



REPORT TO CALGARY POLICE COMMISSION



CPS Monthly Chief's Reports: Bureau of Investigative Support

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Policing Services Committee | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 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

- Calgary recorded one homicide in October 2025, following a physical altercation between two individuals that resulted in one person succumbing to injuries sustained during the incident.
 - The number of homicides in Calgary from January to October 2025 is 41% below the five-year average for the same reporting period.

- Digital evidence demands continue to surge. Digital Forensic Team handled 197 new exhibits in October, which is a 4% increase year-over-year.
 - The team continues to manage a substantial queue of devices tied to approximately 427 files. Despite this sustained pressure, the team supported Ottawa Police Service in a Tier 1¹ organized crime investigation for the CBSA, helped advanced Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM) triage technology, and represented CPS nationally on Bill C-2 impacts. This level of growth and complexity underscores the critical need to expand capacity to maintain high-integrity investigations. Our Bureau is actively pursuing strategies to address these pressures and ensure the DFT remains equipped to meet the evolving investigative demands.
- Despite its mandate to focus on prolific auto-theft offenders, the CPS's six-member Auto Theft Team (ATT) has laid 825 criminal charges, recovered 107 stolen vehicles, and seized firearms, drugs worth \$48K, and stolen property valued at over \$4.3 million from January to October 2025. These results show how auto theft often intersect with firearms, drugs, and organized property crime, and ATT's work disrupts broader criminal networks within Calgary.

Family Violence Prevention Month

November marks Family Violence Prevention Month, a critical opportunity to raise awareness, strengthen community partnerships, and advance strategies that protect individuals and families.

Alberta ranks among the top three provinces in Canada for self-reported spousal violence, and Calgary is on pace to record more family violence incidents than in any of the past five years. Family violence cuts across every demographic and it impacts people of all ages, backgrounds, and income levels. While no group is immune, most of Calgary's victims fall within the 25 to 44 age range. Family violence is preventable, and these trends underscore the need for a collaborative and proactive approach.

Media Campaign

The CPS's Public Affairs and Media Relations Unit has partnered with Major Crime Section's Domestic Conflict Unit this month to launch an extensive Family Violence Prevention Campaign. Together with our 23 unique partnerships across Calgary which include non-profit organizations, government agencies, and judicial partners, we provide support to individuals escaping domestic violence, in addition to investigating domestic violence offences. Throughout the month, CPS has shared powerful survivor stories and highlighted resources available to those experiencing family violence. These resources are accessible in 13 different languages, so that every Calgarian, regardless of background, can find safety and support when they need it the most.

¹ The tier classification for organized crime groups is part of a federally mandated Tier program. The classification help police agencies understand the priorities set by the federal program.

Family Violence Training

In efforts to gear up for Family Violence Prevention month, CPS hosted the 2025 Solicitor General Family Violence Training in late October. The goal of the two-day training was to equip community partners and CPS members², primarily frontline patrol, with a comprehensive understanding of family violence dynamics, including legal frameworks such as Clare's Law and the Protection Against Family Violence Act, investigative strategies, and the impact of domestic violence on children. The course also covered specialized topics like stalking, strangulation, animal abuse links, firearms seizure protocols, and intelligence sharing across agencies.

Collaborating and Protecting Vulnerable Seniors

Between January and June 2025, reports of sexual assaults in Calgary's Continuing Care Homes rose by 180% compared to the same period last year. These incidents range from inappropriate touching to serious assaults, highlighting urgent safety concerns for vulnerable residents. To address this, CPS has joined forces with continuing care operators, Assisted Living Alberta, Recovery Alberta, and provincial ministries to form a working group focused on addressing systemic gaps and improving protection in these facilities.

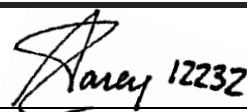
The working group's aim is to establish a unified, consistent approach to responding to incidents, supporting affected individuals, and creating a secure and dignified living environment. This includes collaborative planning, clearly defined roles and responsibilities, and standardized protocols for information sharing across facilities and agencies. Key priorities involve improving risk identification, enhancing communication practices, and strengthening measures to flag and monitor individuals who pose potential harm. This collaborative effort reflects the spirit of Family Violence Prevention Month breaking down silos, sharing responsibility, and ensuring safety for our most vulnerable family members.

Stopping Family Violence Together

Family Violence does not end when November ends, and neither are our efforts to prevent it. Every person has a role to play; increase our personal awareness and take action to prevent family violence and support anyone who is experiencing an abusive relationship.

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² A total of 110 attendees from October 21-22.

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