

Community Policing Volunteers

A Volunteer Person with the Community Policing Committee is an ordinary person who cares about his/her community and wants to help make this place safe for each and everyone in the community. The misconception that the police can be everywhere all the time, just doesn't hold true. Volunteers can assist the police some of the time in various ways. This is what we call Police and Community "togetherness". We relish this partnership and take pride in being part of it. This is why we say in our motto in *Partnership with the Community*.

All Community Police members must pass the OPP security check before they become a member. Also, a Senior OPP Officer must swear them into the Committee.

For More Information on the Community Policing Committee or to become a Volunteer, Contact:

Municipality of Trent Hills
66 Front Street South
Campbellford
Phone: (705) 653-1900

The Community Policing Committee meets the Wednesday of every other month.

Trent Hills Community Policing Office

Locations

Campbellford Office: 20 Industrial Drive

Warkworth Office: 40 Main Street

Hastings Office: 6 Albert Street

Community Policing Committee

The Trent Hills Community Policing Committees are Committees of Council comprising the three areas of the Municipality—Campbellford/Seymour, Hastings, and Warkworth/Percy.

Each of the 3 Community Policing offices is equipped with a computer. This allows the OPP Officer to have direct access to the OPP computer while on patrol in these areas. This gives the OPP more visibility in each ward. The patrolling OPP Police Officer has access to private area in each community to help, carry out their duties. Community Policing members also use these offices for their meetings, display resource materials, etc. In helping them to address issues the public bring forth as to safety, protection programs they wish to see in their community.

The 3 Community Policing groups meet jointly with the Northumberland OPP Liaison Officer(s) throughout the year. The Liaison Officer assist and advises these groups in their endeavours.



Come for a visit. Stay for a lifestyle.

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the Community,
Police Services Board,
& Northumberland OPP



Programs

1. SEAT BELT SURVEY—These surveys are conducted periodically in high volume traffic areas to ascertain the percentage of drivers using seat belts. These reports are given to the Community Policing Liaison Officer to pass on to the local OPP Detachment.
2. LOCK-IT OR LOSE-IT—Community Policing volunteer members, along with an Auxiliary Officer and with the OPP Liaison Officer present, supervise the Vehicle Check to find unlocked doors and if keys are still in the ignition and/or if articles are visible for would-be thieves. Any found, a reminder note is placed on the vehicle to lock doors and hide valuables, so they are not visible.
3. RADAR CART—This program using volunteer Community Policing members is set up in high traffic areas or where complaints are received to check the speed of vehicles. Radar Cart is set up in these problem zones, monitoring and recording their speeds. These reports are turned over to the OPP for their perusal and for further action.
4. WATER SAFETY PRESENTATION—In the spring time prior to high water levels, presentations are given at five elementary schools in Trent Hills. The Red Cross Life Guard Instructor, OPP Marine Officer, Trent Severn Waterway System Manager, and Fire Fighters give presentations on water safety, boat safety, and emergency procedures. The school presentations are hosted by Community Policing Committees in conjunction with the OPP Liaison Officer.
5. D.A.R.E PROGRAM—**Drug Abuse Resistance Education** is conducted by trained OPP Officers and is taught to Grade Six students in our elementary schools, so they learn to say “No” to drugs and alcohol. The Community Policing members help raise funds annually for this very important program. The committee members attend D.A.R.E graduation ceremony, showing their support to the students.
6. DRUG AWARENESS WORKSHOP— This program involves the efforts of all three Committees to raise monies to help defray the cost for guest speakers, videos, and other needs for the workshops. The name speaks for itself to make the communities aware of drug problems that exist in Trent Hills.
7. CITIZEN ON PATROL— This program was instigated to keep our communities safe from vandalism, theft, etc. Volunteers walk in pairs aided by cell phones to report any potential criminal acts directly to OPP Central Dispatch. These volunteers are separate from the Policing Committee and are not members of the Community Policing Committee.
8. NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH— Concerned citizens throughout urban centres act as “Captains” for designated areas in their communities, reporting any suspicious activities and/or persons in their area. Plus they alert the neighbours in their zones to be on the look out for these people. In this way they are keeping an effective eye on their home area. This program is coordinated by a Community Policing Committee member and the OPP Liaison Officer.
9. NEW PROGRAMS— The Community Policing members are on a continuous search for new programs to present to their communities. These can be OPP or member driven programs. Some of the most recent programs are: Bullying Program, Choice for Positive Youth Relationship, Bicycle Rodeo for Safe Operation of Bicycles, Drive Wise, Protection from Fraud & Theft, Fishing Derby to Promote Safety around our Waterways.