

Saugeen Shores Police Service 2023 Annual Report

*“TO SERVE AND PROTECT
IN PARTNERSHIP
WITH OUR COMMUNITY”*

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Mission, Vision, Values

Vision:

“To make Saugeen Shores the safest community in which to live, work and play”

Mission:

“To Serve and Protect in Partnership with the Community”

Values and Ethics

In pursuit of our vision and mission we strive to:

- *Provide high quality service in a fiscally responsible manner*
- *Recognize and communicate the value and contributions of each of our Police Service members, partners and volunteers*
- *Grow a culture commitment to continuous learning, training and development*
- *Respect and represent the significance of community policing within Saugeen Shores*
- *Promote a positive police awareness and image in everything we do and every interaction we have*
- *Ensure fair equitable service and respect for all diverse communities within Saugeen Shores*
- *Maximize individual member, collective platoon and overall Police Service skills and performance*
- *Open, transparent and proactive communication and engagement that encourages teamwork and public respect*
- *Be sensitive to the needs of victims of crime and other personal circumstances impacting the public’s relationship with our Service and our members*
- *Work with the public to resolve complaints and be responsive to community input.*

Police Service Board

**Police Service Boards are legislated under Part III of the Police Services Act (sec 27)
As per Section 31(1) of the Act, a board is responsible for the provision of adequate
and effective police services in the municipality and shall,**

- (a) appoint the members of the municipal police force;
- (b) generally determine, after consultation with the chief of police, objectives and priorities with respect to police services in the municipality;
- (c) establish policies for the effective management of the police force;
- (d) recruit and appoint the chief of police and any deputy chief of police, and annually determine their remuneration and working conditions, taking their submissions into account;
- (e) direct the chief of police and monitor his or her performance;
- (f) establish policies respecting the disclosure by chiefs of police of personal information about individuals;
- (g) receive regular reports from the chief of police on disclosures and decisions made under section 49 (secondary activities);
- (h) establish guidelines with respect to the indemnification of members of the police force for legal costs under section 50;
- (i) establish guidelines for dealing with complaints under Part V, subject to subsection (1.1);
- (j) review the chief of police's administration of the complaints system under Part V and receive regular reports from the chief of police on his or her administration of the complaints system.
- (k)

The Police Services Act was replaced by the Community Safety and Policing Act on April 1, 2024. The Saugeen Shores Police Service Board will ensure that policies are updated and other legislative requirements are implemented as the Board continues to ensure that adequate and effective policing is provided within Saugeen Shores.

Message from the Board Chair



2023 was a very busy, and successful, year for our Police Service. 2023 is also the first time I have served as a Council appointee to our Police Service Board. I have learned an awful lot about how things really work and am so proud of all the sworn and civilian members of our Service who contribute, on a daily basis, to the safety and security of people and property within Saugeen Shores. This Annual Report, prepared by Police Chief, Kevin Zettel, provides highlights and statistical data recognizing both the work, and the variety of that work, within our Service and actions realizing objectives within the Police Service's 2023-2026 Strategic Plan.

As the Board Chair since January 2024, I would like to thank each and every member for their commitment and dedication in providing the absolute best policing here as our community reacts to change due to the growth in population and economic activity that we are experiencing. Growth is expected to continue here at a pace much higher than any of the surrounding communities. I believe our Service is very well positioned to respond appropriately due to leadership provided by the Police Chief, the Inspector and our Sergeants as well as individual sworn and civilian member effort within the Service. Additionally, the dedicated attention paid by the five Council and Provincially appointed members of the Police Service Board regularly provide the governance necessary for a Service of our size and scope.

Moving ahead the Police Service will have opportunities and challenges as the Board and the Service work through the new provincial legislation governing policing in Ontario. The Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019, received royal assent and came into force on April 1, 2024. New requirements associated with training, procedures, oversight, reporting and equipment mean that budgetary and other considerations will be necessary. The Board will also be looking at policing from a very local perspective as we continue to support the health and well-being of the members

of our Police Service from an employment perspective and ensure, as well, that our Service is responsibly and effectively managed to reflect the needs of a growing and changing community.

I am very proud of every aspect of policing here and especially appreciate the interactions I've had with members of our Service in formal settings during my time on the Board or simply when I run into them somewhere in the community (whether they're on duty or not). I want to also recognize the work of Constable Gordon and Sergeant Evans who prepare news releases and other timely information to post on various social media platforms providing valuable access for members of the public to know more about and support the work of our Police Officers. It is also important to say that Chief Zettel in tandem with Inspector Mighton work tirelessly to protect our community, visitors to Saugeen Shores and members of our Police Service. Thank you, Kevin and Jeremy!

Diane Huber



(L-R) Secretary Tracey Guy, John Divinski, Vice-Chair John Woodley, Chair Diane Huber, Pat O'Connor, Greg Thede

Message from the Chief of Police



Thank you for taking the opportunity to review the 2023 Saugeen Shores Police Service Annual Report. The Annual Report provides an overview of the policing services we deliver, the challenges we have faced, and the excellent work and perseverance of our members and policing partners.

