

Deep River Police Service

2025 ANNUAL REPORT



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Message from the Chief

On behalf of the Deep River Police Service, we are proud to present the 2025 Annual Report.

The information contained in this document is a testament to the hard work and commitment that our members demonstrate every day to our residents to ensure public safety. Public safety is a collective effort, and we thank members of our community for working with us in partnership to ensure a safe, healthy and vibrant Town of Deep River.



2025 was highlighted by the hiring of the first constable recruit for the DRPS in over 15 years!

Challenges to meeting compliance related to the Community Safety and Policing Act continued with much progress including training and standards.

Once again, we were able to deliver an enhanced level of Municipal Policing with a focus on Community Policing, staying within our established budget for the year.

As this is my last Annual Report, I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank members of the Police Service Board for believing in me and working together to accomplish much in my six years as Chief. Thank you to the community of Deep River for making me feel welcome and valued.

And finally, to the members of my Team at the DRPS:

I've thoroughly enjoyed my time working with you all. I feel that our Service is in great shape to sustain any pressures that may come along and, in a position to ensure longevity. I encourage you all to work diligently and continue to create new relationships while fostering existing ones with a community that supports you and values you.

I'm confident that, moving forward, the Police Services Board will select an excellent Chief of Police and together with the DRPS continue to be a very progressive, engaged and integral part of the Town of Deep River Emergency Services.

Dean Duchrow



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Message from the Chair

On behalf of the Deep River Police Service Board, I am pleased to present the 2025 Annual Report.

The Deep River Police Service holds a unique place in Ontario. As the smallest municipal police service in the province, we operate on a scale that brings both distinct advantages and meaningful challenges. Our size requires careful stewardship of resources, adaptability, and strong partnerships. At the same time, it allows policing in Deep River to remain deeply connected to the people it serves. The Police Service is not simply an institution within the municipality — it is part of the fabric of our community, with relationships built on familiarity, accessibility, and trust.



With the implementation of the new Community Safety and Policing Act, the Board has remained focused on its governance responsibilities: ensuring adequate and effective policing, maintaining sound fiscal oversight, developing and strengthening policy frameworks, and supporting strategic priorities. We continued to work closely with the Chief of Police to monitor performance, encourage professional development, and promote initiatives that enhance community safety and well-being.

This year has also provided an important opportunity to recognize Chief Dean Duchrow's leadership as he completes his final year of service before retirement. His steady guidance, commitment to professionalism, and deep understanding of community-based policing have helped shape the Service in meaningful ways. The Board acknowledges his dedication and the positive impact of his tenure.

As we look toward the horizon and the next chapter for the Deep River Police Service, the Board remains committed to continuity, thoughtful transition planning, and upholding the standards of excellence that our residents expect. We will continue to support a policing model that reflects local values, fiscal responsibility, and a strong partnership between officers and community members.

On behalf of the Board, I extend sincere appreciation to the members of the Deep River Police Service for their professionalism and service, and to our municipal partners and residents for their ongoing engagement and support.

Tracy Russell



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Vision, Mission, Values

OUR VISION

To provide the highest standards of professionalism in partnership with our community.

MISSION

The Deep River Police Service strives to protect life, including public and private property under the law and with full respect for human dignity and according to the highest standards of professional skill, integrity, and accountability.

CORE VALUES

- Integrity and loyalty
- Empathy and fairness
- Impartiality and transparency
- Respect and civility
- Courage and leadership

“A Police Service that is committed to quality policing, responsive to community needs, sustainable, and fiscally responsible.”





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STRUCTURE OF THE DRPS

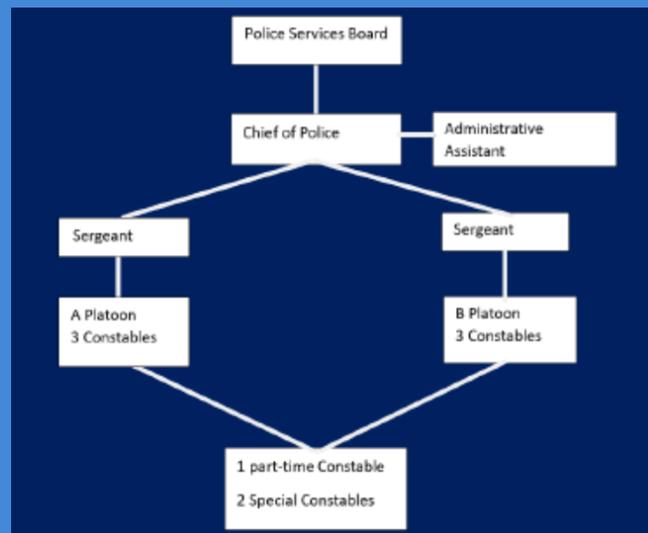
Governance: The Deep River Police Service was formed in conjunction with town's inception in 1957. Governance of the DRPS is provided via the three-member Deep River Police Service Board. In 2024, the DRPSB consisted of Chair, Ms. Tracy Russell, Mayor Sue D'eon, and Ms. Kelly Lapping. Mr. Christian Kaiser is the Board Secretary. The Board is responsible for the provision of adequate and effective police services to the municipality.

