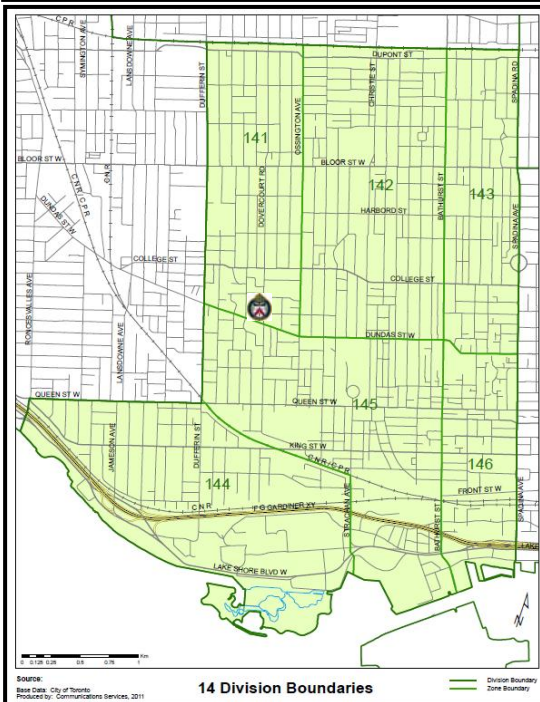


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**14 DIVISION**



**Unit Commander  
Superintendent  
Mario Di Tommaso**

**Uniform & Detective Operations  
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## From the Superintendent



The members of 14 Division recently experienced a number of changes in short succession in Unit Commanders. Supt. Ruth White who retired in September following a successful and distinguished career, to Supt. Greg Getty who briefly assumed command before accepting a position in the private sector, to Insp. David Vickers who was appointed Acting Unit Commander. I would like to congratulate Supt. White on her retirement and express my sincere gratitude in her exemplary performance as Unit Commander of 14 Division, who together with Inspector David Vickers, allowed me to find this Unit in fine working condition. I would also like to acknowledge Acting Superintendent Dave Vickers and Inspector Art Little for their hard work in advance of my arrival at 14 Division.

It is an honour and a privilege that I find myself returning to my policing roots as the new Superintendent of 14 Division where I first began my career some 30 years ago. I have been fortunate that my career path has led me throughout the Service in a number of capacities, and now ultimately back home again. The knowledge and experience that I have acquired over the years is built on a strong foundation in divisional policing, both primary and community response, CIB (criminal investigative bureau), and major crime. The many subsequent specialized functions that I performed promise to be an asset to me as I take the helm of the Flagship.

I have had the privilege to work in a variety of fields from which I have garnered significant insight, understanding, and experience. Shortly following my first promotion from 14 Division, I was assigned to 2 District Plainclothes where much of the focus of the Unit was directed towards the enforcement The Liquor Licence Act, and issues relating to prostitution along the infamous Lakeshore Strip. Thereafter, I was assigned to 23 Division in the North West sector of Toronto where I performed my duties in both Major Crime and the Detective Office. After 5 years, I was assigned to the Homicide Squad for approximately seven-and-a-half years. I investigated over 40 murder cases. Two promotions later, I was transferred from the Homicide Squad to Intelligence Division as the 2IC. From the Intelligence Division, I was assigned to 52 Division as 2IC responsible for Detective Operations. During this tenure I had the opportunity to learn first-hand the unique and specialized operations required to effectively and efficiently police demonstrations, protests, the Entertainment District, and special events. These experiences will assist me when confronting similar quality-of-life issues in 14 Division.

Following my promotion to Staff Inspector, I assumed command of the TPS Drug Squad. During my 2 years at TDS, I was able to implement a number of successful initiatives which included a cost-recovery program from marijuana grow ops; an increase from two to three specialized grow op enforcement teams, and a significant increase in general drug enforcement. Additionally, I sat on a City of Toronto Drug Strategy Implementation committee. Upon my promotion to Superintendent I was assigned to the Service's Professional Standards

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where I oversaw criminal investigations, conduct and complaint issues, and liaised with the Office of the Independent Police Review Director. I also vice chaired the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police Professional Standards Sub Committee.

