

committed to our community



Barrie Police Service 2009 Annual Report



OUR VISION, MISSION & VALUES



Vision

To serve our community with integrity, diversity and quality. To provide proactive interaction with the community to enhance the feeling of safety and security in Barrie.

Mission

The Barrie Police Service in partnership with our community, is committed to serve the needs of the citizens of Barrie by providing an effective level of service through crime prevention and protection programs.

Values

To adhere to the principles of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. To provide a fair, unbiased and professional service to our community. To treat all victims of crime with compassion and understanding. To follow Community Policing principles by resolving policing concerns in partnership with community members. To be approachable, courteous and open to all citizens.

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Our Community

The City of Barrie is one of Canada's fastest growing dynamic cities. Nestled in Central Ontario, the City of Barrie is an experience year-round.



Barrie is located in the heart of it all; from cottage country, skiing, to picturesque wilderness. Barrie stretches across over 77 square kilometres of land; explore it all!

Downtown

A mid-size commercial, retail and entertainment area with over 600 property owners and business operators populate the downtown core. The City of Barrie Marina offers over 300 slips. During the winter season, a lit outdoor ice rink is located at City Hall. Extensive biking, rollerblading, and walking trails outline beautiful Kempenfelt Bay.

Cultural Activities

The MacLaren Art Centre is home to an ever-growing variety of drawings, illustrations, sculptures, and watercolours. From Talk is Free Theatre, Theatre by the Bay, to the Gryphon Theatre, local and renowned talent is prominent. Barrie is home to the Kiwanis Music Festival, the fourth largest music festival in the province, hosting over 4000 talented musicians annually. Kempenfest and the Barrie Film Festival are inspiring events that showcase Barrie's true commitment to heritage and future success.

Facilities/Recreation

There are 12 major public facilities located throughout Barrie, with halls for rent, meeting rooms, fitness centers, and more. Three indoor pools and one outdoor pool are spread across the city. These facilities are also home to a total of eight indoor arenas, including the Barrie Molson Centre.

Glimpse of Barrie

Population is expected to grow to 210,000 by 2031

Barrie is home to a 40,000 sq. ft state-of-the-art public library

Royal Victoria Hospital provides 297 acute care beds and 270 operational beds

Barrie has two Young Peoples Centers for youth 11-19 years of age





MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE

By far the most dramatic event of 2009 for the Barrie Police Service was the attempted murder of Constables David Edgar and Clayton Speers on the morning of Sunday, July 5, 2009. The officers were attempting to deal with a man who appeared distraught when a routine interaction suddenly turned into a violent confrontation, leaving the 2 officers critically injured and their assailant fatally shot. As both officers were being rushed to Royal Victoria Hospital where they were to undergo life-saving surgery, a major operation was getting underway on Bayfield Street North with a good portion of the Bayfield Street business district being closed to both vehicle and pedestrian traffic until the following day. The immediate response of the men and women of the Barrie Police Service, uniform and civilian alike, as well as that of our emergency services partners and the general public was absolutely superb. After a hospital stay, followed by several months of recovery at home, both officers returned to full duties in late 2009. This near tragedy culminated on November 27, 2009 with the presentation to both officers of the Ontario Medal for Police Bravery at Queen's Park, by the Honourable David Onley, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario.

2009 also saw the conclusion of a distinguished 39 year career with the retirement of Steve Rogers. Deputy Rogers, who began his career with the Metropolitan Toronto Police in 1971, came to the Barrie Police Service as a Constable in 1982 and at the time he retired was the senior serving Deputy Chief in the province. Inspector Mark Neelin, a 31 year police veteran (28 years in Barrie) was promoted to Deputy Chief effective March 2009.

In September 2009, Constable Duncan Way, already an accomplished artist, attended the Forensic Facial Imaging Course at the FBI Academy in Quantico, Virginia. The training enables Constable Way to create a remarkably accurate composite likeness of a suspect based on a verbal description or witness. The Barrie Police Service is now one of the relatively few police services in the country with this capability.

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE CON'T

In July of 2009, the Barrie Police Service, in partnership with a number of local businesses, launched the inaugural Summer Outreach Awareness Program or SOAP. This is a proactive and interactive initiative whereby Community Services officers, who would normally be assigned to our schools, basically “set up shop” in a selected city Ward. The program incorporates presentations on bicycle and water safety as well as drug awareness and Internet safety. A particularly popular feature of the program is “Fun Friday” where neighbourhood youth have an opportunity to win prizes, devour pizza and generally interact with the Barrie Police Service in a very positive, non-confrontational way. SOAP, which eventually covered every Ward in the city, was a huge success and one that we hope to further enhance in summer 2010.

It is my privilege to lead the men and women of the Barrie Police Service and to present the 2009 Annual Report on their behalf.

Wayne C. Frechette
Chief of Police



MESSAGE FROM THE BARRIE POLICE SERVICES BOARD

I was honoured to have served the citizens of Barrie as Chair of the Barrie Police Services Board from January 27, 2009 to December 31, 2009. It was my responsibility and that of my Board colleagues to ensure that the Barrie taxpayer received the best possible policing at an affordable cost. The Board believes that both of these objectives have been met. Barrie’s per capita cost compares very favourably with any police service in Ontario.

In terms of documented performance, each July Statistics Canada releases its annual report on crime in Canada. This report presents information on the short and long term trends in overall violent and non-violent crime at the national, provincial and municipal levels. For the first time the report has been structured to incorporate not just the amount of crime but also its severity. This has been done in recognition of the fact that fluctuations in some categories of crime are of far more significance in terms of public safety than others. Barrie’s crime severity index makes us the 3rd safest of the 35 municipalities surveyed across the country. On the basis of these results alone, I can assure the citizens of Barrie that their public safety expectations are being met.

