

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL



Kelowna RCMP Detachment

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Mayor and City Council
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December 17, 2007

Dear Mayor Shepherd and Councillors:

Re: Kelowna Municipal RCMP Detachment Policing Activity Report - November 2007

Please note below the policing report reflecting key activities undertaken by the Kelowna RCMP for the month of November, 2007. I will highlight the key statistical data for the most common criminal activities, and provide a short narrative overview of criminal trends and resources.

Activity Type	November - 2007	November - 2006	Increase/Decrease
Crimes Against Persons	155	160	- 3.1 %
- Homicides	0	0	0 %
- Robberies	11	15	- 26.6 %
- Assaults	136	129	+ 5.4 %
- Sex Offences	8	16	- 50.0 %
- Spousal Assault - M Offender	19	30	- 36.6 %
- Spousal Assault - F Offender	6	8	- 25.0 %
- Domestic Dispute - No Assault	38	55	- 30.9 %
Break and Enters	135	161	- 16.1 %
Theft of Motor Vehicles	100	86	+ 16.2 %
Theft Over \$5000	10	3	+ 233.3 %
Theft Under \$5000	342	425	- 19.5 %
Drug Offences	170	124	+ 37.0 %
Provincial Liquor Offences	N/A	N/A	N/A
Impaired Driving	18	19	- 5.2 %
24 Hour Driving Suspensions	57	44	+ 29.5 %
Motor Vehicle Accidents	193	267	- 27.7 %
Fatal Motor Vehicle Accidents	0	1	- 100.0 %
Calls for Service	5226	5391	- 3.0 %
Prisoners Lodged	523	427	+ 22.4 %

Downtown Enforcement Unit (DEU) - Highlights

The members of the Downtown Enforcement Unit are continuing with their efforts to resist and combat drug activity and associated behaviors in the downtown core of Kelowna.

DEU Statistics for the month of November (Total Number of Shifts - 83)			
76 Files	60 Arrests	28 Reports to Crown Counsel	15 Tickets Issued

Community Operations Support Unit (COSU) - Highlights

Drug Facilitated Sexual Assault Committee

Members of the community-based "Drug Facilitated Sexual Assault Committee" launched their awareness campaign by placing posters inside local establishments with the hopes of educating the general public and drawing interest to the issue. Members of the committee also met with the local media at the Kelowna Detachment in order to maximize public awareness. The committee is comprised of representatives from Elizabeth Fry Society, Victim Services, the RCMP, Interior Health, and local nightclub/pub owners. The main objective of this committee is to educate the public about the association between so called "date-rape-drugs" and occurrences of sexual assault, as well as to provide tips on preventative measures.

North West Rutland NIRC

Only two members of the public attended the November NIRC meeting in Rutland. There are plans to meet again in January with the hopes of increasing attendance and continuing to make plans for change.

Auxiliary Program

The Kelowna RCMP Auxiliary program will see 18 new cadets begin their training on February 2, 2008. The program currently consists of 54 Auxiliary Police Officers who have volunteered 12,238 hours so far in 2007.

Property Crime Unit

During the month of November, the Property Crime Unit played an integral part in the arrest of a group of auto thieves believed responsible for in excess of 25 vehicle thefts in the Okanagan, from Enderby to Penticton. In total, 5 adult male members of this group were arrested by the Kelowna RCMP in November, in three separate stolen vehicles. Further investigation led to the confession of over a dozen vehicle thefts. All 5 of these prolific offenders remain in custody.

Special Events

On November 29, 2007, members of the Kelowna RCMP responded to numerous complaints in and around Prospera Place during the "TOOL" concert. Six members of the Kelowna RCMP were requested by security at Prospera Place for this concert on a cost recovery basis. During the concert, police were called upon several times to deal with individuals who were found to be causing a disturbance and/or intoxicated. 16 people were arrested by police while attending this event. The actions of the band also caused the crowd to become agitated. Since the concert, meetings have been held with management of Prospera Place, ICM Security, and RCMP officials to address the security shortfalls that occurred during the "TOOL" concert. In this particular instance, the security firm was not able to supply all the resources asked for in the first instance. A risk assessment had been conducted by Prospera Place prior to security arrangements being made. We now have set protocols in place with Prospera Place, hoping to eliminate some issues that surfaced during the concert. The cost of the additional officers that attended the "TOOL" Concert will be recovered through cost recovery with Prospera Place.

Crime Stoppers Statistic - November 2007

	November 2007	November 2006
Tips	92	65
Cases Cleared	8	11
Arrests	8	7
Rewards Paid	\$0	\$0
Property Recovered	\$0	\$0
Drugs Seized	\$0	\$0
Total Recovered	\$0	\$0

Traffic Services - Highlights for November 2007

# Tickets	Violations
1048	Violation Tickets issued within the City of Kelowna
280	Notice & Orders (warnings or vehicle defects)
51	Municipal Bylaw Violation Tickets

Resources

The City of Kelowna was billed for **125** full-time regular members for the month of November, 2007.



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