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Dear Mr. ~~Pecknold~~:

I am writing to update you on a recent decision on the methodology to be used to allocate new Cadets from Depot to Divisions. When demand exceeds Cadet production, a review will occur and new Cadets will be posted to Divisions based on operational requirements. The review will also consider vacancies, affordability, officer safety and PSA requirements.

The immediate objective is to address the greatest need first, balanced with equitable cadet distribution amongst all Divisions. A target of 5% vacancy has been used for the initial assessment which shows that based on affordability, the majority of new Cadets will be posted to BC, Alberta and Saskatchewan for the remainder of this fiscal year. To meet future cadet needs, we have directed an increase to our recruiting and intake at Depot.

To better understand how this methodology impacts your Division, please don't hesitate to discuss your particular requirements with your Commanding Officer.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Janice Armstrong".

Janice Armstrong, A/Commr.
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Dear Deputy Commissioner Strachan:

I am writing to you in response to the latest Divisional RM Demand Attestation for "E" Division. This reiterates many of the issues outlined in my correspondence from January 23, 2020. As the Commanding Officer I recognize that you are expected to validate and attest to the accuracy of the RM Demand numbers for "E" Division after consulting with your contracting partners. I am unable to support the numbers as presented and have grave concerns with not only the numbers provided to attest to, but the data and methodology that continues to be used to calculate these numbers.

I understand the revised methodology is using three sources of finance-based data. This new methodology does not accurately account for the positions the Province has funded and how vacancies in the Division are reported. This RCMP National versus E Division discrepancy highlights the disconnect in accurately reporting RM Demand. The numbers shown for E Division indicate zero growth despite the fact this is known to be inaccurate. These inaccuracies are magnified in determining cadet allocations given the current Depot production is known to be below the demand.

In addition to the methodology issues, in order for the province to fully comprehend the numbers and participate in a meaningful way in the attestation process, the Contract Policing numbers need to be separated out by Municipal and Provincial business line. Furthermore, the RM Demand model needs to account for the administrative ("soft") vacancies that continue to cause significant pressure on front line resources.

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I understand at CMC Officials meeting in October this year, Provinces and Territories again raised concerns with the numbers produced and highlighted deficiencies in the model. I am disappointed the Working Group (WG), originally established under the Governance and Strategic Issues Standing Committee, tasked with collaborating on RM Demand models was not involved in the development of the revised methodology. I understand the WG is being resurrected in an effort to advance discussions and develop a mutually agreeable and reliable model for resource planning.

I look forward to hearing the results of the discussions of the WG in the coming months.

Take Care,



Brenda Butterworth-Carr; Tr'injà shär njit dintlät
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FW: TB Sub Core

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Good morning. For awareness. **s.13** (I highlighted various sections in his message below). Kath – perhaps you and team could put some thought to that in the AM on Monday.

I'm going to see if I can grab a few minutes with Billy when I get to Ottawa this afternoon.

Thank you.

Jamie

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Hello

Any other relevant points.

Thank you

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FYI – link to the online NR here as well: [Premier Eby takes action to keep people, communities safe | BC Gov News](#)

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NEWS RELEASE

Premier Eby takes action to keep people, communities safe

VANCOUVER - The Province is making changes to help keep British Columbians safe, launching a new Safer Communities Action Plan with immediate steps that will strengthen enforcement to keep those who commit repeat violent offences off our streets, and strengthen services to build safe, healthy communities for everyone.

The new measures respond to a rise in repeat violent offending linked to unintended impacts of federal law changes and subsequent Supreme Court decisions, and increased mental-health and addiction challenges brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic and the toxic drug crisis.

"Being compassionate, concerned and taking action on mental-health and addiction issues does not mean that we have to accept repeated criminal behaviour or violence," said Premier David Eby. "Everyone deserves to feel safe in their community. We are making changes to bring key groups together to keep people and communities safe - ensuring those who commit violent acts face consequences, and creating as many opportunities as possible for them to address mental-health and addiction issues to break the cycle of a life in and out of jail."

The Safer Communities Action Plan lays out concrete steps at the provincial level to make communities safer under two tracks: enforcement, and intervention services. Each initiative is

structured to improve co-ordination between law enforcement, community service organizations, justice system actors, health providers and people who are recovering from addiction and mental-health challenges in a collaborative, co-ordinated approach to address the issues people are seeing in their communities.

New measures announced include:

- * launching new repeat violent offender co-ordinated response teams, made up of police, and dedicated prosecutors and probation officers;
- * expanding mental-health crisis response teams into more communities so police can focus on crime, and people in crisis are met early on by health-care workers and community members;
- * taking the next steps in creating a new model of addictions care at St. Paul's Hospital so people can seamlessly move from crisis response in the emergency room, to detox, to treatment services, in partnership with Vancouver Coastal Health and Providence Health Care, with plans to expand this model in the future;
- * opening 10 new Indigenous Justice Centres to provide culturally appropriate support for Indigenous Peoples involved in the justice system to address the root causes of their involvement in the system and help them break the cycle;
- * going after the houses, cars and luxury goods of high-level organized criminals who profit on misery by introducing "unexplained wealth order" legislation in spring 2023; and
- * building public confidence in the prosecution system with new direction from the attorney general to prosecutors to implement a clear and understandable approach to bail for repeat violent offenders within the existing federal law. The new policy will take effect on Nov. 22, 2022.

The plan includes other co-ordination measures, such as better support for people with acquired brain injuries through overdose or other injury - with a focus on those involved in the criminal justice system - through increased funding for the Brain Injury Alliance, more integrated information sharing between justice and community partners to strengthen case management and expanding the use of technology to guide police in gathering, and sharing information with doctors and nurses during mental-health crisis situations.

These actions align with recommendations from a number of reports on community safety, including the Special Committee on Reforming the Police Act, the First Nations Justice Strategy and the Investigation into Repeat Offending and Random Stranger Violence.

The Safer Communities Action Plan complements the B.C.-led action with other provinces and territories to pressure the federal government to address the consequences of changes to the federal bail system that have made it more difficult to hold people who commit repeat, violent offences in custody while they are waiting for trial.

The action plan also builds on work already underway by the provincial government to help break the cycle of repeat offending and build safe and healthy communities, including complex-care housing, new and expanded community transition teams to better support people who are leaving

correctional facilities, and funding to support work by the BC First Nations Justice Council to develop better, culturally appropriate supports for Indigenous people in the legal system.

Since 2017, the government has taken steps to make B.C. communities safer by taking action to stop the money laundering and organized crime that fuels the toxic drug crisis, providing resources to police, reversing cuts to sexual assault centres, increasing crime prevention and victim support services funding, and record investments in housing, mental health and poverty reduction.

Quick Facts:

- * The LePard-Butler investigation into repeat offending and violent stranger attacks' 28 recommendations were released on Sept. 21, 2022, and the full report was made public on Oct. 1, 2022.
- * The recommendations cover several areas, including:
 - * improving the system of care for people in the criminal justice system with mental-health and substance-use challenges;
 - * creating more opportunities to divert people from the criminal justice system;
 - * improving services for Indigenous Peoples;
 - * improving collaboration between partners, including community services, law enforcement, and all levels of government; and
 - * addressing repeat offending and improving public confidence in the justice system.

Learn More:

To read more about the Safer Communities Action Plan, visit:

<https://strongerbc.gov.bc.ca/safer-communities>

To read the full repeat offender investigation report, as well as the BC First Nations Justice Council's submission to the investigation panel, visit:

https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/Prolific_Offender_Report_BCFNJC_submission.pdf

To learn more about the BC First Nations Justice Strategy, visit:

<https://bcfnjc.com/landing-page/justice-strategy/>

To read the revised bail policy (effective Nov. 22, 2022), visit:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/law-crime-and-justice/criminal-justice/prosecution-service/crown-counsel-policy-manual/bai-1.pdf>

Four backgrounders follow.