Rick Jones
Chair
Barrie Police Services Board

SERVICE PROFILE

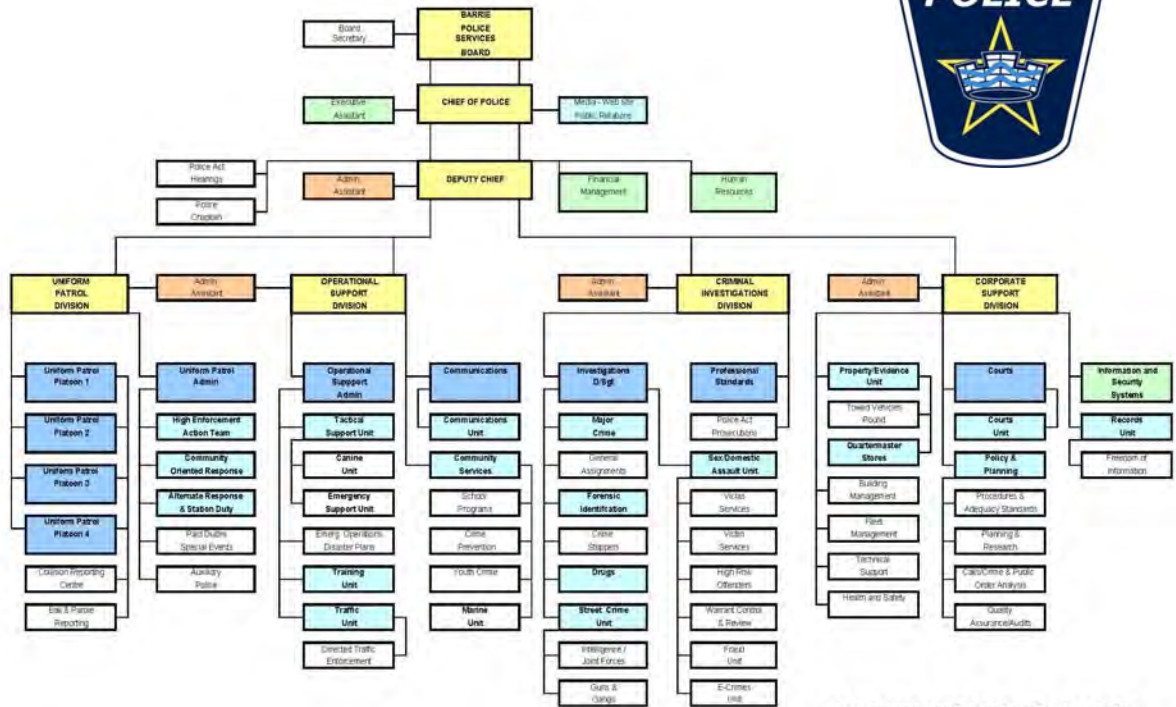


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Chief of Police	Wayne Frechette
Deputy Chief	Steve Rogers/Mark Neelin
Inspector - Corporate Support	Gary Sommers
Inspector - Criminal Investigations	Bruce Carlson
Inspector - Uniform Patrol	Dave Hossack
Inspector - Operational Support	James Farrell
2009 Civilian	
Manager - Human Resources	Gail Taylor
Manager - Financial Services	Nancy Halas
Manager - Information Systems	Barb Howse

	2007	2008	2009
Chief	1	1	1
Deputy	1	1	1
Inspectors	4	4	4
Staff Sergeants	10	10	12
Sergeants	27	28	25
Constables	156	163	175
TOTAL SWORN	199	207	218
Civilian (full time)	81	86	94
TOTAL STRENGTH	280	293	312

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



BARRIE POLICE SERVICE

Organizational Chart - 2009

THE DEPUTY CHIEFS



Deputy Steve Rogers



Deputy Mark Neelin

Deputy Steve Rogers retired from the Barrie Police Service on April 30th 2009. Deputy Rogers started his career with the Toronto Police Service in 1971. He then joined the Barrie Police Service on June 1st, 1982. He was promoted to Deputy Chief in June 1996. Deputy Rogers had a long and distinguished career in policing and we wish him well in his retirement and future endeavors.

Deputy Neelin has been policing since 1975 when he joined the Barrie Police Service Auxiliary Unit. Two years later he joined the Peel Regional Police Force; in 1979 he moved to the Elliot Lake Police Force; and in 1980 returned to the Barrie Police Service. He has served in many positions within the Barrie Police Service, from a front-line uniform patrol constable to inspector. He was then promoted from within the service in May 2009, to replace Rogers as Deputy Chief.





CORPORATE SUPPORT DIVISION Inspector Gary Sommers

The Corporate Support Division includes:

- *Property & Quartermaster*
- *Policy, Planning & Media*
- *Court Services*
- *Fleet*
- *Information Technology*
- *Records*
- *Building Management.*

Property Unit

A police constable and civilian clerk manage this unit and report to a staff sergeant. Property seized as evidence and any found property turned into the police is housed in this unit. The unit keeps track of all motor vehicles towed by the Barrie Police Service. The Annual Spring Auction, organized by this unit generates profits used towards crime prevention initiatives.

The Property Unit has created an information pamphlet titled “A Guide to Claiming Your Property”. It explains the procedure for reporting any lost or stolen property as well as how to claim your property. It also includes helpful information such as telephone numbers, hours of business and the location of the Property Unit.

In 2009, the Property Unit logged in 9,687 items.



The Quartermaster Unit



Two civilian clerks manage this unit; a civilian quartermaster and an assistant, overseen by a staff sergeant. This unit’s responsibilities include:

- Outfitting all uniform and civilian personnel.
- Ordering office supplies and furniture.
- Researching any new equipment that may have to be purchased in the future.

CORPORATE SUPPORT DIVISION (CON'T)

Policy, Planning & Media Unit

The Policy, Planning & Media Unit's mandate:

- To assist in the development of strategies, plans and policies that enable the Barrie Police Service to respond to changing legislation, community needs and the needs of our employees.
- To plan, research and develop policies and procedures, crime and public disorder analysis, quality assurance, audits, and the development of business plans and annual reports.
- Overseeing of all media issues.
- To be timely, open, frank and accessible when dealing with all types of media.
- Keep the community informed of newsworthy events and alerts.

Court Services Unit

The single largest unit of the Service, it employs approximately 60 special constables and support staff. The Barrie Courthouse is the largest in Simcoe County. It facilitates the majority of criminal prosecutions in our area.

