



REPORT TO CALGARY POLICE COMMISSION



Bureau of Investigative Support: Crime Report

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Submitted for

☒ Information only ☐ Discussion ☐ Decision / Approval

Type of Meeting

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| ☐ Commission Week 1 | ☒ Commission Regular Meeting |
| ☐ Commission Week 2 (Reserved for Finance, Audit, Infrastructure) | ☒ Public Session |
| ☐ Commission Week 3 | ☐ In-camera with CPS |

Reason for Report

- ☐ *Police Act*, Police Service Regulation, or Police Conduct and Oversight Regulation
- ☐ Obligation under Commission policy
- ☒ Report on program or update on progress
- ☐ Response to Motion
- ☐ Other:

Recommendations

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

BIS Crime Statistics

- Calgary is currently sitting at 15 homicides so far in October 2026, which was what we had in all of 2025. As of October 2026, there have been 15 homicides, compared with a five-year YTD average of 18. This is 3 fewer homicides, or approximately 17% below the five-year average.
 - Of the 15 homicides so far in 2026, 47% of them had a domestic relationship component, including parent and child, grandparent/grandchild, cousins, and siblings.

- Of the 1,224 guns seized by CPS from January through September 2026, 512 were classified as crime guns¹, representing 41.8% of all guns seized. This represents a 63% increase compared with the same period in 2025 (n=314)
 - Rifles were the most seized firearm type and accounted for 49% of all crime guns. Among the three main firearm types, handguns had the highest proportion classified as crime guns (44.1%).
- Fraud continues to result in significant financial losses for Calgarians. In September 2026, reported fraud losses totalled approximately \$5.8 million. September data identified 356 individual victims and 55 business victims.

Cyber Security Awareness Month

October is Cyber Security Awareness Month, and CPS continues to share online safety information to help Calgarians recognize common scams and other online threats. Throughout the month, CPS released videos with practical safety tips and common warning signs to watch for.

A recent CPS investigation shows how technology can make familiar fraud schemes more difficult to recognize. In a series of bank investigator scams, offenders used caller ID spoofing so that calls appeared to come from legitimate bank customer-service numbers. Victims were told their accounts had been compromised and were then connected with individuals impersonating CPS officers, specifically Deputy Chiefs. They were ultimately directed to turn over their bank cards, which were later used for unauthorized withdrawals and purchases. The investigation resulted in an arrest on October 14, 2026, with charges including fraud over \$5,000 and money laundering.

Cybercrime in Calgary

The Cybercrime Teams received 25 files in September, one of its busiest months this year, and has concluded 79 files in 2026 to date. The team continues to investigate a range of cybercrime threats, including ransomware.

Cryptocurrency-related crime also continues to have a significant impact. In September alone, 50 cryptocurrency-related files were reported to CPS. So far in 2026, victims have reported more than \$24.1 million in losses involving cryptocurrency.

The reach of many cybercrime investigations extends well beyond city and national borders. CPS's cybercrime team members are contributing to major international investigations into organized ransomware activity affecting victims in Calgary, across Canada and internationally. They are working with Canadian and international law enforcement agencies to share intelligence, identify those responsible and support coordinated efforts to disrupt the infrastructure and financial activity behind ransomware operations.

¹ A crime gun is defined as a firearm that is unlawfully used, stored, possessed or lawfully seized as part of a criminal investigation.

CPS currently leads the Canadian component of one international ransomware investigation and continues to contribute investigative expertise to another long-term international operation that has progressed to enforcement action.

These larger investigations can begin with information gathered from individual incidents. Evidence from one victim can help investigators identify connections to other cases and, when combined with information from other jurisdictions, contribute to identifying a broader cybercrime network.

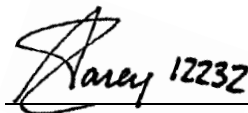
Building Calgary's response to cybercrime

Work also continues with the Calgary Cyber Alliance, which brings together law enforcement, industry, academia and other partners to strengthen Calgary's response to cybercrime. Work on this initiative has moved forward on the governance, legal agreements and partnerships needed to establish the Alliance.

Interest and participation have continued to grow across several sectors. Current work is focused on preparing the Alliance for future operations, including how partners can safely share information and work together on cybercrime issues.

Approval signatures

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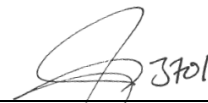


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