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BACKGROUNDER 1

What people are saying about B.C.'s new Safer Communities Action Plan

Jonathan Morris, CEO, Canadian Mental Health Association, B.C. Division, Victoria branch -

"We know when a person is experiencing a mental-health or substance use crisis, what they need and want, is the support from someone who knows what they are going through. That is the heart of the Peer Assisted Care Team (PACT) model. We are very excited to lead this transformation of crisis care with partners in British Columbia. Today marks a bold commitment by this government to support mental health for all. A community-led care response, informed by people with lived and living experience, operated by local organizations is part of the transformation we need."

Chief Constable Adam Palmer, Vancouver Police Department -

"Better co-ordination, information sharing and transparency will lead to better outcomes and overall improvements in community safety and well-being. We support any initiative that improves safety and ensures people living with mental-health issues get the care they need."

Jay Diell, clinical co-ordinator for Car 87/88, Vancouver -

"Car programs, which team up an officer with a mental-health professional, have helped many people in crisis. I'm thrilled this program is expanding to more communities across the province, so British Columbians can get the supports they need along with timely connections to appropriate services in the community."

Ken Sim, mayor of Vancouver -

"Today's announcement marks a significant step forward in addressing the ongoing challenges in Vancouver related to public safety, mental health and addictions. I applaud Premier Eby and the provincial government for their bold leadership and partnership in making these critical investments and policy changes. I look forward to continuing to work together to improve public safety outcomes and ensure the most-vulnerable members of our community have access to the support and care they need."

Carol Lee, chair, Vancouver Chinatown Foundation -

"Chinatown is a historic and important part of our community, but the pandemic and an increase in crime have really had a negative impact on the heart of the Chinese community in Vancouver. I am so glad that the Province is taking action to help people trapped in a cycle of offending find the supports they need and strengthen enforcement so small businesses and neighbours alike can feel safer and continue to contribute to healthier communities."

Kory Wilson, director, First Nations Justice Council (BCFNJC) -

"The BC First Nations Justice Council is very grateful to our new Premier, David Eby, who has committed to advance Strategy 4 of the BC First Nations Justice Strategy, and has committed funding to establish 10 new Indigenous Justice Centres in B.C. The Indigenous justice centres are a cornerstone of the Justice Strategy and the solution to many public-safety issues our province and

our communities are experiencing. Lifting up Indigenous people to lead this work for ourselves is the right approach: it aligns with B.C.'s commitment to implement the UN Declaration and has the potential to reverse decades of appalling statistics that speak to the growing overrepresentation of our people in the justice and child welfare systems. BCFNJC remains steadfast in our commitment to reforming colonial justice and child welfare systems, and today's announcement is an enormous step in the right direction."

Deputy Commissioner Dwayne McDonald, Commanding Officer of the BC RCMP, Surrey -

"Our police officers have seen first-hand the impacts and challenges of violent and repeat offenders, as well as mental health related calls. We are thankful that the Province has actioned a multi-agency approach that will bring the right people together to address the issues and ultimately strengthen our collective responses. These are complex issues that require more than enforcement, but also prevention, specifically care and support to those in need."

John Higenbottam, president, Brain Injury Alliance, Vancouver -

"People with different levels of acquired brain injuries struggle to find much-needed support services in the community. They are over-represented in the corrections system, homeless populations and people struggling with addiction. These individuals often have overlapping mental-health and substance-use challenges, requiring the highest level of support. The funding provided to the Brain Injury Alliance and brain injury associations across B.C. will go a long way to providing the specialized support that brain-injury survivors require."

Dr. Seonaid Nolan, Head, Interdepartmental Division of Addiction, St. Paul's Hospital/Providence Health Care, Vancouver -

"This is a new and exciting approach to how we deliver addiction care that has the potential to transform the treatment and recovery journey for British Columbians. I look forward to sharing more about this innovative pilot in the weeks ahead."

Chief Constable Del Manak, Victoria Police Department -

"Our police officers are dealing with the impacts that mental health and addictions have on our communities on a daily basis, including challenges with violent, repeat offenders. I support initiatives that enhance social services, connect people to the services they need and prioritize public safety. I look forward to working with government on our shared vision toward community safety and well-being."

Andrew Van Eden, community safety manager, Tsleil Waututh Nation -

"The North Shore of Vancouver is home to many diverse populations, including local First Nations communities from the Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations, and other Indigenous communities from across Canada. Systemic issues stemming from the traumas of the Residential School system, mistrust of police and poor treatment in the medical system (as outlined in the In Plain Sight report), and intergenerational trauma have resulted in higher callouts for mental-health related issues and crisis calls. The PACTWe will pull it all together! is able to provide culturally informed, community-based, empathic and relevant care to those in need. I welcome continued investments in

PACT teams across the province and hope that one day soon all communities and Nations will be resourced to have their own care teams to respond to community members."

Skyler Oxley, mental health professional, North Shore PACT -

"It has been a great experience working as a member of PACT in its first year. We've helped a lot of people on the North Shore who otherwise would not have been able to access mental-health services. There is a need for preventative support and after-hours care that emergency services aren't able to provide, and it has been thoroughly rewarding to see those needs get met. I look forward to supporting more individuals and families in our community with care."

Supt. Todd Preston, president, British Columbia Association of Chiefs of Police (BCACP), Victoria -

"The BCACP is supportive of the announcement today from the provincial government for the provincial funding of HealthIM. This evidence-based app will provide British Columbia's law enforcement officers with another key de-escalation and risk-screening tool to navigate the complexities of mental-health emergencies and strengthen the ability to respond to and support those in crisis. Officers using HealthIM will better be able to communicate with health centres and community services to keep everyone safe. When police are called to intervene, HealthIM will provide them with the tools and information they need to keep everyone safe."

Stephanie Smith, president, BC General Employees' Union -

"Probation officers are on the front lines every day, helping to keep our communities safe. It's challenging and important work, and we welcome new supports announced in the Safer Communities Action Plan. The BCGEU and our members look forward to working with government to tackle big challenges and deliver the services people in B.C. rely on."

Ian Batey, executive director, Police Victim Services of B.C., Victoria -

"Root causes of tragedy, crime and victimization are found in social, economic, cultural and societal systems that create inequities and disadvantages for individuals, families and communities. These result in negative outcomes such as poverty, homelessness, mental-health challenges, crime and victimization, as identified in Premier Eby's plan. Police Victim Services of B.C. looks forward to playing an integral part in ensuring those who are victimized by traumatic incidents are provided with compassionate, professional and consistent support throughout the province."

Sean Bujtas, mayor of Terrace -

"The struggles that we have experienced as a result of repeat offenders throughout Terrace, and especially in our downtown core, have been an ongoing issue that impacts everyone from families to business owners. We are glad to see the Province working collaboratively with a wide variety of agencies to mitigate some of the challenges related to crime in our community."

Leonard Krog, mayor of Nanaimo -

"We've all seen the impacts of criminal behaviour in the downtown. That's why I'm pleased to see the Province's co-ordinated approach of both enforcement and strengthened services, which will

help break the cycle of repeat offending, help people to receive the supports they need, and help people feel safe and secure in our community."