On November 22, 2011 I came home again to 14 Division. I use the word "home" quite literally as I grew up in 14 Division on Henderson Avenue just north of St. Francis of Assisi Church. I have returned to 14 Division with a greater skill set, and a broader scope of understanding and experience than I first did as a newly minted recruit. It is now as the Unit Commander of 14 Division that I look forward to meeting and working with one of the most diverse communities in Toronto, forging new partnerships, and solidifying those already established. I am fully committed to addressing the needs and concerns of our citizens through constructive dialogue with our CPLC's, BIA's, and Residents' Associations. The identification of quality-of-life issues in 14 Division will be a priority requiring community support and input to effectively achieve successful resolutions that are not solely dependant upon crime suppression strategies. As we move forward into the New Year this promises to be an exciting and revitalizing time full of innovation and inspiration. It is my hope that you will join me and the men and women of 14 Division on this journey.

At this time I would also like to extend my sincerest best wishes to you and your families and all 14 Division community members at large, a safe and festive Holiday Season and a Happy New Year.

**Mario Di Tommaso**  
**Superintendent**  
**14 Division**



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## MESSAGE FROM Stephen Burns Traffic Sergeant 14 DIVISION



On Wednesday, November 2nd, 2011 between the hours of 800 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. members of the 14 Division Traffic Response Unit held a Commercial Motor Vehicle Inspection Blitz at 20 British Columbia Drive in the Exhibition Grounds. This initiative was conducted in partnership with the Ministry of Transportation, Ministry of the Environment and Toronto Licensing. CVSA-Inspectors from Traffic Services and 23 Division as well as two members of 14 Division Police Auxiliary attended to provide assistance. Both Commercial Motor Vehicles and Taxi Cabs were inspected with the following results:

Vehicles Inspected:	86
Vehicles Taken Out of Service:	27
<b>TOTAL CHARGES:</b>	<b>66</b>



In November, 14 Division participated in the “**STEP UP and Be Safe**”-Pedestrian Campaign (November 7 – 13). The goal was for the Service to continue its efforts in the promotion of its STEP UP (Safety Tips for Educating Pedestrians in an Urban Population) education initiative and associated enforcement strategies to enhance pedestrian safety within our communities. November, the month that daylight savings time is introduced, has traditionally been the month when pedestrians are involved in the most collisions.



Total Service Charges:	11521
14 Division Total Charges:	<b>555</b>

The 2011 Holiday R.I.D.E. season kicked off on November 24<sup>th</sup> and will continue until January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012. The Holiday R.I.D.E. involves daily R.I.D.E. spot-checks throughout the city. 14 Division officers continue to focus their efforts on the issues of Drinking and Driving. To date 14 Division has conducted 166 R.I.D.E. spot-checks.

Vehicles Stopped:	<b>18516</b>
Pass Test:	461
Warn Test:	68
Fail Test:	24



In addition there have been 2155 Alcohol Driving Arrests by the Service up to November 30, 2011. 14 Division had made 184 of these arrests, these are in addition to R.I.D.E. results.



## Winter Driving Tips

1. **Maintain a safe following distance.** It takes longer to stop on a slippery road. Look ahead and keep plenty of distance between you and other vehicles (at least 4 – 6 seconds). Having good winter tires will improve your stopping distance.
2. **Slow your speed to match road conditions.** The posted speed is the maximum speed under ideal conditions. In winter, it is safer to drive below the posted speed. No matter how much experience you have, the way your vehicle responds on snow or ice always has an element of unpredictability.
3. **Watch for black ice.** Slow down when approaching shaded areas, bridges and overpasses, as these areas of road freeze faster than others in cold weather. Watch for “black ice”, a thin coating of ice, which is almost invisible but very hazardous. *It may appear as wet black patch on the road surface.* It can cause your vehicle to suddenly lose traction, braking and cornering control. Look for other vehicles that may be experiencing trouble ahead.
4. **Accelerate and brake gradually.** When starting from a stop on slick roads, start slowly and accelerate gradually to maintain traction and avoid spinning your wheels. When stopping, plan well in advance and apply the brakes gently, slowly adding pressure rather than braking suddenly.
5. **Avoid sudden moves.** Slow down and steer smoothly and gradually to avoid skidding. Accelerate gently, turn slowly, and brake carefully and early. Avoid unexpected quick movements that could put you in a spin. Anticipate turns, stops, and lane changes well before they occur.