2023 was a year of growth and change, as we recognized the busiest year in Saugeen Shores Police Service history. The efforts of our members, and support of our Police Service Board, community, and volunteers has allowed us to rise to the challenges as we strive to make Saugeen Shores the safest

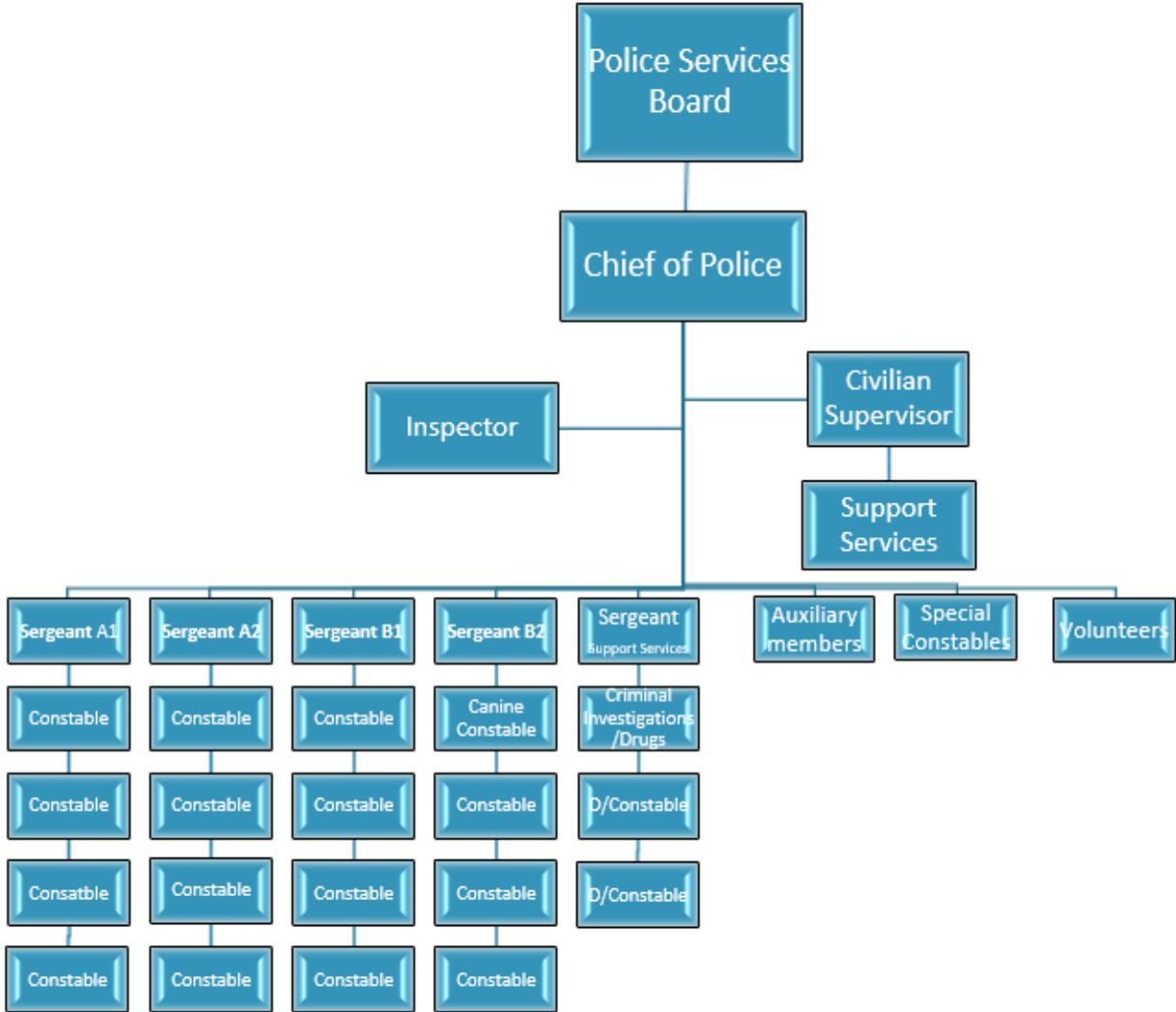
community in which to live, work and play. We will continue to engage and work in partnership with our community, in a manner that encourages teamwork and promotes mutual respect.

I am proud to be trusted with the responsibility of leading such a great organization, and truly value and recognize the value and contributions of all our members, partners, and volunteers.

I sincerely thank everyone for their support, and look forward to fostering our strong relationships in 2024.

Kevin Zettel
Chief of Police

Organizational Chart



Police Service Profile

The Saugeen Shores Police Service has an authorized strength of 26 uniform members. Since 2022, this has increased by one officer and there is potential for the Service to continue to grow in terms of size and complexity as we keep pace with the rapid population growth in Saugeen Shores and the changing safety and security needs within our community.

In 2023 our Police Service complement was comprised of:

- **Chief of Police**
- **Inspector**
- **5 Sergeants**
- **2 Detective Constables**
- **16 Constables**
- **1 full time Special Constable**
- **2 Full time Support Services**
- **2 Part time Support Service**

History

In 1995 the Southampton and Port Elgin Police Services amalgamated to form the first amalgamated municipal police service of its kind in Ontario. In 1997 the Southampton-Port Elgin Police Service began policing Saugeen Township under contract. Following the provincially mandated municipal amalgamation of Port Elgin, Southampton and Saugeen Township in 1999 the service became the Saugeen Shores Police Service.