Administration: Chief of Police Dean Duchrow has primary responsibility for the administration and operations of the Deep River Police Service. He also provides operational backup and coverage on occasion.

Administrative assistant Michelle Russell supports the Chief of Police.



Visit from Inspector General, Ryan Teschner and his Team with the DRPS PSB



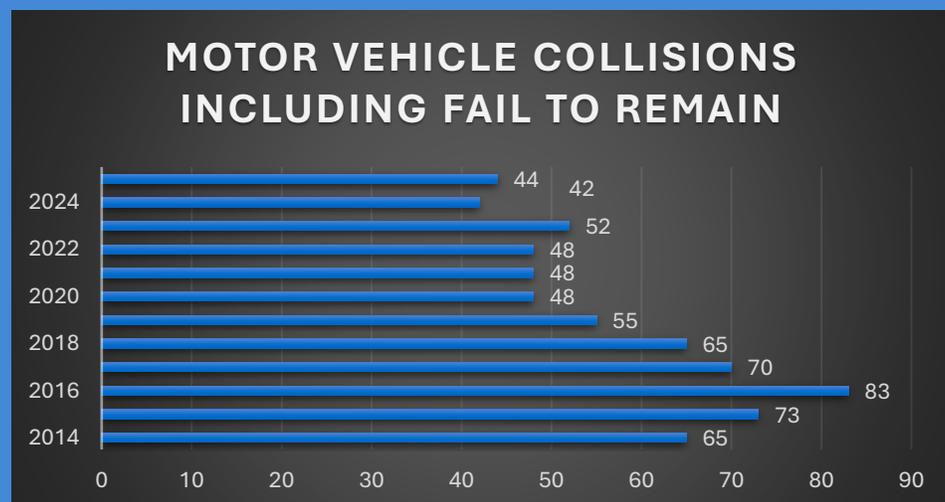
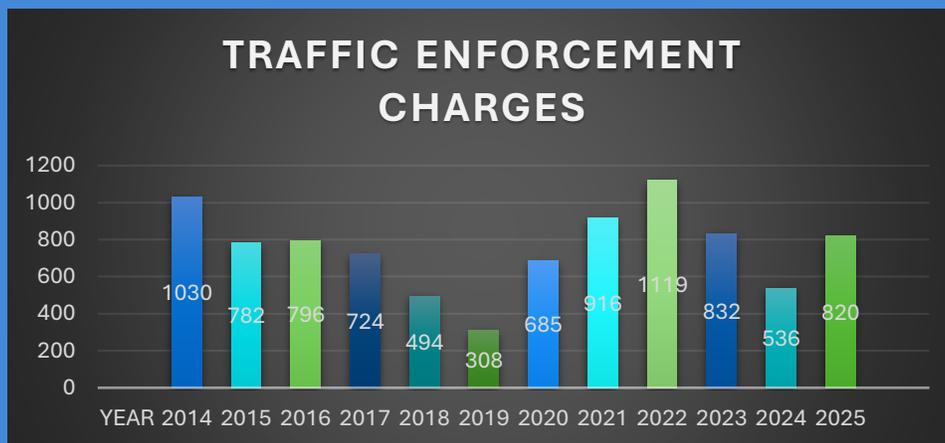


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Road Safety and Traffic Enforcement

Officers patrolled our streets conducting traffic stops and R.I.D.E. programs. Bicycle patrols allowed officers to patrol trails, back lanes, and other areas inaccessible to motor vehicles. Several traffic campaigns, usually over long weekends focused on aggressive driving, distracted driving, driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs, and seatbelt use.