### Suggested winter survival kit:

- Cell phone
- Flashlight / reflectors
- Ice scraper / washer fluid
- Extra clothing and footwear / blankets
- Candle / matches and a small tin can
- Non-perishable energy foods (granola bar/juice)
- First aid kit
- Booster cables

Drive Safe,

Stephen Burns

Sgt. Stephen Burns #640  
14 Divisions  
Traffic Response Unit  
416-808-1424 work  
416-808-1402 fax





## Arrest of the Month



### **2 Male Youths arrested in Robbery investigation facing 3 Criminal charges.**

On Tuesday November 29th, 2011 the victim and his 3 friends were spending their lunch hour inside the Christie Pits Park, located at 750 Bloor Street West, Toronto. The victim observed 3 other males in the park a short distance away.

Sometime during their time in the park, the 3 suspects approached the victim and his 3 friends. Suspect #1, who remains unidentified at this time, made a demand for the victims' jacket. Suspect #2, 17 year old male, said not to take the jacket. Suspect # 3, 16 year old male, presented a set of scissors and demanded the victims' cell phone. The victim turned over the cell phone and the suspects fled the park.

On November 30th, 2011 the victim was on his way to school with his father and observed the two accused outside of 777 Bloor Street West, Toronto. The police were contacted.

Both accused were arrested and read their right to counsel and cautioned. The accused were brought to 14 Division, Youth Bureau for further investigation. During the arrest, the cell phone belonging to the victim was recovered from the 17 year old accused male.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> suspect is still outstanding at this time.

Investigation Continuing and further charges are pending. The value of the property recovered is \$249.99.

Charged with Robbery (jointly), Fail/Refuse to Comply Y.C.J.A. (16 year old), Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Under (17 year old) is a 16 year old male and 17 year old male.

Arresting officers: P.C. Bowers #9689, P.C. Schippke #9092, P.C., Ryan #9430 and P.C. Dobbs #10202

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## CRIME PREVENTION BULLETIN:



## ***Cold Weather and Starting Your Vehicle 'Lock It or Lose It'***

During the colder weather, it is common for residents to go outside and start their vehicles to warm them for the commute. They then leave them unattended, while they gather their belongings for the day. Although newer vehicles are equipped with auto starters, some aftermarket units make the vehicle easy to steal. Before you start your car with an auto starter, be aware of the following information.

- Most newer model vehicles are safe to start and leave unattended, simply because the security system prevents the vehicle from being moved unless you have the key or fob.
- If you have an aftermarket unit installed, be sure that the vehicle can not be moved by trying to place the vehicle in drive after placing your foot on the brake pedal.
- Even if your vehicles have a proper, secure starter, be sure you don't leave any valuables, laptops, mobile phones, GPS unit, or money in the vehicle. If you do have valuables, lock them in the trunk.
- DO NOT start your vehicle with a key and leave it unattended for any reason. Potential thieves are waiting for actions like these to make their job easier.
- If you have any concerns about the security of your starting system, or want to install a vehicle starter, contact a qualified technician to do the work for you.
- Use common sense and keep yourself and your property secure.

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A professional can steal your vehicle in just 30 seconds. A vehicle with an unlocked door or open window is an easy target. Protect your vehicle from theft. Always roll up your vehicle's windows, lock the doors and pocket the keys when you park your car. Park in a well-lit area and never leave valuables in plain view.

Remember to **"Lock It or Lose It"** (OACP and IBC provincial campaign).

Report to Toronto Police any suspicious or unlawful activity immediately.

**Non-emergency 416-808-2222, emergency 9-1-1**



**C**rime prevention is everyone's responsibility, not just a job for police. Seniors are more vulnerable to certain crimes - purse snatching, mugging, and fraud. But you can reduce opportunities for criminals to strike by being careful, alert, and a good neighbour. Seniors can learn how to protect themselves from crime by following these simple, common-sense, suggestions.

