Huron OPP Detachment Board & Policing Activities

2024 Annual Report

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Message from the Board Chair



Deputy Mayor Jim Dietrich (South Huron) Chair, May 2024 - Present Huron OPP Detachment Board On behalf of the Huron OPP Detachment Board, it is my privilege to present the Huron OPP Detachment Board & Policing Activities 2024 annual report.

As the Chair of the Board, I am pleased to highlight the achievements of the inaugural Huron OPP Detachment Board.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated officers, support staff, and volunteers for their commitment and exceptional service. Their efforts have contributed immensely to the safety and security of our community.

As we look ahead, I am confident that with the ongoing dedication of our personnel and support of our community, the Huron County OPP will continue to uphold its reputation as a leader in policing excellence.

Message from the Detachment Commander



A/Insp. Ryan Olmstead
Detachment Commander
(Acting)

Huron County (West Region) – Ontario Provincial Police As the interim Detachment Commander of the Huron OPP detachment, it is an honour to collaborate with our Detachment Board to meet the needs of our communities.

The Huron OPP detachment has focused on engaging with our communities in a positive manner through effective community engagement. Members have dedicated time to attend community events, conduct foot patrols and engage with our local youth through a proactive approach.

Community partnerships are key in ensuring we meet the goals of our communities, and the partnership with the Detachment Board will allow our policing members to address the individual concerns from our lower tier municipalities effectively and efficiently.

Looking ahead, I am optimistic on the partnership that Huron OPP detachment has with our Detachment Board and together we can ensure safe communities.

Introduction

The Huron OPP Detachment Board (Hereinafter referred to as the "Detachment Board") provides guidance and advice to the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) detachment commander regarding policing services in Huron County.

In the context of the Community Safety and Policing Act (CSPA), the Detachment Board works collaboratively with the Detachment Commander to ensure that the strategic priorities and initiatives of the Huron OPP reflect the goals of community safety, transparency, and accountability. The Board's guidance is critical in navigating the evolving landscape of policing regulations and fostering positive relationships between the OPP and the community. By prioritizing public engagement, the Detachment Board ensures that policing practices remain responsive and effective in addressing the safety concerns of Huron County residents.

Annual Reporting Requirements

Section 68 (1) of the Community Safety and Policing Act (CSPA) 2019 outlines annual reporting requirements and states the OPP detachment board shall:

(f) on or before June 30 in each year, provide an annual report to the municipalities and band councils regarding the policing provided by the detachment in their municipalities or First Nation reserves. 2019, c. 1, Sched. 1, s. 68 (1); 2023, c. 12, Sched. 1, s. 28.

This report has been prepared to satisfy this requirement of the CSPA (2019) for the Huron OPP Detachment Board (referred to thereafter as 'the Detachment Board').

2024 Detachment Board Activities

Governance

The Board is made up of ten members with the following composition:

- One member appointed by each of the following municipalities, who is a member of the council of the municipality, for a total of six members: Municipality of Bluewater, Municipality of Central Huron, Town of Goderich, Municipality of Huron East, North Huron Township and Municipality of South Huron.
- Two members appointed jointly by the above municipalities, who are neither members of the council of, nor employees of, any of the municipalities.
- Two members appointed by the Minister.

Appointment of Members

The inaugural recruitment for the Detachment Board occurred in early to mid 2024, with the following ten (10) members appointed in 2024:

- Councillor Greg Lamport, Municipality of Bluewater
- Deputy Mayor Marg Anderson, Municipality of Central Huron
- Mayor Trevor Bazinet, Town of Goderich
- Councillor John Steffler, Municipality of Huron East
- Councillor Anita van Hittersum, Township of North Huron
- Deputy Mayor Jim Dietrich, Municipality of South Huron
- Jasmine Clark, Community Representative
- Jennette Walker, Community Representative
- David Frayne, Provincial Appointee
- Jared Petteplace, Provincial Appointee

A list of current members of the Detachment Board is available on the <u>Huron OPP</u> Detachment Board Website.

Board By-laws and Policies

The following By-laws were established by the Detachment Board in 2024:

- By-Law 01-2024 to Govern the Proceedings of the Huron OPP Detachment Board and to govern the conduct, duties and responsibilities of its members and the calling of meetings (Procedural By-Law); and
- By-Law 02-2024 to Name the Huron OPP Detachment Board (Naming of Board).

The following Policies were established by the Detachment Board in 2024:

- HOPPDB-01: Abuse, Violence and Harassment Policy; and
- HOPPDB-02: Renumeration Policy.

Copies of the Detachment Board's By-laws and Policies are available on the <u>Huron OPP Detachment Board Website</u>.

Training

The following training modules were completed by all ten (10) appointed members in 2024:

- OPP Detachment Board Member Training;
- Human Rights;
- Ontario's Diverse Multiracial & Multicultural Society;
- Systemic Racism; and
- The Rights and Cultures of First Nations, Inuit and Metis Peoples.

Meetings

A total of four (4) meetings were held by the Detachment Board in 2024:

- May 17, 2024 (Inaugural meeting);
- October 02, 2024;
- October 30, 2024; and
- December 17, 2024.

All meeting records are available on the Huron OPP Detachment Board Website.

2024 Huron County OPP Policing Activities

Service Designation and Membership

This section provides a detailed breakdown of the personnel structure within the Huron OPP Detachment, highlighting key roles and the total membership. It also outlines the new additions to the team in 2024, showcasing the ongoing growth and strength of the detachment. The commitment to maintaining a skilled and diverse team remains central to efforts in ensuring effective and responsive policing services across Huron County.