The mandated duties of the special constables include:

- Protection of the judiciary
- Care, transportation and movement of prisoners
- Liaising with crown and defense attorneys
- Executing DNA Court Orders
- Subpoena service
- Process and track all cases generated by our police investigations.

In 2009, several members of the unit responded to a medical emergency after a motor vehicle collision in the courthouse parking lot. Those members smashed their way into a running vehicle to rescue the driver. Their efforts were recognized by both an appreciative victim and later by the Barrie Police Service. As always, the members of the Court Services Unit are active participants in many community fundraising and charitable events.

2009 COURT SERVICES STATISTICS

PRISONERS	SUBPOENAS SERVED	VIDEO REMANDS	BENCH WARRANTS PREPARED	PRISONER ESCORTS
9131	1790	1643	286	169



CORPORATE SUPPORT DIVISION (CON'T)

Fleet Management Unit

The majority of the Barrie Police fleet are cars, however the fleet also includes trucks, boats, motorcycles, bicycles, trailers and a comprehensively equipped mobile command vehicle.

This unit is staffed by three mechanics who report to a sergeant. The mechanics are responsible for:

- Keeping all units operational
- Minor and major repairs
- Vehicle maintenance
- Body work.



Fleet is a significant portion of the operating budget of the Barrie Police Service. One of the mechanics has the additional duty of the fleet coordinator. These responsibilities include:

- Forecasting fleet requirements for our growing service.
- Researching, pricing and purchasing of new products.
- Managing the garage.
- Networking with suppliers and other agencies.



Service Vehicles

Year	Cars	Trucks/ Vans	Motorcycles	Leased Vehicles	Boats	Bicycles	Command Post	Total
2008	63	23	2	10	2	6	1	107
2009	75	23	2	10	2	6	1	119

CORPORATE SUPPORT DIVISION (CON'T)

Information Technology Unit (IT)

The Information Technology Unit is comprised of five members. The objective of the unit is to provide computer technology to support and enhance the delivery of police services by all members of the Barrie Police Service.

Computer technology, installed at four police service locations, includes:

- 250+ desk top computers
- 25 servers,
- 35 mobile data workstations
- Numerous network printers and photocopiers.

The Barrie Police IT unit supports a variety of police and non-police computer applications for an internal user community of approximately 350 full time and part-time employees.

The Barrie Police has forged IT partnerships with external agencies to reduce costs and improve efficiencies. The service shares the corporate financial, telephone and radio systems with the City of Barrie and is a member of the Ontario Police Technology and Information Cooperative. Barrie Police Service shares both data and technology by employing central databases and interfaces to other external police databases.



Barbara Howse is the IT Manager.

Records Unit

This unit consists of 21 records clerks overseen by a records supervisor. This unit provides:

- Around the clock records management capabilities directly supporting the Barrie Police Service front line operations.
- Entry and maintenance of data on our records management systems.
- Police records checks and vulnerable sector checks for both employment and volunteer purposes.
- The administration of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.
- The collation of statistics for budgeting and resource deployment used both internally and by Statistics Canada.

Building Management

A staff sergeant is responsible for:

- Maintenance of all Barrie Police facilities.
- Oversight of all repairs in conjunction with the City of Barrie.



OPERATIONAL SUPPORT DIVISION

Inspector Jim Farrell

The Operational Support Division includes:

- *Communications*
- *Community Services*
- *Marine Unit*
- *Traffic*
- *Training*
- *Tactical Support*
- *Canine*
- *Emergency Support.*

Communications Unit

This unit consists of one staff sergeant, four sergeants and 25 communicators. This unit operates around the clock, 365 days a year. This group of highly trained staff members gather the pertinent information from a call for service and ensure an appropriate and timely response to the calls.

In 2009, this unit teamed up with the Information Technology Unit to streamline the use of its Mobile Data Terminals (MDT'S). These terminals are deployed in the majority of the front line police cruisers. This partnership allowed for advancements to be made in the areas of functionality and efficiency.

In 2009, this unit, in consultation with the City of Barrie, had to make significant enhancements to its current mobile radio coverage. This was in preparation for the future annexation of a portion of the Township of Innisfil. As of January 1st, 2010, the Barrie Police Service will be responsible for patrolling and responding to calls in this new portion of Barrie. The erection of two temporary radio towers and considerable mobile and portable radio testing was completed to ensure seamless transition of policing responsibilities from the South Simcoe Police Service to the Barrie Police Service.

In 2009, this unit:

- Answered 172,076 telephone calls.
- Answered 16,680 high priority 911 calls.
- Dispatched 55,089 calls for service.

In 2009, Communicator Caron Smith was recognized by the County of Simcoe as "Communicator of the Year" for her role in preventing a suicide. This certainly is an illustration of the professionalism contained within the Barrie Police Service Communications Unit.



Caron Smith and Inspector Jim Farrell

OPERATIONAL SUPPORT DIVISION (CON'T)

Community Services

This unit consists of one sergeant and 11 constables. The unit's mandate incorporates a variety of functions both year round and seasonal including:

- Officers dedicated to working in the elementary schools presenting programs such as V.I.P. (Values, Influences and Peers).
- Presenting police related topics to secondary school law classes.
- Officers dedicated to Crime Prevention and the Youth Criminal Justice Act.
- Regular presence in the schools enhancing the safety and well being of both staff and students.

In 2009, the Community Service Unit was honored with the School Safety Patrol Program Achievement Award by the CAA South Central Ontario. This award recognized our officer's education and commitment to the Safety Patroller Program.



Chief Frechette and members of the Community Services Unit accepting the School Safety Patrol Program Achievement Award.

The crime prevention component remains an integral part of this unit's mandate. Their core functions include:

- Providing CPTED (Crime Prevention through Environmental Design) evaluations on prospective crime targets, either residential or commercial.
- Facilitating volunteer programs, such as Block Parents, Citizens on Patrol, Neighbourhood Watch, 55 Alive and others.
- Organizing presentations and information sessions on a wide variety of crime prevention and security issues.

The summer of 2009 saw the introduction of the Summer Outreach Awareness Program (SOAP). Officers and our mobile command post attended each City Ward and ran week long programs for the community which included:

- Bicycle safety
- Internet safety
- Drug awareness.