## **Don't Be Conned:**

According to the American Association of Retired Persons, older citizens are victims of fraudulent schemes far out of proportion to their population numbers. Keep informed about the latest con schemes in your community by reading the newspaper. Be sceptical about any proposal that sounds too good to be true or has to be kept secret. Don't rush into anything. Check it out with friends, lawyers, the police department, Better Business Bureau, and your state or county consumer affairs department.

## **Be especially wary of:**

"Get rich quick" schemes for which you have to put up "good faith" money.

"Good deals" on expensive repair or home improvement jobs.

Investments that promise unusually large returns.

Someone claiming you owe money for an item ordered by a deceased spouse or relative.

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Work at home schemes, door-to-door sales, supplemental Medicare insurance, miracle cures, glasses and hearing aids at bargain prices.

If you are the victim of fraud, call the police immediately. You may be embarrassed because you were tricked, but your information is vital in catching the con artist and preventing others from being victimized.

## **Protect Your Money:**

If you receive checks in the mail regularly, arrange for them to be sent directly to the bank instead.



Avoid carrying large sums of money. If you must take a large sum, have a friend accompany you.

Don't display large amounts of cash in stores or other public places.

Don't sign a check or contract until you're sure it's for a legitimate reason and know the details. Check with a friend, lawyers, or police officer if in doubt.

Never put your purse or wallet on a counter while you examine merchandise in a store.

## **When You Are At Home:**

Use deadbolt locks on all exterior doors. Keep your doors locked at all times, even when you're inside.

Protect windows and sliding glass doors with good locks or other security devices. Make your home appear occupied when you go out by using a timer to turn on lights and a radio.

Never let strangers in your home without checking their identification. Call their company if you're not sure. Install a peephole in your door and use it.

If you live alone, don't advertise it. Use only your first initial in phone books, directories, and apartment lobbies.

Get to know your neighbours and keep their phone numbers handy for emergencies.

Work out a "buddy" system with a friend to check on each other daily.

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Engrave your valuables with a unique identification number recommended by the police.

Keep bonds, stock certificates, seldom worn jewellery, and stamp and coin collections in a safe deposit box.

Don't hide extra house keys under a doormat or other obvious spots.

If you arrive at home and suspect a stranger may be inside, DON'T GO IN. Leave quietly and call **911** to report the crime.

## **When You are Out:**

If you must carry a purse, hold it close to your body. Don't dangle it.

Never carry a wallet in your back pocket. Put it in an inside jacket pocket or front pocket.

Make sure someone knows where you're going and when you expect to return.

Avoid dark, deserted routes, even if they're the shortest.

Carry change for emergency telephone and transportation use.

Whenever possible, travel with friends to stores, the bank, or the doctor.

When using the bus or other public transportation, sit near the driver if possible.

Don't overburden yourself with packages and groceries that obstruct your view and make it hard to react.

Have your car or house key in hand as you approach your vehicle or home.

Carry a shriek alarm or a pea less whistle like the Fox 40.

When you drive, keep doors locked and windows up. Park your vehicle in a well-lighted, busy area. If you have car trouble, be wary of strangers who offer help. Stay in your car and ask them to call a service truck or the police.

If a friend or a taxi takes you home, ask the driver to wait until you are safely inside.

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Communicate the message that you are calm, confident, and know where you are going. Trust your instincts. If you feel uncomfortable in a place or situation, leave.

The bottom line is to use common sense, be ever vigilant and aware of your surroundings. If the location or situation makes you uncomfortable, turn around and leave. Seniors can protect themselves and their property while at the same time taking steps to avoid dangerous situations.

If you have been scammed or conned, report the crime to police. Con artists count on their victim's reluctance to admit they've been duped, but if you delay, you help them get away.

Remember, if you never report the crime, they are free to cheat others again and again and you have no chance of ever getting your money back.

All crimes should be reported to the police immediately, even if it is only an attempt. Hesitate only long enough to ensure your safety. Crime cannot be controlled or prevented if it is not reported. By reporting crimes and suspicious activities you can protect yourself and others. Confrontation with suspicious people or suspected criminals is not recommended. **Remember your safety is paramount.** If a crime has occurred, do not touch anything or clean up until the police have inspected it for evidence.

