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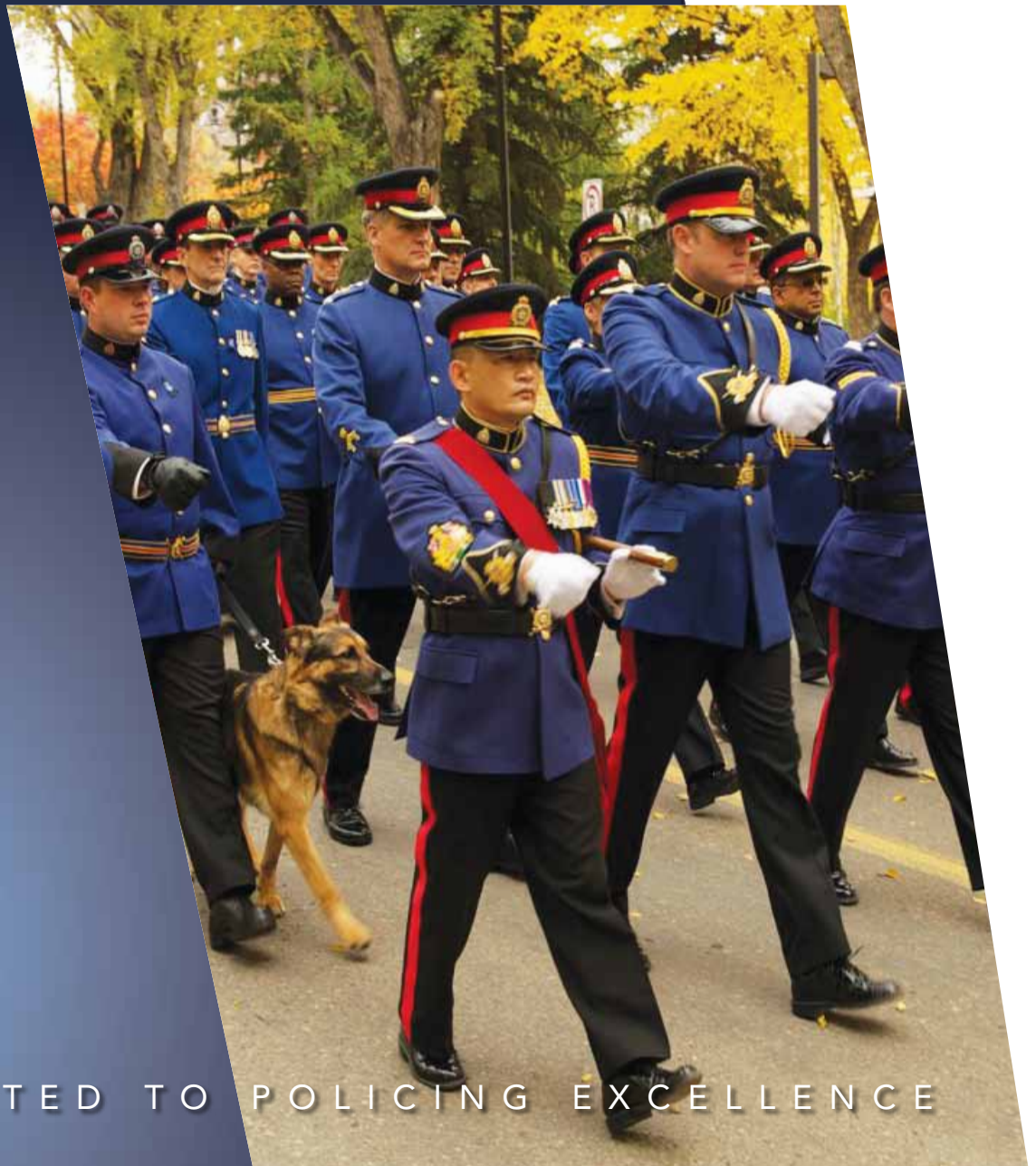
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2010  
Third  
Quarter  
Report  
to the  
Community



COMMITTED TO POLICING EXCELLENCE





# Reduce Crime and Victimization

## Overview

Targeted policing activities in the third quarter contributed to an **18.2 per cent reduction** in the eight crime indicators between January 1 – September 30, 2010, compared to the same period last year. As a result, there have been 4,400 fewer incidents of crime and 2,300 more arrests made this year.