This program received a tremendous amount of support from local businesses who provided prizes and food for the children participating in the program.

Marine Unit

During the summer months, these officers take over bicycle and marine patrols. This includes marine deployment on Kempenfelt Bay with additional search and rescue responsibilities on Lake Simcoe when required. During 2009, Barrie Police Service ran two contests to name our police boats. Names have been chosen and will be unveiled in 2010.

OPERATIONAL SUPPORT DIVISION (CON'T)

Traffic Unit

This unit underwent a major restructuring in 2009 to meet the mandate of the Traffic Law and Road Safety Plan. The directed traffic enforcement program was replaced with four dedicated traffic officers assigned to enforcement duties. This increased the Traffic Unit from five to nine officers. The unit functions were divided into investigative and enforcement. This unit has continued with its commitment to all aspects of road safety including affiliations with Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Arrive Alive - Drive Sober and other enforcement agencies. The Barrie Police Service received grant funding from the Provincial Government to conduct enforcement of alcohol related offences.



Constable Manna during a R.I.D.E. check

Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere (RIDE) Statistics

Ride Shifts	16
Officers Used	103
Vehicles Stopped	5392
Screening Device Tests	165
3-7-30 day Suspensions	20
Over 80/ Impaired Driving Charges	20
Impaired by Drugs	2

Highlights for this unit in 2009 include:

- Two officers trained to be drug recognition experts. This training gives the officers the ability to recognize the effects of various drugs in the human body, and further to assess a driver's ability to operate a motor vehicle based on legal and illegal drug consumption.
- An investigative team that continues to provide specialized support to the uniform branch with accident investigation.
- Issuing approximately 9500 traffic related offences to drivers in Barrie.
- An increase in commercial vehicle safety inspections. Two officers received dedicated training for truck safety inspections.
- Approximately seventy heavy truck inspections that were conducted with more than forty charges laid.

The Traffic Unit continues to be an integral part of the Barrie Police Service. The commitment to the Road Safety Plan provides the citizens of Barrie with safer roadways, increased police presence and a positive contribution to this community.

Collision Summary

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Motor Vehicle Collisions	1681	1630	1400	1678	1403
Fail to Remain Collisions	123	132	220	431	195
Personal Injury Collisions	205	144	212	143	334
Fatal Motor Vehicle Collisions	4	4	8	4	3

OPERATIONAL SUPPORT DIVISION (CON'T)

Training Unit

This unit comprises one sergeant and three constables. The unit's responsibilities include:

- Annual in-service training for sworn police officers, courts personnel, auxiliary members and the entire complement of the Midland Police Service.
- Training new recruits prior to and after graduating from the Ontario Police College.
- Assisting Human Resources with the hiring and testing of both sworn and civilian members.
- The coordination of all courses that our members attend at the Ontario Police College, the Canadian Police College and elsewhere.
- Coordinating on-line training for our members.

This unit also conducts all "Fitness Pin" testing as part of a fitness incentive program. In 2009, 54 members completed their test and were granted the Ontario Police Fitness Award.



Shotgun training at the range.



Training Constables Frye and Giovannetti

Tactical Support Unit

The Tactical Support Unit (TSU) provides a tactical response to high risk situations including, but not limited to:

- Barricaded persons.
- Hostage situations.
- Apprehension of armed individuals.
- High risk court security.
- Dealing with violent and emotionally disturbed persons.
- Regular uniform patrol while providing tactical support to the front line officers.

The TSU consists of a staff sergeant, two sergeants and 12 constables with a variety of specialties. Within the unit there are:

- Four trained Sniper/Observers.
- Two Method of Entry Technicians.
- Two Explosive Disposal Technicians.
- Two Rappel Masters.
- 15 trained Critical Incident Negotiators.

Each member carries a variety of less lethal options. Officers maintain a rigorous training schedule throughout the year. Monthly specialist training programs ensure that skills and abilities are continually enhanced. In 2009 the TSU was involved in eighteen Major Tactical Operations. The TSU also dealt with over 150 high risk incidents during regular patrol where tactical skills and/or equipment were required to safely resolve the situation.

OPERATIONAL SUPPORT DIVISION (CON'T)

Canine Unit

This unit has three teams. All three dogs are considered general purpose dogs that are cross-trained in drug and gun detection.

Canine Unit Statistics

Tracks	95
Drug Search	35
Gun Search	8
Building Search	22
Evidence Search	15
Area Search	9
Containment	21
Warrants	19
Tactical Support Unit Assist	22
Uniform Assist	39
Demonstrations	28
Assist Other Police Services	8
Lost Person Searches	3
Calls For Service	314



Constable Beirnes and Bullet during a search.

Emergency Support Unit (ESU)

The unit's main function continues to be the proactive management of crowds and the search management for persons and evidence. This year, the ESU was trained in search and rescue. Two additional search managers were added to the unit. The team was activated for several evidence searches and attended the annual Caribana Festival in Toronto, assisting the Toronto Police Service in crowd management.



Emergency Support Unit during a training exercise



CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

Inspector Bruce Carlson

The Criminal Investigation Division includes:

- *General Assignments*
- *Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence*
- *E-Crimes*
- *Offender Management Unit*
- *Frauds*
- *Major Crime*
- *Intelligence*
- *Street Crime*
- *Forensic Identification*
- *Drugs*
- *Professional Standards.*

General Assignments

The General Assignment investigators are often the first line of support to Uniform Patrol officers and other specialized units within the Criminal Investigations Division. Officers assigned to this area of investigation are challenged with an array of different criminal investigations which include:

- Outstanding missing persons
- Robberies
- Serious assaults
- Home invasions
- Attempt murders.

The complement continues to be eight members assigned to General Assignments, seven being full time investigators and one training position. The training position traditionally rotates on a six month basis with a member selected from Uniform Patrol.

In November/December 2009, the Barrie Police Service returned the detective (sergeant) rank to this rotation. Each team is now made up of one detective and one detective constable that follow the Uniform Patrol 12 hour shift rotation.