- Become the best witness possible by noticing details about the suspect, mannerism, age, height, weight and appearance; compare them to yourself or people you know.
- Memorize tattoos, scars or prominent features.
- Note clothing worn but keep in mind that outer clothing can be changed.
- Vehicle licence number, make, model, colour and number of doors.
- Call police immediately! Hesitate long enough to ensure your own safety.

Help us help you. Opening your eyes to your surroundings can mean closing your neighbourhood to crime. To obtain brochures or further information, please contact P.C. Gord Reid, 14 Crime Prevention at **416-808-1529** or email to: [gordon.reid@torontopolice.on.ca](mailto:gordon.reid@torontopolice.on.ca)

## Remember, trust your instincts!

- Be Alert
- Be aware
- Be prepared



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Call **9-1-1** for emergency service - Fire, crime in progress or medical emergency.

**Toronto Police Service Non-emergency number (to report the crime)**

416-808-2222

(Interpretations are available in over 140 languages)



**TPS Bicycle Registration Form:** *The 14 Division Management Team urges bike owners to register their bikes for free and make it easier to return your bike to you.*

<https://webapp1.torontopolice.on.ca/BicycleRegistry/Submit>

## Home Safety for Children

<http://www.torontoems.ca/main-site/careers/safety-tips/children-at-home.html>

## Internet Safety and Youth

<http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/is-si/index-eng.htm>

<http://www.bewebaware.ca/english/default.aspx> (Kids, teens, families)

<http://kids.getnetwise.org/safetyguide/> (Family, teens, kids)

## Kids Safety Zone

<http://www.torontopolice.on.ca/safetyzone/>

## CPAT (Crime Prevention Association of Toronto)

<http://cpatoronto.org/home/>

### Membership application:

<http://cpatoronto.org/home/membership/membership>



## Neighbourhood Watch

416-225-1102 (CPAT)

<http://cpatoronto.org/home/programs/neighbourhood-watch>

## 14 Community Alert Sign Up (Follow directions and select the mailing lists you wish to receive)

<https://secure.torontopolice.on.ca/tpsml/>

**Toronto Crime Stoppers (anonymous) - Crime Stoppers does not subscribe to call display and do not trace IP addresses.**

[www.222tips.com](http://www.222tips.com)

Talk: 416-222-TIPS, 416-222-8477 or 1-800-222TIPS

<http://youtube.com/user/1800222TIPS>

Text: TOR and your tip to CRIMES (274637)



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**Type:** Submit a Tip Online at (English),  
<https://www.tipsubmit.com/WebTips.aspx?AgencyID=312>

**3 Missing Teens**  
[http://youtube.com/watch?v=ZbmF-7Da\\_ho](http://youtube.com/watch?v=ZbmF-7Da_ho)

## Working Together To Prevent Crime



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**Facebook page: 14 Division Toronto Police,**  
**<https://www.facebook.com/TPS14>**



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## 14 COMMUNITY RESPONSE:



### Welcome to the Toronto Police Service Community Automated Notification System

#### Overview

In support of Community Mobilization efforts, The Toronto Police Service (TPS) is pleased to introduce the TPSlinks system. TPSlinks is a community automated notification system that delivers vital information to residents and business owners within the city of Toronto. TPSlinks will utilize sophisticated software by strategically sending information to a selected geographic area made possible through a community member sign-up webpage. Messages will be prepared and delivered by local Divisional Toronto Police Service officers through email, voice and text messaging. Message types and user delivery profiles can be tailored to meet the needs and preferences for each registered community member. Community members can choose to change their profile or unsubscribe at anytime.