Present and Future Jurisdiction

Saugeen Shores is on the Lake Huron coastline in Bruce County and is a dynamic municipality that includes urban and rural residential areas, two distinct downtown core areas, commercial development, retail and recreational establishments, an extensive trail and cycling network, industrial lands, 18 km of Great Lakes shoreline, a provincial park and a mix of historic agricultural activity. Ontario Provincial Highway

#21 runs through Saugeen Shores. This area is bordered in the south by the Bruce/Saugeen Townline and in the northeast by the geographic limit of Southampton. The boundary to the west is Lake Huron and to the east it is Bruce County Road #3 southerly to village of Paisley.

This region has experienced residential and other growth for over five decades due to site expansion and the rise in electricity generating capacity of Bruce Power (formerly the Bruce Nuclear Power Development) and the increasing opportunities for growth within a region being touted as Ontario’s Clean Energy frontier. Saugeen Shores is an attractive home location for permanent and contract Bruce Power employees as well as nuclear supporting services and businesses.

The Lake Huron shoreline has been, and continues to be, a very desirable tourist and seasonal residential destination which has led to Saugeen Shores having a vibrant generational summer cottage community, increasing numbers of second residential home situations, long established trailer camps and an enhanced volume of hotel, motel and short-term rental accommodation options.



Saugeen Shores Population
16,692

Municipality geographic area
170.58 square kilometres

Total distance of patrol roads
432 km
(provincial, county and municipal roads)

Communications Centre Activity

The Saugeen Shores Police Service receives its dispatching and NG911 services through a contract with the Owen Sound Police Service who provide dispatch services for our community via dedicated communication professionals. Their response is often the first voice heard by someone when they contact the Saugeen Shores Police Service and we are proud to have these highly trained members as part of our team. They quickly route calls to the appropriate action both in emergency and non-emergency situations.

Our radio transmissions have digitally encrypted technology that ensures our confidential transmissions cannot be overheard by anyone with a scanner. Government regulations, Police Officer safety and the need for very high quality and reliable communications that assure the absolute confidentiality of information are all reasons to be dispatched with digital encryption.

Criminal Investigations / Drug Unit:

Our Criminal Investigations Unit is responsible for investigating sexual assaults, drug offences, human trafficking, missing persons and all major cases within our jurisdiction. Sergeant Ken Cook oversees this unit and, in 2023, Detective Constable Laurel Hopkins and Detective Constable Brain Lowerison were also assigned to the unit on a full-time basis. In addition to being a primary investigative unit, these members provide leadership and support services to our uniform members to aid in their investigations as needed.

The Criminal Investigations / Drug Unit also oversees:

- Sex Offender Registry
- ViCLAS (Violent Crime Linkage Analysis System)
- Major Case Management
- PowerCase
- Informant profiles
- Warrant applications

Administrative Support Services

Our Support Service members are integral to the Saugeen Shores Police Service through their frontline support to the work of uniformed officers and to the public's engagement with the service. These members provide Police Station reception and facilitate public requests for documents such as criminal records checks for employment purposes or volunteering within a school. They also are responsible for record keeping, uniform crime reporting, court brief preparation and compilation, digital evidence management, processing of charges and filing/archiving of legal and other police service documents. As we continue to grow and increase our uniform member complement, we must ensure that we also proportionately grow our support services to keep pace with the increased demands of community growth and technology opportunities within policing.

Professional Development and Continuing Education

The Saugeen Shores Police Service is committed to the continued education of our members to ensure that they are equipped with the knowledge and skills to respond to an increasingly dynamic variety of calls and demands for service. Additionally, the Service recognizes the value of training, both formal and on-the-job, to provide members with the potential for career development and advancement as new issues emerge and leadership/supervisory opportunities are available.

The results of continuing education and specialty training have enabled our members to achieve the following qualifications:

- Intoxilyzer Technician
- Scenes of Crime Officer
- Use of Force Trainer
- School Resource Officer
- KIDS Program Officer
- Drug Recognition Evaluator

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- Sexual Assault Investigator
 - Offences Against Children Investigator
 - Warrant writer
 - K9 Officer
 - Media Officer
 - Standard Field Sobriety Officer
 - Community Outreach specialty
 - DNA Officer
 - Mental Health Crisis Response Training Officer
 - Elder Abuse specialty
 - Fraud Officer
 - Human Trafficking Investigation specialty

Police Chaplain

The Saugeen Shores Police Service is very fortunate to have Pastor David Baker as an Honorary Inspector within our service. Pastor Dave is a great support and resource for our members and helps us, individually and collectively as a Service, through difficult and emotional times. He is also a welcome contribution of spiritual guidance and celebration during many ceremonies, celebrations and Police Service events. We thank Pastor Dave for his ongoing support and commitment to our service and to the Saugeen Shores community.