General Assignments Statistical Overview

Arrests	New Investigations	Criminal Code Charges	Training Hours
85	213	292	546

Criminal Investigations Division (Con't)

Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Unit

This unit consists of one detective, eight detective constables, and one administrative assistant. The officers in this unit are highly trained, dedicated officers who handle challenging and sensitive cases on a daily basis. The detective is the Domestic Violence Coordinator, committing much time to valuable partnerships within the community which include:

- Children's Aid Society
- Women and Children's Shelter
- Domestic Abuse Review Team.

The Administrative Assistant is responsible for coordinating the Violent Crime Linkage Analysis System (ViCLAS) for our police service.

Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Unit Statistical Overview

Investigations	Arrests	Charges	Search Warrants
275	104	311	20

E-Crimes Unit

This unit consists of two officers. The first, seconded to the OPP E-Crimes Unit, primarily supports investigations that require specialized computer technology training. The second officer is assigned to the Internet Child Exploitation Unit (ICE). This is a Provincial strategy with the OPP. This officer primarily investigates crimes against children over the internet. The offences may include but are not limited to:

- Child pornography
- Possessing and distributing child pornography
- Child luring.

E-Crimes Unit Statistics

On-Line Investigations	Charges	Search Warrants
20	10	7

If you would like tips on Child Internet Safety as well as age appropriate material, please look for the Cybertip.ca link on the Barrie Police Website.

Criminal Investigations Division (Con't)

Offender Management Unit

This unit consists of one detective supervising four detective constables:

- The Sexual Offender Registry officer (SOR) manages sexual offenders living within the City of Barrie. These are offenders who are required to register under the Ontario Sexual Offender Registry as well as those who fall under the National Sexual Offender Registry mandate.
- The High Risk Offender officer (HRO) works closely with the Crown Attorney's Office, Probation and Parole and Correctional Services Canada to monitor offenders living in the City of Barrie, deemed to be at high risk to re-offend.
- The Warrant officer, manages outstanding provincial and federal warrants for the Barrie Police Service.
- The Provincial Repeat Offenders Parole Enforcement (ROPE) is officer seconded and manages federal offender cases.

Offender Management Unit Statistical Overview

2009 SOR/HRO Officer Statistics

Number of OSOR/NSOR Offenders	164
Number of OSOR/NSOR Registrations	154
Number of OSOR/NSOR Address Verification Checks	153
Number of High Risk Offenders	32

*OSOR - Ontario Sex Offender Registry
*NSOR - National Sex Offender Registry

2009 ROPE Statistics

Arrests in Ontario	166
Arrests in Barrie	30

2009 Warrant Officer Statistics

Arrests	44
Arrest Warrants Executed	180
Additional Criminal Code Charges	1
Canada Wide Warrants Executed	6

Fraud Unit

This unit consists of one detective and three detective constables. The ever increasing number of fraud cases demand hours of investigation in order to ensure successful convictions for court proceedings. Our fraud investigators continually train our officers and attend financial institutions and seniors homes to educate people on how to protect themselves from being victims of fraud and identity theft. This unit also alerts the public through the Barrie Police website of current fraud trends.

Fraud Unit Statistics

Investigation	Charges	Other Charges	Arrests	Search Warrants
126	646	3	34	25

Criminal Investigations Division (Con't)

Major Crime Unit (MCU)

This unit consists of one detective, four detective constables and one administrative assistant. In 2009, the unit investigated six new cases, including one homicide. There was an arrest in this case is currently before the courts. The MCU has two ongoing investigations both of which are unsolved homicides, and one cold case homicide.

The Major Crime Unit uses a software program called Power Case. It assists the investigations by organizing, retrieving and analysing large volumes of material and data that these investigations generate. A detective constable and an administrative assistant are responsible for maintaining this data base.

Intelligence/Street Crime Unit

This unit gathers, develops and analyzes information from various sources. This information is passed onto the appropriate personnel, police units or outside agencies. In 2009, the unit became involved in several criminal investigations and projects while operating under the authorized strength of one sergeant and five detective constables. The unit provided continued support for the other units within the Barrie Police Service. This unit initiated a quarterly meeting with other police agencies with a focus on property crimes including break and enters, stolen property and theft investigations. This information sharing was proven to be successful on many occasions.

This unit also has an officer dedicated to:

- Guns and Gangs. This officer works closely with other police agencies, focusing on intelligence and enforcement related to firearm and gang related offences.
- Biker Enforcement. This officer conducts investigations, intelligence and enforcement related to Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs (OMG). This officer can work all over Ontario and has assisted in many projects however, concentrates mainly on OMG in the Barrie area.

Intelligence/Street Crime Unit Statistics

Arrests	70
Charges	191
Warrants	10
Production Orders	12
Property Seized	\$35,250
Firearms Seized	6
Surveillance Requests	52
Surveillance Hours	2736

Criminal Investigations Division (Con't)

Forensic Identification Unit

The mandate of this unit is to:

- Provide a forensic response to the citizens in Barrie who have been victims of crime.
- Provide fingerprinting services for citizens requiring security clearances.
- Fingerprint persons under the Identification of Criminals Act.
- Provide forensic support to the Criminal Investigations Unit and Uniform Patrol.

During 2009, the Barrie Police Service recognized the need to increase the strength of this unit and created a new staff sergeant position. As a result, there is now one staff sergeant, one sergeant, four detective constables and two administrative assistants.

Forensic Identification Unit Statistics

Crime Scenes Attended	Exhibits Examined	Criminal Fingerprints Processed	Charged Persons Fingerprinted	Security Clearance Fingerprints
512	1216	2722	1170	209

Processing a scene for forensic examination includes:

- Searching for fingerprint and footwear impressions.
- Identifying and collecting DNA evidence.
- Taking photographs and videos of crime scenes.
- Looking for physical comparison evidence such as tool marks, hair and fibers.
- Completing scale drawings.
- Creating composite sketches and photographic line ups.

Officers in this unit are trained to use cameras, chemicals and forensic light sources in their investigations. They also have the ability to reconstruct crime scenes where a firearm has been discharged.



D/C Terry Cuff examining fingerprints at a crime scene.

