



Leduc Detachment Annual Report

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OIC COMMENTS

As we look back on 2016, there were many stories of operational challenges. Interestingly, at least for the RCMP at Leduc Detachment, there were just as many or more successes and reasons for community optimism this past year.

In terms of those files that were the most challenging, 2016 did see a few significant events. Divisionally, for example, we experienced the Fort McMurray Wildfires. This was an unprecedented fire in Alberta that required resources from multiple agencies and locations throughout the Province. I am proud to say that Leduc Detachment resources were among those who assisted. Leduc as a region, in fact, is to be commended for providing assistance to Fort McMurray. Locally, we too experienced some very significant incidents. Since October of 2016, for example, we have had at least 5 very serious home invasions in Leduc County – a few of them involving firearms. This was a change from 2015, when the greatest issue then was armed robberies within the City of Leduc and surrounding municipalities.

Despite that significant files occurred, which garnered media attention, the Leduc region is a safe place to live, work, and raise a family. The Crime Severity Index, for example, especially when considered within the Provincial context, continued to trend in the right direction (projected). In 2016, our 'Persons Crimes' and 'Other Criminal Code' files saw some further significant decreases. Our 'Property Crimes' either went down slightly, remained stable, or increased only slightly (depending on the specific community). Incidents of 'Domestic Abuse' did rise slightly, which may be the result of the present economic pressures. In terms of traffic safety, I am very pleased to report that our collective community and strategic efforts resulted in the City of Leduc being recognized by Allstate Insurance in 2016 for having the greatest decrease in injury collisions across the Country. As we move forward into 2017, we are seeing some new challenges; however, it is too early at this time to make any significant projections.

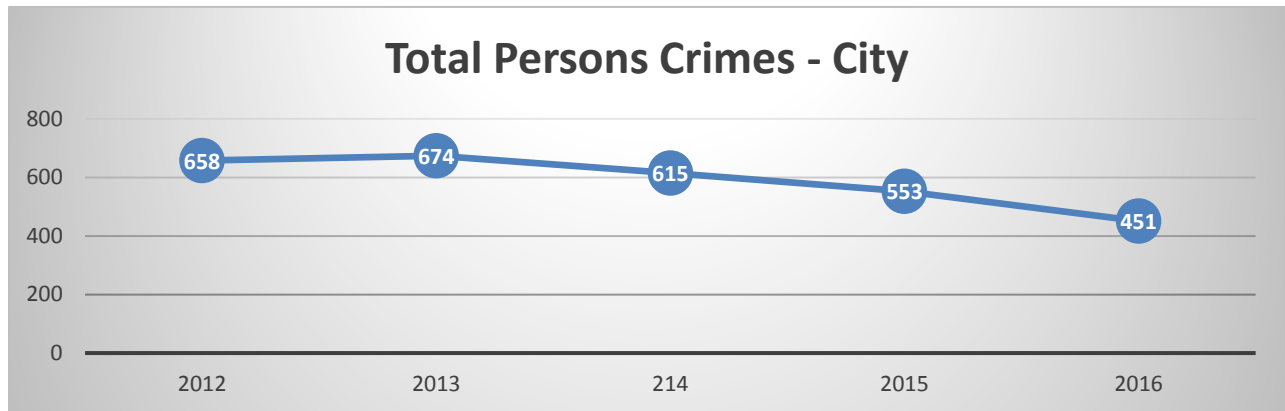
What I hope this report conveys is that the members and support staff at Leduc Detachment are proud to serve the residents of Leduc and region, Alberta, and Canada. We are committed to the strategic policing model; and, as much as possible we will work to increasing our community successes by policing smarter, by advancing innovative initiatives, and by working collaboratively with others. We are also looking forward to having a little fun at Canada's 150 th Birthday celebrations!

Kevin R.H. Kunetzki, Insp. Officer in Charge
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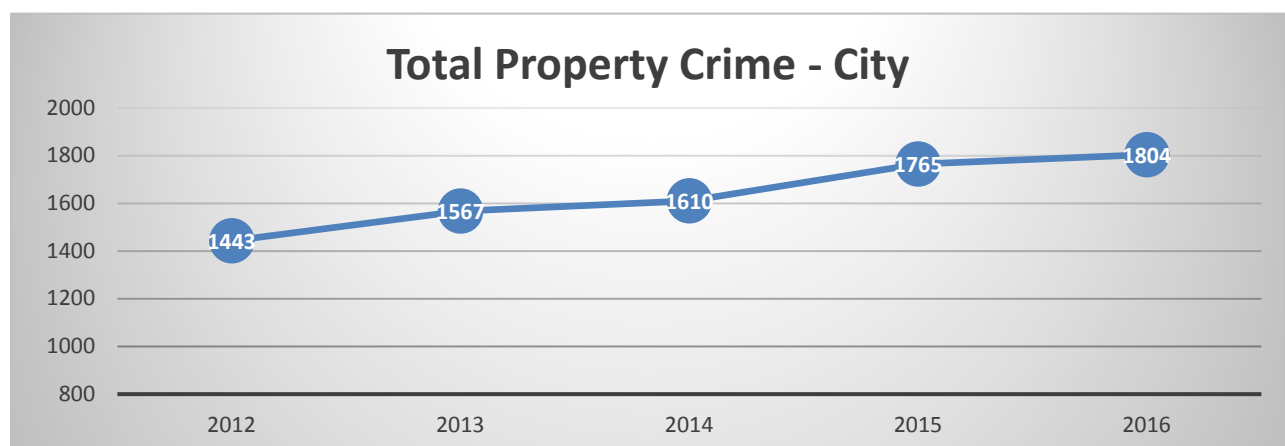
STATISTICAL HIGHLIGHTS

Crime Statistics – City of Leduc

'Persons Crimes' have shown a marked decrease for the third straight year, going from 553 to 451 incidents. This is nearly a 20% decrease from 2015, compared to the 6% decrease reported in Central Alberta District. This is even more encouraging, considering that Leduc's population has grown, through the downturn in the economy.



