensic Video Analysts' Association and the Law Enforcement & Emergency Services Video Association International.

Requests Not Completed: While most work is completed in a timely manner, some tasks just cannot be completed with the current setup and staffing. Requests for image and video enhancements are limited by the software maintained by the Service. Some crime bulletins are passed on due to the time requirements and lack of image enhancing software. Furthermore, some requests for video extraction were not completed because the Video Analyst was out of the office.