The officers of the Deep River Police are committed to keeping our community, roads and highway safe. One of the ways officers do this is through enforcement of multiple Provincial Acts; including but not limited to, the Highway Traffic Act, the Liquor Licence Control Act, Cannabis Act, Trespass to Property Act, and the Off-Road Vehicles Act. The majority of enforcement charges laid pertain to the Highway Traffic Act, with speeding being the most frequent violation.



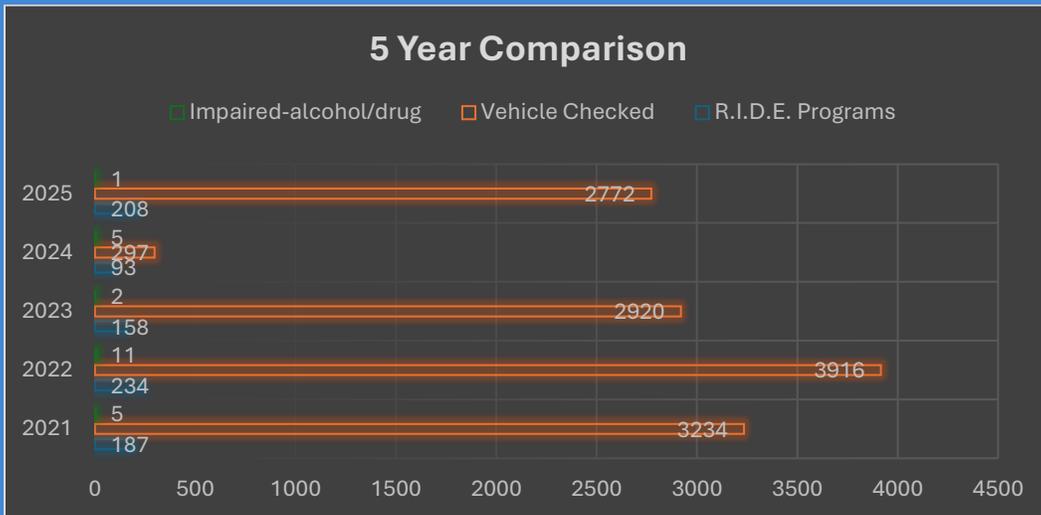


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R.I.D.E. (Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere)

During 2025, the Deep River Police Service participated in several provincial and federal traffic safety initiatives, including the Festive R.I.D.E. campaign. Once again, the Service was successful in securing a provincial grant to support the ongoing delivery of the R.I.D.E. program.

Throughout the year, officers conducted 208 R.I.D.E. initiatives, during which 2,772 vehicles were checked.





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COMMUNITY PATROL AND CRIME PREVENTION

Community Patrol

Deep River Police officers maintain a highly visible presence in our neighbourhoods.

Officers regularly conduct vehicle and foot patrols in the downtown core, highway commercial properties, residential streets, vacant homes, recreational properties, and schools. Officers also perform foot patrol and bicycle patrol on pathways, trails and in parks that have no vehicle access.

Crime Prevention

Several methods of preventing crime are utilized by the Deep River Police. They include but are not limited to the following activities:

- Information sharing on the Deep River Police Facebook and X social media accounts.
- Utilizing Crime Stoppers to receive and follow up on tips. 6 Tips were received from Crime Stoppers in 2025.
- Weekly North Renfrew Times newspaper articles on crime prevention.
- The installation of two closed circuit security cameras that capture the downtown area and are continuously recording. All officers have access to the video feed and can access what the cameras recorded for evidence and court purposes.
- Deep River officers also conducted various presentations to the public on topics such as Internet safety, drugs, driving safety, frauds and scams, and sharing information on social media. Audiences included the general public, seniors and youth.
- A local Situation Table was established to encourage and foster the participation of several agencies to participate and work cooperatively toward common goals to reduce victimization and improve the quality of life for those in need.





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COMMUNITY SERVICE

During 2025, the Deep River Police Service (DRPS) continued to make community service a priority knowing that community mobilization is a useful tactic to aid in crime prevention. DRPS continued to provide valuable information to the public through social media and various presentations with assistance from various partner agencies. The DRPS submitted weekly NRT articles on a large range of topics including but were not limited to impaired driving laws, drug awareness information, fraud prevention tips, and bicycle safety information. The weekly NRT articles were also published on Facebook, X and Instagram to ensure the largest number of residents would be given the information. Throughout 2025, the DRPS generated 181 community service calls which included foot patrols, presentations, bicycle patrols and other police-community interactions.