#### Types of Messages

TPSlinks will transmit messages using landline and cellular telephone options. The registration page enables community members to create a user profile which will specify the message types that the community member wishes to receive and restrict the types that are not desired. TPSlinks will send informative messages ranging from city events to safety notifications and emergency incidents. The following are examples of message types that will be delivered:

- Special Events
- Community Events
- Road Closures
- School Lockdowns

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- Emergency Incidents
- Missing Persons
- Existing Amber Alerts
- Severe Weather Alerts
- Neighbourhood Crime Alerts
- Information Alerts
- Threats to School Safety
- Marine & Water Safety
- Crime Prevention Information

## How do I register?

Residents and business owners within the city of Toronto who wish to enrol to TPSlinks are provided with two registration methods as described below. They can register online via the Toronto Police Service internet site or complete a hardcopy form available online and at their local police station. Community members will be required to create a TPSlinks user profile by completing all required fields on the TPSlinks registration form. The user profile will increase the speed in which the system delivers messages, and will identify the geographic area where the messages are to be delivered. Community members also have the option to edit their online user profile or unsubscribe at any time. To unsubscribe, simply go to the registration page, open your user profile and select the deregister button at the bottom of the page. Your information and all identifiers will be removed and subsequent messages will not be delivered. To change an existing user profile, select edit with the user profile and make the appropriate changes. The changes will occur immediately.

- **Method 1: Online Registration**

Click on the **Register** link on the top TPSlinks Menu and follow the registration process.

- **Method 2: Hard Copy Form**

Simply print and fill out the following [REGISTRATION FORM](#) and deliver it to your local police station. Hard copies are also made available at the Divisions.

## What to Expect

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- **Phone Message Option**

Community members who select messages to be delivered to their home or cellular telephone will receive calls from TPSlinks with a pre-recorded message. If the telephone is not answered, the TPSlinks will leave a message at the end of the voice mail greeting.

- **Text Message Option**

Community members who choose the text message option will receive text messages from TPSlinks on their cellular or blackberry devices. Please note your phone carrier may charge you for incoming text messages.

- **Email Message Option** **NEW**

Community members are able to choose to receive email notifications sent to an e-mail address.

## Who will Receive Messages?

TPSlinks is available to all community members who work or live in the city of Toronto. Long distance phone numbers will not be accessible and messages will not be delivered to these numbers.

## Requirements

Community members signing up for TPSlinks, dependent upon the mode of messages receipt, will require:

- A telephone and/or cellular telephone number that is currently in service and/or a valid email address for receiving messages.
- A valid e-mail address for login purposes.
- A local Toronto address.

When the Toronto Police Service sends a message, the address provided by the community member on the registration page will be used and all community members who are within the selected geographical area will receive the message. If information was not entered, or entered improperly, the appropriate message will not be delivered.

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## Terms of Participation

Subscribers will be required to accept terms of participation prior to the commencement of message delivery. Please refer to the "Terms of Participation" on the TPSlinks [Register](#) page.

For more information and to register, Toronto residents and business owners are asked to visit the Toronto Police Service website at [www.torontopolice.on.ca](http://www.torontopolice.on.ca) and click on the TPSlinks icon. If you do not have access to a computer, there will be hardcopy registration forms provided at the local Division.

If you are having difficulty registering to TPSlinks or are not receiving TPSlinks messages, **do not call 911**, send a message to [TPSlinks@torontopolice.on.ca](mailto:TPSlinks@torontopolice.on.ca)



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## CPLC REPORTING:

### Our Common Vision: "Successful! Vibrant! 14 Division"

Fall is often considered a season of new beginnings. 14 division is definitely the place to be for this time of year. We welcome our new Supt. Mario DiTommaso and thank Inspector Dave Vickers for steering the Flagship while we awaited Supt. DiTommaso's arrival.

Within the CPLC, we have welcomed several new members and discussed new initiatives for the coming year. This is also the year which will see the opening of our Divisional station.

There are so many positive initiatives taking place within 14 that it truly deserves the epithet "successful & vibrant!"

Our Youth committee is thriving and moving forward.

The resident and business associations are working harder than ever to engage our communities, heighten our enjoyment and in partnership with the police ensure our continued safety.

ProActive safety and preventative measures are key to a successful community. It takes all of us working together to develop positive strategies that leads to comfortable, calm, communities. It is through this same line of thought that you have a place to turn when things are not as you would like. We welcome your involvement and comments. Let us help you with issues as they arise, not when they become insurmountable.

14 Division is very much alive...and active and available to you, our community members. Enjoy your community, by getting involved with your business and resident associations. Fall is a wonderful time of year for you to make this your new beginning!

YOU are the community, YOU make the difference! And together we can make 14 Division, stronger, More Vibrant and Safer!