Detachment Personnel Overview:

• Total Personnel: 117 members

Inspector: 1

Staff Sergeants: 2Sergeants: 12Constables: 93

Special Constables: 4Administrative Clerks: 5

New Member Additions in 2024:

• In 2024, the Huron OPP welcomed 12 new members to the detachment.

Quality Assurance

Enhanced Community Engagement

In 2024, the Huron OPP placed a strong emphasis on community engagement to foster positive relationships and partnerships within the community. Officers initiated over 3,000 community engagement activities throughout the year, further strengthening the connection between the police and the public.

Positive Community Feedback

As the interim Detachment Commander, several positive messages were received regarding the police presence across Huron County. Notably, members of the

community expressed appreciation for the increased visibility of officers, particularly during foot patrols, interactions with schools, and attendance at various community events. These efforts were widely recognized and well-received.

Public Complaints

In 2024, Huron OPP received a total of eight public complaints about its members, marking a significant 68% decrease from the previous year. This reduction highlights the ongoing commitment to professionalism and community trust.

Complaint Resolution Process

All complaints are carefully addressed by our Professional Standards Unit. Each case is resolved through a range of measures, ensuring fair and thorough handling of concerns.

Crime Statistics and Community Services Occurrence

<u>Appendix A</u> contains the Huron OPP 2024 Year in Review, which provides a comprehensive review of Huron OPP's policing activities, including crime statistics and community service occurrences, highlighting key milestones from 2024.

Detachment Action Plan

The 2023-2025 Huron OPP Detachment Action Plan outlines the key steps and initiatives to guide the detachment's efforts moving forward. The plan aligns with the regulatory changes introduced by the Community Safety and Policing Act (CSPA) and provides a clear direction for achieving the detachment's goals. Through this strategic framework, the Huron OPP aims to enhance community safety, improve service delivery, and strengthen the connection between officers and the communities they serve.

Appendix B contains the Huron County OPP Detachment Action Plan (2023-2025).

Table 1 contains the status of the actions within the Huron County OPP Detachment Action plan (2023-2025).

Table 1: Status of Huron OPP Detachment Action Plan (2023-2025)

Focus	Commitment	Action(s) and Status
Crime	To increase trained members of the Huron County Detachment in Uniform Frontline Interviewer Program (UFIP) in order to promote a trauma-informed approach to violent crime investigations.	 In coordination with West Region Regional Abuse Issues Coordinator, host UFIP training sessions in Huron County – Ongoing (Huron OPP are continuously training members in this program area due to the impact of this program) Utilize UFIP trained members to engage with and interview victims of intimate partner violence (IPV) – Ongoing (This will always be ongoing, as we will ensure we use these trained members in completing interviews of DV victims).
Crime	To reduce property crime (theft, break and enter, mischief, etc.) incidents and victimization across Huron County	 Utilize social media as a platform to educate the public regarding trends in Huron County – Ongoing (Positive messaging has been sent, but this is an ongoing program to ensure we are keeping our communities apprised of our proactive work). Support the "Lock It or Lose It" campaign in Huron County, leverage the use of OPP Auxiliary members – Ongoing (Reminders to residents to ensure their valuables are locked up). Deploy OPP Auxiliary members to homes and businesses to conduct CPTED through the OPP Safeguard Program – Ongoing (Utilize this program on an ongoing basis to support victims of crime). Through analysis, utilize focused patrol deployments in high property crime areas to engage the public through enhanced police visibility – Ongoing (Method used to combat property crime issues).
Crime	To reduce illicit drug crime through intelligence gathering, trend analysis and enforcement.	 Identify trends through analysis and deploy Community Street Crimes Unit to combat property and illicit drug crime – On-going Execute search warrants to recover proceeds of crime and seize illicit drugs – Ongoing

Focus	Commitment	Action(s) and Status
Crime	Cyber-crime	 Timely monitoring and arrest warrant execution – Ongoing Bail enforcement strategies implemented – Ongoing Huron OPP members will engage with Crime Unit members, OPP E-Crimes, Serious Fraud Office and the Canadian Anti-Fraud Center to assist with investigations – Ongoing Education sessions conducted in the community to service groups, vulnerable persons via Community Safety Officer – Ongoing Enhance officer training in cyber crime investigations – Ongoing
Roadways, Waterways, and Trails	To continuously monitor collision trends, causal factors and deploy commensurate resources for enforcement to promote collision reduction and eliminate risk.	 Utilize collision data to direct and deploy officers to high-risk collision areas for enforcement and education (e-ticket and e-warn) – Ongoing Work in partnership with stakeholders that possess speed analysis technology to intentionally deploy policing resources for enforcement – Ongoing Training Huron County OPP officers in the use of traffic enforcement devices – Ongoing Strategically placed RIDE checks – Ongoing
Roadways, Waterways, and Trails	To engage with communities, stakeholders, and regional traffic teams to address specific waterways, trail, roadway safety and/or interdiction issues.	 Share analyzed data and engage with West Region traffic teams for deployment to support focused patrols for all-terrain vehicle (ATV), motorized snow vehicle (MSV), Marine and other patrols. – Ongoing Engage with community partners to promote education regarding collision trends – Ongoing Utilize social media through the Community Services Officer to educate the public regarding the "Big Four", coupled with Provincial Traffic Safety Initiatives – Ongoing