During the beginning winter months of 2025, officers handed out ice scrapers to motorists who were observed clearing off their vehicles. Officers also conducted foot patrols in various locations such as downtown, Hill Park, arena and during the Deep River Winter Carnival.

In the spring and summer, officers conducted a bicycle rodeo at St Mary's school to grade 1-4 students and focused on bicycle safety and rules of the road. The bicycle rodeo contains a practical portion as well as a short lecture. Bicycle safety speeches were also done on the first day summer and sport camps to make sure kids followed safe bicycle rules when cycling in Deep River. Officers conducted bicycle patrol of the town of Deep River. This gave officers an opportunity to speak with the public and conduct enforcement while cycling.

During the fall officers conducted foot patrol in the schools and spoke to school administration to coordinate presentations for Halloween safety, bullying, hunting/fishing regulations, and recreation vehicle safety presentations. Officers also coordinated the annual Cram the Cruiser event which was held in December in efforts to collect food and cash donations for the Deep River Area Food Bank. An officer also participated in the Deep River Hospital Foundation Polar Dip which was collection donations for the local hospital.





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CALLS FOR SERVICE – INVESTIGATIONS

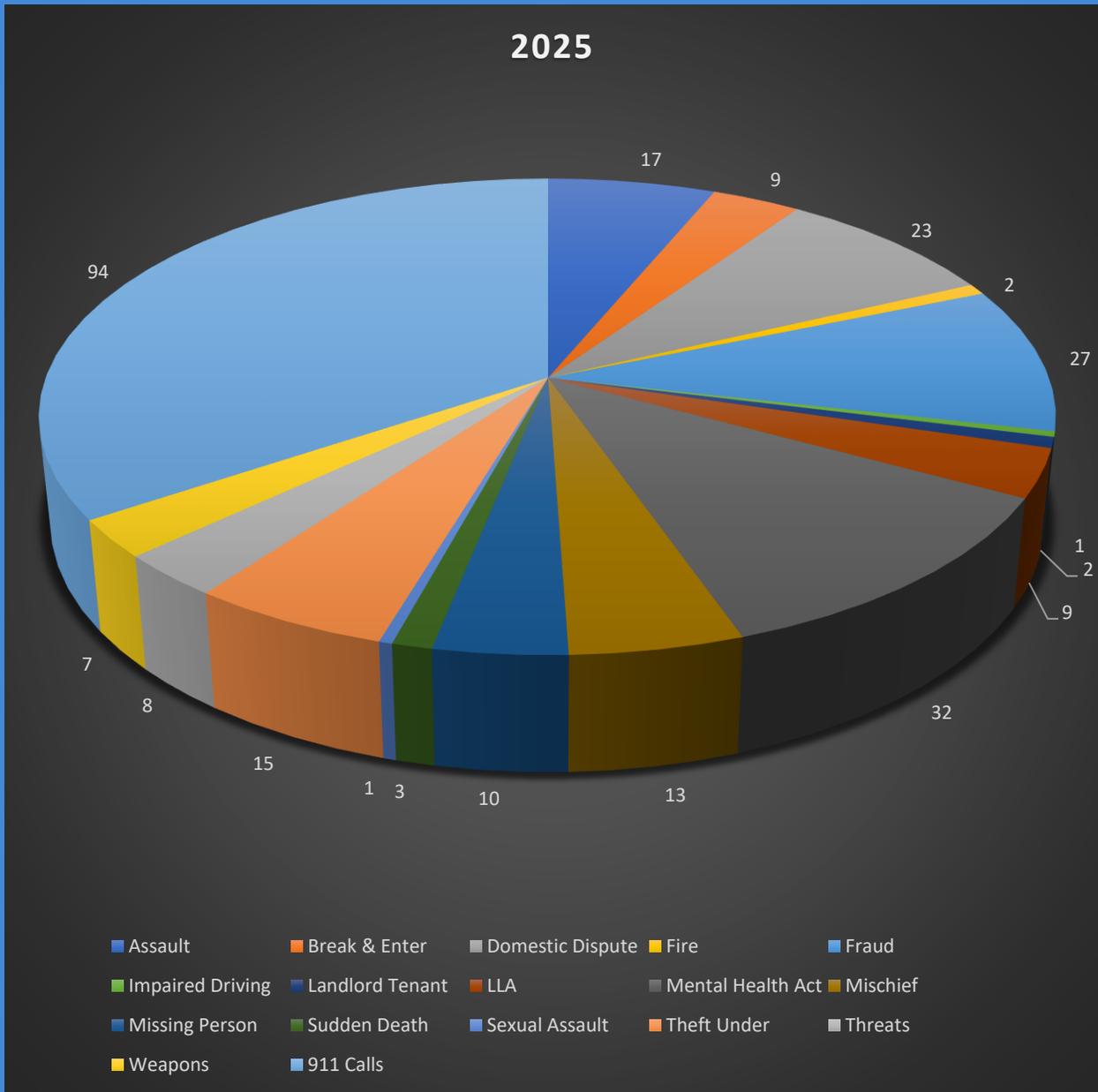
CALLS FOR SERVICE	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
OCCURRENCES DISPATCHED (DE)	944	964	1,042	1,360	1,352
OFFICER GENERATED (RM)	3,081	3,701	3,525	2,436	2,537
TOTAL	4,025	4,665	4,573	3,796	3,889

