

**REPORT TO CALGARY POLICE COMMISSION****CPS Monthly Chief's Reports: Bureau of Investigative Support**ISC: ☒ Unclassified ☐ Protected A ☐ Protected B

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Submitted for☒ Information only ☐ Discussion ☐ Decision / Approval**Type of Meeting**

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| ☐ Executive Committee | ☒ Commission Regular Meeting |
| ☐ Finance, Audit, & Infrastructure Committee | ☒ Public Session |
| ☐ Police Personnel & Culture Committee | ☐ In-camera with CPS |
| ☐ Policing Services Committee | |
| ☐ Workplace Review Steering Committee | |

Reason for Report

- ☐ Obligation under the *Police Act* or *Police Service Regulation*
- ☐ Obligation under Commission Policy
- ☒ Report on program and/or update on progress
- ☐ Response to Motion or Commission Inquiry
- ☐ Other:

Recommendations

1. That this report be received by the CPC for information.

Crime Update

- As summer and the favourable weather of September transitioned into fall, the Gang Suppression Team (GST)¹ has remained consistently active throughout the year. As of the end of September, GST has conducted 4,221 licensed premise walkthroughs, 794

¹ GST primary function is identifying and targeting violent offenders, members of organized crime organizations and their associates in and around licensed premises. They gain real-time information and intelligence which is disseminated to appropriate units/teams.

directed patrols², and 504 ejections³. These figures reflect the team's commitment to proactive enforcement and community safety.

- In late September, the Prolific Offender Enforcement Team (POET) successfully apprehended two offenders involved in vehicle theft. This arrest also led to the discovery of a loaded sawed-off bolt action rifle.
 - As of October 14, one individual has been charged with seven offences, with two more pending, and has been released on conditions. The second, identified as a prolific offender, faces 13 charges, and remains in custody pending their court appearance.
- Calgary recorded zero homicides in September, a notable deviation from the five-year average (n=3). As of October 14, the city has seen 12 homicides compared to 15 over the same period in 2024, a positive downward trend.

Cyber Security Awareness

October marks Cyber Security Awareness Month, an internationally recognized campaign dedicated to raising awareness about cybersecurity and the protection of our digital lives. This initiative underscores the growing importance of safeguarding personal and organizational information in an increasingly connected world.

CPS Cybercrime Unit

In alignment with this month of recognition, the CPS Cyber/Forensic Unit has remained actively engaged throughout 2025, despite operating with a seven-person deficit⁴. The unit managed 148 case files, either as the lead investigative unit or in a supporting capacity. Meanwhile, the Blockchain Investigative Team reviewed 135 files related to cryptocurrency and blockchain activity, with 53% (n=64) assessed as viable for further investigation. This percentage emphasizes the ongoing need for investment in specialized training, technology, and strategic partnerships to enhance our capacity to respond.

To date, CPS has received 478 cryptocurrency-related reports, with total victim losses amounting to \$30,581,909.90. These figures point to the importance of public education around safe practices when engaging in cryptocurrency transactions and platforms, where frauds and scams are increasingly prevalent.

In response, the Cybercrimes Unit partnered with Public Affairs & Media Relations Unit (PAMRU) to launch a robust media campaign to help promote cyber protection education for Calgarians, particularly for seniors and vulnerable populations. The campaign aims to help these groups and their caregivers on how to recognize, prevent, and report online fraud. Throughout the designated awareness week, the initiative highlighted common scams, shared prevention strategies, and promoted reporting resources to empower the community.

² Directed Patrols are a targeted offender management strategy where officers proactively check individuals with enforceable curfew conditions to ensure they are complying with court-ordered conditions.

³ GST conducts ejections under Section 69.1 of the GLCA and the Agent Status Program to enhance public safety by removing gang-associated individuals from licensed and participating premises without imposing penalties, based on patterns of unlawful or intimidating behavior.

⁴ Currently, the unit is operating with 14 members.

As Cyber Security Awareness Month ends, the CPS reaffirms its commitment to staying contemporary in the fight against cybercrime through innovation, training, and strategic partnerships. Our collaboration with the Canadian Cyber Assessment, Training and Experimentation (CATE) Centre reflects a forward-looking approach to building real-world cyber capabilities. Looking ahead, CPS will continue to explore opportunities to strengthen our cybercrime response, including enhanced collaboration and infrastructure. These efforts support a broader vision of building a resilient, future-ready policing model for the digital age.

Operation Condor

In addition to the work around strategic partnerships and public education on cyber security, the unit just completed a complex, multi-year investigation into a fraudulent loan scheme involving targeted telephone denial-of-service (TDoS) attacks affecting Calgary residents. The case centered around the illicit activities of "Sonic Cash 500," culminating in twelve criminal charges laid against four suspects in Quebec. Thousands of documents and multimedia exhibits were reviewed over 2.5 years, with the final report submitted to the Specialized Prosecutions Service for charge approval. Arrests and interviews were conducted in collaboration with provincial and federal agencies, and a public media release was issued to help prevent further victimization.

The success of Operation Condor was made possible through strong inter-agency cooperation, including partnerships with law enforcement and regulatory bodies across multiple jurisdictions, and the dedication of the CPS Cybercrime Team.

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