Auxiliary Constables

The Saugeen Shores Police Service is proud to have an Auxiliary Constable Program. Auxiliary Constables are volunteer members of our police service who dedicate their time to assist with community engagement, public events, and other policing activities under the supervision of a police officer. Our Auxiliary Constables enhance the community involvement and services provided by the Saugeen Shores Police Service.

Growing the Saugeen Shores Police Service - New Hires during 2023



In April 2023, Constable Derek King joined the Saugeen Shores Police Service as an experienced Constable. Cst. King previously served with the Hanover Police Service as a Constable, and with the Ontario Provincial Police as a Special Constable.



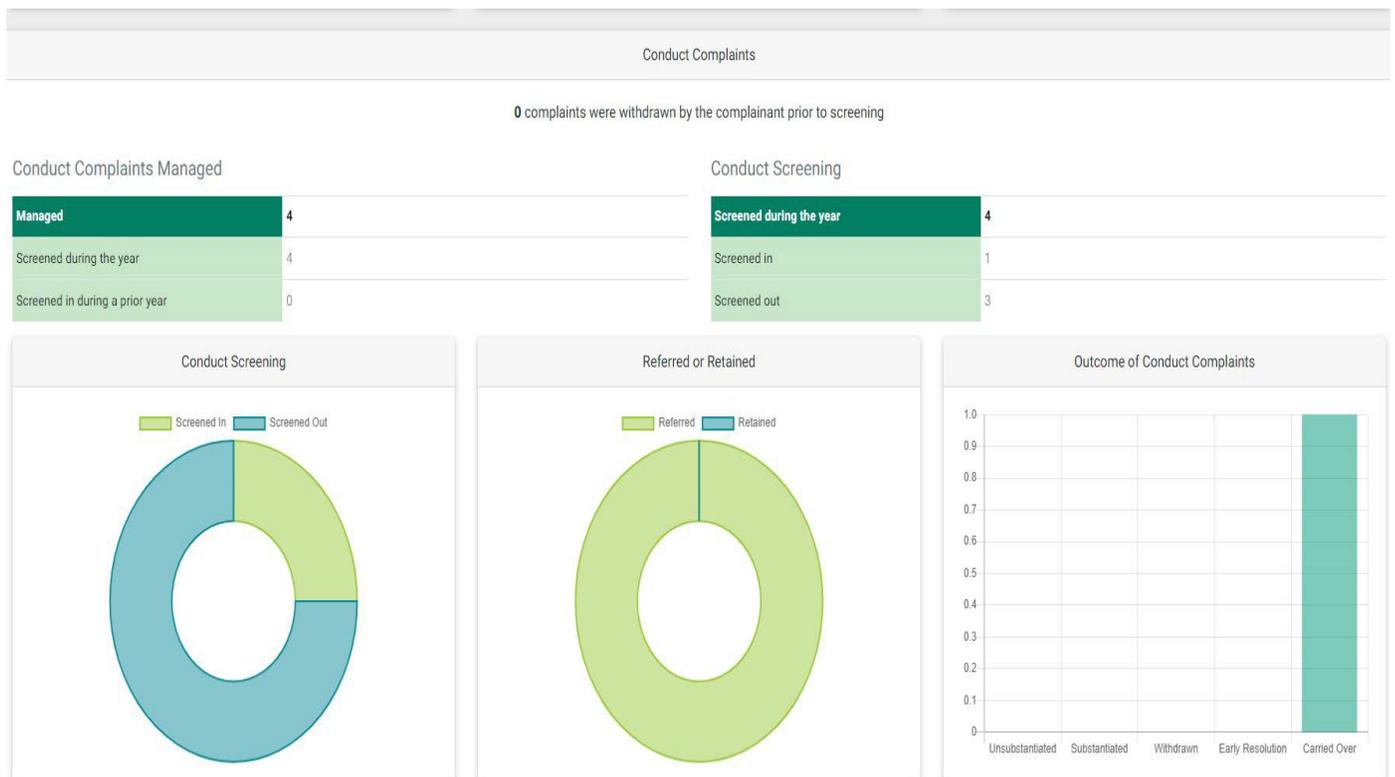
In August 2023, Abigail Sparks joined the Saugeen Shores Police Service Support Services. Abigail had previously worked with the Saugeen Shores Police Service through a College co-op experience and her talent led to an employment opportunity upon her graduation.

Public Complaints

The Saugeen Shores Police Service believes in promoting a positive police image by the example we set and in offering fair and equitable service with great respect for individual and community diversity within Saugeen Shores. Members of the Saugeen Shores Police Service are expected to act with honesty and integrity and not abuse the powers and authority granted to them.

“The Office of the Independent Police Review Director (OIPRD) is responsible for receiving, managing and overseeing all public complaints about municipal, regional and provincial police in Ontario. As an independent civilian oversight agency, we make sure that public complaints about police are dealt with in a manner that is transparent, effective and fair to both the public and the police” www.oiprd.on.ca/about-us

Anyone who has had an interaction with police in Ontario can make a complaint through the OIPRD regarding conduct, policy, or service. During 2023, four complaints were received and managed that applied to the Saugeen Shores Police Service. There were no carry-over complaints from previous years.