CALL TYPE	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Assault	10	14	27	22	17
Break & Enter	4	4	9	5	9
Intimate Partner Violence	12	18	25	14	23
Fire	4	7	5	2	2
Fraud	21	12	23	13	27
Impaired Driving	4	5	2	4	1
Landlord Tenant	7	10	8	2	2
LLA	13	24	11	3	9
Mental Health Act	34	28	36	36	32
Mischief	14	17	19	24	13
Missing Person	9	5	7	5	10
Sudden Death	0	6	2	8	3
Sexual Assault	10	4	9	4	1
Theft Under	13	15	17	14	15
Threats	7	5	11	7	8
Weapons	1	0	3	4	7
911 Calls	73	62	95	112	94



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CRIME REPORT – VIOLENT CRIME

Year	Violent Crime Events	Clearance Rate
2021	29	79.3%
2022	24	87.5%
2023	48	97.9%
2024	34	91.2%
2025	28	89.3%

Incidents involving violent crime:

OFFENCE	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Homicide	0	1	0	0	0
Other Offences Causing Death	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Offences	10	4	9	4	1
Assaults	10	14	27	22	17
Firearm Related Offences	1	0	1	0	3
Robbery	1	0	0	1	0
Other Offences Involving/Threat of Violence	7	5	11	7	7
Total:	29	24	48	34	28

Note:

Assault statistics include assault, assault with a weapon or cause bodily harm, aggravated assault, assault Peace Officer, and other assaults/administer noxious thing Sexual Assault statistics include sexual assault, sexual assault with a weapon, aggravated sexual assault, sexual interference, invitation to sexual touching, sexual exploitation, sexually explicit material to child with intent.



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CRIME REPORT – PROPERTY CRIME

Year	Property Crime Events	Clearance Rate
2021	52	21.1%
2022	51	49.0%
2023	68	19.1%
2024	66	34.8%
2025	60	26.7%

Incidents involving property crime:

Offence	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Arson	0	0	0	0	0
Break and Enter	4	4	9	8	7
Theft over/under \$5000	13	16	17	15	13
Possession of Stolen Goods	1	2	0	0	0
Fraud over/under \$5000	21	12	23	16	27
Mischief	14	17	19	27	13
Total:	52	51	68	66	60



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ASSISTANCE TO VICTIMS

A priority of the Deep River Police Service is to ensure support for those who've been victimized as a result of a crime or tragic event. A vital means of providing support is through a referral system to address their needs and reduce the potential of re-victimization.

As a result of Police interaction, individuals and families are directed with appropriate community-based referrals through collaboration with Victim Services of Renfrew County, Victim/Witness Assistance Program, the Mental Health Crisis Team and Family and Children Services.

Through education and awareness, the DRPS provides victims with information pertaining to safety planning to effectively reduce the risk of being re-victimized.

DRPS provides the community with tips on Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) by providing strategies to reduce the risk of residents falling victim to criminal behavior. Suggestions include unobstructed views around their home or businesses, better lighting, and removing any articles that could benefit the perpetrator in committing a crime.

The DRPS is an active member of the Domestic Violence Community Coordinating Committee as well as the Renfrew County Domestic Violence Advisory Committee.