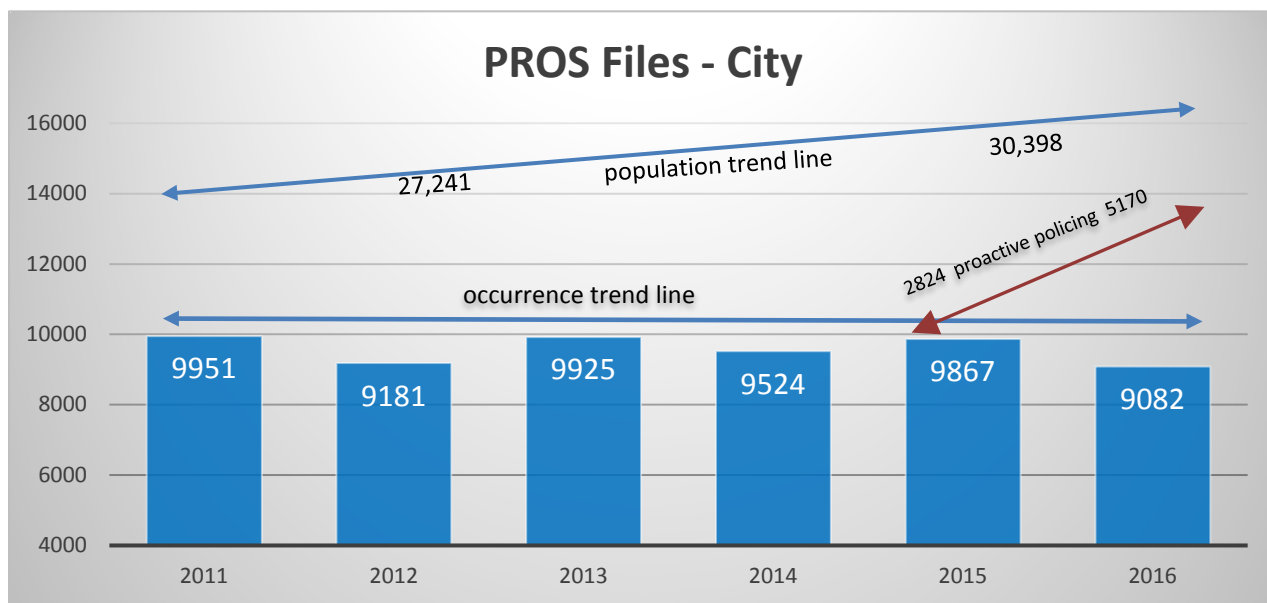
'Property Crimes' stayed relatively stable in overall numbers from 2015 to 2016. However, over a five year period they have increased. A deeper look at the statistics shows a decrease in break and enters, frauds and mischief calls in 2016. We also saw in 2016 an increase in motor vehicle thefts and thefts under \$5000. We remind members of the community to safe guard against these crimes of opportunity by locking their vehicles and keeping valuables out of sight.



Total PROS Occurrences

The following table shows the last 6 years of PROS data for the City of Leduc. 2016 saw a decrease in our overall call volumes; while population increased yet again.

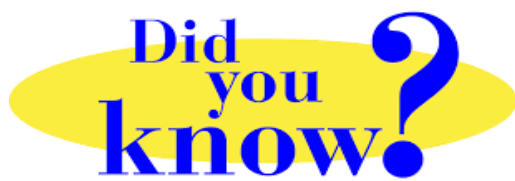
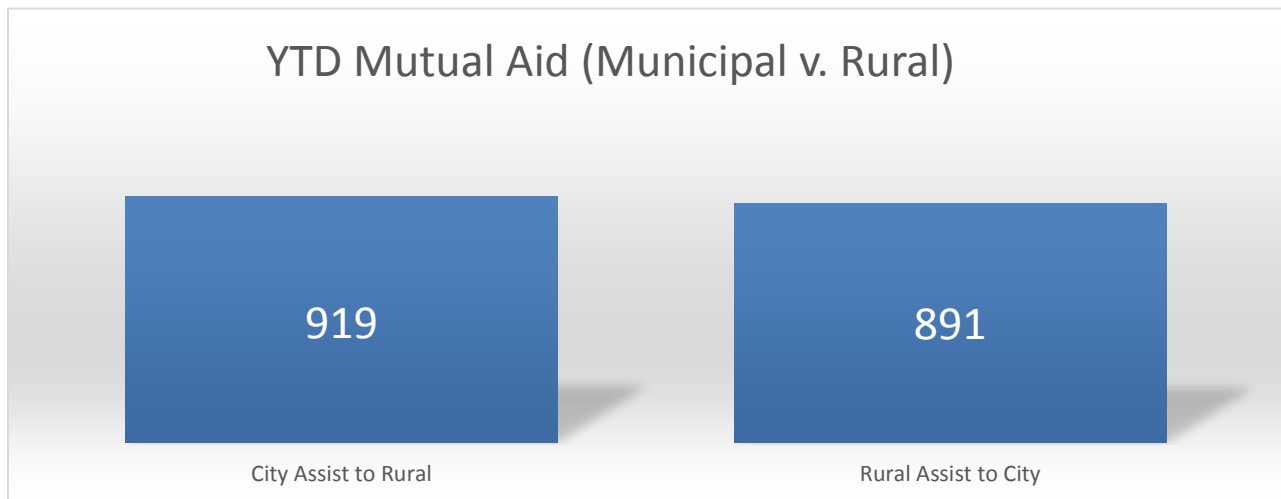
It is our hope that our more strategic delivery of police services will keep call volumes trending at a lower rate than our population growth. It is recognized, however, that our work is still increasing, but more to the benefit of proactive than reactive policing.



Mutual Aid (Municipal and Provincial)

In support of the Strategic Policing Model, and more recently of the *Leduc Regional Prosperity Charter*, our Detachment operates within a modified integrated police service delivery model. Managers and Support Staff Services are shared; whereas, frontline resources are dedicated to their assigned jurisdictions according to contract agreements. In cases of urgent or very important matters, mutual aid is tracked to ensure the appropriate levels of service are provided. This tracking of mutual aid, is calculated every 12 hours by the Watch Commanders who are monitoring our operations. Totals are then tallied and recorded in our monthly NCO report. The following chart represents the mutual aid assistance of our frontline members from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016. The City of Leduc and the Province of Alberta are equally benefiting from this model.

