

**Information Report from the Chief of Halifax Regional Police
for the HRM Board of Police Commissioners' Meeting on March 20, 2017**

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Personnel:

March Stats:

- In March, HRP hired one civilian (one Confidential Criminal Information Processing Clerk, new hire).
- There were two sworn officer resignations.
- HR is currently processing experienced police officers for vacancies in the spring.

Training:

- HRP is half-way through Block Training. The membership received reminders to encourage scheduling of all members.
- Upcoming courses: Trauma Informed Response, Senior Police Administration Course (at CPC Ottawa), EULEN (airport course), and Incident Command System I/C course.

Operations:

Crime Trends:

Thefts from Motor Vehicles in East Division

In Zone E1 there has been an increase in thefts from motor vehicles during the overnight hours. This area in particular has had the highest number of thefts from motor vehicles in East Division so far in 2017. During the weekend of March 11-13 there were eight incidents in this area (see below map of area). The vehicles for the most part are insecure and small, easily portable items such as change and cards are stolen. Investigation is ongoing.



Thefts from Motor Vehicles in Central Division

In the North End area of Halifax (Zone C5) there have been 19 thefts from motor vehicles since February 5. The majority of vehicles were not secure and the thefts occur during the overnight hours. Targeted items have included change, gift cards, small electronics, sunglasses, etc. Investigation is ongoing.

Outreach Initiatives/Projects:

- Members of HRP took the plunge on March 4 in support of Nova Scotia Law Enforcement Torch Run's 2017 Polar Plunge. HRP helped to promote the event via social media.

Communications:

- A joint public advisory issued on March 1 advised the community of the presence of illicit fentanyl in the area. Investigations since January 1 have recovered fake oxycodone pills made of fentanyl powder. Information described what these pills look like, so the public is aware, as well as details on symptoms of overdoses.
- On March 9, Cst. Mark Stevens was a proud recipient of the Minister's Award for Leadership in Crime Prevention. In an effort to highlight our employees through story

telling, a profile about Cst. Stevens was written and shared on HRP's website and social media channels.

Audits:

- Draft SMEAC (Situation, Mission, Execution, Administration/Logistics and Command & Communication) completed

Buildings:

Facility Review Project:

- N/A

CID Building Update:

- Due to a delay in the arrival of security equipment, the CID move could delay until April 7. Will be able to confirm the week of March 19.
- Everything else about this project is on schedule.

Policy:

Recently distributed policies:

- Workplace Rights Harassment Prevention Policy
- Major Crime Continuity Form
- Restorative Justice Policy
- Traffic Support Services Name Change
- Funeral Policy
- Toque Policy

Upcoming policies:

- Carbine Development
- Court Warrants
- Evidence Seizure and Storage
- Sex Assault
- Use of Force
- High Risk Prisoners