Victim Services of Renfrew County
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ASSISTANCE TO VICTIMS



Family and Children Services
<https://www.fcsrenfrew.on.ca>
Phone: 613-735-6866



24/7 Mental Health Crisis Line
www.pemreghos.org
Phone: 866-996-0991

Ontario The Victim/Witness Assistance Program

297 Pembroke Street East, Suite 0611
613-732-2035
1-866-439-5734



Women's Sexual Assault Centre
of Renfrew County
Office: 613-735-5551, 24/7 Crisis
Line: 1-800-663-3060
www.wsac.ca

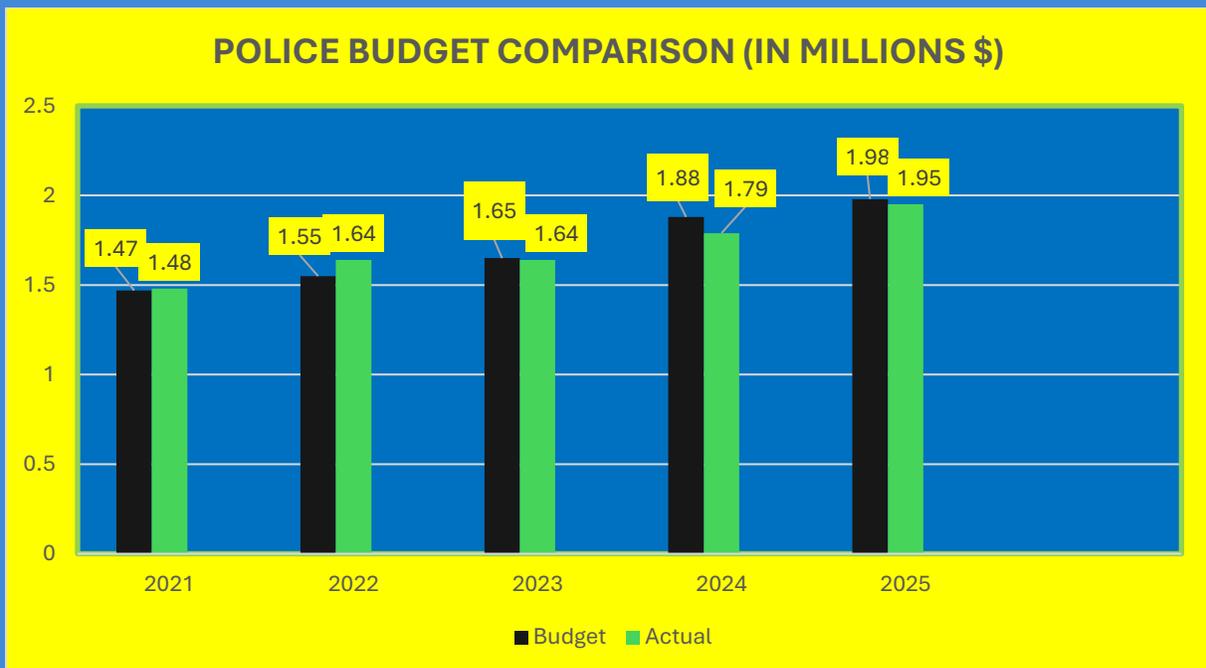




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COST OF POLICING

Our organization is a cost-effective service, directly accountable at a local level. As a partner in the town's financial strategy, we participate in the town's budgeting process and are aware of the need to be fiscally responsible to the residents of Deep River. See below graph for budget comparison. Revenue for the service is acquired through grants and miscellaneous revenues such as criminal record checks. Revenues in 2024 included a grant of \$28 104 for community policing through the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, a grant of \$7 078 to enhance regular Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere (R.I.D.E) programs, and approximately \$124 985 in revenue from the criminal record checks. This amount can vary significantly depending on demand. The Deep River Police continue to provide free criminal record checks for volunteers in Deep River. The established operating budget for 2025 was \$1 982 921. The year end result showed an actual expenditure of \$1 953 917. A difference of - \$29 004 or less than 2% under budget. Our budgeting for 2025 remained realistic, accountable, and provided the means for adequate staffing and resources.

