

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL



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Mayor and City Council
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Dear Mayor Shepherd and Councillors:

Re: Kelowna Municipal RCMP Detachment Policing Activity Report - February 2009

Please note below the policing report reflecting key activities undertaken by the Kelowna RCMP for the month of February 2009. 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 December. I will, however, provide a short narrative overview of criminal trends and resources.

Downtown Enforcement Unit (DEU) - Highlights

Statistically, February was a slow month, mostly due to the fact that the unit underwent a transition with respect to replacement of members on the unit. There are no stats available for February, at this time.

DEU Statistics for the month of (Total Number of Shifts -)			

Community Operations Support Unit (COSU) - December Highlights

Crime Stoppers Statistics - February 2009

	February 2009	February 2008
Tips	89	79
Cases Cleared	0	16
Arrests	2	9
Rewards Paid (\$)	\$1900	\$0
Property Recovered	\$0.00	\$0.00
Drugs Seized (\$)	\$0.00	\$32,000
Total Recovered	\$0.00	\$32,000

KELOWNA PROPERTY CRIME/ TARGET TEAM Stats for February 2009.

Crime Reduction Target Team has been very busy targeting some of Kelowna's most prolific offenders. These are people who are constantly involved in illegal drug use and drug motivated property offences and offences against persons.

Below are some of the results of the Team's activity.

A prolific, and well known, offender was recently arrested on a warrant stemming from an incident of armed robbery and unlawful confinement that occurred in the Lake Country area. File:2009-9863

The team located a known drug related vehicle that had been evading police for two weeks. The driver was a vehicle impound candidate, so his vehicle was impounded. The passenger in the vehicle was arrested for breach of a red zone condition, as he was found within the red zone. This person is a well known prolific offender with a total of 34 Criminal Code, and Drug related convictions, 11 of which have occurred in the last 2 years.

A recent Drug warrant was executed on a major prolific offender, who is a mid level Crystal Meth dealer. The dealer was arrested inside the residence, and \$700 in drug related cash was seized. Also seized were 2 stolen Ipods and a small amount of Crystal Meth. There were hundreds of small empty baggies, that are used to traffic Crystal Meth, throughout the residence.

This is but a sampling of the excellent work that this team has done in relation to dealing with those who relentlessly prey on the innocent citizens of this community.

AUTO THEFTS

The city had seen a spike with respect to the numbers of vehicle's being stolen in, and around the community. In January 2009, approximately 83 vehicles were stolen within the City limits.

This was due to the fact that several prolific car thieves were active, and were responsible for a vast majority of the thefts. The Property Crimes Unit, working with other sections, were able to target and systematically arrest most of the prolific offenders involved. Most of these arrests were done in Mid February and, since that time, the numbers of vehicle thefts have declined. February's vehicle thefts stood at 69, and is expected to decline markedly as a result of the arrests.

KELOWNA MUNICIPAL TRAFFIC SECTION-Stats for February 2009.

These statistics reflect the total number of Violation Tickets and Notice and Orders given by both Traffic Section and General Duty members combined.

Kelowna City: Violation Tickets-314
Notice and Orders-100

Kelowna Highway: Violation Tickets-108
Notice and Orders-37

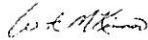
YOUTH RESTORATIVE JUSTICE PROGRAM

The Central Okanagan Youth Restorative Justice Program has had another busy year. The annual report will be available this April for all funders and supporters (including the Recidivism study).

As some may have heard the CAP "Community Accountability Program" funding through the Solicitor Generals office has been cut for all Restorative Justice Programs throughout the Province. With the loss of the CAP funding locally, the youth program is looking once again for opportunities to partner. Despite some financial challenges, the program continues to grow and meet the demands of increasing Police & Community referrals and looks forward to what this new fiscal year will bring.

Resources.

The City of Kelowna was billed for **130** full-time regular members for the month of February, 2009.



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