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VicPD 2008-2010 Strategic Plan
Goal 1- Reduce Public Disorder
Interim Status Report

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Introduction: This report will outline initiatives taken to date to reduce of Public Disorder in the City of Victoria and Township of Esquimalt. While most of these initiatives have already been reported in last months Police Board Summer Action Plan report, this will be a brief overview of the Strategic Plan goal #1. The Focused Enforcement Team will to continue a strategy to model a highly visible presence during peak times and in high crime areas that have proven successful throughout the summer months. Project Landscape will continue throughout the winter months once a month, due to Patrol Backfill commitments by FET members. Two covert operations will also commence in the following weeks to focus on crime issues in specific areas, as well as enable officers to collect and understand recent crime trends and gather intelligence.

Goal 1- Performance Measurement

Performance Measures

Measurement	2008	2009	2010
Reported crime rate: Public Disorder	Decrease by 2%	Decrease by further 3%	Decrease by further 5%
Number of police officer referrals to IMCRT	Increase by 5%	Increase by further 5%	Increase by further 5%
Number of drug enforcement arrests	Increase by 2%	Increase by further 3%	Increase by further 5%
Increase in citizens' feeling of safety	Survey to be conducted 2009	Increase by 3%	Survey to be conducted 2011

To date there has been a 6.6% decrease in Public Disorder calls for till Sept 30th over the previous year.

Reported Crime Rate for Public Disturbance Calls

<i>Jan01-Sep 30: 2007 vs. 2008</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>2008</i>	<i>% CHANGE</i>	<i>Grand Total</i>
DISTURBANCE	1963	1698	-13.5	3661
DRUGS	1140	1229	7.8	2369
FIGHT	1018	998	-2.0	2016
INDECENT ACT	117	105	-10.3	222
MAN DOWN	467	367	-21.4	834
MHA	213	100	-53.1	313
PANHANDLER	139	123	-11.5	262
PROSTITUTION	216	76	-64.8	292
PROWLER	107	95	-11.2	202
SHOTS FIRED/HEARD	52	59	13.5	111
SIPP/DIPP	2197	1675	-23.8	3872
UNWANTED PERSON	3969	4383	10.4	8352
VIOLENT	63	0	-100.0	63
WEAPON	263	229	-12.9	492
Grand Total	11924	11137	-6.6	23061

Violent calls have been re-categorized by Prime BC for 2008

Activities to support this goal would be;

Project Landscape- Most recently members assisted with patrol members working Halloween night which resulted in one of our busiest nightshifts. Over 241 calls were attended, and the increased police uniformed presence ensured that no major incidents occurred throughout the night.

Back to School Speeding Awareness Program- Traffic and FET members focused on specific school zones during the first two weeks of opening, issuing 182 Motor Vehicle Act tickets to motorist speeding in the area. This is in addition to the 2416 tickets issued over the summer months reported in the Summer Action Plan (a 173% increase over last year)

Increase in Drug Enforcement- FET members have increased drug enforcement arrest by over 70% from last year and there has been an overall increase in drug arrests of 11% by VicPD.

Conair- to date there has been 9 Conair candidates, one of which waived their charges to Victoria and the others have returned to the provinces which held warrants outstanding for them. The program proves that Victoria is not a safe haven for criminals to flock to, ensures that criminals face their consequences,

Continued Collaboration with Community Partners VICOT, Needle Exchange Steering Committee, Retail COPS Program, implementation of Bar Watch, Downtown Service Providers Meeting, continue to ensure that VicPD maintains a positive working relationship with Service Providers and the Business Community on a number of initiatives to reduce Public Disorder issues within the Core.

Goal- Increase by 5% Number of VicPD Referrals to IMCRT As of October 8th 2008 IMCRT has received 223 referrals from VicPD members (for the last nine 9 months.) For the entire year of 2007 there were 289 referrals from VicPD. Based on a conservative estimate, we are on target for at least a 3% increase up over last year. Current efforts are underway to have shift briefings from the IMCRT officers to patrol members explaining the role and function of IMCRT. Also there is a proposal being considered for an IMCRT vehicle that can be outfitted and assist with secure transports.

Goal- Increase number of Drug Enforcement Arrests by 2%- FET members have had a 70% increase in Drug Enforcement arrest from the past year. There is a 11% increase in Drug arrests overall for VicPD from the past year.

Goal- Increase in Citizens Safety-this initiative will be undertaken in the following year and updated in the following interim report.