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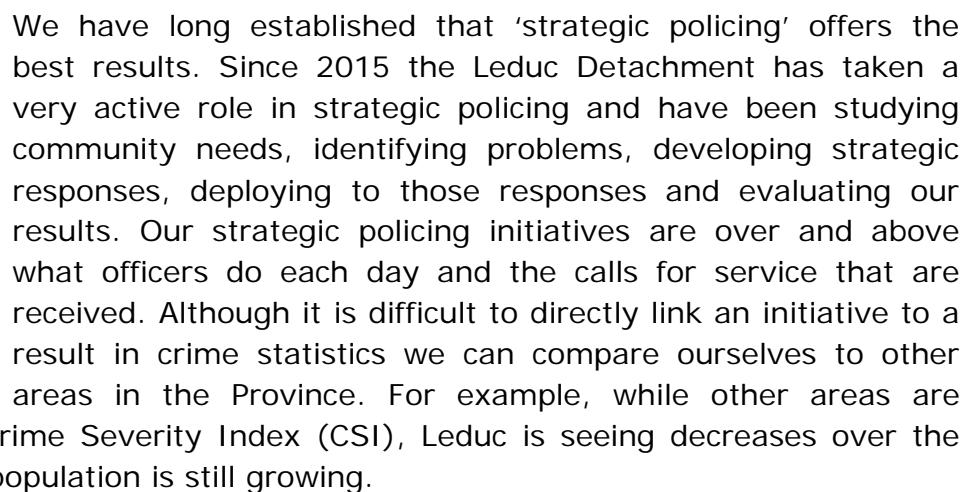



Puppy Patrol. In January 2017 Leduc RCMP partnered with Canadian Border Services Agency (CBSA) on an International puppy smuggling investigation. This great partnership allowed us to identify a local man who was shipping puppies into Canada from Budapest, Hungary at a discounted price and then reselling the dogs at a premium price with false information on the dogs. The male was also breeding the puppies improperly and had created his own “puppy mill”. The male had recently been charged in Edmonton for similar offences which allowed us to charge him with breaching his conditions. Five French Bull-Dog puppies were saved and eventually adopted out to safe homes with the cooperation of a local society for animal protection.

Age Group	Don't know	No	Yes	Probably yes	Probably no
18-24	10%	10%	40%	20%	20%
25-34	10%	10%	30%	30%	20%
35-44	10%	10%	20%	30%	30%
45-54	10%	10%	10%	30%	40%
55-64	10%	10%	10%	10%	60%

A group of five police officers standing in front of a white building with two large green doors. The officers are wearing dark uniforms with "POLICE" written on their vests. A white police car is partially visible on the left.

Prolific Offender & Hot Spot Policing Checks





In the policing world, there is data to support the 80/20 rule. This rule indicates that 80% of crime is committed by 20% of the offenders. This means that the same people are responsible for most crime in our communities. Equipped with this knowledge, in 2016 we completed **153 prolific offender checks**. These are checks, done by officers, of persons that we have identified as being a prolific offender and likely to reoffend if not held in check. The offenders have been through the court system and have been placed on court ordered release conditions such as curfews or abstaining from alcohol. If offenders are approached by officers and found to not be abiding by the court ordered conditions, they are arrested and charged. Most offender checks result in a non-event. It is believed that the knowledge, by the prolific offender, that the police check on them and will follow through with arrest and charges will cause them to contemplate their actions, in turn it is believed that this will reduce the CSI. The list of prolific offenders is regularly reviewed and monitored to ensure the best results from the initiative.

In 2016, officers completed **4399 “Hot Spot” checks**. These are checks of places that have been identified to have had property crime issues in the past or are seen as places that could be an area of concern. Some of these places include the LRC, parking lots and schools. The belief is that continued patrols of these areas will deter persons from committing crime there. These areas are continually monitored and can be changed if intelligence leads us that way.

Since the start of the **RID Program** (Report Impaired Drivers), Detachment members have issues more than 225 letters to registered owners in the community where a complaint of a possible impaired driver was made, a license plate was obtained, and the vehicle could not be located. This accomplishes two goals: It reminds the community that people care about impaired driving, and it lets registered owners know when there are complaints about their vehicles.

Impaired Driving **Checks Stops and High Volume Vehicle Stops** are also used to address impaired driving. Since January 1, 2016, to December 31, 2016, officers have completed **107** of these initiatives in the region.

We are also just starting to undertake a project to try and reduce the amount of stolen vehicles in the Leduc area. Stolen vehicles are one of our most common calls for service. To assist in combating this issue we are developing a strategy that will see members searching for stolen vehicles in high target areas and continuing the investigation that will hopefully lead us to the offenders. As stated earlier in this document, most crimes are committed by the same people. Our hope is to target and arrest those responsible for vehicle thefts in Leduc area and dramatically lower our stolen vehicle calls.

Very soon we will be launching the initial stages of a program that will see better communication and reporting strategies for local businesses to report high volume shoplifting to Leduc RCMP. This will grow into a target rich environment where we will focus on our most prolific shoplifters with the hopes of being able to track the crimes to a bigger ring of organized crime.

Did you know?

Traffic stops are rarely routine. In March of 2017 Cst. POCOCK came across a parked vehicle with a male sleeping inside. Cst. POCOCK queried the license plate and found that the registered owner was on several conditions after being released from custody. Cst. POCOCK approached the vehicle and engaged in conversation with the male, he observed the male to be under the influence of a drug and was able to arrest the male for breaching his conditions among other charges. A search of the vehicle found several types of illegal drugs and a variety of prescription drugs believed to be part of the males drug abuse and/or selling habits. Also located were edged weapons that were customized by the male and described as combat weapons. A Hell's Angels patch was located and further investigation was able to link the male to the Outlaw Motorcycle gang. This type of traffic stop happens often and shows that not every traffic stop is meant to hand out a simple speeding ticket.

