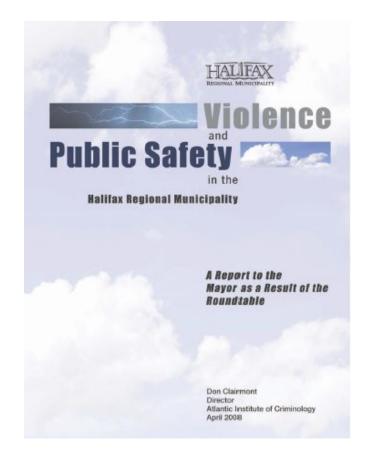
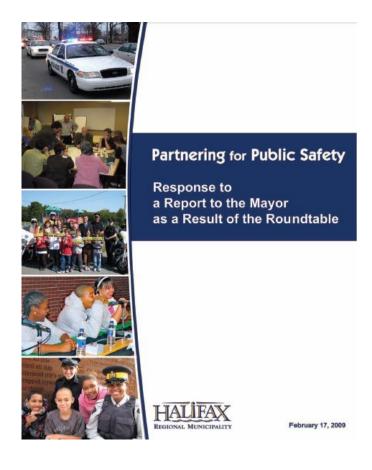
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## **Origins**







### 2009-2012





### **Committee / Board Updates**





Supt. Don Spicer, HRM's Public Safety Officer

#### Message From HRM's Public Safety Officer

This monthly communication vehicle provides an overview of the activities un support of HRM's Public Safety Strategy.

Each month, I am categorizing the activities according to the key themes out Staff Report which was created in response to Dr. Don Clairmont's Report to Violence and Public Safety in HRM. Below is a breakdown and explanation of themes, complete with activities for the month of May 2011.

#### **Partnerships**

Align with all levels of government, social agencies and community partners to realize efficiencies and improve public safety programs and services in HRM.

Following last fall's success, a second Halifax

Common. This multicultural gathering is an opp long-term residents and newcomers to share a fun activities and connect on a personal level. 1 is a joint effort of a group of committed commun. supported by HRM staff members. Visit www.hi newcomers/annualbbq.html or call Kasia Tota for more information.





Staff Sgt. Scott MacDonald HRM's Public Safety Officer

The start of a new year often brings with it moments to reflect on the past and plan for the future, and I have found myself engaging in this process. It is hard to believe that over a year has passed since assuming the role of Public Safety Officer (PSO) for HRM!

As PSO I've found myself meeting regularly with various ministers and elected members in all three levels of government to discuss and coordinate a wide variety of crime prevention and public safety initiatives, including potential additions and changes to legislation. I've also had the occasion to make presentations in a wide range of forums, from a cyberbullying symposium to a spiritual diversity conference. And I've helped to carry on with already established items such as the "Don't Be That Guy Campaign" for Sexual Assault Awareness month, lending a union to traffic related incurs, and maintaining a pro-



S/Sgt. MacDonald (2nd from right) participates in the Atlantic Region Project Red Ribbon launch on December 9, 2013.

undertaken, and detailed police school emergency plans for all public schools in HRM were completed.



### 2012-2015





WHEN SHE'S WASTED

sex with someone unable to consent = sexual assault



**Prescription Drug Drop-off Day** 

Saturday, May 9, 2015, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Halifax Shopping Centre, lower level near Sears

Hosted by the Public Safety Office

Bring us your expired and unused prescription medications and we'll dispose of them safely. If you can't make it to our Drug Drop-off Day, throughout the year you can dispose of unwanted medications at your local pharmarcy at no cost.

While you're there, check out the Halifax Regional Police and Halifax District RCMP Police Showcase which highlights the many services we provided and gives you an inside look at the fascinating world of police work.

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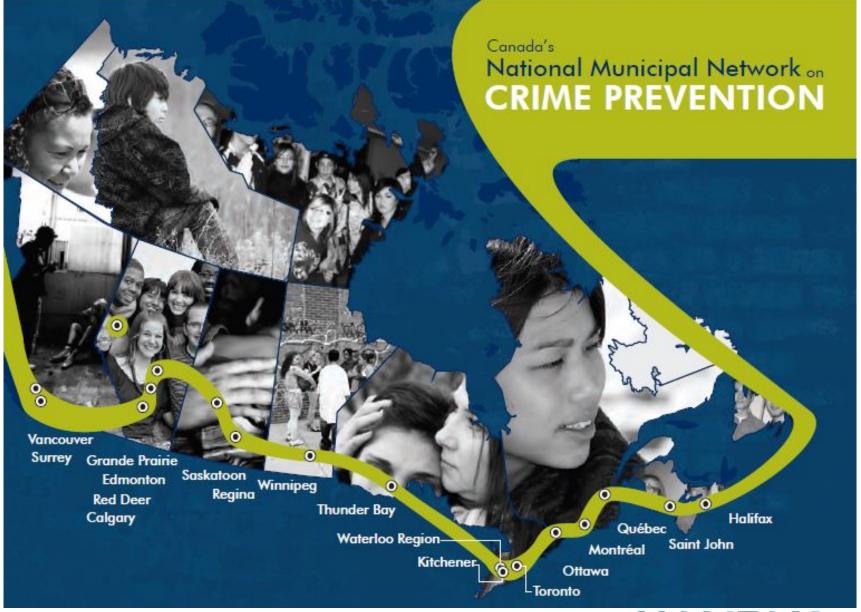






Youth Advocate Program







### **HRM's Continuing Commitment**

- 2002 HRM Community Response Team Formed
  - Environmental Design, Graffiti and Community Engagement
- 2006 Roundtable on Violence Initiated
- 2008 HRM Youth Advocate Program Pilot Launched
- 2009 HRM Public Safety Office Created
- 2013 Roundtable Review Initiated & YAP Brought into Operating Budget
- 2014 Review Received, PSO Relocation to CAO Office



### **Looking Ahead**

- Prevention Remains Preferable to Response
- Orientation and Support to New Officer
- Preparation of HRM Response to Roundtable Review





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