Thank you,  
Cathy Byrd  
CPLC Co-Chair



The C.P.L.C. holds monthly meetings and consists of volunteers from various walks of life. Officers of all ranks from 14 Division also participate. Volunteers donate significant portions of their free time towards Committee functions. For more information on the C.P.L.C. contact CRU Clerk Reta Seymore at 416-808-1526

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## YOUTH CPLC REPORTING:

### We are the **YOUTH!**

The 14 Division Youth Community Police Liaison Committee (YCPLC) is gaining momentum and continuing to build.

I am proud to be writing this as acting co-chair while Kristopher is recuperating.

On November 7<sup>th</sup>, I had the chance to represent the YCPLC by attending the opening of Crime Prevention Week at Toronto Police Headquarters. This was a wonderful event with a fabulous turnout. The theme was "Innovation and Technology in Crime Prevention."

At our last meeting, we discussed with P.C.'s Shippke & Hurley a series of initiatives that the YCPLC is planning to introduce this year.

If you are under the age of 18 and live, reside or attend school in 14 division and wish to join the committee, please contact me. You can also drop me a line if you have any ideas or suggestions.

[lucia\\_brasil\\_94@hotmail.com](mailto:lucia_brasil_94@hotmail.com)

Have a wonderful winter break and enjoy your holidays!

Lucia Brasil  
Co-Chair  
14 Division YCPLC

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## SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD:

The Toronto Police Service invites applications for the position of School Crossing Guard to work at one of our Divisions throughout the City. You can contact 14 Division at:

- 14 Division – 150 Harrison Street, Toronto, ON M6J 2A4
- (416) 808-1417



Your main duty is to safely cross all school-aged children up to and including grade 6. As a courtesy, you may assist older children, adults, elderly, the disabled or any other person you feel would benefit from your assistance. We invite you to apply in person at one of the Divisions listed above. As well, for any additional information, please call the Division that is closest to your home address. The salary for this position is **\$10.68 per hour** with 12% Traveling Allowance and 4% Vacation Pay.

### **Note:**

- All applicants must pass a vision test.
- All applicants must provide a Certificate of Fitness from their family physician confirming that they are physically fit to carry out the duties of a Crossing Guard.
- Must not have been convicted of a criminal offence for which a pardon has not been obtained. If a pardon was obtained, proof of pardon must be provided. If a conditional or absolute discharge has been received, proof that the RCMP has sealed the records must be provided.
- A security check will be conducted.

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**Community  
Outreach**



*From P.C. Gord Reid  
--Crime Prevention*

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## **Our officers are very involved in our neighbourhoods. Here are a few of the activities they have participated in:**

On November 1, 2011, 14 Division School Watch officers along with KD platoon officers attended St. Mary's Catholic Secondary School for a Dodge ball event against students and staff. Approximately 20 students and 10 staff members played. The School sold over 175 tickets for the event to raise money to help their sports teams with new uniforms and equipment.

P.C. Dawe attended Queen Victoria Public School, 100 Close Ave. for the Running and Reading program. Approximately 60 students and 10 staff members attended.

On November 2, 2011, KB platoon officers attended 51 Division for the Occupy Toronto protest. Officers patrolled the area surrounding Saint James Park and assisted with crowd management.

14 Division School Watch officers attended the West End Alternative School to facilitate a boxing class. There were 8 students in attendance.

On November 3, 2011, KA platoon attended the event "Ring Side for Kids" at the Fort York Armouries held by the Canadian Emergency boxing Association, in honour of Canadian Emergency workers.

On November 6, 2011 members of KC platoon assisted 52 Division with the Rick Hansen 25th Anniversary Celebration.

Members of KA platoon attended an Occupy Toronto Function held at 1296 Queen Street West, the Cadillac Lounge.

On November 8, 2011 Elementary School Watch, P.C. Dawe, attended Queen Victoria Public School, 100 Close Ave for the Running and Reading program. Approximately 15 staff members and over 60 students from the school attended the event.

