September 23, 2013

City of Hamilton
71 Main Street West
Hamilton, ON
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Mayor and Members of Council:

Re: Hamilton Police Service Monthly Reports (PSB 13-092)

Attached for your information and attention, please find copies of the Hamilton Police Service Monthly Reports. These reports highlight the following:

- On Our Roadways
- Ground Breaking for first-ever Women in Law Hamilton Habitat for Humanity Build

If you any questions or concerns that may arise from the reports please do not hesitate to contact me at the number below.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Lois Morin, Administrator
Hamilton Police Services Board

Attachments (1)
HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD
- RECOMMENDATION -

DATE: 2013 September 16
REPORT TO: Chair and Members
            Hamilton Police Services Board
FROM: Glenn De Caire
       Chief of Police
SUBJECT: *Hamilton Police Service Monthly Report*  
          (PSB 13-092)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board direct the Administrator of the Board to refer this report, in its entirety, to the City of Hamilton, for information.

Glenn De Caire
Chief of Police

FINANCIAL / STAFFING / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

FINANCIAL – n/a
STAFFING – n/a
LEGAL – n/a
BACKGROUND:

On our Roadways

Hamilton Police issued 48,400 traffic tickets in the first eight (8) months of 2013, which is about the same level compared with a similar time frame last year. During this same time, traffic collisions have declined 8% - 463 fewer collisions. This is 436 less chances for drivers and passengers to be seriously injured in a vehicle collision in our City.

Hamilton Police continue their commitment against impaired driving. From January – August, 154,000 vehicles have been pulled over in Hamilton Police RIDE lanes this year. As part of RIDE, there have been eight (8) impaired driving charges.

Impaired driving charges are at 238 in 2013, compared with 241 last year. Through Operation Lookout, a program where citizens are encouraged to call 9-1-1 if they suspect an impaired driver, 109 of the impaired arrests were called in by citizens.

Ground Breaking for first-ever Women in Law Hamilton Habitat for Humanity Build

Before the buzzing of saws and pounding of hammers begins, on September 9, 2013, City of Hamilton Mayor Bratina was joined by representatives from law enforcement, Habitat for Humanity and the Habitat family for the first ever Women in Law Hamilton Habitat for Humanity Build at 7 Knapmans Drive, in the east end of Hamilton.

In 2007, Habitat for Humanity, in Ottawa, developed a partnership with the women in law enforcement and called it "Women In Law Build." Their team included volunteers from the Ottawa Police Service, Crown Attorney’s Office, Probation and Parole, Customs, and members of the Ministry. They successfully built a home for a family and their initiative inspired women in law from the Toronto area and they too developed a Women In Law team that built a home in 2008 and 2011.

In the fall of 2012, several information sessions took place in Hamilton and it became apparent that our women in law had the enthusiasm and interest in building an affordable home for a family in our community. The partnership was formed with Habitat for Humanity Hamilton and committees were developed. Men and women from the Hamilton Police Service have committed to leading various committees required to ensure our goal becomes a reality.

The land at Knapmans Drive, the site of the build, was generously sold by Hamilton City Council to Hamilton Habitat for Humanity for two ($2.00) dollars.
The Women in Law Build is an enthusiastic group of women and men in law enforcement including police officers, civilian staff, auxiliary and by-law officers, lawyers, crown attorneys and many others have joined the Women in Law Build in partnership with Habitat Hamilton.

The team objective is to build an affordable home for a family from our community. There are two (2) primary goals to achieve which are raising the funds for the cost of the materials to build the house and secondly to physically participate in the build. Regardless of your skill level, they welcome your participation.

The Habitat Family
Habitat for Humanity Family Services selected the Arezina family for the Women In Law to support. Currently they live in a two-bedroom apartment with a small balcony. There are six (6) children in the family, two (2) of which require wheelchairs. The home being built will therefore meet their accessibility needs. Members of the WIL Build committee have met the family who are very excited with anticipation of their new home.

Goal
The goal is to raise over $200,000.00 and build an affordable home in our community for the Arezina family. So far, over $30,000.00 has been raised.

For more information on how to donate, volunteer, please visit the website at: http://www.willbuild.ca

GD/C. Martin