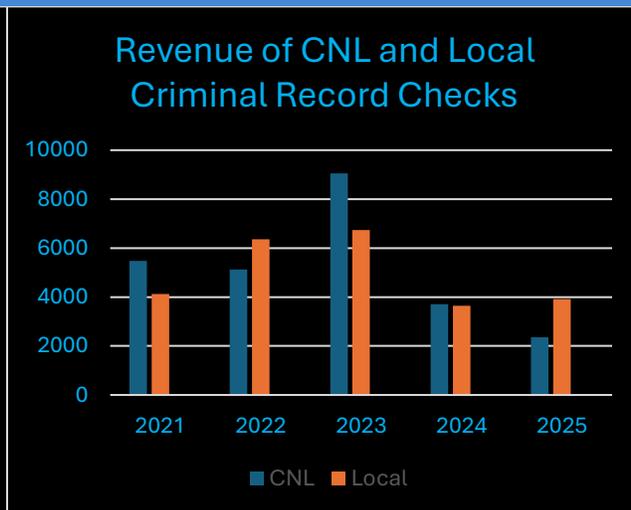
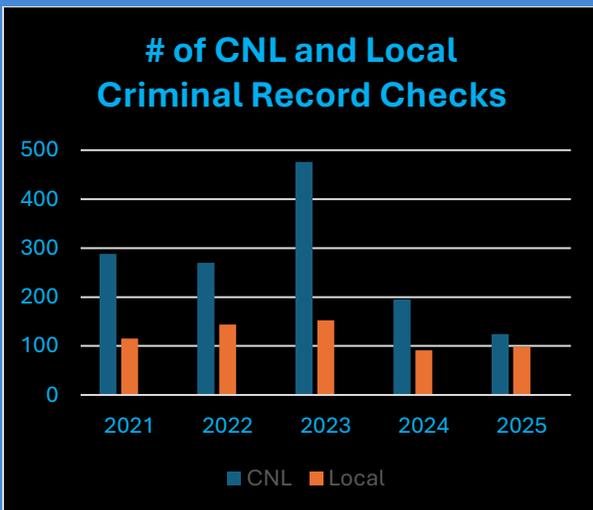
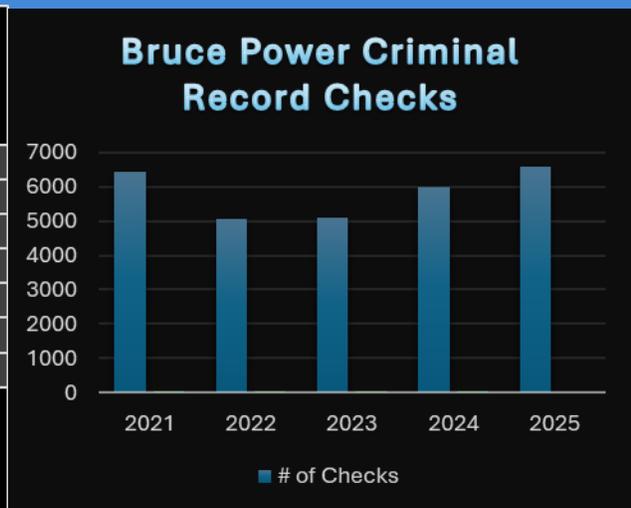
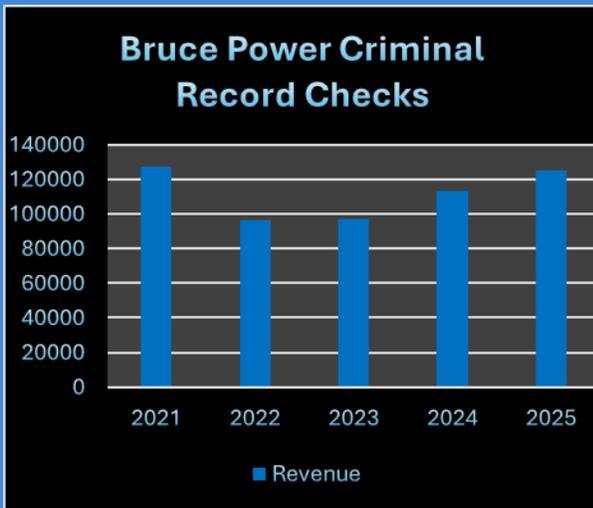




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CRIMINAL RECORD CHECKS

A revenue generating service that the DRPS provides is through criminal record checks. Below is the 5-year comparison for Bruce Power Corp., Canadian National Laboratories and Local employment checks. In 2025 we also conducted 218 record checks for members of our Town that required them for voluntary positions. There is no fee charged for volunteering in our community.





