

**Information Report for the OIC Halifax District
HRM Board of Police Commissioners' Meeting
June 18th, 2018**

May Training:

- 165 Members received training in May 2018, accumulating a total of 2,033 hours. Examples of training received were Annual Firearms Qualification, Conventional Radar, Controlled Energy Weapon etc.

Victim Services:

- The RCMP Victim Services program in Halifax District is overseen by a Coordinator and includes a roster of 8 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 May 2018 - Stats for **Victim Services:**

- The Victim Services Coordinator reviewed 324 files this month.
- Victim Services volunteers followed up on 55 files:
 - Domestic Related Offences/Disputes = 30
 - Family Related Offences/Disputes = 4
 - Non Domestic Uttering Threats/Harassment = 4
 - Sexual Based Offences = 9
 - Sudden Deaths = 3
 - Suicides = 2
 - Fatal MVA = 1

Domestic Violence Case Coordinator DVCC: Activity Report May 2018

High Risk - A designation given to Domestic Violence investigations that have scored 7 or higher on the Ontario Domestic Assault Risk Assessment (ODARA) tool which have a substantial concern of potential homicide of either partner.

Critical Development - During the life span of a High Risk file, a development where risk escalates, triggers further information sharing / action planning between service providers. i.e. release from custody, breach of conditions, upcoming court date etc.

Case Conference- A meeting involving service providers and individuals at risk for safety planning purposes.

Number of new High Risk Files: 8

Number of critical developments: 6

Ongoing Case Management file total: 73

District Updates:

- Across Halifax District CRA, Bitcoin, iTunes and Extortion over the internet are on the rise as the latest in Cybercrimes. RCMP Halifax District advise the public before you pay anything in gift cards or any type of currency, you should notify your local police first.
- The RCMP Co-op class was treated to an exercise in impaired and distracted driving. The co-op class consists of approximately 20 students from 9 different High Schools across HRM and are in grades 11 and 12. All of these students have an interest in the RCMP and were chosen by their teachers and by the RCMP to participate in this credit course. The course runs from October until May, with the graduation taking place in May. Students for this exercise were taken to Eaglecrest Grandview Golf Course in Westphal to drive an obstacle course using golf carts. Students were instructed to navigate the golf carts through the obstacle course while wearing impaired vision goggles then again driving and texting a message to their teachers. Every student hit cones during both exercises. The purpose of this exercise was to give students a chance to experience how it may feel to drive while impaired, and how difficult it is to text and drive at the same time with the hope that it is remembered by them for a long time.
- Sackville – A male who was wanted by police was arrested operating a stolen vehicle in Lower Sackville. Suspect fled from police and later located, charged with Possession of Stolen Property and Assault with a weapon as he tried to run over a police officer.
- Excessive noise and speeding driving complaints were received in regards to weekly “show and shine” parades in the area. On Sunday evening RCMP monitored vehicles participating in the event. Eleven traffic stops were conducted with a number of SOTs issued for squealing tires, fail to stop at a red light, fail to obey traffic sign or signal etc., public appreciated the police attendance and the RCMP encourage the public to report driving complaints.
- Cole Harbour had a series of Break and Enters in May where homes were entered during the daytime. The files area still under investigation and suspects have been identified. The RCMP encourage the public to report any suspicious behavior in their neighborhoods and many of these daytime Break and Enters coincided with suspicious persons calls.
- In Cole Harbour a warrant was executed by Halifax District Street Crime Enforcement Unit on a suspect’s residence, items seized and confirmed to be stolen from multiple Break & Enters. Two individuals have been charged Possession of Stolen Property.
- Tantallon Community Policing Officer Cst. Sian Houston attended a local Canadian Tire store for “Jump Start Day” with an estimated attendance of 300 children! Jumpstart’s purpose is to enrich the lives of children in need from ages 4 to 18 through sports and physical activity. There were activities for the kids, music and a BBQ as well the RCMP Safety Bear was in attendance.