

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL



Kelowna RCMP Detachment

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November 24th, 2008

Dear Mayor Shepherd and Councillors:

Re: Kelowna Municipal RCMP Detachment Policing Activity Report - October 2008

Please note below the policing report reflecting key activities undertaken by the Kelowna RCMP for the month of October, 2008. The key statistical data for the most common criminal activities will not be available during this monthly report due to statistical errors which have arisen as a result of our change in records management. The statistics generated would not be an accurate depiction of the actions taken by the Kelowna RCMP Detachment for the month of August. I will, however, provide a short narrative overview of criminal trends and resources.

THIRD QUARTER STATS.

Activity Type	- 2008	- 2007	Increase/Decrease
Crimes Against Persons	1423	1617	-11 %
- Homicides	2	2	0%
- Robberies	109	102	+6 %
- Assaults	1181	1402	-15 %
- Sex Offences	90	111	-18 %
- Spousal Assault - M Offender	295	352	-16 %
- Spousal Assault - F Offender			
- Domestic Dispute - No Assault	281	529	-46 %
Break and Enters	674	1008	-33 %
Theft of Motor Vehicles	868	597	+45%
Theft Over \$5000	92	68	+35 %
Theft Under \$5000	3403	3675	-7 %
Drug Offences	1046	2667	-60 %
Provincial Liquor Offences	1318	1849	-28 %
Impaired Driving	187	162	+15 %
24 Hour Driving Suspensions	655	527	+24 %
Motor Vehicle Accidents	1546	1990	-21 %
Fatal Motor Vehicle Accidents	6	7	-14 %
Calls for Service	53096	54628	-2 %

Prisoners Lodged	4993	4949	+0.08 %
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Month of October 2008			
Activity Type	2008	2007	Increase/Decrease
Crimes Against Persons	138	164	+15 %
- Homicides	0	0	0%
- Robberies	9	9	0 %
- Assaults	120	151	-20 %
- Sex Offences	9	4	+125 %
- Spousal Assault - M Offender	32	n/a	%
- Spousal Assault - F Offender			%
- Domestic Dispute - No Assault	23	n/a	%
Break and Enters	80	143	- 44%
Theft of Motor Vehicles	103	114	-9.6 %
Theft Over \$5000	14	12	+16 %
Theft Under \$5000	414	518	-20 %
Drug Offences	60	156	-61 %
Provincial Liquor Offences	98	190	- 48%
Impaired Driving	22	23	-4 %
24 Hour Driving Suspensions	81	n/a	- %
Motor Vehicle Accidents	158	270	- 41%
Fatal Motor Vehicle Accidents	1	2	+ %
Calls for Service	3934	n/a	+ %
Prisoners Lodged	548	n/a	+ %

Downtown Enforcement Unit (DEU) - Highlights

October has been an exceptionally busy month in the downtown core. It would appear we are returning to the prolific offender clientele as red zone exclusions begin to expire. Clients that have not been seen for some time have returned as well as a large number of new faces.

Historically, this is a time of year that slows down, however that is not the case this year. Files per member, and Bylaw tickets have jumped for this month.

Efforts have been concentrated on the McDonald's area and City Park. The recent BC Supreme Court ruling regarding homeless campers has had little impact on the usual clientele and our practices. Currently DEU is working with various partners throughout the city to establish an Extreme Weather Protocol.

DEU Statistics for the month of October (Total Number of Shifts - 63)			
190 Files	44 Arrests	6 Reports to Crown Counsel	120 Tickets Issued

Community Operations Support Unit (COSU) - October Highlights

Crime Stoppers Statistics - October 2008

	October 2008	October 2007
Tips	97	123
Cases Cleared	2	8
Arrests	5	8
Rewards Paid	\$650	\$0.00
Property Recovered	\$10,000	\$0.00
Drugs Seized	\$200	\$0
Total Recovered	\$10,200	\$200

Auxiliary Constable Program - October 2008

We presently have over 60 Auxiliary Constables on strength of which 55 are active. Auxiliary Coordinator, Kerry Solinsky, has identified 14 qualified candidates who will undergo Auxiliary Training commencing on December. 6th, 2008.

Introduction of the Youth Restorative Justice Program into the Mayor's Report

Youth Restorative Justice has been operated by the Okanagan Boys and Girls Club since March 2001. The youth program works with over 500 youth, guardians, victims and community members each year to address conflict and crime in the Okanagan. The program boasts a 92% success rate with the youth that complete the program.

Through this program:

- . Community members come together and deal with conflict.
- . Youth learn how their behavior affects others.
- . Victims have a voice and say in how the harm is repaired.
- . Incidents are addressed in a timely fashion.
- . All three levels of Government save significant amounts of money for tax payers by supporting and using this valuable community resource.

Lana Remillard, the Youth Restorative Justice Coordinator, will provide information for the Mayor's Report, on a quarterly basis, showcasing the program's performance.

TRAFFIC SECTION REPORT-October 2008.

The Kelowna Integrated Traffic Section has acquired one of two new BMW motorcycles for implementation to replace the aging Harley Davidson units. To date, two motorcycle traffic members have undergone the familiarization training necessary utilize the new motorcycles, which are quieter, run cooler and will likely have lower maintenance costs associated with their use. It is anticipated that both units will be ready for use starting in the spring.

TRAFFIC STATS for October 2008

Total Violation tickets served: 643 (bulk file)

Total Notice and Orders (Warnings) served: 187 (bulk file)

Resources.

The City of Kelowna was billed for **132.60** full-time regular members for the month of October, 2008.

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