

**Information Report for the OIC Halifax District
HRM Board of Police Commissioners' Meeting
March 18th, 2019**

February Training:

- 28 Members received training in February 2019, accumulating a total of 707 hours. Examples of training received were Controlled Energy Weapon (CEW), Immediate Action Rapid Deployment (IARD) Standard Filed Sobriety Test (SFST) 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 February, 2019 - Stats for **Victim Services:**

- The Victim Services Coordinator reviewed 301 files in February.
- Victim Services volunteers followed up on 44 files:
 - Domestic Related Offences/Disputes = 24
 - Family Related Offences/Disputes = 0
 - Non Domestic Uttering Threats/Harassment = 7
 - Sexual Based Offences = 4
 - Sudden Deaths = 6
 - Suicide = 1
 - Other = 2

Domestic Violence Case Coordinator DVCC: Activity Report – February, 2019:

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