

Policing With Excellence



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The tragic events of September 11, 2001 had significant impact on emergency services throughout the world and emphasized that we have much to be proud of. 2001 was a year of "Policing with Excellence" as members of our Service and citizens of Saskatoon who work in partnership with our Service were recipients of several local, National and International awards:

- The International Association of Chiefs of Police awarded the Saskatoon Police Service a Community Policing Award for the "Absentee Assessment Team". AAT uses an interagency approach in which a family is central in designing a plan specific to the needs they themselves identify. In addition to the IACP award, Cst. Joceline Schreimer won the Educator of Distinction Award from the Saskatoon Preschool Foundation for her work on this project.
- Cst. Grant Obst, Cst. Tim Korchinski and Cst. Randy Huisman of the Vice Unit received an honorable mention from the Solicitor General of Canada's Youth Justice Awards for their program "Operation Help" which is designed to help sex trade workers get off the street.
- "If you want to race – the street is not the place!" The Saskatoon Police Street Legal Racing Program website won a Golden Web Award from the International Association of Webmasters and Designers. The Street Legal program is dedicated to educating young people about the problems of illegal drug and alcohol use and impaired driving. Members of the team include S/Sgt. Aime Decae, Cst. Don Buratenski, Cst. Ed Clark, Cst. Tim Bayly, Cst. Jason Pfeil and police mechanic Garry Harder.
- Sgt. Wayne Walker was awarded the first Kiwanis Saskatoon Police Appreciation Award in recognition of volunteer service work in the community. Sgt. Walker has volunteered his time for several organizations including Scouts, Canadian Blood Services, Cops for Cancer, and Kelsey Students Association.
- At the 2001 Badge & Shield Dinner the Police Service presented the Community Badge Award to Gloria Paulsen in recognition of her work as inspiration and driving force behind the Drug and Alcohol Resistance

Training (DART) that has now been presented by police officers to many Grade 6 – 8 students throughout Saskatoon. The Catholic School Board received the Corporate Badge Award for their long history of partnerships with the Police Service and, most recently, their support and involvement in the Absentee Assessment Team Project.

- A vital part of Crime Stoppers is media partnership and Saskatoon has enjoyed long-standing support from all areas of the local media. At the 2001 Crime Stoppers International Training Conference CFQC-TV was honored with a first place award in the category of “Television News Specials”.

Congratulations to all the award winners!

Chief's Message



The Saskatoon Police Service went through a year of considerable transition in 2001. Community consultation and organizational review took the Service into a journey of change, which will ultimately improve police service delivery to the citizens of Saskatoon and establish Community Policing as the core operating philosophy for the department.

Changes on the international front have also impacted the Saskatoon Police Service. The events of September 11, 2001 had tremendous effect on police officers and firefighters throughout the world. There is a heightened awareness of possible threats to our community and we have worked towards a closer cooperation with first responder agencies such as

fire and ambulance.

Despite all the changes that have taken place, the outstanding men and women of the Saskatoon Police Service moved forward and continued to work with enthusiasm and excellence. Their considerable efforts did not go unnoticed and it is with great pride that I congratulate them on their achievements. Several members of our Service were recipients of National and International awards, which highlights the level of commitment officers have to the people of Saskatoon. In turn, the Service recognized the many contributions of individual citizens and organizations that assist and support us in community initiatives.

The mandate for the future of policing in Saskatoon is to continue to unite the Police Service with the community. Community policing is a philosophy of service delivery that encourages partnering, problem solving and proactive strategies. This philosophy must be embraced at every level of the Service and be supported by those we serve. It utilizes the efforts and resources of the police, other agencies, business and members of the community in a coordinated approach to consult and collaborate on issues of common concern and addresses crime at the root source.

We are building a foundation for Community Policing by introducing a three-part strategy that includes **Audit and Accountability**, **Becoming the Employer of Choice**, and **Community Involvement**. Our on going efforts, including restructuring the organization, developing a Community Police Academy, reestablishing relationships both internally and externally, and having open lines of communication, have all contributed to valuable and needed change.

Challenges create opportunity and 2002 is the start of the future. This is a very exciting time for members of the Saskatoon Police Service and the citizens of Saskatoon. Together, in the true spirit of Community Policing, we can build a safer community.

Executive Team



*Left to right: Front row: Director Don Bodnar, Supt. Brian Dueck, Supt. Bernie Pannell, Chief Russell Sabo, Supt. Gary Broste, Supt. Bill Hargarten, Director Jack Heiser
Back row: Deputy Chief Dan Wiks, Supt. Don MacEwan, Supt. Rick Grosy, Supt. Keith Rans*

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Board of Police Commissioners



Left to right: Councillor Myles Heidt, Ms. Leanne Bellegarde Daniels, His Worship Mayor Jim Maddin (Chair), Councillor Patricia Roe, Mr. Dan Ish

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PSD Cyr



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The Saskatoon Police Service lost one of its own in the line of duty on May 21, 2001. Police Service Dog Cyr was working alongside his partner and friend, Cst. Steve Kaye, when he was shot and killed by a suspect while trying to protect Cst. Kaye, his fellow officers and the community. Cyr's courage in the line of fire will always be remembered.

As a result, and thanks to a generous donation by an anonymous caring citizen of Saskatoon, several of our dogs are now protected with body armor while on duty. The vests are designed to be worn on all calls for police service and should prove a valuable aid in preventing the loss of life. We are very grateful for the kindness of this donation.