Brenda Locke, mayor of Surrey -

"The new Safer Communities Action Plan is comprehensive and multi-tiered. There is no question that a sharp change in direction in how we deal with repeat violent offenders is long overdue. A small number of career criminals have been, far too often, responsible for the violence that has been perpetrated on innocent individuals. For people and communities to feel safe, the revolving door of arrest and release has to stop. I also want to recognize how this plan addresses mental-health and addiction challenges. Tackling this issue on multiple fronts is a fresh step toward breaking the cycle of crime and addiction. The City of Surrey looks forward to working with Premier Eby and his team in a timely implementation of the new Safer Communities Action Plan."

Silas White, mayor of Gibsons -

"Premier Eby's Safer Communities Action Plan is extremely well-thought-out and comprehensive. It assists those of us in smaller communities with mental-health response teams, and an enhanced focus on people troubled by brain injuries. The most frequent victims of violent crime are other vulnerable and marginalized people, and this plan will help them and all of us by keying in on the dangerous few who are either in need of much more institutional support, or have been taking unfair advantage of gaps in our justice system."

Janice Morrison, mayor of Nelson -

"Enhanced public safety and interventions regarding mental health and addictions are important to smaller communities. The Safer Communities Action Plan's two-pronged approach is inclusive. Our protective services are going to have increased capacity to deal with repeat offenders and our community intervention/support services are going to see much-needed increases in resources. We all want to live in safe and healthy communities and I look forward to working with the B.C. government and Premier Eby as the plan moves forward."

Jen Ford, president, Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) and Whistler councillor -

"B.C.'s communities have seen a steady growth in random violence and unchecked vandalism in downtown cores due to repeat offenders. Local governments have been responding to this complex issue and we are pleased to see a provincial commitment to address it through improved enforcement measures and increased complex care resources. The new action plan promises to advance efforts in both areas, and UBCM welcomes its implementation."

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BACKGROUNDER 2

New measures to strengthen enforcement and keep people safe

New repeat violent offender response teams

The Province is standing up new co-ordinated multi-agency regional teams that will work together to stop violent crime before it starts. Comprised of police officers, as well as 21 dedicated prosecutors, 21 probation officers, 21 support personnel and nine correctional supervisors, the teams will:

- * monitor high-risk repeat offender cases through the criminal justice system;
- * conduct investigations;
- * share information to keep repeat violent offenders in custody before trial;
- * use that information for sentencing once a conviction has been entered;
- * promote rehabilitation through referrals to appropriate services;
- * identify crime trends; and
- * ensure information sharing across regions to help prevent repeat offending.

These collaborative teams are a new and improved version of B.C.'s Prolific Offender Management program. The former program, which ran from 2008 until 2012, and until it was defunded, had some success bringing together community partners such as police, mental-health and community support service providers to monitor and help offenders break the cycle of repeat offending.

HealthIM

HealthIM is a digital public safety system designed to improve emergency police response in mental-health and substance-use situations. It is a tool that increases safety for both the first responder and the person in crisis. The app guides police officers, who are first to respond, through questions to help them understand the behaviour of the person in crisis. It can help to facilitate better assessments and faster emergency room admissions because police and clinicians are using the same language and police have the information doctors and nurses need at hand immediately.

Crown prosecutor training and enhanced bail briefs

Training for Crown counsel on bail practices related to repeat violent offending is already underway and additional training will continue to cover new initiatives and reforms. In addition, Crown counsel and police will work together to ensure bail briefs are complete and prepared in accordance with best practices. This means that Crown counsel will always have the best information from police to present to the court, maximizing the ability of the court to make decisions that protect the public.

Virtual bail

To support timely, effective bail hearings that will protect the public and meet constitutional obligations, the Province is investing more than \$3 million per year to expand virtual bail hearings throughout B.C. By reducing the need for accused people to travel to larger centres, virtual bail hearings minimize the risk that alleged offenders will be transported hundreds of kilometres from

home and get stuck, homeless, in a hub city like Terrace, Trail, Prince George, Williams Lake, Nanaimo, Kelowna, Kamloops or Campbell River. Instead, they can stay in their home communities and access existing supports, family and friends.

Information-sharing agreement

Co-ordination of information is key in responding to people who re-offend regularly, regardless of the nature of the crime. A new information-sharing agreement within existing privacy rules will remove barriers that can prevent prosecutors, police and social service providers from sharing information that is helpful to the work each is doing. Allowing different agencies to disclose information will reduce the duplication of resources and provide more efficient and effective case management and justice outcomes.

A steering committee will be set up to guide this work. Membership includes:

- * BC Corrections;
- * BC Prosecution Service;
- * Correctional Service of Canada;
- * Vancouver Police Department;
- * RCMP;
- * Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction;
- * the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Branch of Public Safety and Solicitor General (PSSG); and
- * the Policing and Security Branch of PSSG.

Unexplained wealth orders

Young people are attracted to gang life by images of fast cars, fancy homes and luxury goods. By seizing this property from high-level, predatory criminal organizations and individuals, the Province can take away this incentive and send a clear message to organized crime. One of the key recommendations of the Cullen Commission of Inquiry into Money Laundering in British Columbia supported by an opinion from a former Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, "unexplained wealth order" laws will break new ground nationally in Canada and build on lessons learned from other jurisdictions like the United Kingdom.

Legislation on unexplained wealth orders will be introduced during the spring 2023 legislative session.

Clear and understandable approach to prosecution policy for repeat violent offenders

On Nov. 16, 2022, Attorney General Murray Rankin issued a directive to the BC Prosecution Service (BCPS) to amend their bail policy to help improve public confidence in the justice system in communities throughout B.C. through amendments to bail policy that are clear and understandable in the situation of repeat violent offenders. The revised policy will give the public

confidence that prosecutors will always address, to the full extent possible under the law, the risk that repeat violent offenders pose to public safety in British Columbia, especially in relation to the decision to seek pre-trial detention of people who commit repeat violent offences. It will be implemented on Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2022.

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BACKGROUNDER 3

Strengthening services to build safe, healthy communities for everyone

Peer Assisted Care Teams (PACTs)

As a key action of the Safer Communities Action Plan and strengthening supports for people, the Province will be expanding civilian-led teams of trained peers and mental-health professionals, like social workers and psychiatric nurses, to provide trauma informed, culturally safe support for people in crisis. A total of 12 PACTs will be created, including some that are Indigenous-led teams.

Care teams made up of mental-health professionals and peer workers respond to calls related to feelings of hopelessness or despair, social isolation, loneliness, fear, anxiety, thoughts of self-harm and suicide, substance use or other mental-health challenges.

Responses range from crisis counselling and de-escalation to advocating for the person in distress and connecting them to appropriate resources and services. The teams can respond instead of police, but can also work alongside police and other responders depending on the situation.

Expanding car programs

In every region of the province, there are specialized mobile crisis-response units that partner an officer with a health-care worker to respond to mental-health calls.

These units, or Cars, are partnerships between local law enforcement or RCMP and the regional health authorities. To expand this program, the Province is establishing a new \$3-million fund for integrated mobile community crisis response by police and health-care workers in communities throughout B.C. An application process will be established for communities to apply for funding.

Current Car programs include:

* Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH): Car 87/88 (Vancouver), Car 22 (North Shore), Fox 80 (Richmond)

* Fraser Health: Car 67 (Surrey)

* Interior Health: Car 40 (Kamloops), Police and Crisis Response Team (PACT) (Kelowna)

* Northern Health: Car 60 (Prince George and Fort St. John), Northwest Specialized Response Team (Terrace)

* Island Health: Integrated Mobile Crisis Response Team (Capital region)

* Car 22 is a new partnership between VCH and the RCMP, Integrated First Nations Unit (IFNU) of the RCMP and the West Vancouver Police Department.

