

# The Role of Community Policing Coordinators in Community Safety



*A Viable Option for Shared Service Delivery in  
Rural Communities*



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# Nanaimo Community Policing Program

- *Partnership between City of Nanaimo and Nanaimo RCMP*
- *Supports Community Safety Priorities of the City and to support the Annual Policing Priorities of the RCMP*
- *Oversees a broad range of community based crime prevention programs and community policing initiatives*
- *Hosts 42 volunteers to support police and community based activities*



# Community Policing Activities



*Speed Watch*



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*Crime Watch*



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*529 Garage*



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*Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design*



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*Neighbourhood Safety Audits*



# Community Policing Activities



*Educational Campaigns*



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*Safety Workshops*





## Nanaimo Community Policing

IMPACT ON COMMUNITY SAFETY 2021



Nanaimo Community Policing partnered with many agencies, businesses and citizens of Nanaimo to improve personal and neighbourhood safety through:

- **6 neighbourhood safety audits** producing 6 to 8 crime prevention initiatives depending on the specific neighbourhood.
- **5 community development events** in various neighbourhoods across the city helping to build more collaborative relationships between police, local government, businesses, non profits and community members.
- **5 city wide campaigns** touching on intimate partner violence, anti racism, pedestrian safety, highway safety and winter driving.
- **5 workshops** delivered on various topics including substance use and addictions, policing, frauds and scams for newcomers, and how to recognize and give support to victims of intimate partner violence.
- **6 crime prevention through environmental design assessments** on business and residential properties.



### Our Biggest Asset....Community Policing Volunteers!

**42**  
volunteers  
contributed

**3,055**  
hours



### Bike Theft **433**

bikes were registered through 529 Garage and 4 bikes were reunited with the bike's owner

**64**

unregistered bikes were donated to Bikes for Kids



### Road Safety **90,544**

vehicles were monitored through our ICBC sponsored speed watch program and

**600**

warning letters were sent to anyone caught by our volunteers speeding 20 km or over the local speed limit



### Crime Reduction



Volunteers spent  
**556**

hours providing additional eyes and ears for Nanaimo Neighbourhoods and reported 37 suspicious or criminal incidents to police

### Auto Crime **7,675**

cars were visually inspected



**241**

vehicle owners were provided education on how to protect their vehicles from theft

# Models of Service Delivery

## *Administration and Oversight Models*

- Non Profit Governance
- Municipality
- RCMP and Municipality Partnership



# Models of Service Delivery

## *Non Profit Governance*

- Benefits –
  - Able to pivot quickly to address needs
  - Less bureaucratic
  - More Democratic
  - Ability to apply for funding
- Challenges -
  - Start up is challenging
  - Challenges finding volunteers/staff who are skilled and experienced
  - Sustainability in human resources and funding



# Models of Service Delivery

## *Municipality*

- Benefits –
  - Stable Funding
  - Skilled staff and less turnover
  - More access to resources and coordination from other departments
- Challenges -
  - Not able to pivot quickly to address emerging needs
  - Limited access to funding outside of current operational funding



# Models of Service Delivery

## *Police and Municipality*

- Benefits –
  - Stable Funding
  - Skilled staff and less turnover
  - More access to resources and coordination from other departments and police units.
- Challenges -
  - Not able to pivot quickly to address emerging needs
  - Navigating 2 different bureaucracies and no clear ownership
  - Limited access to funding outside of current operational funding



# Models of Service Delivery

## *Funding Models*

- Non Profit Funding Model
- Hybrid Model with Seed funding from Local Governments
- Municipally Funded



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