A ROYAL VISIT – Honorary Deputy Commissioner




In October of 2016 we hosted his Royal Highness, Prince Edward, Earl of Wessex, the youngest son of Queen Elizabeth II, who came to visit Leduc RCMP Detachment and Leduc Fire House. Prince Edward spent some time with different groups within the building and was presented with an RCMP challenge coin and a "Thank-you" card from Honorary Leduc RCMP member Gabrielle MOSLEY, daughter of Cpl. Chris Mosley and Ashley Mosley. His Highness is an honorary Deputy Commissioner of the RCMP. He was very pleased to meet with members the Leduc RCMP Detachment and Leduc Fire Services. Deputy Mayor Terry Lazoski from the City of Leduc and Mayor Whaley of Leduc County were among the honored guests in attendance.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

Cst. Neil MUZ started his new position as a School Resource Officer (SRO) for the City of Leduc / Leduc RCMP at the beginning of September, 2016. There were many challenges ahead for this position. One challenge was to have more of a presence within the schools. Cst. MUZ addressed this in part by approaching the Leduc Composite High School to have a permanent SRO office inside of the school. The school was more than happy to oblige and an office was created near the main school office in the student services area. This is very easily accessed by all students and staff. The office has now been decorated with RCMP décor, combined with a youth look to give all students a comfort zone which makes it easier for any student to approach and speak to the SRO. This is the first time the SRO was based out of the High School and is very welcoming to all students and staff.

Cst. MUZ also started up the DARE program. The DARE program had been absent in Leduc schools for four years and was a missing link to educate grade six students on the harms that drugs and violence can create. The DARE course also gives Cst. MUZ the opportunity to get inside of a classroom setting to build relationships with the students. This course has been a huge success encompassing **eleven schools and sixteen classes**. The DARE graduation will be held on April 19th at the West Haven School. All **411 students graduating DARE** will be there from all eleven schools. This is the first time that DARE in Leduc has done a graduation with all schools in attendance.





Cst. MUZ observed that there are students in the community that may be at a learning disadvantage because they do not have access to a computer outside of the school setting. Cst. MUZ introduced Kids, Cops and Computers (KCC) – see previous page photograph. This program is taught by the SRO to Jr. High students who have been recognized as having these disadvantages. A laptop is donated by DELL and given to each student. The students attend class, where the SRO engages with the students on a variety of subjects from Internet safety, Cyberbullying, Drug effects and how to make the proper life choices. The students then use the computers given to them to research the topics and write an essay on what they have learned. Once they have completed the course, they get to keep the laptops as a reward. This course has been very well received.

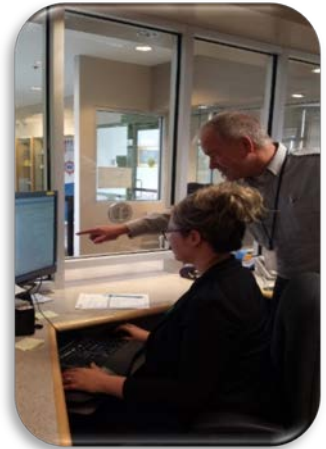
Cst. MUZ also continues to be a part of the Youth Justice Committee (YJC), the Violence Threat Risk Assessment Board (VTRA) and the Community Safety Advisory Committee (CSAC). Cst. MUZ is very active throughout the community with his volunteering and coaching. Cst. MUZ is a football coach at Leduc Composite High school and a Girls Basketball coach at CTK. Cst. MUZ is often at the Rec center interacting with the youth while involved with Club Volleyball.

Cst. MUZ has done numerous presentations at each school on topics ranging from Internet safety, cyber bullying, bullying, gaming, Fentanyl dangers, to making the right choices on Mental Health issues. Cst. MUZ has done parent presentations on knowing your tween and internet safety. Cst. MUZ brought in a Motivational Speaker that spoke to all schools regarding making proper life choices. The speaker was Retro Bill and he is the official spoke person for DARE. This was a huge success and included an organized “parent night” where over 500 people attended the show at West Haven School.

From a regional perspective it is important to note that Leduc Detachment was pleased to assist Leduc County with their application and business case for a School Resource Officer. That application has been approved, and the new School Resource Officer is expected to start September 1st, 2017, and will be out of the Breton/Thorsby Detachment. Leduc Detachment will be pleased at that time to offer further collaboration and shared best practices (as identified by above), with the new School Resource Officer.

LEDUC SUPPORT STAFF

Our enhanced support staff to officer ratio, supported by Council in 2015, has not only saved costs, it has enhanced our internal services. 'Watch Clerks' have been added to our four watches and are working as part of the team. This has created a better team atmosphere and a more efficient process for completing our administrative activities, i.e. disclosure. We have also introduced a Watch Clerk for General Investigation Section (GIS) to better assist with our more complex investigations. A further re-structuring of our three call taking positions (0800-1600 daily) has allowed us to merge our enforcement services and RCMP complaint takers into two positions. This has enabled us to have a dedicated Community Peace Officer Watch Clerk. The result is greater efficiencies, and we are now better prepared to receive and work with the anticipated AFRCS radio system (2018).



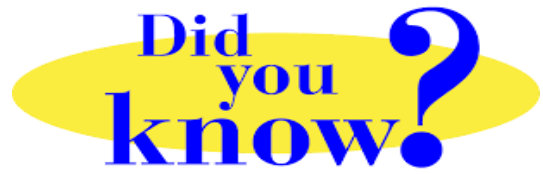
Support staff have worked diligently this year at improving the electronic filing systems, improving the E-collision reporting process, streamlining the tasking out to members, and capturing and reporting on fingerprint processes that has seen marked changes in its expectations from Ottawa. These changes all contribute to providing better front-line services to our communities.

