



**BARRIE POLICE SERVICES BOARD REPORT
APRIL 2023
OPEN**

TO: Barrie Police Services Board

FROM: Chief Rich Johnston

DATE: March 20, 2023

SUBJECT: Missing Persons Act Form 7 Annual Report

Background

On July 1, 2019, the *Missing Persons Act* and associated regulations came into force in Ontario.

The *Act* was created to assist police officers in responding to missing person occurrences by providing them with the ability, in certain circumstances to:

- Obtain a court order for a person or entity to produce records that would assist in locating a missing person
- Obtain a search warrant to allow entry onto a premise to locate a missing person, and,
- Make an urgent demand for records without judicial authorization

The *Act* also sets out tests to obtain judicial authorization to access records and search premises and execute urgent demands for records.

Requirements

Under Section 8 of the *Act*, the Chief of Police is required to prepare an annual report and submit that report to the Police Services Board. The annual report is to contain the following:

- The total number of urgent demands made in that year and the number of missing persons investigations to which they related;
- A description of the types of records specified in the urgent demands made in that year; and
- Any other prescribed information.

This report is to be submitted to the Police Services Board and once approved it is submitted to the Ministry of the Solicitor General (the Ministry) and is to be made public.

The Ministry provides a Form 7 for police services to complete this report (please see attached).

Barrie Police Service Reporting

In 2022, the Barrie Police Service made 12 urgent demands under the authority of the *Missing Persons Act*. These urgent demands were made to different agencies to obtain banking information. These urgent demands were made in relation to 12 missing person investigations.

- In four investigations the records obtained were helpful to officers conducting the investigations
- In five investigations there were no records located
- In two investigations the missing party was located prior to police receiving the records
- In one investigation records were provided but were not helpful in locating the missing person.

All missing persons associated with these investigations were located and these investigations have been completed.

Recommendation

The Barrie Police Services Board receive this report for information.

The Barrie Police Services Board approve the attached Form 7 report to be made public via the Barrie Police Service website.

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In accordance with O.Reg.182/19 under the *Missing Persons Act, 2018* the contents included in this report must be prepared by April 1 of each year, and made publicly available by June 1 of each year.

Data Collection

Period of data collection

Start Date (yyyy/mm/dd)
2022/01/01

End Date (yyyy/mm/dd)
2022/01/01

Name of Police Force
Barrie Police Service

Detachment Location (if applicable)

Unit Number	Street Number	Street Name	PO Box
	110	Fairview Road	

City/Town	Province	Postal Code
Barrie	On	L4N 8X8

Total Number of Urgent Demands made	Number of Missing Persons Investigations in which a demand was made
12	12

Types of records specified in the urgent demands and total number of times that each type of record was included in the urgent demands

Records	Description	Total number of times demanded
Records containing contact information or other identifying information		
Photos, videos, or other records containing visual representation		
Records of telecommunications or records that contain other electronic communications information, including information about signals related to a person's location		
Records of employment information		
Records of personal health information within the meaning of the <i>Personal Health Information Protection Act, 2004</i>		
Records related to services received from a service provider as defined in subsection 2(1) of the <i>Child, Youth and Family Services Act, 2017</i>		
Records that related to a student of an educational institution		
Records containing travel and accommodation information		

Records	Description	Total number of times demanded
Records of financial information	Banking information requested	12
Other records		