Criminal Investigations Division (Con't)

Drug Unit

The Drug Unit was busy during 2009, dealing with a number of illegal substances that were being produced or trafficked in Barrie. This unit was involved in a number of undercover operations purchasing a quantity of illegal substances such as crack cocaine, powder cocaine and marihuana. In the early part of 2009, an industrial indoor marihuana grow operation was dismantled in a warehouse. In the later part of 2009, a search warrant was executed at a residence and over 144 pounds of dried packaged marijuana was seized before it made its way to the streets.

Drug Unit Statistics

Marihuana (plants)	\$1,169,00
Marihuana (dried)	\$1,026,540
Cocaine (powder)	\$19,400
Cocaine (crack)	\$21,700
Ecstasy	\$3390
Oxycontin	\$18,520
Psilocybin (mushrooms)	\$560
Prescription Pills	\$57,500
Ketamine	\$100
Cannabis Resin (oil)	\$50
Cannabis Resin (hashish)	\$50
Total	\$2,316, 810



Marihuana grow operation dismantled by the Drug Unit.

Professional Standards Branch

Public Complaints are grouped into three categories:

- Service
- Policy
- Conduct.

A substantive complaint will be thoroughly investigated by our Professional Standards Branch. Conversely, a complaint that is initially recognized as being frivolous, vexatious or made in bad faith will be disposed of at the outset.

Complaint Statistics

TYPE OF COMPLAINT	2008	2009
Service	0	2
Policy	0	0
Conduct	26	25
TOTAL COMPLAINTS	26	27



UNIFORM PATROL DIVISION Inspector Dave Hossack

The Uniform Patrol Division includes:

- *Uniform Platoons*
- *High Enforcement Action Team (HEAT)*
- *Community Orientated Response (COR)*
- *Auxiliary.*

Officers from our four uniformed platoons continue to provide the vital first response to the vast majority of the calls for service investigated by the Barrie Police Service. Our HEAT members kept their hands full providing primary police service to Barrie's vibrant downtown. They were supported in this task by the COR Unit officers when available. COR also spent a considerable amount of time patrolling the City's numerous parks and trails to help ensure they are a safe, secure place for the citizens of Barrie.

Several criminal acts of violence in the downtown core brought attention to the state of affairs in some downtown neighbourhoods. This situation and the community's response to it caused us to both reexamine our current service model and to increase the level of staffing downtown during the summer months. Service solutions from across the country were looked at. We believe that we have come up with a model that will enhance our ability to police downtown, while increasing the community's sense of ownership of its own safety and security. It will involve the enhancement and blending of the HEAT and COR units into a "Downtown Division", working out of the Maple Avenue facility, which will be open and occupied seven days a week. The introduction of the Downtown Division is expected in mid 2010.

Our frontline service model continues to consist of four platoons of uniformed constables led by a staff sergeant and two sergeants. These officers continue to be among the busiest police first responders in the province. As our first responders, they are truly the face of the Service and continue to demonstrate their commitment to those they serve. We continue to use the Alternate Response program that was initiated in 2008. This allows some lower priority investigations to be looked after by officers not assigned to patrol functions.

On July 5, 2009, Uniform Patrol officers were confronted with a situation of extreme violence and trauma never before seen by officers of the Barrie Police. With two of their brother officers in acute medical care with horrendous life-threatening injuries, Uniform Patrol officers, along with all other members of the Service, responded with remarkable dedication and professionalism that will leave me forever in awe of the quality men and women that police the City of Barrie. The citizens that we serve showed immense support and encouragement both at the scene and in the days that followed. Our officers remain indebted and grateful to the people of Barrie for this unwavering support.



Constables Speers and Edgar.

Uniform Patrol Division (Con't)

Auxiliary Police Unit

The Barrie Police Auxiliary Unit has an authorized strength of 35 officers. The auxiliary activities are administered by Auxiliary Inspector Andy Mitchell, assisted by his staff sergeant and three sergeants. These community volunteers commit hundreds of hours serving our city for special events such as:

- Parades
- Festivals
- Police “ride-alongs”.

Of special significance in 2009 was the units involvement in traffic control for the Olympic Torch Relay and Celebration. Their efforts assisted in an event referred to by the Vancouver Organizing Committee representatives as “a model event that the City should be proud of”.



The Inspector's recognition award was presented to Aux. Constable Jamie Mercer for his outstanding performance.



We were pleased to promote Auxiliary Constable Ernie Johnson to the rank of Auxiliary Sergeant.

2009 Auxiliary Unit Hours Distribution

Unit Summary	Cruiser	Parade	Special	Training	Meeting	NCO	Platoon Total
Platoon 1	356	12	110	36	6	96	616
Platoon 2	387	97	326	46	6	96	958
Platoon 3	508	41	136	47	6	96	834
Aux. Staff Sergeant	8	25	30	8	11	192	274
Aux. Inspector	0	6	20	8	12	192	238
UNIT TOTAL	1259	181	622	145	41	672	2920



FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT Nancy Halas

The Finance Unit has a mission to deliver effective and efficient financial services in a proficient and professional manner. We strive to promote fiscal responsibility and accountability over expenditures.

The unit's responsibilities include:

- Budget preparation and analysis.
- All areas of time and attendance management.
- Processing of payroll.
- Benefits administration.
- Overseeing purchasing and processing of accounts payable and receivable.

Policing Costs

	Budget Cost	Actual Cost
Police Services Board	\$66,556	\$59,192
Salaries and Benefits	\$31,763,503	\$31,675,096
Other Expenditures	\$ 4,332,006	\$ 4,753,268
Building Costs	\$ 1,694,228	\$ 1,678,803
Revenue, Grants, Recoveries	\$(1,085,070)	\$(1,452,428)
Total Municipal Funding	\$36,771,223	\$36,713,931

The approved operating budget for 2009 was \$36,771,223 which represented a 6.88% increase over 2008.



HUMAN RESOURCES Gail Taylor

The Human Resources Unit welcomed the addition of a Uniform Recruiting Sergeant in August 2009. This has enabled the unit to deal with a backlog of resumes. The sergeant has created a systematic approach for the future with the implementation of candidate screening days. These provide a regular review of applicants on file and provides a positive image to candidates applying. Comprehensive, in-depth background checks conducted will ensure top candidates for the future prospects.

