



2008 - 2009

Action Report



Partners for a safer community

The Mission

To contribute to crime reduction and enhanced community safety in Ottawa through collaborative, evidence based, crime prevention.

- to reduce violence against women,
- to reduce crime in high risk neighbourhoods and
- to work with youth in high risk environments.

The Vision

Ottawa is a community in which individuals, families and neighbourhoods feel safe and are safe.

“The turnaround that I have seen in Vanier over the past 18 months has been phenomenal and Crime Prevention Ottawa’s role cannot be overstated.”

Sgt. Dana Reynolds, Ottawa Police Services

“When the idea of Crime Prevention Ottawa was first presented I was very skeptical that it was going to be a duplication in services. I have seen the good work done by CPO and I am now a strong supporter.”

Eli El-Chantiry, Chair, Police Services Board

“Given the current success in address(ing) the scourge of gangs in our community, it is imperative that Crime Prevention Ottawa continues to forge ahead with innovative approaches to address crime.”

Insp. Mike Callaghan, Ottawa Police Services

Initiatives

Together for Vanier

Winner of the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police Community Mobilization Award

Ottawa Youth Gang Prevention Initiative (OYGPI)

Highlighted by a conference for 260 service providers and a public forum with 115 interested citizens and many essential collaborative relationships, the OYGPI prevention strategy for Ottawa will be launched near the end of 2009. Research is underway on the life-path of local gang members.

Disability and Abuse

An innovative partnership between CPO, the City’s Accessibility Office and the community shines a spotlight on the abuse of disabled people.

Improving Access to Recreation

Our response to Parks and Recreation’s White Papers, “Improving Access to Recreation for Vulnerable Citizens in Ottawa”, outlines the result from increased investment for vulnerable citizens and disadvantaged neighbourhoods: crime reduction and cost-savings. CPO hosted an animated forum for service providers.

Public Policy

CPO’s Policy Committee pursues important crime prevention issues including legislation to help communities deal with problem properties and using environmental design to reduce crime. We also submitted position papers to the Review of the Roots of Youth Violence and the Provincial Strategy on Poverty Reduction.

Strategic Planning

We’ve evaluated the past three years and have undertaken a major review of our strategic plan. Community consultations through web-based surveys, public meetings and key informant interviews will result in our new Strategic Plan being released November 3, 2009.

New & Ongoing Funded Projects

Neighbourhoods

The Safe and Healthy Community project

Bringing down barriers between community members, stakeholder organizations and the law in Lowertown.

United Neighbours - Phase 2

Helping communities in Pinecrest-Queensway find solutions to crime and safety issues.

Youth

Birth and Parent Companion Program

Training volunteers to promote parent and infant attachment, a powerful tool to address the roots of crime and violence

You(th) Can Do It

Getting resources and community services to high risk kids where they are.

Youth Involvement in Recreation – A Crime Prevention Tool

120 high risk kids are engaged in improving their self-esteem, self-image & self-control.

In Love & In Danger

Teens educating their peers about preventing relationship violence.

Violence Against Women

Neighbours, Friends and Families

24 powerful community presentations on Woman Abuse. Learning how to help.

Working Together to End Violence Against Women

Engaging the Muslim community on the taboo subject of violence against women

Apoyandonos Entre Vecinos, Amigos y Familias

10 weeks of violence prevention training to 15 Hispanic community champions

CPO by the Numbers*

Meetings 597

Communiqués **45**

Public Events 16

Presentations 34

Consultations 43

Outreach and Action on Youth Gangs 122

Funding Agreements 31

*Jan 2008 — Aug. 2009

Staff

Nancy Worsfold, Executive Director

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Financial Report

Crime Prevention Ottawa Financial Report for the Period from January-December 2008

Expenses	
Staff	\$ 276,198
Community Grants	\$ 280,797
CPO Initiatives	\$ 106,505
Total	\$ 663,500
Revenue	
City of Ottawa	\$ 400,000
In Kind	\$ 238,421
Federal Government	\$4,500
Ottawa Youth Gang Prevention Initiative	\$21,276
Total Revenue	\$664,197
Surplus	\$697

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