Focus	Commitment	Action(s) and Status
Roadways, Waterways, and Trails	To reduce animal related collisions through community engagement and education.	 Analyze data and determine vulnerable locations related to animal collisions – Ongoing Strategic and timely social media use to warn motorists of locations of high incident of collision – Ongoing Work with partners to enhance signage, warning motorists of known high populations of animals – Ongoing
Community Well-Being	To promote the existing co-response model of the Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT) in Huron County.	 Sustained and enhanced MCRT partnerships between police and hospitals – Ongoing (Huron MCRT program partners with Huron Perth Healthcare Alliance and continue to assist persons in crisis across the County). Establishment of police-hospital transition agreements – Completed (The protocol has been completed and signed off by all partners. Training is currently underway and hope to implement by mid 2025). Establishment of a police-hospital committee – Completed MCRT members to complete all relevant training – Completed
Community Well-Being	To promote and execute a rapid OPP response to all missing persons, including those enrolled in Project Lifesaver.	 Training Huron County OPP members in Project Lifesaver equipment response. – Completed Conduct requisite training to ensure operational readiness. Maintain and foster community engagement related to Project Lifesaver and promote enrollment – Completed

Looking ahead, the Huron County OPP Detachment will begin the development of the 2026-2028 Huron OPP Detachment Action Plan in 2025. This comprehensive plan will be created in close consultation with the Detachment Board and key stakeholders, ensuring that it reflects the evolving needs of the community and the priorities of the OPP. The Action Plan will identify specific priority areas and set clear, measurable goals to guide the detachment's efforts over the next three years. It will serve as a strategic framework for addressing emerging challenges, enhancing public safety, and continuously improving service delivery to the residents of Huron County.

Appendix A: Huron OPP 2024 Year in Review



HURON OPP DETACHMENT BOARD DÉTACHMENT DE LA OPP HURON CONSEIL

HURON COUNTY OPP DETACHMENT DÉTACHMENT DE LA OPP HURON

JANURY 27th, 2025 Detachment Commander A/Insp. Ryan Olmstead

OPP STRATEGIC PLAN

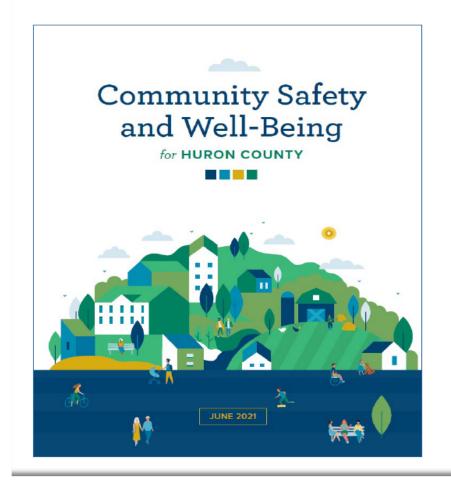


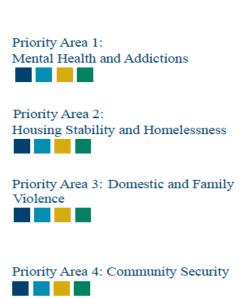
We will strive to support all members in achieving their professional and personal best. We will empower our members to ensure the best possible policing services are delivered to Ontarians. We will partner and build relationships with a shared vision for safety and well-being.

DETACHMENT ACTION PLAN

Crime	Roadways, Waterways and Trails	Community Well-Being
To increase trained members of the Huron County Detachment in Uniform Frontline Interviewer Program (UFIP) in order to promote a trauma-informed approach to violent crime investigations.	To continuously monitor collision trends, causal factors and deploy commensurate resources for enforcement to promote collision reduction and eliminate risk.	To promote the existing co-response model of the Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT) in Huron County.
To reduce property crime (theft, break and enter, mischief, etc.) incidents and victimization across Huron County.	To engage with communities, stakeholders, and regional traffic teams to address specific waterway, trail, roadway safety and/or interdiction issues.	To promote and execute a rapid OPP response to all missing persons, including those enrolled in Project Lifesaver.
To reduce illicit drug crime through intelligence gathering, trend analysis and enforcement.	To reduce animal related collisions through community engagement and education.	
Cyber-crime		

COMMUNITY SAFETY WELL-BEING PLAN





HURON TRAFFIC STATISTICS

Traffic Related	d Charges					
			January	- December		
Year	2022	2	2023	3	2024	1
ChargeCategory2 ▼	Offence Count	% Change	Offence Count	% Change	Offence Count	% Change
Speeding	3,992		4,260	6.7%	3,925	-7.9%
Seatbelt	146		257	76.0%	345	34.2%
Impaired	137		189	38.0%	159	-15.9%
Distracted	40		78	95.0%	85	9.0%

Motor Vehicle Col	lisions by	у Туре				
		January -	December			
Year	20	022	2()23	2()24
CollisionType	Incidents	% Change	Incidents	% Change	Incidents	% Change
Fatal Injury	8		4	-50.0%	5	25.0%
Non-Fatal Injury	137		99	-27.7%	116	17.2%
Property Damage Only	914		853	-6.7%	915	7.3%
Total	1059		956	-9.7%	1036	8.4%

CANADA ROAD SAFETY WEEK RESULTS FOR HURON COUNTY OPP

(HURON COUNTY, ON) - All available members of the Huron County Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) took part in the Canada Road Safety Week campaign. As part of the commitment to the Canada Road Safety Strategy 2025, Huron County Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) was promoting and enforcing laws around traffic safety during the annual Victoria Day long weekend traffic campaign which ran from May 14th through May 20th, 2024.

During this time, officers were focusing on "The Big Four", those being seatbelt compliance, speeding, impaired operation, and distracted driving.