The Cost of Adequate and Effective Policing

The 2023 budget for policing services in Saugeen Shores:

	2023 Budget	2023 Actual
Revenue	\$ 738,908.00	\$ 579,864
Expenses	\$ 893,421	\$ 727,305
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 4,773,923	\$ 4,068,565
Total	\$ 4,928,256	\$ 4,216,006

Expense Allocations as percentage of 2023 Actual

	2023 Actual	% of Budget
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 4,068,566	84.8%
Dispatch, Contract Services, Legal, Utilities and Administration	\$ 727,305	15.2%
Total Expenses	\$4,795,870	100%

Three Strategic Areas of Focus

COMMUNITY

1. Ensure Community Patrol and visibility of Officers to the public to increase the awareness of Police Services and Community Safety.
2. Enhance communication to the public and stakeholders to increase understanding of the services and programs provided and actions taken by the Saugeen Shores Police Service.
3. Execute the Bruce County developed Community Safety and Well-Being Plan to reduce crime in the community.

How did we do?

- ✓ We have assigned members to Community Oriented Response and Engagement
- ✓ We have established a minimum standard of at least one Foot Patrol or Community engagement action in an Officers assigned zone per shift
- ✓ We have implemented a Bicycle Patrol Unit
- ✓ We continue to update our Website as needed. www.saugeenshorespolice.com
- ✓ We have shared the Community Safety and Wellbeing Plan with the public and our members
- ✓ We have increased the use of social media to keep the public informed
- ✓ We maintain a strong presence at the Situation Table for Acute Risk to address concerns

MEMBERS

1. Increase job satisfaction for Police Service members with a focus on members rights, career progression and mental health and well-being.
2. Promote continued communication between service members, service leadership and the Police Service Board with the intent to enhance member participation in identifying and implementing solutions to service and community needs.
3. Harness and leverage technology in the delivery of services, programs and daily tasks in order to maximize efficiencies and improve the effectiveness of service delivery.

How did we do?

- ✓ Additional opportunities provided for our members through Problem Oriented Policing (POP) initiatives
- ✓ We hosted presentations to highlight mental health and peer support resources that are available to our members and other emergency responders
- ✓ We strengthened the Service/Board relationship through an Employee spotlight segment during each Police Service Board meeting
- ✓ We continue to provide training enhancements for our members regarding VR-MHCRT Virtual Reality – Mental Health Crisis Response Training during Use of Force training days
- ✓ We have implemented CROMS for electronic Motor Vehicle Collision Reporting
- ✓ We have implemented a Digital Evidence Management System to streamline storage and facilitate appropriate disclosure of evidence
- ✓ We have enabled the use of ALPR systems – Automated License Plate Reader systems within Police vehicles

SERVICES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY

1. Focus drug enforcement on the reduction of drug-related crime and its social impact on individuals and the community.
2. Continue to ensure a timely and appropriate response to emergency calls to ensure the safety and well-being of individuals and the community.
3. Enhance Road Safety through the development of specific initiatives to create public awareness of road safety and strategic use of traffic enforcement in response to priority areas.

How did we do?

- ✓ We promoted enhanced communication between the criminal investigations unit and uniform members
- ✓ A Problem Oriented Policing (POP) action was developed for Focused Drug Enforcement initiatives
- ✓ We have enhanced strategies and outcomes for overdoses investigations through in-service training
- ✓ We utilize the full functionality of CAD – Computer Aided Dispatch to ensure calls are routed properly and rapidly to eliminate or reduce response delays
- ✓ We ensure that Zone distribution and priorities are assigned to Officers on each shift for adequate and effective community coverage
- ✓ We monitor in-station time of members necessary to enable required report preparation while ensuring effective Service deployment in the community
- ✓ We increased the use of social and other media to promote, and share the results of, traffic campaigns including RIDE programs and joint targeted enforcement activity with other police and provincial partners.

Performance Objectives, Indicators, & Results

The Police Services Act and associated regulations require that the Saugeen Shores Police Services Board, at least every three years, prepare a business plan that addresses the intention of core functions to provide adequate and effective police services to the community it serves. As legislated, the business plan must provide quantitative and qualitative performance objectives and indicators relating to:

1. Community Based Crime Prevention Initiatives
2. Community Patrol and Criminal Investigation Services
3. Community Satisfaction
4. Emergency Calls for Service
5. Violent Crime and Clearance Rates
6. Property Crime and Clearance Rates
7. Youth Crime and Clearance Rates
8. Assistance to Victims of Crime
9. Road Safety

The 2023 Annual Report provides the opportunity to comment and show results achieved during 2023 year as related to these items.

1. Community-Based Crime Prevention Initiatives

➤ Crime Stoppers

Crime Stoppers is a civilian, non-profit, charitable organization that unites the police services of a community, the media, and individual members of a community in the fight against crime.

The Crime Stoppers tip line is staffed by trained personnel who receive, process, and pass on tip information to investigating officers. Callers are given a code number which is used in all subsequent calls and callers do not have to identify themselves.

A reward of up to \$2,000 is offered to anyone providing information which leads to an arrest for a crime. Rewards may also be made for information leading to the recovery of stolen property, the seizure of illegal drugs or an arrest on an outstanding warrant.

