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New Models of Community Safety

Jean-Michel Blais, Chief of Police
Halifax Regional Police

Summit on the Economics of Policing - Ottawa, Ontario
2013-01-16 & 17



Just because she's drunk, doesn't mean she wants to fk.**

Don't be that guy.

Halifax connects
Sunday, November 4, 2012
9:00 am
CITADEL HIGH SCHOOL
(1000 Theban Road, Dartmouth, NS)

WELCOME

Today is about coming along to service and to people in your community!
Enjoy yourself and thank you!

Bring a \$100 donation and we'll give you a \$100 gift!

THANK YOU for joining us.

YouTube
Joel Plaskett: Be more than a bystander

Old and Armer?

Supt. Don Spicer
Public Safety Officer



Is your vehicle a target?

Don't make it easy for thieves...
Lock your doors. Control your valuables. Park in a well-lit area.

Spotlight on Public Safety



Halifax Regional Municipality
Public Safety Strategic Plan
Partnering for Public Safety

Don Spicer @HalifaxPolice
A #1000hrs* Turning in the badge and continuing to work for the community. Give your comment.

pixels for pistols

cameras for guns amnesty program



Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM)

- Comprised of the former cities of Halifax, Bedford and Dartmouth as well as former Halifax County
- Size: 5491 square kilometres - larger than PEI, smaller than Toronto's 7124 square kilometres
- Population: 390,280 which is 43% of NS' population



Impacts on policing in HRM

- Major events in history: Halifax Harbour Explosion, Titanic sinking, Atlantic military convoys, Swissair 111, numerous hurricanes and Atlantic storms
- Mayor's Roundtable on violence
- Number of dispatched calls for service per year: 120,448
- Top three ranked calls for service: Thefts, assaults and break & enters
- Top three public concerns: Homicides, downtown assaults and pedestrian collisions
- Integrated policing model: Urban core policed by HRP while former Halifax County policed by RCMP



Overview of Halifax Regional Police (HRP)



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About HRP

- Halifax Police Department was officially formed on October 28, 1864. Constables were in place since settlement in 1749.
- Halifax, Dartmouth and Bedford Police Departments amalgamated in 1996.
- 512 sworn officers, 151 civilian staff, 170 crossing guards, nine K9 units and two horses.
- Demographics: 18.5% of sworn members are female (18.5%) / 7.2% of employees are visible minorities or aboriginal / 25 sworn officers are bilingual



Integration: Opportunities & Challenges



HALIFAX
REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY



PARTNERS IN POLICING

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Community Safety Pillars

- Traditional community policing
- Problem-oriented policing
- Intelligence-led policing using tools such as a modified version of Comstat
- Public Safety Officer





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Examples of community programs



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Be more than a bystander Video Contest

Due: May 25, 2012

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doesn't mean
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to f**k.

sex without consent = sexual assault
DON'T BE THAT GUY.
sexualassaultvoices.com



halifax.ca/MenEndingViolenceAgainstWomen



JUST BECAUSE SHE ISN'T SAYING NO...

DOESN'T MEAN SHE'S SAYING YES.

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JUST BECAUSE YOU HELP HER HOME...

DOESN'T MEAN YOU GET TO HELP YOURSELF.

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November 2 - 30, 2009



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Issues

- Development of a leadership ethos
- Development of a learning culture and adaptability
- Leading the dialogue on social issues
- Legislative discussions on bar hours, gas & goes, prostitution, drugs
- Societal influences can be larger than the government - income gap, video culture, narcissism
- Mental health problems
- Outputs/outcomes/outhouses - what should we really be doing?



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