More Indigenous justice centres

Indigenous justice centres are operated by the BC First Nations Justice Council and support the shared commitment to addressing the over-representation of Indigenous Peoples in the criminal justice system, which has its roots in long-standing systemic racism and the impacts of intergenerational trauma. The centres offer culturally appropriate information, advice, support, and representation for Indigenous Peoples, and are focused on intervening to stop the risk of repeated interactions with the legal system for Indigenous people in the province.

There are currently three in-person Indigenous justice centres open in Merritt, Prince George and Prince Rupert, and one virtual Indigenous justice centre. The services help to identify and address the root causes of the actions of individuals in the criminal justice system to help prevent future negative interactions with police and the justice system.

To further improve access to culturally appropriate legal services for Indigenous Peoples, the Province is funding 10 additional centres. Five are set to open next year. To better support Indigenous Peoples in urban areas, the first five centres will open in metropolitan areas.

Increasing addictions treatment care

To help streamline access and fill gaps between services for people living with addiction challenges, the Province is working with St. Paul's Clinical Addiction Program, along with Providence Health Care and Vancouver Coastal Health to develop a model of addiction care that will improve access for British Columbians to treatment services. St. Paul's Hospital houses the largest interdepartmental Division of Addiction in the country and is internationally recognized.

The LePard-Butler report emphasized the need to improve access to addictions treatment services. Since 2017, the government has been working to transform mental-health and substance-use services in B.C. through historic investments across the full spectrum of treatment and recovery. Over the past five years, the Province has added 340 new substance-use beds throughout B.C., for a total of 3,272 publicly funded adult and youth community substance use beds.

Expanded funding for brain injury services

A dramatic increase in brain injuries due to the overdose crisis has led to reports from across the province of increased disorder and repeat hospitalizations and arrests of people living with acquired brain injuries. Regardless of the cause, but with a focus on people at risk of or actively involved in the criminal justice system, new funding will ensure British Columbians living with brain injuries will have increased access to important services, including life skills, behaviour coaching, support

groups, and more. The Province is investing \$4.5 million over three years to the Brain Injury Alliance to support delivery of these services in 13 communities throughout B.C.

The Alliance, a non-profit organization comprised of 13 community brain-injury societies in B.C., helps more than 4,000 people each year learn how to live with the changes and challenges they face after injury, including those resulting from toxic drug poisoning. Alliance members are community associations that run rehabilitative programs and services, including in BC Corrections facilities, individual support such as life-skills assistance, and homelessness prevention and group services, such as drop-in sessions.

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BACKGROUND 4 Building on B.C.'s progress

These new initiatives build on the programs, services and initiatives the Province has undertaken or implemented to strengthen enforcement to break the cycle of violence and crime, and to strengthen services to keep communities safe and healthy.

Civil forfeiture proceeds

Since 2017-18, government has provided over \$38 million in grant funding to organizations in B.C. to prevent and reduce crime through the Civil Forfeiture Crime Prevention and Remediation Grant Program.

The Civil Forfeiture Grant Program undermines the profit motive behind criminal activity by taking away tools and proceeds of crime and putting them back into programs that support community safety and crime prevention. The program provides annual, one-time funding to organizations throughout B.C. for the implementation of crime prevention and remediation projects.

Situation Tables

To improve information sharing between health care, justice and Indigenous partners, government is currently funding 17 Situation Tables in communities around the province. Situation Tables bring together front-line staff from the public safety, health and social service sectors to identify high-risk individuals and collaboratively and rapidly connect them to services and supports they need, before they experience a negative or traumatic event (e.g., victimization, overdose, incarceration, eviction, etc.). Situation Tables empower agencies to work together to provide holistic supports to people and lower the risk of potential violence or re-offending.

Combating gang activities

The Province has a multi-pronged, comprehensive gun and gang strategy that involves focused and sustained initiatives over several years. In addition to standard and ongoing base-budget funding for

dedicated investigative and enforcement teams, the Province has provided dedicated funding for a suite of innovative initiatives, including, but not limited to:

- * creating a provincial witness security program (WSP);
- * establishing a B.C. crime gun intelligence and investigation group (CGIIG);
- * enhancing/expanding the B.C. Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit's (CFSEU-BC) Gang Intervention and Exiting Program (GIEP);
- * enhancing forensic firearms laboratory analysis and certification capabilities; and
- * providing dedicated funding to law enforcement operations focused on disrupting priority targets involved in trafficking in illegal firearms and harmful drugs (i.e., PTEP).

The newly created BC Witness Security Unit has resulted in 419 charges laid, including 134 murder charges (including attempt and accessory) and 77 firearm-related charges. Convictions of 32 accused has resulted in a cumulative total of 276 years in prison. These convictions have amounted to an estimated cost savings of over \$74 million to the province.

In addition to targeted enforcement, the Province funds the Gang Exiting and Outreach Program, which helps high-risk, gang-entrenched youth and adults leave a life of crime.

Supporting victims, preventing violence and discrimination

Government supports a range of services to support victims of domestic violence and sexual violence. This includes over 160 community and police-based victim service programs, which provide emotional support, information, referrals and practical assistance to victims of crime and trauma throughout B.C. In addition, this year more than \$4.1 million is being awarded to projects that prevent human trafficking, gender-based violence, and violence against children and youth.

Government is also taking action to meet the ongoing demand for services such as counselling, outreach and crisis support for women and children who experience domestic violence, sexual assault and other crimes, investing \$5 million starting in 2018-19 with an additional increase of \$3 million in 2020-21, for a total increase of \$8 million annually.

The Victim Court Support Program assists victims through the justice process by co-ordinating between victim service and justice system personnel (e.g., Crown).

The Crime Victim Assistance Program (CVAP) provides financial benefits to assist victims, immediate family members, and witnesses in dealing with the effects of violent crime. CVAP helps to offset financial loss and aid recovery from the impacts of crime.

Immediate crisis support for victims of family or sexual violence is available by calling or texting VictimLink BC's 24/7 service at 1 800 563-0808 or by email: VictimLinkBC@bc211.ca (<mailto:VictimLinkBC@bc211.ca>)

VictimLink BC also provides information and referral services for all victims of crime and immediate crisis support to victims of family and sexual violence.

Complex care housing

Complex care housing supports people living with complex mental-health and substance-use challenges who are at risk of homelessness. The program works to address the needs of people who have overlapping mental-health and substance-use issues, trauma or acquired brain injuries that are often left to experience homelessness or at risk of eviction. Government is investing \$164 million in this program to provide 500 new spaces.

Community transition teams

More people are getting mental-health and substance-use support when leaving correctional centres as B.C. creates new and expanded services for those at risk.

The Province has created Community Transition Teams to offer support services for people leaving all 10 provincial correctional centres. The teams help people with a safe and successful transition back into the community during a very vulnerable period in their life to break the cycle of reoffending. The teams connect people to lifesaving services, including mental-health and substance-use supports, for up to 90 days following their release.

The teams include social workers, nurses, peer support workers and Indigenous patient navigators, and a centralized hub to support specialized clinical and co-ordination needs throughout the province.

Funding for a restorative justice pilot program at the Prince George Indigenous Justice Centre

One of the recommendations from "A Rapid Investigation into Repeat Offending and Random Stranger Violence in British Columbia" was to fund a restorative justice pilot program in Prince George. This recommendation was put forward by the BC First Nations Justice Council and endorsed by LePard and Butler, co-authors of the report.

The Province has provided \$100,000 to the Prince George Indigenous Justice Centre for this program which aims to reduce criminal recidivism amongst Indigenous Peoples.