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### Eight crime indicators:

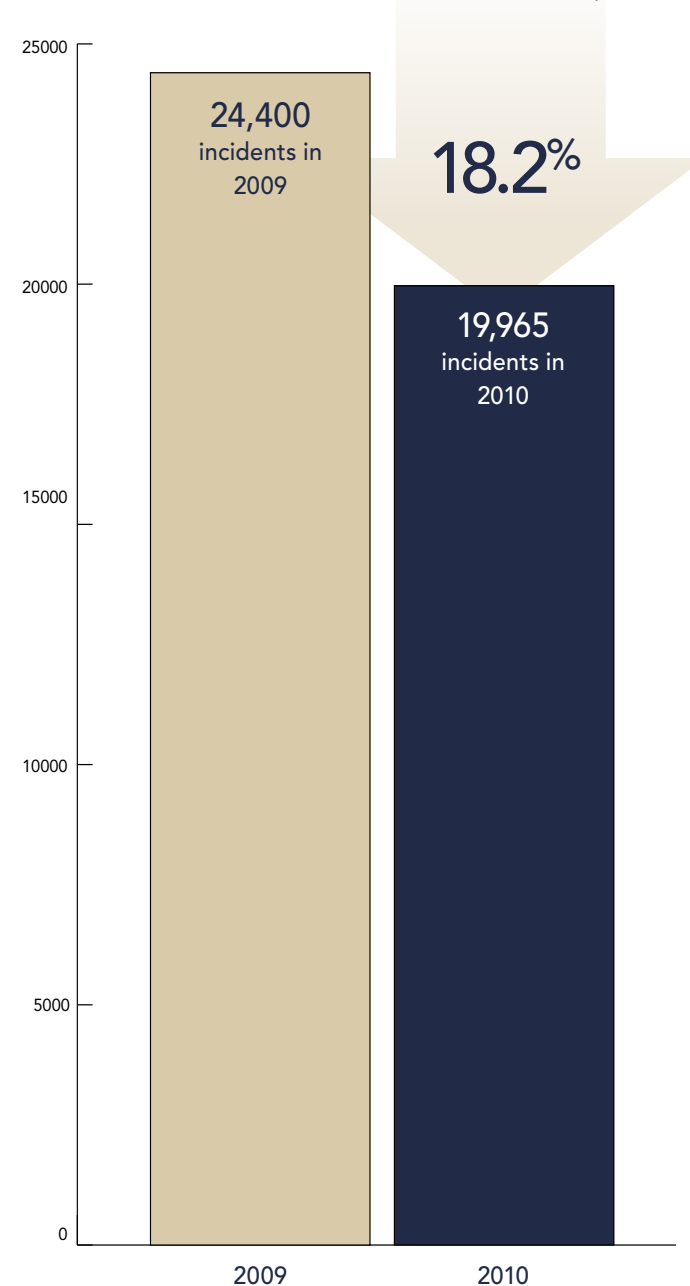
- Homicide
- Robbery
- Theft of Vehicle
- Assault
- Break and Enter
- Theft over \$5000
- Sexual Assault
- Theft from Vehicle

These eight crime indicators are measured on a daily basis. This data is used to focus on criminal activity, identify trends, patterns and 'hot spots' in Edmonton. Police resources are then deployed to address emerging and enduring crime and disorder issues.

In the third quarter (July - September 2010), violent crime decreased city-wide by 16.5 per cent. During the same three month period, property crime decreased in Edmonton by 23.4 per cent. The combined totals for the eight crime indicators have decreased by 18.2 per cent over the past nine months (January - September 2010).

## Crime Indicators

Overall crime in Edmonton from January 1 – September 30.



## Anti-theft Licence Plate Screws

You might be surprised to learn that one of the most popular items stolen from cars in Edmonton is the licence plate. To combat this problem, the EPS is distributing thousands of specially designed anti-theft licence plate screws.

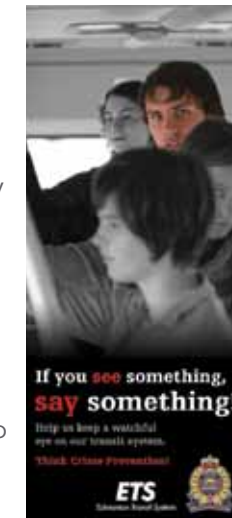
Licence plate screws can be easily installed on your vehicle with a regular screwdriver, but require a special tool for removal. Get yours today, free of charge, at any community police station.



## If You See Something, Say Something

Coliseum Transit Station was identified as a 'hot spot' of activity during Capital Ex in July 2010. The Safe Passage project was developed by the EPS Neighbourhood Empowerment Team partnership and Edmonton Transit Safety and Security to address crime and disorder at the transit terminal.

It used traditional law enforcement and innovative crime prevention techniques to reduce crime and disorder. Over the course of a week, 1000 'target hardening cards' were distributed to Edmonton transit patrons and there was a 21 per cent decrease in crime at the Coliseum Transit Station. The cards provided transit riders with crime prevention tips to prevent themselves from becoming easy targets and encouraged them to report criminal activity.