The Barrie Police Service is a member of the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP) Constable Selection System and candidates possessing a Certificate of Results will proceed through the following stages:

- Candidate Screening Days
- Local Focused Interviews
- Essential Competency Interviews
- Psychological Testing
- Background Investigations.

The service received 278 recruit applications during the year and all have been processed to their appropriate level. 157 applications were screened out at different stages through this increased screening process. Six new recruits and six experienced officers were hired during the year.

The service received 578 applications for civilian positions. Six temporary contract positions were filled, and part-time personnel in courts and communications were hired as full time members. The unit also processed 18 internal postings.

Auxiliary applicants and testing resulted in the selection of five new auxiliary members who were also hired as part-time special constables in the Courts Unit.

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Command

Goal	Responsibility	Achieved	Ongoing
Enhance partnerships and strengthen communication with the City of Barrie and community groups in order to understand each others responsibilities so that optimal working relationships can be achieved and discovered.	Chief of Police	●	●
Assign tenures for specialized positions.	Human Resources		●
Implement a systematic approach to completing thorough background investigations of new personnel.	Human Resources	●	
Land acquisition for new police building.	Command		●

Corporate Support Division

Goal	Responsibility	Achieved	Ongoing
Provide victims with useful information on our website.	Media/Policy and Planning	●	●
Identify property crime trends and patterns through crime analysis. Enhancement of our crime analysis functionality and capabilities.	Policy and Planning	●	●
Develop an Intranet site to service as a central point for sharing administrative information.	Information Technology Unit		●
Measure of clearance rates comparable to services our size.	Policy and Planning	●	●
Additional tasks and resources assigned to the Sergeant in charge of fleet services. Add civilian supervisor to unit.	Fleet	●	
Provide ongoing training and expand development opportunities to police and civilian members to increase professionalism.	Training Unit	●	●
Use on-line training initiatives.	Training Unit	●	●

Operational Support Division

Goal	Responsibility	Achieved	Ongoing
Enhance partnerships and strengthen communication with the City of Barrie and community groups in order to understand each others responsibilities so that optimal working relationships can be achieved and discovered.	Community Services	●	●
Increase traffic enforcement within the platoons, and in the traffic and community services unit at targeted locations.	Community Services/Traffic Unit	●	●

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Operational Support Division (con't)

Goal	Responsibility	Achieved	Ongoing
Continue to enhance school safety programs to prevent criminal offences in our elementary, secondary and post secondary institutions. Two code red drills conducted at each school during the year. Extended to College.	Community Services	●	●
Prepare and conduct surveys in selected schools to see where to improve in school / college crime prevention issues. Establish and complete the protocol.	Community Services	●	●
To continue to update, enhance and deliver proactive programs in our elementary, secondary and post secondary institutions.	Community Services	●	●
Utilize the Community Services Unit to deliver Community Targeted Enforcement to conduct problem oriented policing (POP) to target "hot spots" within our community neighbourhoods.	Community Services	●	●
Increase patrols in our secondary schools to deal in youth crime and related matters.	Community Services	●	●
Develop and enhance educational programs offered in graffiti, youth gangs and youth violence and drugs.	Community Services	●	●
Enhance community partnerships with Georgian College faculty to conduct liaison work.	Community Services	●	●
Enhance methods when dealing with youth intervention and enforcement by Youth Officer position transferred to Community Services.	Community Services	●	●
Maintain a consistent approach to responding to emergency calls for service. Increase supervision within the communications centre and annual review of protocol updates and communication manuals	Communications	●	●
Increase traffic units enforcement capabilities – appointment of additional traffic services staffing.	Traffic Unit	●	●
Provide traffic officers with adequate and proper training in accident reconstruction.	Traffic Unit		●
Dedicate officer response to continuous city traffic complaints received by the citizens of Barrie.	Traffic Unit	●	

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Criminal Investigation Division

Goal	Responsibility	Achieved	Ongoing
Further educate and direct our members to utilize our VCARS and Mental Health Act Services.	Domestic Violence / Sexual Assault Unit	●	●
Maintain and enhance partnerships with victim service agencies.	Domestic Violence / Sexual Assault Unit	●	●
Supervisory positions established in Criminal Investigations Division.	General Assignments	●	
Re-organization of the Identification Unit to ensure adequate hierarchy of supervision.	Identification Unit	●	

Uniform Patrol

Goal	Responsibility	Achieved	Ongoing
Develop a full time Alternate Response Unit.	Uniform	●	
Establish a VCARS and Mental Health Liaison Officer on each platoon and provide them with adequate training.	Uniform	●	●
Establish an electronic booking process.	Platoon Records Clerks	●	●

2009 STATISTICAL OVERVIEW

Clearance Rates

Offence Grouping	2008			2009		
	# Offences	# Cleared	Rate	# Offences	# Cleared	Rate
Drugs	424	363	85.6%	374	352	94.1%
Other Criminal Code	2160	1252	58.0%	1604	1085	67.6%
Other Federal	80	79	98.8%	76	76	100.0%
Property Crime	5323	1350	25.4%	5524	1377	24.9%
Violent Crimes	1347	1042	77.4%	1366	1074	78.6%

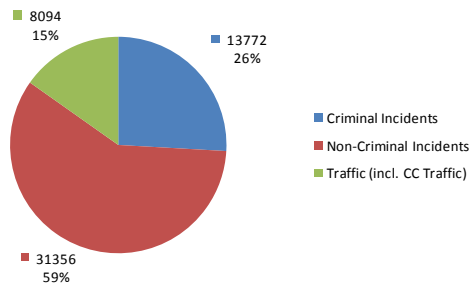
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Calls for Service

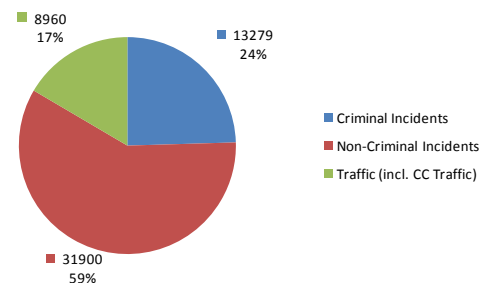
Category	2006	2007	2008	2009
Criminal Incidents	13904	13680	13772	13279
Non-Criminal Incidents	27390	29701	31356	31900
Traffic (incl. CC Traffic)	7394	7425	8094	8960
TOTAL	48688	50806	53222	54139

Please see page 36 for further information on statistics.