Restorative processes are voluntary and provide opportunities to victims, offenders and communities affected by a crime to communicate about the causes, circumstances and impact of the crime. The program will include a path to care and treatment while providing supports to reverse the current outcomes by promoting diversion and will utilize restorative justice approaches.

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TB Submission Request- RM Demand Methodology Concerns

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FYI – I was asked to pull information together regarding Regular Member demand, which may be helpful to you in understanding the methodology and concerns related to the calculations.

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Hi! So sorry for the delay, here's a summary of the CORE and C-IRG subs. Noting that if there are any other pieces of this announcement the request will have to go through the DMO. These are the only ones that are approved at this time. Wayne will need to see and sign off on all materials before they can be sent further up, and will need to sign off on a final.

CORE

Summary:

PSSG is requesting funding to meet immediate public safety needs of the Province by providing base funding to enable RCMP "E" Division as the Provincial Police Service (PPS)

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Thanks!

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and I've attached current edits I just went through with Wayne. H

Hoping you can confirm? Happy to chat,

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No issues with these changes (see my one comment), thanks.

NR comments

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Sent: November 22, 2022 1:03:53 PM PST
Attachments: NR - RCMP Funding DRAFT 21Nov22.docx hl.docx, Major Corporate Issue Note - PSB Cullen Recommendations.docx

Hi Hope,

Here are my suggestions in the draft and a copy of the most recent IN on PSB response to Cullen if you need more.

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MAJOR CORPORATE ISSUE NOTE

Ministry/Ministries: Public Safety and Solicitor General

Issue: Cullen Commission recommendations under purview of the Policing and Security Branch (PSB)

Background:

- On June 3rd, 2022, Commissioner Austin Cullen submitted the Cullen Commission's final report to the Province with 101 recommendations. PSB has identified 11 recommendations that fall within its mandate. The most significant of these recommendations calls for the creation of an AML team within the Organized Crime Agency of BC (OCABC).

Issue/Opportunity:

- Addressing Money Laundering effectively will require dedicated staff resources, funding for a new enforcement unit and training related to AML. Detailed planning and extensive consultation with partners and stakeholders will be needed to implement these changes.
- Three themes have been identified with regards to law enforcement in the Cullen recommendations: (1) Law Enforcement Resources, (2) Policy, Standards and Training and (3) Performance and Evaluation / Return on Investment.

Law Enforcement Resources

- The Cullen report recommended the creation of a dedicated provincial money laundering intelligence and investigation unit ("the Unit") to lead the law enforcement response to money laundering in BC that is fully funded by the Province.
- Critical to this recommendation is the establishment of the Unit within OCABC funded at 100 percent by the Province as opposed to through the 70/30 cost sharing agreement under the Provincial Police Services Agreement (PPSA). The Commissioner reviewed the checkered history of AML/proceeds of crime units within the RCMP including a 2018 business case that suggested locating a new unit within the RCMP, noted the failure of the federal government to properly resource these areas and concluded that the RCMP should not be given sole control of the Unit.
- Instead, the Commissioner recommended that the Province assume a greater degree of responsibility and control by placing the Unit within OCABC as opposed to the RCMP for the following reasons:
 - It provides PSB greater visibility into the Unit's operations because the CFSEU/OCABC Board of Governance reports to the BC Solicitor General;
 - It avoids compounding the ongoing vacancy issues within the RCMP Provincial Force; and provides the Province greater flexibility to hire and retain police and civilian experts in the AML field.

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Policies, Standards and Training

- Enhanced training and policies for law enforcement are recommended to encourage consideration of money laundering and proceeds of crime issues at the outset of an investigation. This includes implementing policies and training requiring all officers involved in the investigation of profit-oriented crime to consider money laundering, proceeds of crime and asset forfeiture issues at the outset of a file.

Performance and Evaluation

- Three recommendations related to law enforcement relate to overseeing the return on investment and performance management. PSB is currently engaged with E Division – Federal, Investigative Services and Organized Crime (FISOC) to determine appropriate metrics.

Next Steps:

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RE: RCMP Investments at 100%

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Just a few edits and one comment

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Importance: High

Hello! Here you go! Hoping to get this to Wayne as soon as possible as GCPE was hoping for it by 1pm and wanting to make sure our edits get through before the PO/MO see.

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As discussed.

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Thanks,
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Billy Castillo

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Hi all – PSB edits attached. Looking forward to seeing the next version.

Thanks!

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Please see attached for an updated News Release, based on the latest TB Sub speaking notes doc (attached).

Possible to have PSB provide any edits or fact checks by 1:00 today? We need to build in time for MO and PO review and potential edits etc. If they request a quote from BC RCMP, we will let you know.

In terms of funding referenced in NR, we will go with this content from the TB Sub:

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Thanks,
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Hi both –

Please see the attached KMQA for your review. I've gone through and made some first look edits based off of the NR edits and conversations with yourselves and Wayne.

Brian – one q in particular that the MO is really looking for is 9, which is on how the funding will support IHIT and gang-related investigations. Hoping for a bit of guidance on that one.

Hoping to get this to Wayne tomorrow for a look, let me know if you have any q's.

Thanks!

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Re-sending with David cc'd. Apologies.

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Hi Aileen and all,

Attached is the latest NR (updated PDE quote) along with speaking notes – please note these are still subject to change. I've cc'd PSSG here given the crunch.

I've highlighted anything in the speaking notes that may need to be updated, pending final decisions.

Thanks,

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Not sure what kind of detail you're looking for? The \$230M is for the following:

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Can someone please clarify what other proposals are being included in the NR that aren't captured in the \$230M. Do these require funding??

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Thx Wayne. I suggest a short backgrounder that explains how the funds are being distributed. Tracey. Can you assist with that.

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Thanks Tracy - that makes sense

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Tracy

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Subject: RE: For APPROVAL - PDE SN & quote - RCMP funding

Re-sending with David cc'd. Apologies.

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Hi Aileen and all,

Attached is the latest NR (updated PDE quote) along with speaking notes – please note these are still subject to change. I've cc'd PSSG here given the crunch.

I've highlighted anything in the speaking notes that may need to be updated, pending final decisions.

Thanks,

Alexa

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Sent: November 23, 2022 11:07:43 AM PST
Attachments: KMQA - RCMP funding DRAFT 22Nov22 v3 clean.docx
Hey Glen – KMQA here for review. Noon deadline.

Thanks,

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RCMP quote

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To: Bourgeois, Danielle GCPE:EX <Danielle.Bourgeois@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: November 23, 2022 11:25:20 AM PST

Hi! RCMP quote below. However, Dwayne has asked he can review and confirm based on the decision. Thanks, H

"We whole heartedly welcome this unprecedented multi-year investment in the Provincial RCMP budget as it will have a direct impact in delivering public safety to the communities we proudly serve," says Deputy Commissioner Dwayne McDonald, Commanding Officer of the BC RCMP. "This commitment from the Provincial government provides funding that addresses a number of growing financial pressures and ensures that key areas within our provincial business line, such as core policing, investigative services, emergency deployments, specialized provincial units and programs, proactive community outreach and training will receive critical support. The funding increase also signals a strong commitment to our police officers and employees who work tirelessly to keep our communities safe."

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Sent: November 23, 2022 11:53:33 AM PST
Attachments: KMQA - RCMP funding DRAFT 22Nov22 v3 clean.docx
Hi Wayne – KMQA attached for your review. GCPE is hoping to get this to the MO as close to noon as possible. Glen, Billy, Brian and Ardys have gone through and provided feedback.

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Regards,
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As part of the Safer Communities Action Plan, the Province is enhancing investments in core police funding that will sustain and strengthen enforcement and crime prevention capacity throughout British Columbia.