Huron County OPP officers laid **370** charges during the week-long initiative including:

- Impaired Driving: 5

Stunt\Careless Driving: 2

Seatbelts: 33Speeding: 208

- Distracted Driving: 7

Alcohol-Related Offences: 3Cannabis-Related Offences: 3Insurance-Related Offences: 13

- Other Criminal Code Traffic Offences: 1

- Other Provincial Offences Act: 95

- Warnings Issued: **183**

HURON CRIME STATISTICS

	Janua	ary-December	ember			
Year		022		2023		2024
ViolationGrp	Actual	% Change	Actual	% Change	Actual	% Change
Homicides	1		1	0.0%	1	0.0%
Other Offences Causing Death	0		0		0	
Attempted Murder	2		2	0.0%	1	-50.0%
Sexual Offences	101		100	-1.0%	90	-10.0%
Assaults/Firearm Related Offences	242		316	30.6%	282	-10.8%
Offences Resulting in the Deprivation of Freedom	7		11	57.1%	3	-72.7%
Robbery	5		11	120.0%	7	-36.4%
Other Offences Involving Violence or the Threat of Violence	185		242	30.8%	178	-26.4%
Offences in Relation to Sexual Services	1		0	-100.0%	1	
Total	544		683	25.6%	563	-17.6%

		January -	December			
Year	2	022	2	2023		2024
ViolationGrp	Actual	% Change	Actual	% Change	Actual	% Change
Arson	3		3	0.0%	2	-33.3%
Break and Enter	199		151	-24.1%	153	1.3%
Theft Over \$5000	198		138	-30.3%	109	-21.0%
Theft Under \$5000	374		336	-10.2%	309	-8.0%
Possession/Trafficking Stolen Goods	31		18	-41.9%	18	0.0%
Fraud	234		271	15.8%	359	32.5%
Mischief	288		257	-10.8%	254	-1.2%
Total	1327		1174	-11.5%	1204	2.6%

Drug Crime							
	January -		December				
Year	2	2022		2023		2024	
ViolationGrp	Actual	% Change	Actual	% Change	Actual	% Change	
Possession	38		36	-5.3%	23	-36.1%	
Trafficking	16		14	-12.5%	12	-14.3%	
Importation & Production	0		0		0		
Cannabis Possession	0		0		0		
Cannabis Distribution	0		0		1		
Cannabis Sale	0		0		0		
Cannabis Importation & Exportation	0		0		0		
Cannabis Production	0		0		0		
Other Cannabis Violations	1		0	-100.0%	0		
Total	55		50	-9.1%	36	-28.0%	

SEARCH WARRANT ON COUNTY BORDER YIELDS ILLEGAL DRUGS, WEAPONS STOLEN VEHICLES AND CASH

Over \$123,000 Worth of Property, Drugs and Cash Seized

(HURON COUNTY & SOUTH BRUCE, ON) – An investigation conducted by the Huron-Perth and Grey-Bruce Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Community Street Crimes Unit (CSCU), West Region OPP Emergency Response Team (ERT), West Region OPP Bail Support Team, West Region OPP K-9 Unit and Huron County OPP detachment resulted in the seizure of illegal drugs, weapons, cash, and stolen property with a total value exceeding \$123,000.

An investigation was initiated by members of the Huron County OPP detachment which led investigators to an address on Huron-Bruce Road.

On Tuesday, September 10, 2024, police attended the rural address and observed a newer model vehicle drive immediately into a farmer's field, damaging crops as it tried to evade officers. The vehicle drove into a tree stump and caused heavy damage to the vehicle. The lone driver fled and was apprehended shortly after and arrested. The vehicle was confirmed to be stolen. A search of the path driven by the accused revealed a 9mm revolver and 9mm ammunition. A search of the vehicle following the arrest resulted in officers locating methamphetamine, \$1,300 in Canadian currency, a prohibited knife, and a container of exploding rifle mix.

While officers were at the address, they observed a stolen vehicle and arrested a second person on the property. A search warrant was later executed for the property which resulted in the seizure of more weapons, stolen property and other offence-related items. Two individuals have been arrested and charged.

As a result of the investigation, police seized other items including a stolen enclosed trailer, stolen snowmobile, stolen pickup truck, crossbows, compound bows and ammunition.

The combined estimated value of the recovered stolen vehicles and property is \$117,000.

The combined estimated value of the seized drugs is \$500.

The combined estimated value of the seized property, weapons and ammunition is \$4,950.

Total Canadian currency seized is \$1,300.



SEARCH WARRANT IN GODERICH YIELDS ILLEGAL DRUGS, WEAPONS AND CASH

Over \$20,500 Worth of Drugs, Property and Cash Seized

(GODERICH, ON) – An investigation conducted by the Huron-Perth Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Community Street Crimes Unit (CSCU), West Region OPP Emergency Response Team (ERT), West Region Tactics and Rescue Unit (TRU) and Huron County OPP detachment resulted in the seizure of illegal drugs, weapons, cash, and offence-related property with a total value exceeding \$20,500.

An illegal drug investigation was initiated by members of the Huron-Perth OPP CSCU which led investigators to a suspect in the Town of Goderich.

On Thursday, August 29, 2024, a search warrant was executed in Goderich which resulted in the seizure of controlled substances, assorted currency, weapons, and other offence-related items. One individual has been arrested and charged.

As a result of the investigation, police seized a quantity of suspected fentanyl, hydromorphone, and cocaine. Other seized items included digital scales, packaging material, cellular phones and several knives. One knife that was seized was a handgun replica knife. A quantity of cash was also seized.

The combined estimated value of the seized drugs is \$12,600.