The media is a very important component of Crime Stoppers. An unsolved crime may be re-enacted and broadcast on television and radio or may be publicized in a newspaper or on social media.

Note: If you have information about a crime, phone 1-800-222-TIPS(8477).

2. Community Patrol and Criminal Investigation Services

➤ Community Watch

The Community Watch program in Saugeen Shores was created in 2002. This program provides the police with extra “eyes and ears” on the streets. Local volunteers assist the Service in the deterrence of unlawful activity within the community.

Community Watch members supplement police patrols and help reduce acts of vandalism and crime by keeping a watch over their communities. We are continually looking to recruit volunteers for this valuable partnership.

Sergeant Chantel Primeau has assumed the role as our Community Watch Liaison Officer and works with the program coordinator Joe Sholtes to recruit, train and schedule volunteers.

We thank these volunteers for their dedication to helping keep our community safe.

➤ Positive Ticketing Campaign

The Positive Ticketing Campaign was implemented through the actions of Constable Stacey Gordon. Constable Gordon approached local business to help with providing rewards of various kinds that could be given out to youth observed following safety and rules requirements while cycling or doing good deeds in the community . This engaging, and successful, program helps to promote local business while providing our officers the opportunity to engage with youth in a positive manner. This program has grown in awareness and the volume of rewards available since implementation and is an excellent way for our members to promote positive interactions within the community.

➤ **JOINT FORCES / INTERNAL TASK FORCES**

We value the partnerships that we have with our surrounding police services including:

- Neyaashiinigmiing First Nation Police Service
- Hanover Police Service
- Ontario Provincial Police
- Owen Sound Police Service
- West Grey Police Service

We support each other and assist in times of need. Crime and disorder do not recognize borders; the valuable sharing of information allows us to work together to solve crime and prevent offences. The police leaders from these services meet on a bi-weekly basis to discuss current trends and identify training needs.

3. Community Satisfaction

➤ Contingency Fund

In co-operation with our local Rotary Clubs and Churches, the Saugeen Shores Police Service continues to have access to the resources a contingency fund enables allowing our members to assist, as needed, with food, transportation, clothing, or temporary shelter. This amazing fund allows us to provide valuable support that meets immediate individual needs that often bridge the gap while awaiting social service assistance.

The Contingency fund has generously provided a supply of backpacks containing personal hygiene items, some items of clothing, a can opener, a water bottle, pen and notebook and a Tim Horton's card. Further, the fund has purchased other items of clothing, coats and other resources to help those in need.

➤ KIDS Program

The KIDS (Knowledge, Issues, Decisions, Support) Program creates a safe and responsive learning environment between police service members and students within local schools. The program is an age-appropriate engagement with youth on topics that include: laws and law enforcement, peer to peer relationships, online and social media awareness, drug awareness, and mental health awareness. Our Community Service officers have connections with all four of the elementary schools in Saugeen Shores: École Port Elgin Saugeen Central School, École St. Joseph's School, GC Huston Public School and Northport Elementary School.

Our KIDS program is facilitated by Constable Ian Clark and Constable Matt Tutin.

➤ **Vulnerable Person Registry**

The Saugeen Shores Police Service is proud to offer The Vulnerable Person Registry (VPR). VPR is a service that allows caregivers of vulnerable persons to submit vital information to a database that will be used by police and other emergency services during a crisis situation.

The program was implemented and is facilitated by Special Constable Greg Fletcher.

➤ **Grey-Bruce Police Hospital Transition Protocol**

The Grey-Bruce Police Hospital Transition Protocol is designed to enhance collaboration between hospitals and the police. The Protocol was initiated for the purpose of improving outcomes for individuals apprehended under the Mental Health Act and transported to the nearest Hospital emergency department for medical care and/or mental health assessment.

➤ **MMHART – Mobile Mental Health Addiction Response Team**

The Saugeen Shores Police Service partners with the Grey-Bruce Mental Health and Addictions Service to have the Mobile Mental Health and Addiction Response Team (MMHART) embedded within the police service.

Through MMHART, CMHA workers and police work as a team to:

- Assess, de-escalate on scene and provide resources to individuals in a mental health or addictions-related crisis
- Divert individuals, when appropriate, from unnecessary hospital emergency department visits and involvement with the justice system
- Determine appropriate links to community services
- Improve individual and caregiver experiences
- Decrease stigma of individuals living with mental health and/or addictions issues
- Build and maintain effective partnerships between police services and health care agencies

➤ Special Olympics

The Saugeen Shores Police Service very proudly supports Special Olympics Ontario and supports our local athletes and their leadership within Saugeen Shores. The Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) is the largest public awareness fundraiser for Special Olympics. LETR for Special Olympics engages law enforcement worldwide championing acceptance and inclusion for people with intellectual disabilities, starting first with their own communities. Constable John Martin is the Saugeen Shores Police Service representative.



➤ 211 Program

The 211 Program is a free 24/7 hotline that helps people connect to community, social, health, and government services within the community. The 211 program has connected many people to the resources that they need to help them through difficult times.