The funding will ensure adequate and effective levels of policing and law enforcement, particularly in rural, remote and Indigenous communities, and in a wide variety of specialized teams that investigate and prevent complex, violent and organized crimes. The funding will also provide support to prosecutors and probation officers with respect to violent, high-risk offenders.

“Everyone deserves to feel safe, and my government is working on every front to protect our communities and make them stronger,” said Premier David Eby. “As part of our Safer Communities Action Plan, we will help ensure that the RCMP can operate to its full capability to keep people safe. The actions today will help stabilize policing and provide our provincial police force with the staff resources they need to address public safety concerns head on.”

Through an investment of \$230 million over three years, the Province will tackle key public safety issues, including:

- filling long-standing vacancies in rural police detachments in communities of less than 5,000 people;
- allowing provincially funded regional RCMP units to reach their fully authorized staffing levels of 2,602 officers;
- hiring additional officers in specialized units, such as the major crimes section, the sexual exploitation of children unit, and the BC Highway Patrol. These units serve rural and urban communities throughout the province and can help alleviate some work of municipal police forces, freeing them up to focus on other crime; and
- creating a strong foundation to address anti-money-laundering recommendations from the Cullen Commission.

Staffing up these units will improve public safety by increasing the overall capacity of homicide and missing persons investigations where foul play is suspected, and deterring the causes of motor vehicle fatalities, such as speeding, distracted driving and impairment.

“This historic commitment to invest in core RCMP police funding is a massive undertaking that took two years to achieve,” said Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor

General. “Sustained core funding will provide a strong foundation for police resources, enabling the police to focus on violent crimes and other pressing public safety issues, while also actioning the implementation of the Safer Communities Action Plan and other public safety initiatives.”

Since 2017, government has taken steps to prevent money laundering and organized crime that fuels the toxic drug crisis by providing resources to police, reversing cuts to sexual assault centres, increasing crime prevention and victim support services funding, and making record investments in housing, mental health and poverty reduction.

Quick Facts:

- The Safer Communities Action Plan lays out concrete steps at the provincial level to make communities safer under two tracks: enforcement and intervention services.
- The plan improves co-ordination between law enforcement, community service organizations, justice system actors, health providers and people who are recovering from addiction and mental-health challenges in a collaborative, co-ordinated approach to address the issues people are seeing in their communities.
- The Safer Communities Action Plan also includes:
 - launching new repeat violent offender co-ordinated response teams, made up of police, dedicated prosecutors and probation officers;
 - expanding mental-health crisis response teams into more communities, so police can focus on crime and people in crisis are met early by health-care workers and community members; and
 - building public confidence in the prosecution system with new direction from the attorney general to prosecutors to implement a clear and understandable approach to bail for repeat violent offenders within the existing federal law.

Learn More:

To read more about the Safer Communities Action Plan, visit:

<https://strongerbc.gov.bc.ca/safer-communities>

A backgrounder follows.

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What people are saying about investments in core police funding

Deputy Commissioner Dwayne McDonald, commanding officer, BC RCMP, Surrey –

“We wholeheartedly welcome this unprecedented multi-year investment in the provincial RCMP budget, as it will have a direct impact on delivering public safety to the communities we proudly serve. This commitment from the provincial government provides funding that addresses a number of growing financial pressures and ensures that key areas within our provincial business line, such as core policing, investigative services, emergency deployments, specialized provincial units and programs, proactive community outreach, and training will receive critical support. The funding increase also signals a strong commitment to our police officers and employees who work tirelessly to keep our communities safe.”

Jen Ford, president, Union of B.C. Municipalities, Whistler councillor –

“Today’s announcement is excellent news for communities and will strengthen policing services throughout the province. Local governments have been calling for renewed provincial investment to restore RCMP staffing levels, and this commitment will achieve that goal. Increased resources for specialized units will also provide critical support to municipal police forces by targeting complex and organized crime. These new measures support work hand-in-hand within the Safer Communities Action Plan to provide a comprehensive renewal of protective services in our province.”

Leonard Krog, mayor, Nanaimo –

“Community safety and security is top of mind for people in Nanaimo. We are glad that the B.C. government is investing in the safety of our community and the safety of nearby towns by ensuring the RCMP detachment is fully staffed and serving the people in our region. As a medium-sized municipality with more than 102,000 people, we will benefit from the regional resource, BC Highway Patrol and provincial specialized investigative team increases, which means faster response times for people in trouble, for businesses in need and for reviving public confidence in our public-safety system.”

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RCMP Core Funding
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Key Messages:

- Everyone deserves to feel safe in their community.
- The Province is taking action to deliver stronger public safety services to protect people in urban, rural, and remote communities across B.C. through new funding that will help specialized units and rural police forces staff up and help keep our streets safer for everyone.
- This funding will ensure adequate and effective levels of law enforcement across the province, particularly in rural, remote, and Indigenous communities.
- It will also support a wide variety of specialized teams that investigate and prevent complex violent and organized crimes, and provide support to prosecutors and probation officers with respect to violent, high-risk offenders.
- Through an investment of \$230 million over three years, the Province will tackle key public safety issues.
- We're making changes to keep British Columbians safe: stronger enforcement to keep repeat violent offenders off our streets, and stronger services to build safe, healthy communities for everyone.

QA:

1. How will this funding enhance public safety?

- We're working to make sure the police have all the resources they need to uphold public safety and protect communities from repeat violent offenders.
- This historic investment of \$230 million over three years will help the BC RCMP hire more officers, fill gaps in staffing and reach its full capacity of 2,602 officers.
- This funding will be the bedrock for sustaining and expanding police capacity for years to come.
- The new hires will help sustain and expand current enforcement and prevention capacity and help ensure people who commit violent offences face consequences for their crimes.
- Filling current job vacancies, and adding more police officers to B.C. communities, will improve public safety, now and in the future.
- More police officers will make a real difference on the ground:
 - the public will benefit from safer communities; and
 - police will be able to maximize their effectiveness, enhance public safety, and reduce risks to officer safety.

2. How will this funding help advance the Safer Communities Action Plan?

- The Safer Communities Action Plan bolsters enforcement to keep those who commit repeat violent offences off our streets, and strengthens services to build safe, healthy communities for everyone.
- Core funding of the BC RCMP will support police officers serving on specialized teams that investigate and liaise with Crown and probation officers on violent high-risk offenders.
- With this funding for more police hires, and the Safer Communities Action Plan's measures that help connect violent repeat offenders with the supports they need, police will be able to focus more effectively on violent crimes and other pressing public safety issues.

3. How will the funding be broken down?

- We are investing \$230 million over three years:
 - \$194 million for core BC RCMP funding
 - \$36 million to lead a consistent, integrated and impartially administered police response to unlawful protests and public order events across the province.

4. Why is the Province only taking action now to hire more police?

- The Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General (PSSG) is aware of the front-line resourcing pressures on the BC RCMP, and has been working for years with the RCMP to address these issues.
- PSSG has undertaken a thorough analysis on the current state of policing and how we can increase the budget to ensure the provincial police will be capable of operating to its full capability.
- This historic commitment to invest in core RCMP police funding is a significant undertaking that took two years to achieve.
- In 2019, PSSG invested funds to enable the RCMP to augment resources (by 40 Regular Member [RM] positions) at highest-needs Provincial Detachment Units.
- In 2021, PSSG again invested funds to enable the RCMP to create new positions (10 RM positions and 3.5 support staff) at highest-needs Provincial Detachment Units.
- Today's funding builds on those previous investments, providing a foundation for developing and expanding police capacity throughout B.C. now and for years to come.
- PSSG continues to work with the RCMP, and internally to government, to address front-line resourcing.