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TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

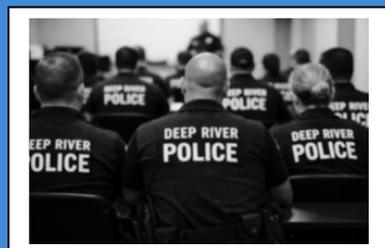
In 2025, members of the Deep River Police Service participated in a comprehensive range of training programs to maintain professional standards, enhance operational effectiveness, and ensure public safety. Officers successfully completed the following courses:

- Radar Enforcement (February)
- First Aid and CPR (February)
- Incident Management System (IMS) 100 (February)
- Speed Enforcement Instructor (March)
- Incident Command 100 (March)
- UA Niche Training (April)
- Front Line Supervisor Training (April)
- Violent Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA) Level 1 (April)
- Coaching Police Professionals (April)
- Facilitating and Assessing Police Learning (May and November)
- Violent Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA) Level 2 (September)
- Incident Command 200 (September)
- Hate Crimes (October)

In addition to the above, officers completed mandatory and supplementary in-service training, including:

- Legislative reforms to strengthen Canada's bail system and enhance community safety
- Collection of Identifying Information in Certain Circumstances: Prohibition and Duties (OPCVA – online)
- Standard Field Sobriety Testing Refresher (OPCVA – online)
- Street Drug Identification #194 (Ontario Police Video Training Alliance)
- Crime Doesn't Fly #195 (Ontario Police Video Training Alliance)
- UA Niche Application Training
- Immediate Rapid Deployment and Drones 101 (Ontario Police Video Training Alliance)
- Town of Deep River By-Laws (By-Laws 34-2025, 33-2021, and 6-94)
- Deep River District Hospital Police Policy Review
- WHMIS Online Certification
- Radar Qualification
- Impaired Driving Practical Training
- Annual Use of Force, Conducted Energy Weapon (CEW), and Firearms Qualification

These training initiatives support the Service's commitment to ongoing professional development, legislative compliance, and the delivery of effective, community-focused policing.

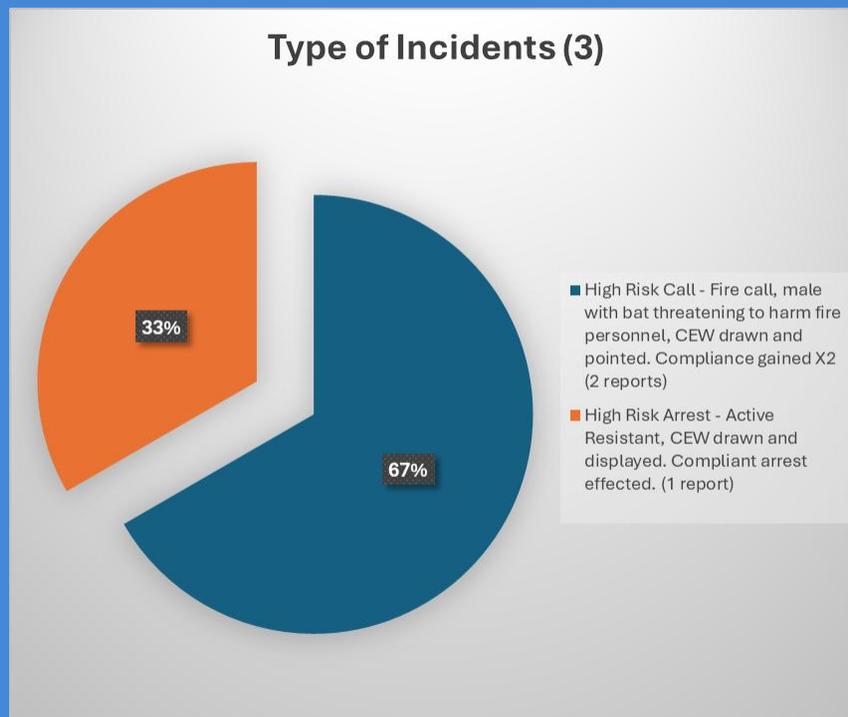




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USE OF FORCE

There were 3 Use of Force reports generated in 2025.



FOI AND Public Complaints

There were 12 Freedom of Information requests processed in 2025.

There were no public complaints received in 2025.

CIICC

In January 2017, Ontario Regulation 58/16 came into effect. Formerly referred to as “Street Checks”, this Regulation is the Collection of Identifying Information in Certain Circumstances (CIICC). The Deep River Police Service did not conduct any CIICC occurrences in 2025.



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PHOTOS



Recruit Joey Wood at OPC with Solicitor General Kerzner



Chief and Madame Chief at the Gala



Deep River Situation Table meeting



Cram the Cruiser Food Drive



Our Crossing Guards