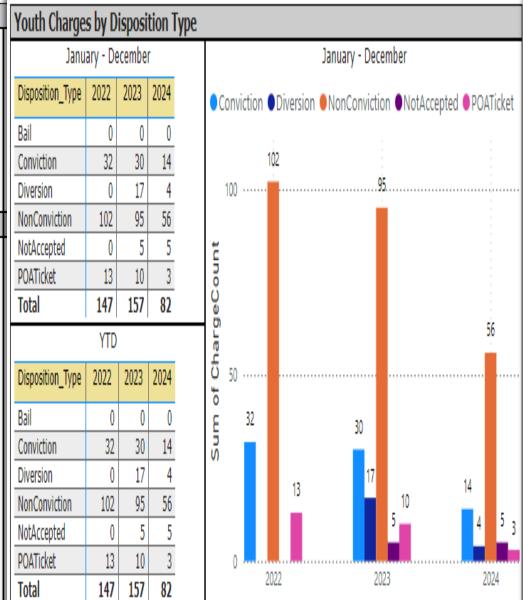
The combined estimated value of the seized property is **\$2,400**.

Total currency seized is \$5,540.

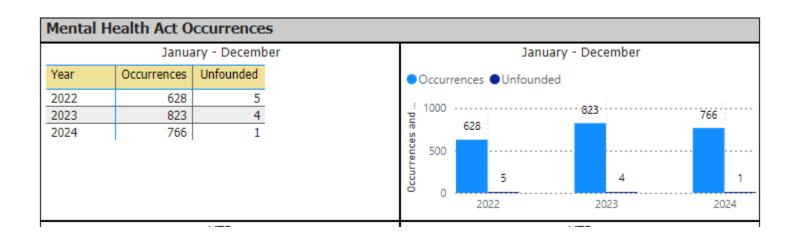


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Janua	ry - Decen	nber		
Fatal	2022	2023	2024	
Fatal	5	7	0	
non-opioid overdose	0	0	0	
opioid overdose	5	7	0	
non-Fatal	7	13	5	
non-opioid overdose	2	1	0	
opioid overdose	5	12	5	
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Overdose Occurrences



January - December							
Year	2022		2023		2024		
	%	% Change	%	% Change	%	% Change	
Violent	68.8%		71.6%	4.1%	73.2%	2.2%	
Property	17.0%		18.3%	8.0%	17.8%	-2.9%	
Other	72.4%		71.0%	-1.9%	67.0%	-5.7%	
Drugs	90.9%		66.0%	-27.4%	83.3%	26.3%	
Fed Statutes	33.3%		33.3%	0.0%	100.0%	200.0%	
Prov Statutes	96.6%		93.8%	-3.0%	95.0%	1.3%	
Driving Offences	62.1%		71.4%	15.0%	67.1%	-6.1%	



COMMUNITY SAFETY INITIATIVES

Huron County OPP put an emphasis in 2024 of officers being more engaged and visible within the municipalities across the County. Officers were expected to dedicate a portion of their scheduled shift to engage with the public in a positive manner. Officers conducted foot patrols of downtown areas and inside local schools, participated in community events such as parades and school programs and increased police visibility through bike patrols and marine patrols. Below are the results of this enhanced initiative.

Year	# of Community Services Occurrences
2022	265
2023	1336
2024	3045







Calls For Service (CFS) Billing Summary Report Goderich (Town), Howick, Municipality of Bluewater, Municipality of Huron East, Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, Municipality of South Huron, Munipality of Central Huron, Town of Wingham, Twp of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh, Twp of North Huron

January to December - 2024

Billing Categories 2024			2023					
(Billing categories below do not match traditional crime groupings)	January to December	Year to Date	Time Standard	Year To Date Weighted Hours	January to December	Year to Date	Time Standard	Year To Date Weighted Hours
Violent Criminal Code	587	587	15.4	9,039.8	726	726	15.4	11,180.4
Property Crime Violations	1,228	1,228	6.3	7,736.4	1,208	1,208	6.3	7,610.4
Other Criminal Code Violations (Excluding traffic)	419	419	7.3	3,058.7	447	447	7.3	3,263.1
Drug Possession	68	68	6.9	469.2	89	89	6.9	614.1
Drugs	12	12	80.6	967.2	13	13	80.6	1,047.8
Statutes & Acts	960	960	3.5	3,360.0	995	995	3.5	3,482.5
Operational	4,853	4,853	3.8	18,441.4	4,930	4,930	3.8	18,734.0
Operational2	1,038	1,038	1.5	1,557.0	1,154	1,154	1.5	1,731.0
Traffic	758	758	3.8	2,880.4	741	741	3.8	2,815.8
Total	9,923	9,923		47,510.1	10,303	10,303		50,479.1

Appendix B: Huron OPP Detachment Action Plan (2023-2025)



HURON COUNTY DETACHMENT

2023-2025

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OUR MISSION

To serve our province by protecting its citizens, upholding the law and preserving public safety.



OUR VALUES

Serving with PRIDE, PROFESSIONALISM & HONOUR

Interacting with RESPECT, COMPASSION & FAIRNESS

Leading with INTEGRITY, HONESTY & COURAGE

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Message from the Detachment Commander

"The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) continues to have a clear path forward with the implementation of the 2023-2025 Strategic Plan. As an extension of, and building upon, the 2020-2022 Strategic Plan, we remain focused on and committed to our three strategic priorities, specifically our people, our work, and our communities. The plan will continue to guide our organization's priorities, strategies, initiatives, and the requirements expected with the enactment of the regulations associated to the new Community Safety and Policing Act (CSPA)," OPP Commissioner Thomas Carrique.



It is with great pleasure I present the 2023-2025 Huron County OPP Detachment Action Plan. It outlines our next steps toward meeting community needs by prioritizing operational demands and officer health and well-being.

The OPP mission statement, core values, along with our enduring vision for Safe Communities... A Secure Ontario, are the basis for every decision we make and every action we take.