5. This funding supports the BC RCMP. Will communities with municipal police forces also benefit?

- Absolutely. This enhanced funding will allow more RCMP officers to be hired and serve with specialized units that benefit municipalities, such as the Major Crimes Section and the BC Highway Patrol.
- Staffing up these units will improve public safety by increasing the overall capacity of homicide and missing persons investigations where foul play is suspected, and deterring the causes of motor vehicle fatalities, including speeding, distracted driving and impairment.
- Municipal and Indigenous governments in BC have consistently raised concerns regarding provincial policing resourcing levels.

6. How are you addressing concerns of over-policing of Indigenous and racialized communities?

- It is critical that we continuously and actively work to combat racism in all its forms – especially within our institutions that are expected to keep people safe.
- The Special Committee on Reforming the Police Act heard from many communities about how to best ensure public safety for everyone.
- This includes submissions from Indigenous leaders highlighting the need for adequate, stable policing services in their communities.
- By better supporting specialized units and filling vacancies in rural areas, we are alleviating pressure across the system to help law enforcement be more responsive to the people they serve.

7. How will this funding help support the Integrated Homicide Investigation Team (IHIT) and gang-related investigations?

- Over the past five years, the Province has provided unprecedented funding and program support to combat gangs and organized crime – on average approximately \$90M/year in federal and provincial funding.
- One area we know can help to disrupt and quell the violence we see on the streets is to put the shooters behind bars for years.
- We have developed a made in BC Witness Security Program, our own firearms lab which provide much needed support to investigations and prosecutions.
- Gang homicides by their very nature are complex and challenging files to bring charges on.
- IHIT is the gold standard of homicide investigation in Canada. It is an RCMP led integrated unit with top notch investigators from our Lower Mainland police forces.
- This funding will help support IHIT to tackle its issues.

8. Surrey City Council voted to halt the transition to Surrey Police Services and keep the RCMP as its police force. What happens now?

- It's the responsibility of the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General to ensure the City of Surrey's policing plan meets the requirements of the Police Act, and that it continues to provide safe and effective policing.
- The City of Surrey must now put forward a transition plan that deals with all the components of reversing the transition, including addressing human resources issues, the capital plan, and the financial cost of the reversal.
- We also expect that the plan would be made public for the citizens of Surrey, so that they are aware of how the process will unfold.
- We understand that the City is working to have its plan to the Province by the end of the month. Any plan would be reviewed by the Director of Police Services and Minister Farnworth to ensure adequate and effective policing is maintained in Surrey, and across the province.
- As always, public safety continues to be the core driving principle for all decisions and timelines related to policing in Surrey, and throughout the province.

9. Does this significant increase to RCMP budgets mean the government is supportive of Surrey's "de-transition" away from the Surrey Police Service?

- These two issues are completely unrelated.
- A city the size of Surrey has the responsibility to pay for its own policing services, whether that be through a municipal police force or through a contract with the RCMP.
- This investment supported the rural and regional provincial-funded RCMP detachments for unincorporated areas and communities with populations of under 5,000.

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Happy to provide info, just need some context.

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Sent: November 24, 2022 12:04:20 PM PST
FYI- great work everyone.

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BC RCMP Commanding Officer

FW: Media Request: RCMP Positions - Prince George West

From: Latham, Hope PSSG:EX <Hope.Latham@gov.bc.ca>
To: St Denis, Katherine PSSG:EX <Katherine.StDenis@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: November 24, 2022 12:14:00 PM PST
FYI

Reporter

Rod Link, Reporter
Terrace Standard
rodlink@terracestandard.com
250-638-7283

Deadline Thursday November 24, 2022 3:00PM

Request

Here are a few queries from yesterday's release re: RCMP officers.
About these paras in the release ...

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Through an investment of \$230 million over three years, the Province will tackle key public safety issues, including:

- * filling long-standing vacancies in rural police detachments in communities of less than 5,000 people;
- * allowing provincially funded regional RCMP units to reach their fully authorized staffing levels of 2,602 officers;

For the region of Hwy16 reaching west from Prince George to Haida Gwaii, how many long standing vacancies are there now in detachments in communities of less than 5,000 people and how many vacancies in each detachment? That would cover detachments in Fort St. James, Vanderhoof, Fraser Lake, Burns Lake, Houston ... etc.

I'm not sure what the release means by 'provincially funded regional RCMP units' so hoping you can explain that as well in the context of where these units might now be in along Hwy16 stretching west from Prince George to Haida Gwaii.

The one possibility I can think of is what is supposed to be four officers here in Terrace who are supposed to be fill-ins until detachments receive permanent officers.

Also curious about this para ...

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- * hiring additional officers in specialized units, such as the major crimes section, the sexual exploitation of children unit, and the BC Highway Patrol. These units serve rural and urban communities throughout the province and can help alleviate some work of municipal police forces.

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Does this mean placing some of these people in communities along Hwy16 west of Prince George? And, if so, where would they be placed?

Also hoping you can explain the term 'blocked positions'. Your minister mentioned that yesterday and I am not sure what that means and where it applies along Hwy16 west of Prince George.

Finally, from where does the province hope to get these officers?

There's a country-wide shortage, it seems, of RCMP officers as it is.

Recommendation

Background

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Statement from Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General:

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RE: announcement follow up. Rush

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Sent: November 24, 2022 1:14:30 PM PST
Looks good to me, Kath. Thanks for speedy work on these. Billy over to you.

Jamie

From: St Denis, Katherine PSSG:EX <Katherine.StDenis@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 24, 2022 12:48 PM
To: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Castillo, Billy R PSSG:EX <Billy.Castillo@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: announcement follow up. Rush

Hi Jamie,

Bullets as requested. Have CC'd Billy for expediency

- The jurisdictions served by the Provincial Police Service include the vast majority of First Nations lands and Indigenous communities in British Columbia, many in rural and remote areas.
- In recent years, the Ministry has consistently heard concerns about the level of provincial police resources and the impact of vacancies on RCMP service delivery from local governments and Indigenous governments in correspondence, and at the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, and the First Nations Leadership Gathering.
- This new funding will mitigate the impacts of vacancies and staff shortages on RCMP service delivery, particularly for specialized functions hardest hit by these issues, such as Major Crime Section or BC Highway Patrol. These units will, in turn, be better able to fully meet their mandates in providing their specialized functions to communities throughout BC, such as investigations of serious crimes, and proactive traffic enforcement to reduce traffic fatalities on provincial highways.
- Moreover, providing funding for the Provincial Police Service to address its existing vacancies and will enhance the capacity of RCMP Detachment Units to work with small municipalities and First Nations communities on addressing local policing and community safety priorities.
- While under the *Police Act*, the Provincial Police Service provides policing to rural areas and municipalities under 5,000 population, this funding will improve public safety for all British Columbians, with the understanding that many cases cross multiple jurisdictions.

Kath

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Subject: FW: announcement follow up. Rush
Importance: High

As discussed. See highlight and emails below for more detail.

Jamie

From: Castillo, Billy R PSSG:EX <Billy.Castillo@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 24, 2022 8:32 AM
To: Lipp, Jamie M PSSG:EX <Jamie.Lipp@gov.bc.ca>

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Hi Jamie,

Can you please get your staff to prepare a few high level bullets (3-5) on s.13
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There are a few outstanding concerns requiring follow up and this is one of them, see below email string. I'll work on the second bullet.

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The rush is in anticipation that if there is a QP today questions will be a rush.

There could be additional updates on our call at 9:30.

Feel free to call if you like.