McNab Park

McNab Park is a small community of former wartime emergency housing near the airport. It is surrounded by light industrial property and was somewhat of a "forgotten" neighborhood lacking in amenities. "The McNab Park Project", spearheaded by Cst. Larry Lockwood, is a community initiative under police and civic leadership that was undertaken with 40 stakeholder groups. The objectives were to develop services within the community to assist it in becoming a healthier environment, decrease crime and victimization, and increase involvement from surrounding businesses. As a result of this Project crime and victimization did decrease - by 23% when residents and neighborhood businesses cooperated to provide healthy alternatives.

CACP Conference

Saskatoon hosted the Canadian Association of Chief's of Police Conference in August 2001. The conference theme, "Targeting Organized Crime", attracted 260 delegates consisting of police chiefs and officers from across Canada. 260 citizens of Saskatoon volunteered their time to ensure all aspects of the Conference, from transportation, communication, to companion and youth programs ran smoothly.

Kids 'N' Kops



Kids 'N' Kops is a mini police academy for children aged 10 to 12. Championed by Cst. Bryce Baillargeon, members of the Service partnered with Big Brothers and Big Sisters to provide a two-day academy that allowed kids to learn about being a police officer. The academy included a tour of the police station, a K-9 demonstration, sessions with Identification and Communications Units, police driver training and specialized units like the Explosives Disposal Unit and Emergency Response Team. They also learned about Drug and Alcohol Resistance Training and techniques to deal with bullying either on the streets of their neighborhoods or at the school they attend. The academy also included recreational activities so the officers could spend quality time with the youth and build trusting relationships with them. Each child received a police ball cap, a Kids 'N'

Policing in Kosovo



In August 2001, Sgt. Keith Atkinson and Cst. Darcel Pittman returned home from 9-month tours of duty with the United Nations Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK) where they performed duties as civilian police officers. The knowledge, training and expertise, gained through their experience with the Saskatoon Police Service, allowed them to take on supervisory and administrative roles in their military assignment. They worked side by side with officers from over 50 other countries, providing peace and security to people in this war-torn region in the Balkans.

Aboriginal Liaison

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Exciting changes took place in the Aboriginal Liaison Unit in 2001 with an increase in strength to three officers. The focus on youth and youth programs continued with the "Peacekeepers" program and included the "King of the Court" 3-on-3 basketball tournament, two cultural awareness canoe trips, a cultural awareness mountain bike trip, roller skating, weekly basketball games, and many other activities. Partnerships for these events included the Saskatchewan Indian Cultural Centre, the Saskatoon Tribal Council, St. Mary's School, Joe Duquette High School, Nutana High School, and White Buffalo Youth Lodge. The Saskatoon Police Service continues its commitment to enhancing relationships, understanding and trust with First Nations and Metis people.

The Saskatoon Police Service would like to thank our partners, sponsors and those in the Aboriginal communities, especially the Elders, for their continued guidance, wisdom, assistance and support of our programs.

Personnel

Position	Actual (Dec. 31st 2001)
Chief	1
Deputy Chief	1
Superintendent	7
Staff Sergeant	14
Sergeant	88
Constable	223
Total	332



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Special Constables	43
Civilians	80
RCMP – Integrated Units	16
Volunteers	57

Statistics

2001 Actual Budget	\$32,418,000
Saskatoon Population	212,654

Comparisons

	Cost/Capita	Police/Population
Winnipeg	181	1/538
Calgary	177	1/679
Edmonton	201	1/556
Regina	193	1/601
Saskatoon	160	1/664

(CCJS statistics)

Statistical Analysis

	2000	2001
Complaints	83,701	85,583
9-1-1 Calls	64,700	65,828
Incident Reports	39,966	43,358
Offences	43,990	48,161
Arrests	10,377	10,578
Death Violations	5	1
Attempted Murders	4	5

Sexual Assaults	266	295
Assaults	2,392	2,755
Armed Robbery	139	147
Robbery	340	387
Stalking	150	213
Arson	115	192
Break & Enter Residence	3,040	3,116
Break & Enter Business	710	831
Theft of Motor Vehicle	1,534	1,318
Theft	8,198	7,976
Fraud	1,454	1,796
Willful Damage	4,308	4,696
Prostitution	93	64
Drugs	396	584
Fatal Accidents	11	9
Impaired Driving	1,092	1,171
Municipal Bylaws	10,651	13,303
Provincial Statutes	25,603	28,699



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The Saskatoon Police Service would like to acknowledge the following people for their years of service.

Superintendent Murray Colter	34 years
Sergeant Ralph Fasthuber	33 years
Chief Dave Scott	32 years
Sergeant Dennis Read	31 years

Sergeant Darrell D'Arcy	29 years
Sergeant Gregory Lisitza	26 years
Sergeant Samuel Martin	25 years
Sergeant Glen Cherry	25 years
Constable Daniel Borden	20 years
Constable Kenneth Munson	17 years
Constable Daniel Hatchen	17 years
Constable Cameron Murdock	8 years
Constable Shaun Landry	4 years
Constable John Kalmakoff	3 years
Constable Rocky Druar	2 years

2001 Internal Investigations

	2000	2001
Discreditable Conduct	20	10
Abuse of Authority	18	18
Neglect of Duty	5	4
Criminal Conduct	23	27
Improper Disclosure	1	1
Insubordination	0	0
Other	2	2
Total Complaints	69	62

Decisions Following Investigation

	2000	2001
Charged	2	0
Counselled	9	4
Unfounded	17	29
Pending	31	20
Other	8	6

Dismissed
Withdrawn

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