Located along the shores of Lake Huron, Huron County is a vibrant rural community and a leader in numerous areas of agricultural, technology and innovation. Urban amenities unite with rural benefits making any one of the nine Huron County municipalities the right fit for business and family.

With over 100 kilometres of coastline, Huron County is a popular tourist destination resulting in an increase in seasonal population and traffic volume.

It is my belief that Huron County is a very safe community. Incidents of violent crime in Huron County have an impact in the community, as well as incidents of theft, drugs, motor vehicle collisions and mental health crisis. These continue to be local priorities and strategies are in place to address these types of incidents through education, enforcement and community engagement. We share a common goal of promoting safety for every individual in Huron County.

The Huron County OPP is committed to collaborating with our community partners to develop co-response models that focus on prevention, harm reduction and risk intervention strategies to improve the overall well-being of our communities. The Huron County Community Safety and Well-Being Plan articulates four priority areas including: Mental Health and Addictions; Housing and Homelessness; Domestic and Family Violence; and Community Safety and Security. These priorities are woven throughout the 2023-2025 Action Plan and form part of the foundation of our policing response.

As the Detachment Commander, I am confident the members of the Huron County OPP, in collaboration with our many community partners, will continue to serve, interact and lead to ensure Huron County is a safe place to live, work and visit.

Inspector Jason Younan Detachment Commander Huron County Detachment

Message from the Police Service Board Chair

As Mayor of the Town of Goderich, I have an exceptional relationship with our Detachment Commander. For instance, the OPP have participated actively in our emergency management issues (i.e., unsanctioned car rally). Further, they have addressed positively, concerns relating to homeless individuals and financial institutions, as well as vandalism in our community. We have assisted the OPP by providing space for policing duties. Our working relationship is fluid, not static. We must continue to work together to achieve the results desired.

The Town of Goderich, its residents and businesses, wish the Huron County OPP Detachment, Province and the Ministry of the Solicitor General to address the following matters:

- Address increased local and complex social issues, such as mental health, addictions, homelessness, and crime.
- Work with the youth in Goderich by promoting the OPP Youth Foundation programs.
- Continue providing the Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere (RIDE) Program, and the RIDE Grant associated with this initiative.
- Continue providing the Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT) Program, and the Enhancement Grant associated with this initiative.
- Continue to minimize the societal and economic disruptions of: unsanctioned car rallies in Goderich, potential civil unrest, violence, active threat and crowd disaster in our community.
- Continue to work with the Town and their commitment to the County Community Safety and Well Being Oversight Committee and related initiatives to address local crime and complex social issues.

Mayor Myles Murdock

Our Detachment

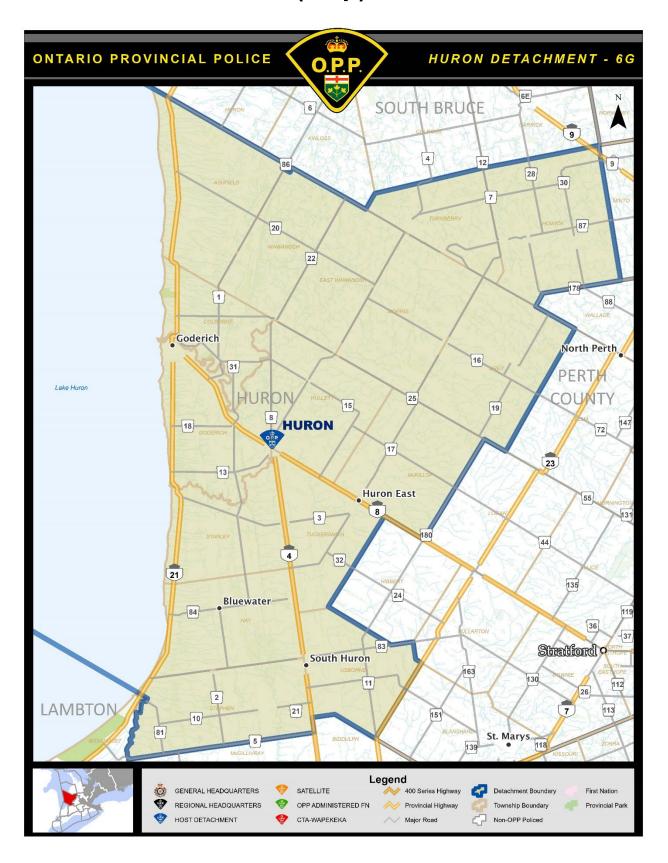
Huron County covers 3,407.62 square kilometres of land and has a fulltime population of 61,366. This population increases dramatically in summer months with a busy tourist and cottage season. Huron County borders Lake Huron for 126 kilometres and includes numerous beaches that are excellent for swimming, fishing, sail boating and other water sports, plus two major marinas located in Bayfield and Goderich. Industries within Huron County include farming, wind power, salt mining, heavy and light manufacturing, tourism, and shipping of grain and salt from the Port of Goderich.

The Huron OPP Detachment is situated at 325 Albert Street in Clinton, Central Huron, and all members are deployed from this location. There are Community Policing Offices located in the villages of Brussels and Seaforth, and the Town of Goderich, which are supplied by the Municipality of Huron East, and the Town of Goderich respectively.

Huron County hosts sporting activities which include the Young Canada Hockey Week Peewee Hockey Tournament, Minor Hockey, broomball, winter carnivals, kilometres of groomed snowmobile and cross country ski trails, and a dynamic curling community. The Town of Goderich is home to a YMCA facility that is second to none. For those interested in the arts, Huron County is home to many authors, artists, the Blyth Festival Theatre, Huron County Play House as well as the Goderich Little Theatre. The Grand Bend Motor Plex is located in the Huron Detachment area and hosts many drag races and rock concerts throughout the summer racing season. Walton also hosts the Transcan National Motorcross Championships. Within the County there exists Point Farms, a 210 site Provincial Park, and 26 other conservation areas.