Thanks,
Billy

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Sent: Thursday, November 24, 2022 7:45 AM
To: Castillo, Billy R PSSG:EX <Billy.Castillo@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Lewis, Glen PSSG:EX <Glen.Lewis@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: Fwd: announcement follow up.

Billy I suspect the budget question will be a rush today if there is QP

Thank you
Wayne Rideout
Assistant Deputy Minister & Director of Police Services, Policing and Security Branch
Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General
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Hi all – thanks again for all your work on this. It was awesome. Minister is so happy.

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Sent: November 24, 2022 1:28:32 PM PST
Many thanks everybody! As always, appreciate the collab

Kath

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Sent: Thursday, November 24, 2022 10:21 AM
To: Plummer, Kevin PSSG:EX <Kevin.Plummer@gov.bc.ca>; Huang, Eric PSSG:EX <Eric.Huang@gov.bc.ca>
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Subject: RE: Urgent - Rush Bullets needed for MO

My edits below – I was on the phone with Kev working through the changes.

Vanessa Rhodes, M.A., Ph.D. candidate (She/Her)

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All right, will work on it and send draft to him upon his return.

Eric

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Responses to questions regarding yesterday's announcement

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Sent: November 24, 2022 3:21:29 PM PST

Hi Will – see below for answers to your questions regarding yesterday's announcement.

Thanks

Glen

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Glen

Revised UBCM Resolution Response for Rural Policing

From: Plummer, Kevin PSSG:EX <Kevin.Plummer@gov.bc.ca>
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Sent: November 24, 2022 3:57:37 PM PST
Attachments: EB43 Rural Policing PSB DSG_revised.docx
Hi Jamie,

I've added some language (in blue) to the EB43 – Rural Policing UBCM Resolution response to reflect the publicly-available news releases this week.

The main body of the text was already DSG approved, and I thought it was still accurate and current, even with the announcement(s) this week. So I left it as is, and simply added language to the end. But I've tried to keep it reasonably high level since we do not have the specifics of how things will roll out in the coming weeks/months.

If you approve of this, I'll get this resolution response (as well as the ones I sent to Ardys/Brian) back in eApps for ADM approval and resubmission to CPPO.

Based on my review of announcements on Sunday and yesterday, I do not believe that revisions are necessary for the following UBCM Resolution responses:

NR31 – Repeat First Responder Calls
NR33 – Policing Small Communities (Emerging)
NR34 – Police Costs Provincial Facilities

If you agree, I'll confirm the same to CPPO. If you'd like to re-review them before confirming, I can re-forward you these resolutions/responses to you. Just let me know.

I'm hoping to have responses from yourself, as well as Ardys and Brian regarding these revised responses by Friday afternoon, so that I can get them into eApps (and formally routed to you) by the end of the day tomorrow.

Thanks,
Kevin

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To: St Denis, Katherine PSSG:EX <Katherine.StDenis@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: Possible revisions to PSB's UBCM Resolution Responses

Hi Kath,

Based on the gov.bc.ca press release here ([Province invests in specialized, rural police services | BC Gov News](#)) I've come up with some high-level revisions to the UBCM Resolution responses in light of recent announcements.

I haven't touched the original wording for any of these, but simply added my revision to the bottom. However, this does put the responses over the recommended length.

I made changes to these DSG-approved responses:

EB43 – Rural Policing
NR36 – Charging Prolific Offenders
NR37 – Justice Reform Repeat Offenders

And I made changes to this ADM approved responses:

EB44 – Alternative Crime Reduction Strategies

What I'm not sure about is the next steps for these. Do we send them back to EDs for their approval and/or any further necessary revisions to their initial submission?

We'll talk later this afternoon.
Kevin

From: Meseyton, Robert PSSG:EX <Robert.Meseyton@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Friday, November 18, 2022 12:23 PM
To: Plummer, Kevin PSSG:EX <Kevin.Plummer@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Gergley, Meagan PSSG:EX <Meagan.Gergley@gov.bc.ca>; St Denis, Katherine PSSG:EX <Katherine.StDenis@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: Possible revisions to PSB's UBCM Resolution Responses

Kevin:

Following up on our phone call...the DSG has approved all of PSB's Resolution Responses with the following comment "Suggest the notes that are related to police funding be held to next week and updated if Government makes a police funding announcement. Other notes are ready to go."

Attached are all of the formatted, DSG approved PSB Responses. I will let you determine which ones need updates based on Doug's comments. Remember to use wording that will remain current in February/March as this is when the Responses will be delivered to UBCM. Please indicate if any need to have the DSG approve them again. Doug did not say he needed to but I will let you make that determination.

MUNI has granted us an extension to the first week of December. Please have your ADM approved revised Responses back to me by Monday December 5. Ideally, if we could get the two outstanding Responses (EB42 New Provincial Mandate and Funding for 911 and EB44 Alternative Crime Reduction Strategies) back at the same time then I send everything in one package to the MO for their review. Let me know if you need more time.

Thank you.

Robert Meseyton, BCom (Hon) [he, him, his]
Corporate Coordinator
Corporate Policy and Planning Office
Cannabis, Consumer Protection and Corporate Policy Branch

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Whereas public safety is of equal concern to both municipal and regional district residents; And whereas rural populations are growing steadily;

And whereas provincial policing compliments have not been increased at the same rate as municipally funded positions;

And whereas lack of police resources affects rural safety and is putting a strain on municipal budgets:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM request that the province increase the provincially funded positions immediately;

And be it further resolved that future resource allocations accurately reflect the rural demands for policing services.

RESPONSE: Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General

The ministry has heard the concerns from local governments and is aware of the pressures facing front-line Provincial Service resources. In both 2019 and 2021, the ministry worked to secure new additional funds to the BC RCMP to augment provincial front-line resources. With limited funding available, the Province and RCMP prioritized Provincial Detachment Units identified as the highest risk and highest needs based on assessment of a variety of considerations including police workload, crime statistics, and contextual factors. Both initiatives also saw creation and augmentation of the Provincial Support Team which provides mobile, short-term relief to Provincial Detachment Units experiencing temporary resourcing pressures such as those resulting from vacancies, emergent incidents or events.

The ministry also continues to work with the RCMP, and internally to government, to address resource pressures across all areas of provincial policing responsibility in the province. This work includes addressing equity and accountability issues across municipal and provincial policing responsibilities, at integrated RCMP municipal/provincial detachments in particular, adequately accounting for Provincial Police Service resources that provide service to multiple jurisdictions and ensuring that provincial resources level is commensurate with the workload generated by provincial areas.

On April 28, 2022, the Special Committee on Reforming the *Police Act* released its report and recommendations. Creating a fair and equitable shared funding model for municipalities is recommendation #6 in the report. The report recommends reviewing the funding model and considering local needs and geography of the service delivery area. The ministry has carefully reviewed and analysed the report and will take a phased approach in responding to the recommendations and will also undertake broader engagement to meaningfully address the Special Committee's recommendations.

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Hi Ardys,

I am attending a vacancy management meeting this afternoon at Green Timbers. This week's announcement will add a new focus to discussions – and will help identify our 'first steps' in how the funding will be allocated.

Would it be ok if I get back to you early next week – post discussion this afternoon?

Regards,
Kath

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Hi all, see below for the response to the budget question.

The recent government announcement of \$230M over the three year fiscal plan 2023/24 to 2025/26 for RCMP “E” Division Provincial resources (FTEs) provides permanent base funding to cover all related staffing costs on an ongoing basis.

As the RCMP fill positions over the three year period the required budget will be provided to their annual delegation and does not create financial pressures for RCMP “E” Division.

Thanks,
Billy

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