Our support staff managers and our GIS Watch Clerk are involved in the monthly meetings with the NCO's of the Detachment. The purpose of this is to ensure there is enhanced communications and problem solving amongst the various Detachment personnel. The support staff further prepare and deliver a 'Monthly NCO Report' which is designed to track and report on proactive policing activities. This helps keep our watch teams consistent and accountable to our overall Detachment goals, i.e. Impaired Driving, Drugs, and Property Crime.

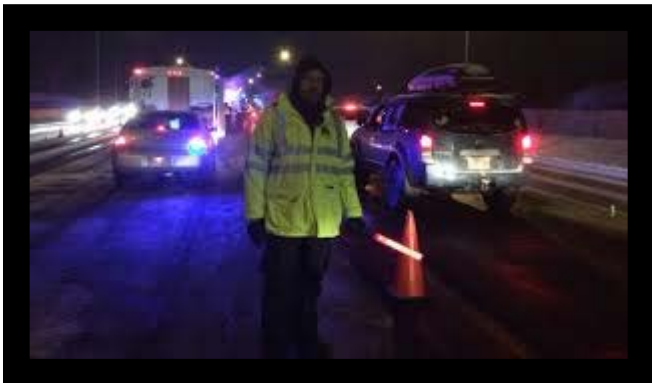


In 2015 the management team, as well as some members of Administration and Council, visited several other Detachments to learn best practices that could be applied here in Leduc (both from an operations and facilities perspective). This year we saw Detachments such as Fort Saskatchewan, Ponoka, Airdrie, Cochrane, Strathcona and Hobbema come visit and learn from our changes! The support staff at the Detachment are fully engaged and making a significant difference. We are very proud of the work our support staff does every day. Our successes are the result of their team contributions.

Since implementing our GIS Watch Clerk, Paul SMITH, has been able to link a number of cross-jurisdictional files, that otherwise may have gone unnoticed. More recently he identified where members of our plain clothes unit were working on a firearms matter that was also being investigated by another municipal police service for drug trafficking. As a result, they were able to combine intelligence from both cases to make a strong case against an offender. This has been a constant theme since the reintegration of our resources and the restructuring of our support staff to officer ratios. Policing can be very effective with the right intelligence and supports in place.



NIGHTHAWKS



The Leduc Nighthawks have been volunteering for the City of Leduc and Leduc RCMP for well over 20 years. They are a member of Alberta Citizen on Patrol. In 2016 they conducted neighborhood and business patrols along with the new "lock it or lose it" campaign which is in line with our strategic policing initiatives. The Nighthawks have helped with street closures and patrol during the Black

Gold Rodeo Parade, Canada Day Parade and the Santa Clause Parade. This last summer they were out on patrol for the Alberta Summer Games along with all other special events.

The total number of volunteer hours & Kilometers the Nighthawks put in was: **1620 Hours & 9208 Km**. The Nighthawks are always looking for new volunteers and have been a great partner with Leduc RCMP.

We are excited for 2017, where the Nighthawks will be assisting with speed monitoring and speed data collection in the community.

RURAL CRIME WATCH UPDATES



The Leduc Rural Crime Watch Association (RCW) had a strong year with 850 members throughout Leduc County, including the communities of New Sarepta, Wizard Lake, Calmar, Looma and Kavanagh. 450 RCW members received regular fan outs of timely information about recent crime trends and suspicious activity in the county. This past year, two town hall meetings were held with nearly 350 residents. The Leduc R.C.M.P


Detachment supplied comprehensive information about crime trends and engaging in a dialogue about community safety concerns and encouraging a watchful eye for their neighbors. RCW's efforts in crime prevention was recognized by the Alberta Farmers Advocate at the Alberta Rural Crime Watch AGM which included a cash award for \$1,000 to support RCW. They have been actively looking to expand their membership and in the next year hope to partner with some smaller municipalities within Leduc County.

COMMUNITY POLICING

This unit is run by Cst. Troy LEWIS. He is responsible for many different aspects of policing through-out his day. He reviews and ensures a high quality of investigation is completed on our Domestic Violence files. He monitors Sex Offender Registry and attends meetings with a multitude of community groups such as VSU, Family Violence Prevention Team, Alberta Public Health, Community Drug Action Community, Seniors groups and youth groups. He also attends many of our community events such as the Black Gold Rodeo and Santa Clause Parade.

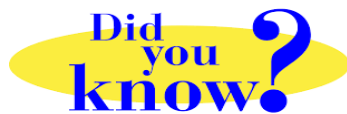
VICTIM SERVICES

The Leduc and District Victims Services Unit (LDVSU), remains a strong partner for the Detachment. On the date of this report to Council, Leduc Detachment is very pleased to present our Victim Services Unit with a print of appreciation from "K" Division Community Policing. They have become an integral part of our operations. Not to steal their thunder, but a few of their year-to-date statistics for 2016 would include the following:



2016 cases opened = 1284
2015 cases opened = 1010

As you can see, the amount of services provided by LDVSU has increased significantly since 2015. This shows the outstanding commitment by the LDVSU group.



In December of 2016 we began keeping better statistics of what was being presented to the front counter by way of persons walking into the Detachment for service. This includes city calls, rural calls and assistance to other agencies. Over the past few months we have refined how these statistics are collected; however, we can say roughly at this time that 1200 to 1500 calls for service are received each month. City calls for service are the largest portion of this followed closely by rural calls and then assistance to other agencies.

AUXILIARY PROGRAM

On January 11th, 2016 the RCMP Senior Executive Committee discontinued the Ride-Along and Firearms familiarization aspect of the Auxiliary Constable Program. This was the result of some significant incidents and reviews occurring across the Country. It was decided at that time that the program would be re-created.

When these changes were communicated, there was some disappointment expressed by our auxiliaries and by members of the community (including Leduc City Council). Feedback was sought from all Leduc Auxiliary members and forwarded to a National working group.

The latest update, is that a new RCMP Auxiliary Program 'Tiered Model' was approved by the RCMP Senior Executive Committee, subject to Divisional approvals. If further approved divisionally, this would mean that Auxiliaries could again participate in the Ride-Along program and other community prevention initiatives with the appropriate training. At this time, however, details are not confirmed.