## 'No hats, No hoods, No sunglasses'

Wearing a ball cap and sunglasses indoors isn't illegal, but it could lead to suspicion and increased surveillance. The EPS Robbery Section launched the 'No hats, no hoods, no sunglasses' robbery awareness and prevention campaign on September 30, 2010.

The goal of the program is to reduce victimization and crime. "It is just one more tool that businesses can use to protect themselves from robbery," said EPS Robbery Section Staff Sergeant Howard Kuncie.

Participating businesses post signage that asks customers to remove their hats, hoods and sunglasses before entering the premises. The program is voluntary and is dependant on customer compliance.





## A Citizen-Centred Police Service



### Complex domestic violence cases get added support

The EPS had 6,500 cases of reported domestic violence in 2009. In the first six months of 2010, the EPS received 3,314 calls related to domestic violence.

The Spousal Violence Team, which investigates these cases, has undergone some changes. Functioning under a new name, the Domestic Offender Crimes Section (DOCS) has developed a new service delivery model that will enable detectives to better investigate complex cases of domestic violence, and increase the likelihood of successful prosecution in court.

Constables will be paired up with social workers; they will provide advocacy and intervention services to complainants of domestic violence. Police have received extra training in such areas as criminal harassment and stalking.

DOCS will also include the Elder Abuse Intervention Team.

### Alcohol-facilitated sex assaults a growing concern

Reports of sexual offences have increased in Edmonton. Police have identified a disturbing trend of alcohol-facilitated sexual assaults amongst 18-24 year olds, the vast majority of whom know their perpetrators.

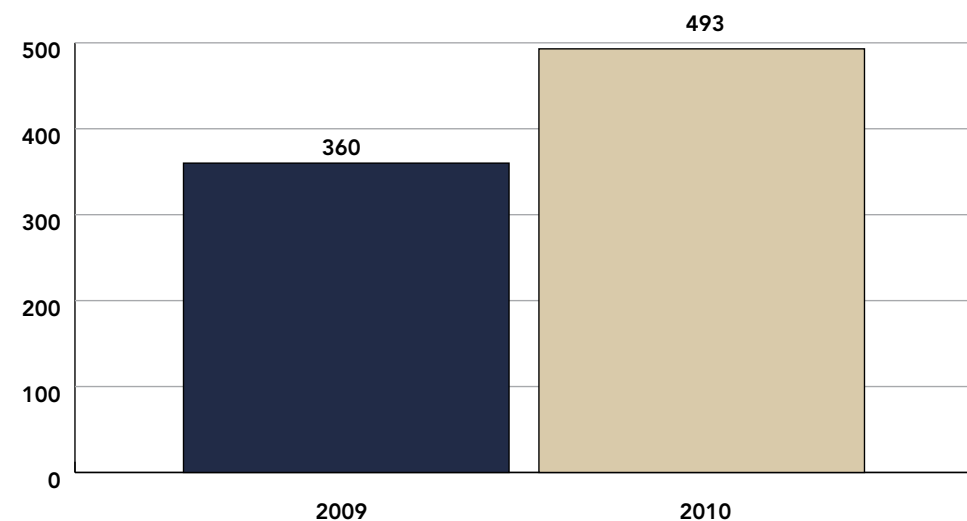
At the beginning of 2010, the EPS set out to tackle this issue and decrease the number of alcohol-facilitated sexual assaults in Edmonton by 5 per cent.

In March 2010 the community group Sexual Assault Voices of Edmonton (SAVE) was formed in partnership with EPS. SAVE is developing a major campaign that will be launched in November 2010. The campaign will target males between the ages of 18 and 24.

"Prevention work has historically focused on the victim – recommending vigilance and that precautions are taken around consumption. Messaging that focuses on the victim tends to be received as victim blaming, and has likely contributed to victims' reluctance to come forward with their complaint," said Staff Sergeant Deb Jolly of the EPS Criminal Investigations Division.

"A paradigm shift is underway, which shifts the focus away from the victim and toward the offender and society as a whole."

Reported Sexual Assaults in Edmonton from January 1 – September 30



## A Model of Efficiency and Effectiveness



### Reasonable Officer Response another tool in the belt

Reasonable Officer Response (ROR) training began in January 2009 to enhance the way EPS officers think about, respond to and articulate the professional application of force. This training has changed the way EPS members document use of force in their notes, reports and in their court testimony.

Whenever force is applied, officers are expected to 'check' their actions against the following criteria:

- was the officer lawfully placed,
- did the officer subjectively believe that the amount of force was reasonable, and
- would an objective, reasonable person (standing in the officer's shoes) believe that the level of force used was reasonable.

The goal of ROR is to provide more knowledge about the application of force, minimize complaints of police officer conduct, and raise the overall level of professionalism when using force. It also gives officers more confidence that they are making the right decisions when using force.

