



**Information Report for the OIC Halifax District
HRM Board of Police Commissioners' Meeting
April 24th, 2017**

March Training:

- 103 Members received some form of training in March 2017, accumulating a total of 1,427 hours. Examples of training received were Cybercrime, Opioid Abuse, Sexual Assault Trauma etc.

Victim Services:

- The RCMP Victim Services program in Halifax District is overseen by a Coordinator and includes a roster of 7 volunteers. They follow up with victims of crime via telephone to offer support and referral services. The range of incidents they respond to is very broad and can include suicide, sudden death, assault, domestic violence, sexual assault, break & enter, etc.
- For the month of March - Stats for **Victim Services:**
 - The Victim Services Coordinator reviewed 727 files during this period.
 - Victim Services volunteers followed up on 45 files with 59 victims in total.
 - There were **0** files referred to the Department of Justice's Victim Services.
 - Three high risk files were identified.

Sackville

March 24th Report of suspicious package (box) left at Airport. Supervisor for Sackville called and alerted. Swab test done package deemed safe turned out to be garbage.

Cole Harbour

March 13th Stabbing Victim –North Preston area, Cole Harbour members and PDS responded in response to a report that victim had just arrived at a residence in suffering from a number of stab wound. File is still under investigation by Integrated CID.

March 14th Shots fired near North Preston. Witness followed possible suspect vehicle which fled at high rate when marked police car tried to pull it over. Vehicle was located later and seized. File is still under investigation by Integrated CID

March 22nd Structural Fire – Assist Other Agency, fire at the St. Thomas Church across the street from North Preston Community Office. No injuries. Not suspicious.

Tantallon

Single Vehicle Crash Fatality – 1020 Prospect Bay Rd. Report of a single vehicle crash at this location with a vehicle in the ditch and the female driver was unresponsive. Initial investigations indicates that the 71 year old female likely suffered some sort of medical event prior to driving into the ditch.

March 21st @ 17:17 Motor Vehicle Collision – Fatality Tantallon Highway 103 @ Exit 4. Deceased was fixing something on the back of the truck and hit from behind by another vehicle.

Eastern Shore

March 27th - Construction site trailer broken into at Owl's Head Wharf and large quantity of tools were targeted. Over \$5000 worth of tools stolen.

Trends

There were 10 break and enters across the eastern shore over the month of March. Seasonal locations such as cabins and cottages seem to be targeted. As in previous years this is a cyclical crime and there will likely be more reported as people begin to open cottages over the next month.

Communications:

The month of March included initiatives by Hfx. District such as, Preston RCMP TrySport for Women, Seniors Safety, Citizenship Ceremonies, Atlantic Girls U18 Hockey Tournament and Safety talks on Terrorism to local Churches.

Halifax District is currently analyzing the number of Mental Health calls received by police and the police hours consumed within the health system as a result. Types of calls, man hours, and opportunities for improving service delivery between police and police partners will be examined.

Upcoming initiatives for May include Police Days, Bike Rodeo, Seniors Expo's and McHappy Days.