In early February, 2017 a memo was received indicating that several items pertaining to the new program are in the final steps. The email indicated that there is still much work to be completed before the new program is fully in place. Leduc Detachment currently has 7 active Auxiliary members, and we are all awaiting these decisions.

LEDUC VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

The Leduc Detachment volunteer program is now in its second year with the seven volunteers continuing to enhance the work being done by our employees. The first quarter of 2017 reveals 46 hours per month.

The volunteers assist in many areas of the organization by doing the extra things such as - labelling file folders, inventory of supplies, tidy and clean-up of common space, and enhancing the morale of the Detachment.

Plans for the upcoming fiscal year include contribution similar to that of 2016 as it has been such an attribute to our team.

TRAFFIC SAFETY

The Municipal Integrated Traffic Unit (MITU) has now been active in the City of Leduc since July 2015. The MITU currently operates with 2 RCMP Constables and 1 City of Leduc Peace Officer.

Improving Traffic Safety and Collision Reduction

Since the MITU was implemented, there has been a reduction in the number of injury collisions in the City. This reduction has been achieved by strategies such as education, enforcement and engineering. In 2016 there were 77 injury collisions, this is down from 84 in 2015, and 104 in 2014. It is projected that the number of injury collisions will continue to decline in 2017.



As injury collisions continue to decline, the City has experienced a 4% population growth per year.

The MITU collects collision data annually to identify top collision locations within the City. This data is used to help focus collision reduction strategies through intelligence led policing.

Education: Through community groups such as schools and businesses, the MITU provides education to warn motorists of high risk driving behaviors such as distracted driving. Currently, the MITU works with partners such as the Youth Initiatives and Education in Lifestyle and Driving (YIELD) Association. YIELD has a distracted driving simulator which has been used in concert with power point presentations.


Engineering: The MITU sits on the City's Traffic Advisory Committee (TAC), representing the Leduc RCMP Detachment. In 2016, the MITU proposed engineering changes to two major high collision locations in the City. These locations were 50 Avenue at the Highway 2 Northbound on-ramp, and 50 Avenue at Discovery Way. These proposed engineering changes were presented at TAC by the MITU and later approved. In the summer of 2016, protected left turns were implemented, since then there has been a reduction in the number of collisions at these locations.

Enforcement: The MITU conducts manned enforcement, which includes roving patrols, targeted patrols based on traffic complaints/ occurrences and stationary enforcement. Automated Traffic Enforcement (ATE) supplements manned enforcement conducted by the MITU. MITU and ATE focus their efforts on the top collision locations as well as areas where vulnerable users are present, such as school and playground zones. In 2017, the MITU gave direction to the ATE contractor on which approved zones they are to be conducting enforcement in. The MITU works with outside agencies to conduct Joint Force Operations (JFOs). Operations such as JFOs are important, as they provide a high visibility/police presence to address certain priorities.

Prevention and Education

In 2016, the MITU actively promoted the Report Impaired Drivers (RID) program within the City. This was accomplished by conducting numerous Alberta Checkstops. MITU members promoted the RID program by handing out designated driver pins and impaired educational material at Checkstops. The MITU provides a continuous service to City residents, partnering with City of Leduc Peace Officers, Leduc Fire Services and Alberta Health Services. In the spring and summer of 2017, the MITU plans to continue to provide education on child seat safety installation and use. Child seat checks and clinics conducted by MITU members who have been specially trained in child seat safety. The MITU also works closely with Alberta Health Services to assist in teaching Option 4 classes. These Option 4 classes give the motorist a chance to have a child seat violation ticket withdrawn, if they attend a two hour educational class regarding seatbelts and child safety seats.





MITU currently has one Commercial Vehicle Inspector (CVI) as part of the unit. In 2016, the MITU provided education and presentations to a number of commercial vehicle companies on a number of common issues and compliance. Through these education initiatives the companies were provided an opportunity to address concerns before enforcement action was taken.

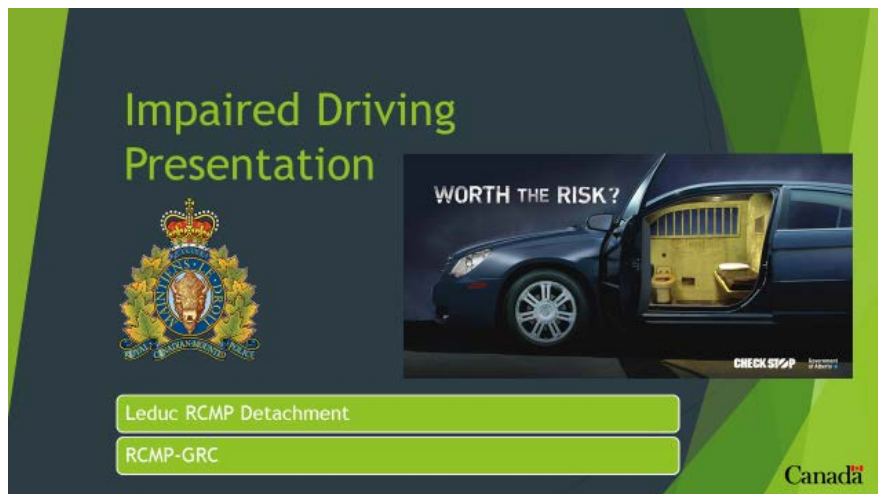
Event Management

The MITU has continued to plan, coordinate and manage major events in the City. In 2016, the MITU managed numerous high volume events such as the Black Gold Days rodeo parade, Motorcycle Ride for Dad, Canada Day parade and the Alberta Summer Games.

Impaired Driving

The MITU continues to conduct Alberta Checkstops throughout the City. In 2016, the MITU conducted double the number of Checkstops expected for the year. In 2017, the MITU has already exceeded the projected number of Checkstops for each month. Based on community feedback, impaired driving is still identified as a policing priority. As such, the MITU will continue to conduct Checkstops throughout 2017. 25% of the MITU's scheduled shifts will be during weekend nights when impaired driving is more prevalent.