Huron County is made up of nine municipalities (North Huron, Howick, Morris-Turnberry, Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh, Central Huron, South Huron, Bluewater, Huron East, and the Town of Goderich). Six of these municipalities fall under the OPP policing Section 5.1 of the Police Services Act. Central Huron, the Town of Goderich, and South Huron fall under Section 10 of the Police Services Act.

Our Detachment Area (map)



Action Plan Commitment Summary

The OPP's action planning process ensures compliance with the Adequacy and Effectiveness of Police Services Regulations (Adequacy Standards) files at O. Reg. 3/99 in 1999.

Through analysis and consultation, the following areas of focus were identified for the next three years. These are reflective of local issues; activities will be addressed, monitored and adjusted as needed.

Crime	Roadways, Waterways and Trails	Community Well-Being
To increase trained members of the Huron County Detachment in Uniform Frontline Interviewer Program (UFIP) in order to promote a trauma-informed approach to violent crime investigations.	To continuously monitor collision trends, causal factors and deploy commensurate resources for enforcement to promote collision reduction and eliminate risk.	To promote the existing coresponse model of the Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT) in Huron County.
To reduce property crime (theft, break and enter, mischief, etc.) incidents and victimization across Huron County.	To engage with communities, stakeholders, and regional traffic teams to address specific waterway, trail, roadway safety and/or interdiction issues.	To promote and execute a rapid OPP response to all missing persons, including those enrolled in Project Lifesaver.
To reduce illicit drug crime through intelligence gathering, trend analysis and enforcement.	To reduce animal related collisions through community engagement and education.	
Cyber-crime		

Crime

Description: Personal safety is held as a sacred right, which the Ontario Provincial Police is tasked with upholding. Violent crime has a profound effect on our community's perception of their safety. The members of the Huron County OPP are committed to effective community based responses to address these problems by providing proactive enforcement, deterrence and victim support.

Many of our property crime (break and enters and theft from motor vehicles) and illicit drug use issues are interconnected. The members of the Huron County OPP are committed to focusing on the root cause of these issues in order to reduce their prevalence. Huron County has an active and dedicated Community Street Crime Unit, working in collaboration with frontline officers and local analysts, to target the criminal elements in Huron County. By employing investigative techniques and other specialized OPP resources, the Community Street Crime Unit is having great success in identifying and interrupting criminal activity in the community.

Finally, cyber-crime is a growing concern. The members of the Huron County OPP are committed to reducing victimization from cyber and/or technology-enabled crime through engagement and education.

Commitment	Outcomes	Actions
To increase trained members of the Huron County Detachment in Uniform Frontline Interviewer Program (UFIP) in order to promote a trauma-informed approach to violent crime investigations.	Improved outcomes for victims of crime. Increase the number of trained Huron OPP Detachment members in UFIP.	In coordination with West Region Regional Abuse Issues Coordinator, host UFIP training sessions in Huron County. Utilize UFIP trained members to engage with and interview victims of intimate partner violence (IPV).
To reduce property crime (theft, break and enter, mischief, etc.) incidents and victimization across Huron County.	Reduce property incidents and victimization. Increased number of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) assessments completed. Increase the use of social media for public education related to property crime.	Utilize social media as a platform to educate the public regarding trends in Huron County. Support the "Lock It or Lose It" campaign in Huron County, leverage the use of OPP Auxiliary members. Deploy OPP Auxiliary members to homes and businesses to conduct CPTED through the OPP Safeguard Program. Through analysis, utilize focused patrol deployments in high property crime areas to engage the public through enhanced police visibility.

To reduce illicit drug crime through intelligence gathering, trend analysis and enforcement.	Reduce illicit drug crime to promote public safety through enforcement of legislation.	Identify trends through analysis and deploy Community Street Crimes Unit to combat property and illicit drug crime. Execute search warrants to recover proceeds of crime and seize illicit drugs. Timely monitoring and arrest warrant execution. Bail enforcement strategies implemented.
Cyber Crime	Reduce victimization from cyber and/or technology enabled crime.	Huron OPP members will engage with Crime Unit members, OPP E-Crimes, Serious Fraud Office and the Canadian Anti-Fraud Center to assist with investigations. Education sessions conducted in the community to service groups, vulnerable persons via Community Safety Officer. Enhance officer training in cyber crime investigations.

Roadways, Waterways and Trails

Description: The "Big Four" causal factors of fatal, personal injury and property damage collisions on roadways, waterways and trails are: impaired (alcohol/drug), speeding/ aggressive, inattentive/distracted driving and lack of occupant restraint and safety equipment. These continue to be a focus for members of the Huron OPP Detachment.

Commitment	Outcomes	Actions
To continuously monitor collision trends, causal factors and deploy commensurate resources for enforcement to promote collision reduction and eliminate risk.	Reduce fatal, personal injury and property damage collisions, including animal related collisions.	Utilize collision data to direct and deploy officers to high risk collision areas for enforcement and education (e-ticket and e-warn).
		Work in partnership with stakeholders that possess speed analysis technology to intentionally deploy policing resources for enforcement.
		Training Huron County OPP officers in the use of traffic enforcement devices.
		Strategically placed RIDE checks.
To engage with communities, stakeholders, and regional traffic teams to address specific waterway, trail, roadway safety and/or interdiction issues.	Increased internal and external partnerships to reduce collisions, promote education and enhance interdiction.	Share analyzed data and engage with West Region traffic teams for deployment to support focused patrols for all-terrain vehicle (ATV), motorized snow vehicle (MSV), Marine and other patrols.
		Engage with community partners to promote education regarding collision trends.
		Utilize social media through the Community Services Officer to educate the public regarding the "Big Four", coupled with Provincial Traffic Safety Initiatives.