On November 9, 2011 Sgt Facchetti attended the Little Portugal BIA annual meeting. Topic of the meeting was stat comparison from 2010 to 2011 on major crime indicators for their area. KC platoon officers attended 51 Division for the

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Occupy Toronto protest. Officers patrolled the area surrounding Saint James Park and assisted with crowd management.

Elementary School Watch Officer Dawe, attended Lord Lansdowne Public School, 33 Robert Street. Officer Dawe met with the students in grade 7, who are involved in the Kids, Cops and Computers Program. A presentation was given to the students on Bullying and Human Rights. 13 students attended and 2 staff members.

On November 11, 2011 members of KB Platoon attended the Remembrance Day Ceremony held at Fort York. Approximately 300 people were in attendance for the ceremony.

On November 13, 2011 members of KB platoon along with auxiliary and officers from area field and central field attended the Weston Road Santa Claus Parade in 12 Division. The parade consisted of approximately 400 people, 22 vehicles, 8 floats and 2 Mounted Unit officers and proceeded south along Weston Road from St. Phillips Street to Dora Spencer Road. Officers assisted with traffic points along the route.

Members of KB platoon and School Watch also attended for the Polish Independence Day Parade in the area of Queen St. W and Cameron Street. Approximately 500 people were in attendance marching to City Hall. Officers assisted with road closures and the safe movement of the parade.

P.C. Reid attended the monthly CPLC meeting held at the Harbourfront Community Centre, 627 Queens Quay. There were approximately 12 CPLC members in attendance. An update was provided by S/Sgt Halman on Divisional matters and Crime Analyst, P.C. George Dubas on the monthly statistical changes. Co-chair Cathy Byrd updated the members on CPLC business and assigned individual members to take on new tasks on behalf of the CPLC. Community issues and concerns were also discussed.

On November 14, 2011 members of KB Platoon assisted 11 Division CRU with the "Ghost Ride" to pay tribute to Jenna Morrison who was killed while cycling on Monday Nov 7, 2011. The memorial ride started at Bloor St. W. and Spadina Ave. and made its way through 14 Division and ended in 11 Division at Dundas St. W. and Sterling Ave. There were approximately 1,000 cyclists that attended this memorial. Once at Dundas St. W. and Sterling Ave. there was a service held.

On November 15, 2011 members of KB Platoon attended Saint James Park for Occupy Toronto. Approximately 40 protestors marched to 161 Bay Street, Brookfield building. Officers assisted 51 & 52 Division with traffic points.

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On November 16, 2011 P.C. Reid attended Kelly's residence, 96 Dowling Avenue, which is a new boarding home for residents suffering from Mental Health issues. The facility was recently renovated by the Provincial Habitat Fund and has changed ownership. Today was their open house and community partner outreach. Introduction to 14 Division and MCIT program was discussed.

On November 20, 2011 members of KA & KC platoon assisted with traffic points and crowd management at the Santa Clause Parade.

On November 21, 2011 P.C. Reid attended the Harbourfront Community Centre, 627 Queens Quay. The officer presented to a seniors group on personal safety, frauds and scams specifically for seniors and iNavigate pedestrian safety. There were 20 people in attendance.

On November 22, 2011 P.C. Reid attended 180 Sudbury Street, St. Clare's Multifaith Housing Society to conduct a Safety Assessment of the building with staff and management.

On November 29, 2011 P.C. Reid attended the OACP and IBC launch of "Lock it or Lose it" launch at Yorkdale Mall for all Ontario Police Services. The program is a proactive crime prevention program that encourages drivers to take a few simple precautions to protect their vehicles and vehicle contents from theft.

On November 30, 2011 P.C. Reid attended City Place Residents Association meeting regarding pedestrian safety, traffic issues, panhandling, parking and youth engagement. Future personal safety presentations were also discussed for interested residents.

Members of KD platoon attended West End Alternative School on Bloor Street West with School Watch officers and participated in a morning boxing class with several students.

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR, DECEMBER 2011:

Here is a list of activities for the upcoming month.



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 CPLC Meeting	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 Hanukkah Begins 	22 Winter Solstice	23	24 Christmas Eve
25 Christmas Day 	26 Boxing Day	27	28 Hanukkah Ends	29	30	31 New years Eve 
1 New Years Day	2	3	4	5	6	7