As part of the Leduc RCMP Detachment's 2016 Annual Performance Plan, Cst EASLER prepared an impaired driving presentation. This presentation has been selected as the preferred program for the MITU and General Duty members to provide this education to the City.





School Safety

At the start of the 2016-2017 school year, the MITU partnered with the City of Leduc Public Works and local media. The MITU had several large electronic sign boards posted around the City. These sign boards were up for several weeks at the beginning of the school year. They reminded motorists that school was back in session and displayed the speed limit and prescribed times.


For 2017, the MITU plans to continue to conduct school zone and school bus patrols. These patrols are conducted in an effort to reduce traffic related offences surrounding our vulnerable users. In conjunction with conducting school zone patrols, the MITU has met with every school principal in the City twice a year. These meetings are important as they help create relationships between the schools and the MITU. The principals have advised the MITU of traffic related issues in their school zones. With this information the MITU has conducted numerous proactive targeted patrols.

Automated Traffic Enforcement

The MITU continues to use Automated Traffic Enforcement (ATE) in the City as a tool to help improve road safety and reduce collisions. ATE deployments and zone selections are intelligence led and based on statistics, complaints and occurrences. ATE continues to be used to supplement manned enforcement by the MITU. Enforcement continues to be conducted by ATE for speeding and intersection violations. ATE zones are approved based on high collision/high speed locations, locations with a high number of public complaints, and areas where vulnerable users are present.

GIS / DRUG SECTION UPDATES

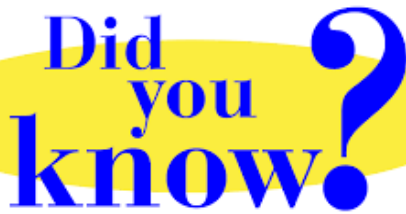
Over the last year the Leduc GIS/DRUG sections have seen two new Drug members, and three new GIS members come into the units. The new members are being mentored by the senior members of the Unit and as a result the teams have been very productive over the past year. The two units are comprised of both municipal and provincial resources who work together to address major files in Leduc and Leduc County. The GIS Section has responded to files such as armed robberies, home invasions, arsons, kidnappings, attempt murders and homicides. This Unit also has been engaged in major thefts and have been testing special equipment to help combat this issue. The GIS Unit has also been working with our law enforcement partners to watch and interact with Prolific Offenders in the area along with the General Duty Members and this program has been very successful to date.



The Leduc Drug Unit is targeting drug traffickers operating within the community. The unit consists of two constables who have been working very hard and are having a good deal of success. They are arresting and charging drug traffickers and are working with undercover units to facilitate their investigations. Based on recent statistics, forty-two sudden deaths occurred within the period of January 1, 2016 to March 14, 2017 within the Leduc area. Of these deaths, three were related to Fentanyl overdoses and one was a drug overdose suspected to be from Fentanyl. Roughly 10% of all sudden deaths within this period were related to Fentanyl overdoses.

Leduc County Enhanced Position

Cst. Julien CELMS has recently been placed in the County Enhanced Position and designated as a Crime Reduction member. His role is that of addressing rural property crimes and drug investigations, with a focus on our community-identified policing priorities. Cst. CELMS has written and executed search warrants in relation to these types of investigations already. Cst. CELMS has completed training in both Major Crime Investigation Techniques and Digital Investigation Techniques which are already assisting him in this role. Cst. CELMS has been an integral part of the team in the four Leduc County home invasions and has put a lot of time and effort into these investigations. In this vein, the previous incumbent, Cst. Geoff Harnum, has also been instrumental in communicating with the rural residents on these files and with conducting these investigations.




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On Feb 2nd, 2017 Leduc Drug section entered into a drug investigation targeting local drug dealers. After gathering evidence and completing a purchase of cocaine a search warrant was executed on a Leduc residence. Two individuals and a child were located inside the residence. Family members were contacted to take the child and the two individuals inside were arrested. One male has been charged with trafficking cocaine. A search of the residence yielded approximately 70 grams of cocaine with a street value of \$7,000, and approximately \$500 in cash.

HOME INVASIONS

In the last several months the Leduc RCMP have been investigating four significant Home Invasions in the area. These are high profile cases and serious crimes. The Detachment has been fully engaged in these investigations and have identified twelve suspects from the four investigations. Through great effort by the investigative team, seven persons have been charged and another 4 more have charges pending. Working



as an Integrated Group, our local GIS unit along with other RCMP units in the Province and Edmonton Police Service have been collaborating in an effort solve these crimes. It appears that all of these cases will be solved and brought before the courts.

Leduc Detachment, as a result of these crimes, participated in two Rural Town Hall meetings at the Rollyview and Telford Lake communities. Each Town Hall saw over 100 people attend. Discussions were held on 'Crime Prevention' strategies and the progression of the investigations. The Leduc RCMP Detachment wishes to thank Councilor Clay Stump and the Rural Crime Watch Board of Directors for arranging and supporting these presentations.

EXTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS

Leduc Detachment has worked strategically to enhance our external communications with Administration, our Councils, and all residents in the region. From January 1, 2016, to December 31, 2016, Leduc Detachment has issued – **74 - media releases**.

Leduc Detachment has also worked with the City of Leduc to improve our Detachment website, which now includes our hours of operations, our policing priorities, contact information, and even information on obtaining criminal record checks. Please check it out at <https://www.leduc.ca/royal-canadian-mounted-police>