To reduce animal related collisions through community engagement and education.	Reduction in animal involved collisions.	Analyze data and determine vulnerable locations related to animal collisions.
		Strategic and timely social media use to warn motorists of locations of high incident of collision.
		Work with partners to enhance signage, warning motorists of known high populations of animals.

Community Well-Being

Description: Managing demands within Huron County that require a police response for occurrences determined not to be of an emergent nature, and that may require an alternate response, including calls regarding mental health, and other medical related calls.

Commitment	Outcomes	Actions
To promote the existing co- response model of the Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT) in Huron County.	Improved outcomes for individuals in crisis. Reduction in mental health calls for service.	Sustained and enhanced MCRT partnerships between police and hospitals. Establishment of police-hospital transition agreements. Establishment of a police-hospital committee. MCRT members to complete all relevant training.
To promote and execute a rapid OPP response to all missing persons, including those enrolled in Project Lifesaver.	Locate missing persons with expediency to provide better outcomes.	Training Huron County OPP members in Project Lifesaver equipment response. Conduct requisite training to ensure operational readiness. Maintain and foster community engagement related to Project Lifesaver and promote enrollment.



HURON COUNTY DETACHMENT ACTION PLAN

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Alcohol and Gaming Enforcement

Asset Forfeiture

Auxiliary Policing/Chaplaincy

Aviation/Flight Operations

Biker Enforcement

Blood Stain Analysis

Breath Analysis/Drug Recognition

Canine Search, Rescue, Tracking

and Detection

Chemical, Biological, Radiological,

Nuclear and Explosive Response

Child Exploitation Investigation

Civil Litigation File Coordination

Civilian Data Entry

Collision Reconstruction and Investigation

Commercial Vehicles and Dangerous Goods

Communications

Community Policing

Community Street Crime Units

Complaint Investigation

Computer-Aided Dispatch

Contraband Tobacco

Court Case Management

Crime Analysis

Crime Gun Analysis

Crime Prevention and Community Safety

Crime Stoppers

Criminal Investigation Services and

Major Case Management

Crisis Negotiation

Drug Enforcement

Drug Evaluation and Classification

DNA Coordination

Emergency Management

Emergency Response

Explosives Disposal

Federal Firearms Program Delivery

Federal and Provincial Road Safety

Countermeasures

Forensic and Identification Services

Fraud, Corruption, Economic/

Financial Crime Investigation

Hate Crimes/Extremism Investigation

Illegal Gaming Investigation

Incident Command

Indigenous Policing

Information Technology

Intelligence

Justice Officials and

Dignitary Protection Services

Marine, Motorized Snow and

Off-road Vehicle and Motorcycle Patrol

Media Relations

Missing Persons and Unidentified Bodies

Offender Transportation

Ontario Sex Offender Registry

Organized Crime Enforcement

Physical Security Services

Polygraph

Provincial Anti-Terrorism

Provincial Cybercrime Strategy

Provincial Human Trafficking Strategy

Provincial Operations Centre

Public Order

Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems

Repeat Offender Parole Enforcement

RIDE (Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere)

Search and Rescue

Security Assessments and Enquiries

Surveillance - Electronic and Physical

Tactical and Emergency Medical

Tactics and Rescue

Technological Crime/

Digital Evidence Forensics and Analysis

Threat Assessment

Traffic Safety

Training

Underwater Search and Recovery

United Nations Policing Missions

Urban Search and Rescue United

Nations Policing Missions

Video Forensics

Violent Crime Linkage Analysis

Victim Assistance, Support and Response

Weapons Enforcement

Witness Protection

The above list corresponds with the Adequacy and Effectiveness of Police Services Regulation (Adequacy Standards, O. Reg. 3/99). The list further provides an overview of various OPP programs and services but should not be considered complete.

CONTACT THE OPP

REACH THE OPP BY PHONE

- Call 9-1-1 for emergencies
- Don't hang up, stay on the line
- Call 1-888-310-1122 for non-emergency calls
- TTY 1-888-310-1133 (for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Speech Impaired)
- **Know your location**

SPEAK WITH AN OFFICER IN PERSON

To arrange to meet an officer at a detachment, go to www.opp.ca to use the Local Detachment Finder and follow the prompts.

PROVIDE AN ANONYMOUS TIP

- Call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS)
- Visit www.crimestoppers.ca

REPORT ONLINE

You now have the option to report select occurrences to police from the convenience of a computer.

Visit www.opp.ca/reporting to use the Citizen Self Reporting system. Specific incidents can be reported online at your convenience without attending a detachment or waiting for an officer.

You can use this system to report:

- **Driving Complaints**
- Lost/missing property
- Mischief/damage to property
- Mischief/damage to vehicle
- Stolen licence plate(s) and/or validation sticker
- Theft From vehicle
- Theft

Do not use this system if this is an emergency! If it is, call 9-1-1.

9-1-1 is for police, fire, or medical emergencies only.

Every time an accidental or hang-up 9-1-1 call is received, OPP officers are dispatched.

You may be taking police officers away from a real emergency.

#KnowWhenToCall

If you've dialed in error, stay on the line and speak with the communicator. This will eliminate the need for the emergency operator to call back. As per OPP policy, officers will still be dispatched to ensure you are safe.

ACTION PLAN

2023-2025

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