

# Assiniboia RCMP Detachment

**Quarterly Newsletter** October - December 2024

# **Merry Christmas and Happy New** Year from the Assiniboia Detachment!

From everyone here at the Assiniboia Detachment, we wish each of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! We hope 2024 was a great year and that 2025 brings nothing but the best!



# **Detachment Updates**

This was another busy year for us. From January 1st through the writing of this Newsletter, our Detachment received 1305 calls for service. That works out to almost 4 calls a day. Of course, some days went with no calls for service, while other days we answered up to six or seven calls. Our Detachment continued to work in tandem with the Coronach Detachment and provided back-up to Gravelbourg when needed.

In July, Sgt. Jason DYMENT arrived. He brings with him a wealth of knowledge with his almost 14 years of service. Saskatchewan is his third Province, with prior postings in Manitoba and Alberta. He has been enjoying his first few months and has settled in nicely.

# CRIMINAL RECORD CHECKS

Criminal Record checks are one of the most requested documents from our front counter. Record checks are done Monday to Friday between 9:00 am and 3:30 pm by appointment only.

If you require a Criminal Record check:

- Call the Detachment to make an appointment. Our number is 306-642-7110 opt 3. Walks in may be accepted if time allows
- Bring with you two pieces of valid Government issued ID. We suggest a driver's licence and a health card
- If you require a Vulnerable Sector check, you must have a letter from the requesting organization stating your name, position and reasoning for the check
- Your physical attendance is required at the Detachment to complete the associated paper work and to verify your ID.

Upon completion of the check, we will provide you with the results.

## What's the Vulnerable Sector?

When a Vulnerable Sector check has been requested, we are doing an additional check of the Pardoned Sex Offenders Database. If you are going to be in the position of authority over a vulnerable population (ie: children, seniors, people living with disabilities) a Vulnerable Sector based check is required. Common occupations or volunteer organizations that require this check are Nurses, Care Aids, Teachers, Coaches of sports teams etc.

## When/Why do I need to provide fingerprints?

There are two occurrences when you may be required to provide fingerprints:

- 1. If you have a Criminal Record but aren't sure of the particulars
- 2. You were flagged while completing the Vulnerable Sector check.

## Why was I flagged?

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We understand that it can unsettling to hear you've been flagged when we're checking the Pardoned Sex Offender record database, however, we assure you this is very common! It does not mean you are in the database, this is just an extra step to ensure the safety of our most vulnerable populations. Generally, men over the age of 40 are more likely to be flagged. It could be that someone in the database has similar initials to you, a similar date of birth or a combination. By completing the fingerprint comparison process, we are able to ensure you have not changed your name or identity in order to conceal a past sexual conviction. Your fingerprints are not kept on file and are purged off the system completely after 7 days. If you are flagged for it once, you will be required to repeat the fingerprinting process every time the Vulnerable Sector check is required.

The fingerprinting process only takes an additional 10-15 minutes to complete, but a separate appointment (depending on Member availability) may be required.

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## Is there a fee for a Criminal Record Check?

Depending on the situation, there may be a fee. For basic Criminal Record Checks, including the Vulnerable Sector, there is no fee associated. If, however, you require fingerprints for employment purposes, there is a \$50 fee. If you require fingerprints for a volunteer position, there is no fee. The fee can only be paid via Certified Cheque or Money Order. Cash, debit or credit card options are not available at the Detachment. The exact details will be provided to you when you book your appointment.

# How long are Record Checks good for?

Record Checks are considered "point in time". That means while you may not have a Criminal Record right now, we can't guarantee you won't leave and go rob the bank (please don't do that!). How long each organization keeps your record on file, is up to them.

#### **Criminal Record Fun Fact**

From January 1<sup>st</sup> to November 30<sup>th</sup>, Ashley and Christine completed 410 Criminal Record checks!

# REPORTABLE VS NON-REPORTABLE COLLISIONS

With Winter upon us, fender benders and deer collisions are a common occurrence. Here's the difference between reportable and non-reportable collisions and when Police are required:

# Reportable:

- Hit and run type situations
- If there are injuries of any type
- The vehicle is not driveable and requires to be towed from the scene
- The vehicle is registered outside of Saskatchewan
- Drugs or alcohol are a factor

You will be required to attend the Detachment to complete a Vehicle Collision Statement and a file number will be provided to you to give to SGI

## Non-Reportable:

- Both parties are present and able to provide their information
- The vehicle is driveable
- No one in the vehicle was injured

You are not required to report these instances to the RCMP.

If you've been in an accident and aren't sure if you are supposed to report it, feel free to call the Detachment during office hours, or 310-RCMP and we'll be happy to assist.

# 'TIS THE SEASON TO DRIVE SOBER

December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 was National Impaired Driving Enforcement Day. Combined Traffic Services Saskatchewan and Regular members patrolled throughout the province and determined 36 drivers had recently consumed alcohol or drugs prior to driving. Of these, 12 were charged under the Criminal Code and 24 received roadside suspensions.

If you – your guests – or your loved ones – are consuming products that result in impairment, such as alcohol or cannabis, find a designated driver. Don't take a chance, if you question whether you're too impaired to drive, you likely are.

# **CRIME STOPPERS**

Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers is a community program that successfully combines the efforts of the Public, the Media and the Police to solve crime in our communities. While you may only see videos of crimes happening in Regina and Saskatoon on your nightly news, the program is Province wide and can receive tips from any community.

The promise of anonymity is one of the major advantages to using the program. We understand that the disclosure of your identity may make individuals uncomfortable and stop people from reporting. By utilizing Crime Stoppers, you can be sure that every possible thing will be done to protect your identity. Since its inception in 1987, Crime Stoppers has become one of the most effective and successful examples of community-based policing.

## To submit a tip:

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- Online www.saskcrimestoppers.com
- ➤ Call 1-800-222-8477
- App Download P3 Global Intel Tip Management Software on your mobile device. The app is available in both the Apple AppStore and Google Play for Androids

Cash rewards of up to \$2,000 may be paid out to you, if your tip results in information leading to the arrest and solving of a crime. Calls are not traced or recorded and callers do not have to identify themselves. The tips you provide may assist your local Detachment in reducing criminal activity.