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Our File – Notre référence May 2025

Peace River Regional District. Mr DAHLEN.

Policing Report for May 2025.

The following information is provided as an update on crime statistics, police activity, and new developments within the detachment operations and administration up to and including the periods noted for calendar year to date.

DETACHMENT RESOURCE REPORTING

The Detachment is full compliment of regular RCMP Members is 31. For the Month of May, the detachment operated with the following staffing vacancies:

- -1 member was light duties, working 40 hours per week, but not operational.
- -0 members were off duty sick or injured.
- -All 3 GIS Constable positions are now full to support frontline.
- -2 members are scheduled to transfer out of Dawson Creek in June and July 2025.
- -3 frontline Constable positions were vacant.
- -1 new member is scheduled to graduate Saskatchewan Training Division the second week of June 2025.

CRIME TREND REPORTING

Over the period from January 1st to the end of May 2025, there were a total of 3402 calls for service. This is up from 3308 calls for service when compared to the same time period in 2024, or a increase of 3%. Of those 3402 files, 2763 of the calls for service were within the City of Dawson Creek and 638 calls for service were within the rural surrounding area, including the Village of Pouce Coupe, compared to 2626 and 682 for the same period last year.

The following trends have been outlined for the (Year to Date) period of January 1, 2025 to May 31st, 2025 pertaining to calls for service combined with pro-active investigations, enforcement, and education measures:

- Theft of vehicle
 - Year to date 2024 = 55
 - Year to date 2025 = 38 (11 in May)
 - Decrease of 31%
- Theft from vehicle
 - Year to date 2024 = 13
 - Year to date 2025 = 28
 - o Increase of 115%
- Break and Enter to Residence
 - Year to date 2024 = 26
 - Year to date 2025 = 15
 - o Decrease of 42%
- Break and Enter to Business
 - Year to date 2024 = 25
 - \circ Year to date 2025 = 6
 - Decrease of 76%
- Assault/Assault with Weapon/Aggravated Assault
 - Year to date 2024 = 78
 - Year to date 2025 = 91
 - o Increase of 17%
- Sexual Assault/Sexual Interference
 - Year to date 2024 = 19
 - Year to date 2025 = 21
 - o Increase of 10.5%
- Drug Possession/Drug Trafficking
 - Year to date 2024 = 4
 - Year to date 2025 = 13
 - o Increase of 225%
- Impaired Driving (alcohol and drug), 24hr Suspensions, Immediate Roadside Prohibition
 - Year to date 2024 = 32
 - Year to date 2025 = 59
 - Increase of 84%
- Motor Vehicle Collision
 - Year to date 2024 = 130
 - Year to date 2025 = 122
 - Decrease of 6%
- Theft (including shoplifting)
 - Year to date 2024 = 138
 - Year to date 2025 = 159
 - o Increase of 15%
- Mental Health
 - Year to date 2024 = 236
 - Year to date 2025 = 320
 - o Increase of 36%
- Unspecified Assistance files

- Year to date 2024 = 430
- Year to date 2025 = 393
- Decrease of 9%

Property crime and Mental health related issues remain the majority of calls for service. Unspecified Assistance files continue to take most of the day to day resources. These are the calls for service that are not related to any "offence" such as suspicious occurrence or suspicious activity reports.

Files involving members of our unhoused community.

There will be no year to date measures for dates prior to December 2024 as this is a new measure.

- Files recorded in January 2025 = 22
- Files recorded in February 2025 = 7
- Files recorded in March 2025 = 10
- Files recorded in April 2025 = 28
- Files recorded in May 2025 = 22

Dawson Creek Citizens on Patrol

Citizens on patrol have been busy putting in hours and covering many kilometers while reporting suspicious activity to the RCMP. The program is vital in assisting the RCMP with extra eyes and ears in the community. S/Sgt HUGHES continues to attend Rural Crime Watch and C.O.P.S. meetings. Cpl UITENBOSCH has also taken a leadership role in this regard and is attending meetings when S/Sgt HUGHES is not able to attend. Recruiting measures are continuing in attempt to drawn new members to the group to increase patrols and available personnel for special events. The community benefits from these efforts and is clearly reflected in the reduction of property crime events in Dawson Creek.

Violence Suppression Efforts

Dawson Creek continues to receive support from North District Major Crimes, Regional General Investigation Section, and neighbouring detachments as the need arises.

Dawson Creek local members have been engaged in an extra patrol initiative to target our repeat offenders, conduct curfew compliance checks and enforcement at known-to-police residences in our City.

Surge capacity from support units from across the Province continue to be available to respond to emergent community need.

Sincerely, S/Sgt Rob HUGHES NCO i/c Detachment Commander Dawson Creek RCMP