### Edmonton Hosts Chiefs of Police from Across Canada

The EPS and RCMP were proud to welcome over 350 law enforcement professionals to the 105th national conference of the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police, August 22 – 25, 2010 in Edmonton.

The conference, Policing Excellence through Performance and Accountability, provided dynamic and thoughtful keynote addresses from prominent distinguished lecturers such as William Bratton, former Commissioner of NYPD and former Chief of LAPD, and General Walt Natynczyk, Chief of Defence Staff.



R.R. (Rod) Knecht, Senior Deputy Commissioner, RCMP, and Chief Mike Boyd, CACP Vice President at the closing gala of the conference.

### Chief Mike Boyd will vacate his position at the end of 2010



Chief Mike Boyd at the September 2010 Alberta Police and Peace Officers' Memorial Day services.

After a successful five-year tenure, Chief Mike Boyd has announced he will step down as Edmonton's Chief of Police on December 31, 2010.

Chief Boyd was hired by the Commission in 2006. He moved to Edmonton from Toronto, where he had retired from the Toronto Police Service after serving the organization for 35 years.

"We have been so pleased with the leadership Chief Boyd has shown the Edmonton Police Service," stated Commission Chair Brian Gibson. "Since 2006, Chief Boyd has led impressive organizational changes that have resulted in strategic deployment of resources, greater efficiencies, improved service to citizens of Edmonton and a significant reduction in crime."

# Appendices

## EPS Staff Complement

### SWORN, NON-SWORN AND RECRUITS

STAFF	2010 AUTHORIZED FTEs	2010 FTEs AT SEPT. 25, 2010	VACANCIES (OVERSTRENGTH)
SWORN STAFF	1,551.0	1,540.5	10.5
RECRUITS		5.0	(5.0)
NON-SWORN	575.5	584.5	(9.0)
<b>FULL COMPLEMENT</b>	<b>2,126.5</b>	<b>2,130.0</b>	<b>(3.5)</b>

## Financials

### BUDGET VARIANCE by Major Category of Revenues & Expenditures For the Period Ending September 30, 2010 (\$000's)

	2010 YEAR TO DATE				YEAR END FORECAST			
	Budget	Actual	Var	%	Budget	Projected	Var	%
<b>REVENUE</b>								
Traffic Safety Act	\$7,754	\$7,644	\$(110)	-1.4%	\$11,658	\$11,558	\$(100)	-0.9%
Transfer to COE General Revenues	-	-	-		-	-	-	
Provincial Grants	14,245	14,245	-	0.0%	22,144	22,144	-	0.0%
Other	15,316	18,323	3,007	19.6%	23,295	25,452	2,157	9.3%
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>37,315</b>	<b>40,212</b>	<b>2,897</b>	<b>7.8%</b>	<b>57,097</b>	<b>59,154</b>	<b>2,057</b>	<b>3.6%</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>								
<b>PERSONNEL</b>								
Salary and benefits	147,206	148,600	(1,394)	-0.9%	225,903	226,854	(951)	-0.4%
EPS Overtime	5,572	5,026	546	9.8%	8,770	8,628	142	1.6%
External Overtime	-	896	(896)		-	896	(896)	
	152,778	154,522	(1,744)	-1.1%	234,673	236,378	(1,705)	-0.7%
<b>NON-PERSONNEL</b>								
Furniture, Equipment, IT, Materials And Supplies	6,769	5,916	853	12.6%	10,919	10,452	467	4.3%
Contracts And Services	10,681	9,300	1,381	12.9%	17,991	16,955	1,036	5.8%
Vehicles	3,946	4,226	(280)	-7.1%	5,919	6,370	(451)	-7.6%
Facilities	8,973	8,374	599	6.7%	14,061	13,539	522	3.7%
Legal Fees/Settlements	1,407	1,495	(88)	-6.3%	2,110	2,310	(200)	-9.5%
Other	2,270	2,067	203	8.9%	2,698	2,531	167	6.2%
	34,046	31,378	2,668	7.8%	53,698	52,157	1,541	2.9%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>186,824</b>	<b>185,900</b>	<b>924</b>	<b>0.5%</b>	<b>288,371</b>	<b>288,535</b>	<b>(164)</b>	<b>-0.1%</b>
<b>Position before Adjustments</b>	<b>149,509</b>	<b>145,688</b>	<b>3,821</b>	<b>2.6%</b>	<b>231,274</b>	<b>229,381</b>	<b>1,893</b>	<b>0.8%</b>
Tangible Capital Assets Budget adjustment					6,176	6,176	-	0.0%
<b>Net Position</b>	<b>\$149,509</b>	<b>\$145,688</b>	<b>\$3,821</b>	<b>2.6%</b>	<b>\$237,450</b>	<b>\$235,557</b>	<b>\$1,893</b>	<b>0.8%</b>