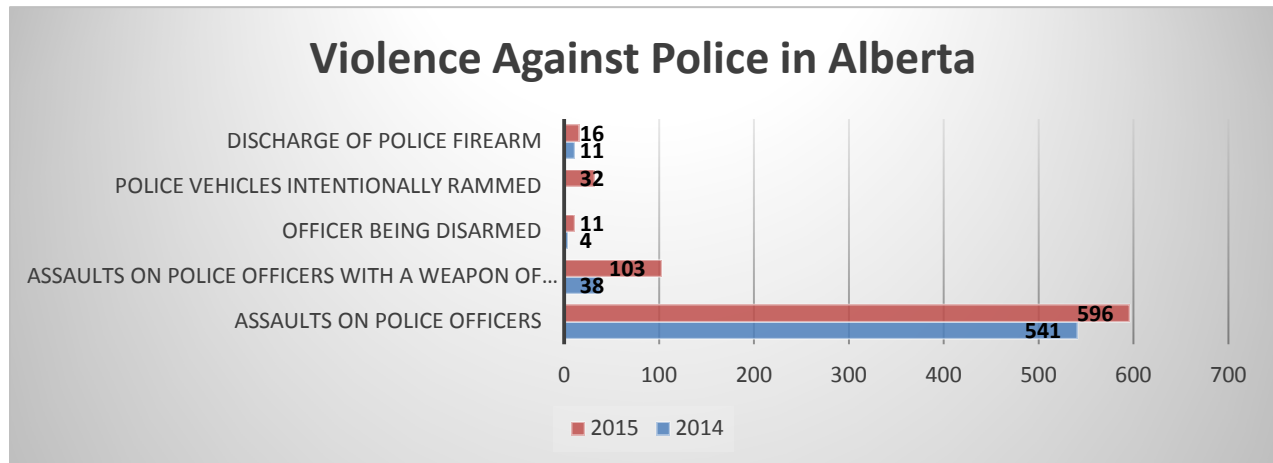
RCMP TRENDS AND ISSUES

The RCMP operates on a Divisional and National level as Canada's police force. This brings some other interesting challenges and perks. Over the last few years the Division has seen a number of trends.

Increase in Violence Against Police

Although we do not have the numbers for 2016 as of yet, the trend over the past few years has been a sharp increase in violence against police. On the rise are instances of assault on police with or without a weapon, disarming of police, intentional ramming of police vehicles and the number of situations that resulted in a police officer discharging their firearm.

Also on the rise are the number of reported stolen guns with over 10,000 stolen firearms now on CPIC from Alberta alone.




Equipment and Joint Training

2016 has seen the Division continue to increase the number of C8 patrol carbines in the field and an increase in the number of officers trained to handle the firearm. All Detachments in the Division now have the C8.

The Leduc Detachment and Fire Dept. have completed table top exercises regarding Immediate Action Response Deployment (IARD) and are planning an IARD training scenario for August of 2017 that will include local Fire (City and County), EMS and school partners. This will be done at the Leduc Composite High School. The aim of the training is to better prepare first responders for calls of active shooters. This will be a very valuable training scenario that will offer a unique chance for the RCMP and its partners to work together.

A new radio system was introduced into operation late this year. Alberta First Responder Radio Communications System (AFRRCS) was rolled out across the province and new portable radios for the members are now in use. AFRRCS will allow frontline members to communicate better with each other and with other first responders. It also provides encrypted security of police information, which means a more coordinated police response to public safety issues and enhanced officer safety.





We are also seeing a need to fill more Federal policing sections in the province such as Federal Serious and Organized Crime, (FSOC). This section concentrates on the larger investigations that frontline members may not have the time to handle due to the constant flow of incoming calls for service.

Naloxone was issued to all members in October 2016. This initiative is designed to assist members and the general public with successful recovery from Fentanyl and Opioid exposure or overdoses. British Columbia has had over 93% of the RCMP's uses of Naloxone to date where it has been used successfully to assist both members and the general public. K Division has only seen 3 reported uses at this point in time while BC has seen 83 reported uses. This is an excellent tool for members and helps to provide another level of safety for everyone involved.

Crime Stats - Leduc Municipal Detachment

Leduc Municipal Detachment Statistical Comparison January to December: 2012 - 2016

















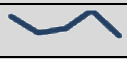






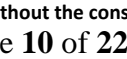


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CATEGORY	Trend	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Homicides & Offences Related to Death		2	5	4	1	2
Robbery		13	8	12	22	6
Sexual Assaults		33	22	34	24	22
Other Sexual Offences		11	16	4	15	9
Assault		292	329	315	294	227
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		7	6	11	5	4
Extortion		2	3	1	1	2
Criminal Harassment		143	143	95	81	86
Uttering Threats		153	134	132	105	90
Other Persons		2	8	7	5	3
TOTAL PERSONS		658	674	615	553	451
Break & Enter		144	125	131	184	148
Theft of Motor Vehicle		93	89	118	126	164
Theft Over \$5,000		18	35	19	24	26
Theft Under \$5,000		476	524	550	574	702
Possn Stn Goods		53	56	55	84	69
Fraud		157	184	191	224	215
Arson		27	12	6	6	8
Mischief To Property		475	542	540	543	472
TOTAL PROPERTY		1,443	1,567	1,610	1,765	1,804
Offensive Weapons		51	43	37	51	45
Public Order		8	8	3	4	0
Disturbing the peace		349	393	348	241	204
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		611	557	594	522	466
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		1,019	1,001	982	818	715
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE		3,120	3,242	3,207	3,136	2,970

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CATEGORY	Trend	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Drug Enforcement - Production		2	4	2	3	0
Drug Enforcement - Possession		187	154	162	158	137
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		50	57	59	54	37
Drug Enforcement - Other		1	1	2	1	1
Total Drugs		240	216	225	216	175
Federal - General		63	64	89	59	33
TOTAL FEDERAL		303	280	314	275	208
Liquor Act		160	180	191	132	82
Other Provincial Stats		283	337	357	309	285
Total Provincial Stats		443	517	548	441	367
Municipal By-laws Traffic		96	161	55	48	34
Municipal By-laws		460	500	281	249	280
Total Municipal		556	661	336	297	314
Fatals		4	0	2	1	1
Injury MVC		70	64	104	84	77
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		697	715	749	578	518
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		99	132	85	64	76
TOTAL MVC		870	911	940	727	672
Provincial Traffic		5,192	2,752	4,159	2,491	3,165
Other Traffic		74	41	49	87	33
Criminal Code Traffic		303	360	333	292	285
Common Police Activities						
False Alarms		721	743	787	742	740
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		804	621	700	507	380
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		77	95	196	323	462
Persons Reported Missing		63	73	57	79	66
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code		386	362	290	300	396

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