2008 Calls For Service



2009 Calls For Service



2009 Statistical Overview (Cont'd)

Persons Charged - Selected Offences 2009

Property Crimes

Offence Description	Adult Male	Adult Female	Total Adults	Y.O Male	Y.O Female	Total Youth	Total Persons
Break & Enter	44	5	49	13	5	18	67
Theft Over \$5,000	4	1	5	0	0	0	5
Theft Under \$5,000	195	104	299	37	40	77	376
Possession of Stolen Property	96	32	128	37	7	44	172
Mischief	87	16	103	32	8	40	143
Fraud	83	47	130	5	1	6	136
Arson	1	1	2	0	1	1	3
Property Crime Total	510	206	716	124	62	186	902

Violent Crimes

Offence Description	Adult Male	Adult Female	Total Adults	Y.O Male	Y.O Female	Total Youth	Total Persons
Homicide	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Attempt Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All Assaults	353	88	441	58	22	80	521
All Sexual Assaults	26	0	26	8	1	9	35
Other Sexual Offences	2	0	2	4	0	4	6
Abductions	15	1	16	2	0	2	18
Robbery	21	6	27	8	0	8	35
Violent Crimes Total	418	95	513	80	23	103	616

Please see page 36 for further information on statistics.

2009 Statistical Overview (Cont'd)

Persons Charged - Selected Offences 2009 (cont'd)

Other Criminal Code

Offence Description	Adult Male	Adult Female	Total Adults	Y.O Male	Y.O Female	Total Youth	Total Persons
Bail Violations	230	55	285	26	6	32	317
Disturb the Peace	55	5	60	7	0	7	67
Counterfeit Money	3	0	3	0	0	0	3
Offensive Weapons	31	3	34	10	0	10	44
Obstruct Public Peace Officer	17	2	19	0	0	0	19
Indecent acts	8	1	9	0	0	0	9
Prostitution	0	4	4	0	0	0	4
Trespass at Night	2	0	2	0	0	0	2
Other Criminal Code Total	346	70	416	43	6	49	465

Drugs

Offence Description	Adult Male	Adult Female	Total Adults	Y.O Male	Y.O Female	Total Youth	Total Persons
Drugs	283	54	337	27	4	31	368

Please see page 36 for further information on statistics.

2009 Statistical Overview (Cont'd)

Number of Offences

Selected Offences	2007	2008	2009
Homicide	4	0	1
Attempt Murder	2	2	0
Assault	736	779	807
Sexual Assault	94	100	82
Various Sexual Offences	4	1	6
Abduction	14	20	19
Robbery	60	73	75
Break and Enter	588	555	594
Theft of Motor Vehicles	279	220	214
Theft Over \$5000	90	94	85
Theft Under \$5000	1904	2014	1698
Possession of Stolen Property	183	175	153
Fraud	503	503	467
Mischief	1452	1167	1278
Bail Violations	443	424	423
Disturbing the Peace	853	721	490
Counterfeit Currency	151	198	44
Offensive Weapons	121	110	80
Criminal Code Traffic	229	228	283
Drugs	438	424	374

Please see page 36 for further information on statistics.

INFORMATION ON THE PRESENTATION OF THE 2009 CRIME STATISTICS

Please note the following:

- The crime related data contained in this report is derived from Niche Technologies Incorporated Record Management System (NICHE RMS).
- All crimes captured by this system are then categorized by a Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) code. These codes are used by the Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.
- In 2009, the Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics introduced changes to the categorization of crimes. The statistical report contained in this document reflects these changes.
- Information on the NICHE system is continuously being updated and as a result some changes to statistics published in previous reports should be expected.
- Other data comes from a mixture of automated and manual systems maintained by the individual units responsible. These considerations must be taken into account when comparing statistics presented in previous reports and may account for some inconsistencies.
- The methodology used to prepare the tables and graphs in this report may differ from that used by Statistics Canada and other police services.



Crime Stoppers of Simcoe Dufferin Muskoka

Crime Stoppers is a civilian, non profit charitable organization that brings together in a cooperative relationship, police services, the media and members of the community in the fight against crime. Crime Stoppers gives the public an opportunity to provide anonymous information about known or potential crime without fear of reprisal. Cash rewards are offered to people who call the program if the information leads to an arrest.

Crime Stoppers is an integral part of each community. It is a crime prevention tool that our Service has come to rely on. Crime Stoppers save law enforcement agencies thousands of dollars in investigative time. Calls to Crime Stoppers assist in putting police on the right track by identifying individuals who are responsible for committing crimes.

The Crime Stoppers Program of Simcoe Dufferin Muskoka is encouraging tipsters to report information about any illegal activity such as unsolved cases, vandalism, theft, crimes against children or drug related offences.

Barrie Police Service Crime Stoppers Statistics		
	2008	2009
Total Tips	434	367
Total Arrests	14	20
Property Received	\$98,000	\$232,070.00
Drug Value Seized	\$45,055	\$350.00
Rewards for Tips	\$1,900	\$2,650.00

RETIREMENTS AND PROMOTIONS 2009

Retirements:

- Deputy Chief Steve Rogers
- Constable Ted Lunstead
- Constable Jeff Chorley

Promotions:

- Inspector Mark Neelin to Deputy Chief
- Staff Sergeant Dave Hossack to Inspector
- Sergeant Brian Daley to Staff Sergeant
- Sergeant Gene Hettinga to Staff Sergeant
- Sergeant Norm Meech to Staff Sergeant
- Constable John Brooks to Sergeant
- Constable Pat Brouillard to Sergeant
- Constable Glen Crooks to Sergeant
- Constable Jason Fearon to Sergeant
- Constable Glen Furlong to Sergeant
- Constable Valerie Gates to Sergeant
- Constable Richard Johnston to Sergeant
- Constable John Parcels to Sergeant
- Constable Rose Richter to Sergeant



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