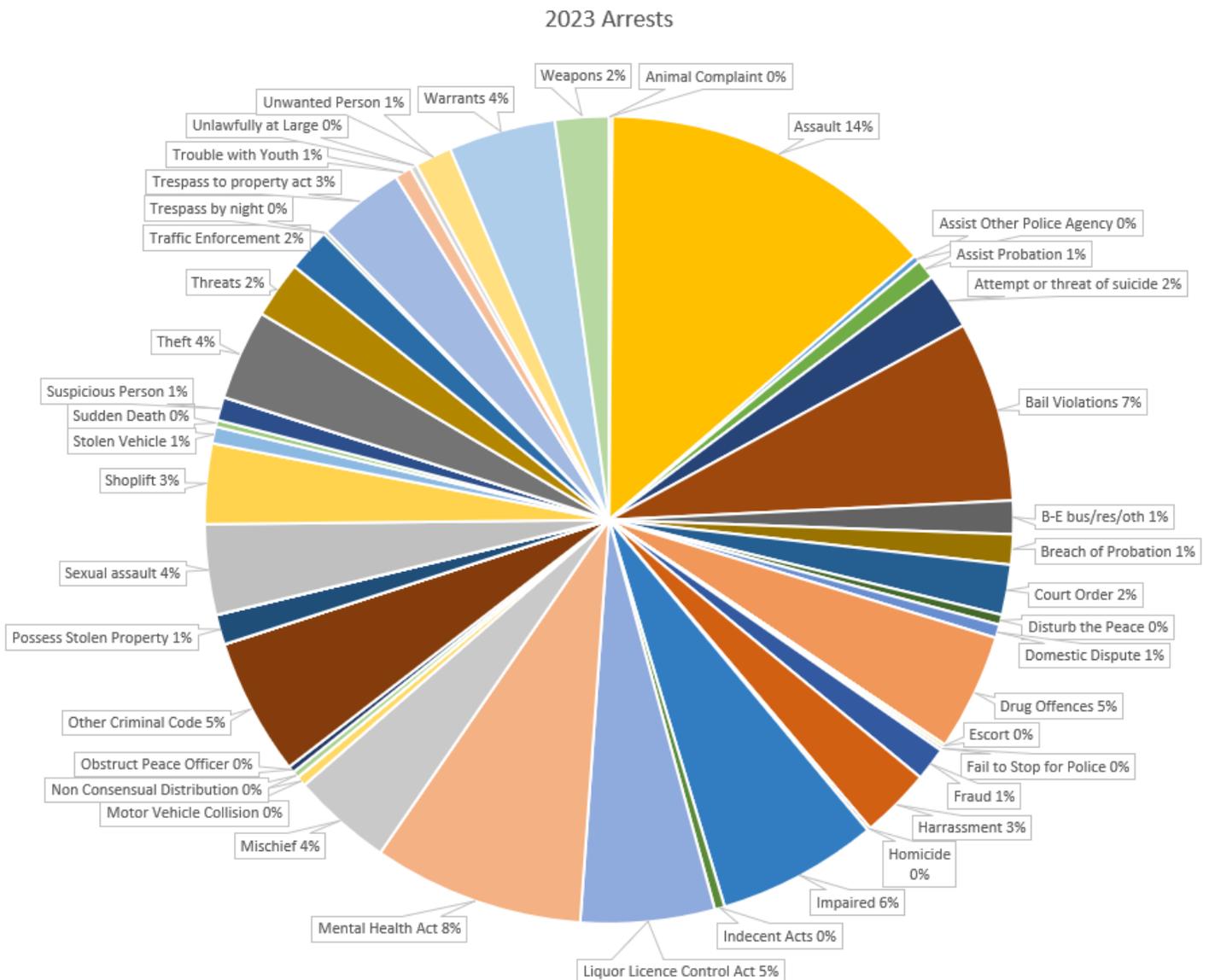
4. Calls for Service

Calls for Service by Day of Week for 2023 (self-generated calls not included)

In 2023, we recognized the largest number of calls for service and arrests in Saugeen Shores Police Service history:

Arrests:

2023 = 757 vs 592 in 2022



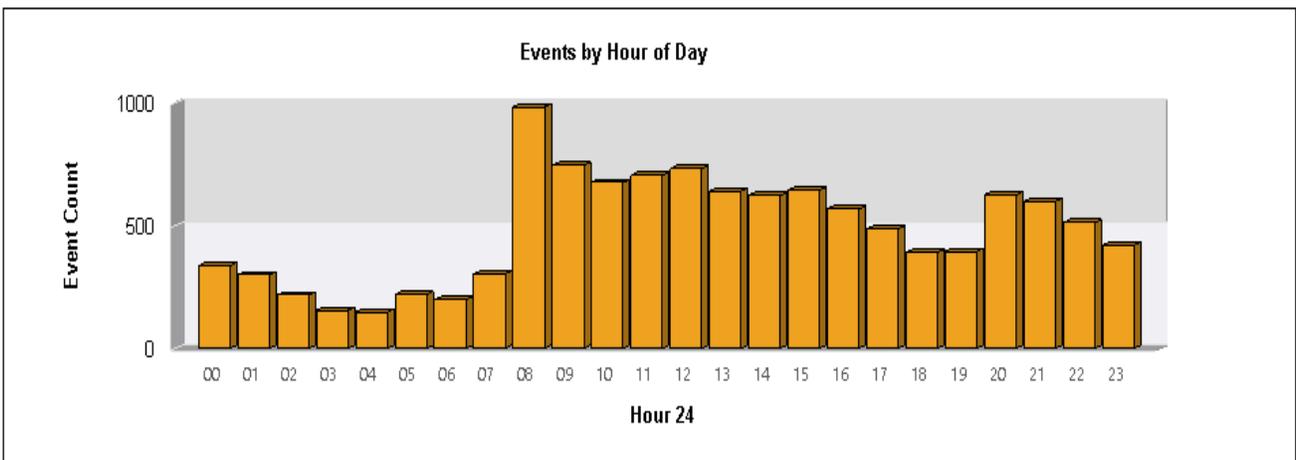
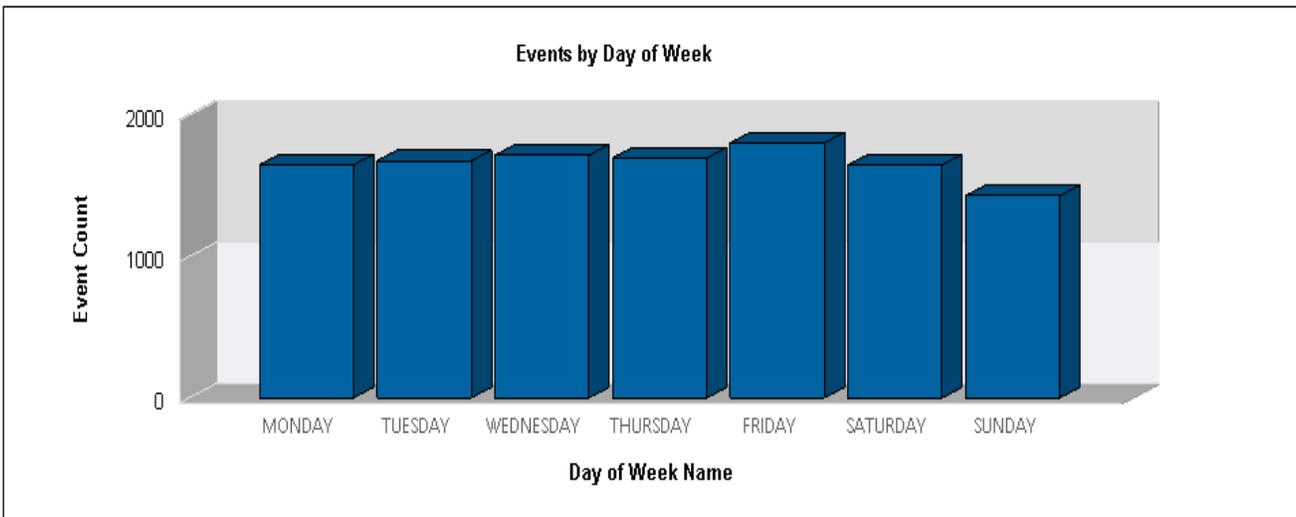
Calls for Service in 2023:

Total Calls for dispatched & self-generated for 2023 = 12,738 (2022 = 11,174)

Event Create Date Range: 1/1/2023 - 12/31/2023
 Agency: (All)
 Dispatch Group: (All)
 Event Priority: (All)

By Dispatch Group and Priority | By Day of Week/Hour of Day

			Week	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	Total:
Year	Month	Day	Hour 24								
			2023	1432	1650	1680	1719	1699	1806	1650	11636
			Total:	1432	1650	1680	1719	1699	1806	1650	11636



5. Violent Crime and Clearance Rates

➤ Crime Analysis

The Saugeen Shores Police Service analyzes crime and accident data, complaints comments and other feedback to better deploy resources to address problem areas and emerging situations. Targeted activity and enforcement ensure that our officers have the greatest opportunity to prevent crime and disorder.

Our media officers work diligently to promote safety and continually share messages to address crime patterns.

- Supervisors deploy resources to address high crime or problem areas
- The implementation of various groups and organizations to assist in delivery options for community-based crime prevention initiatives.
- Crime statistical data is analyzed though our NICHE records management system and the Crime Severity index.

Violent Crimes	2023 incidents	clearance rate
Manslaughter	1	100.00%
Sexual Assault	14	95.20%
Sexual Interference	5	100.00%
Voyeurism	1	100.00%
Non-Consensual Distribution of Intimate Images	2	0.00%
Aggravated Assault - Level 3	1	100.00%
Assault With Weapon or Causing Bodily Harm - Level 2	22	96.00%
Assault - Level 1	52	93.80%
Assault Peace Officer with a weapon or cause bodily harm	1	100.00%
Assault Peace Officer	11	100.00%
Other Assaults / Admin Noxious thing	1	100.00%
Forcible confinement	6	100.00%
Criminal Harassment	20	85.00%
Indecent/Harassing Communications	5	87.80%
Utter Threats-Master code	26	86.40%
Other criminal code against public order	6	100.00%

6. Property Crimes and Clearance Rates

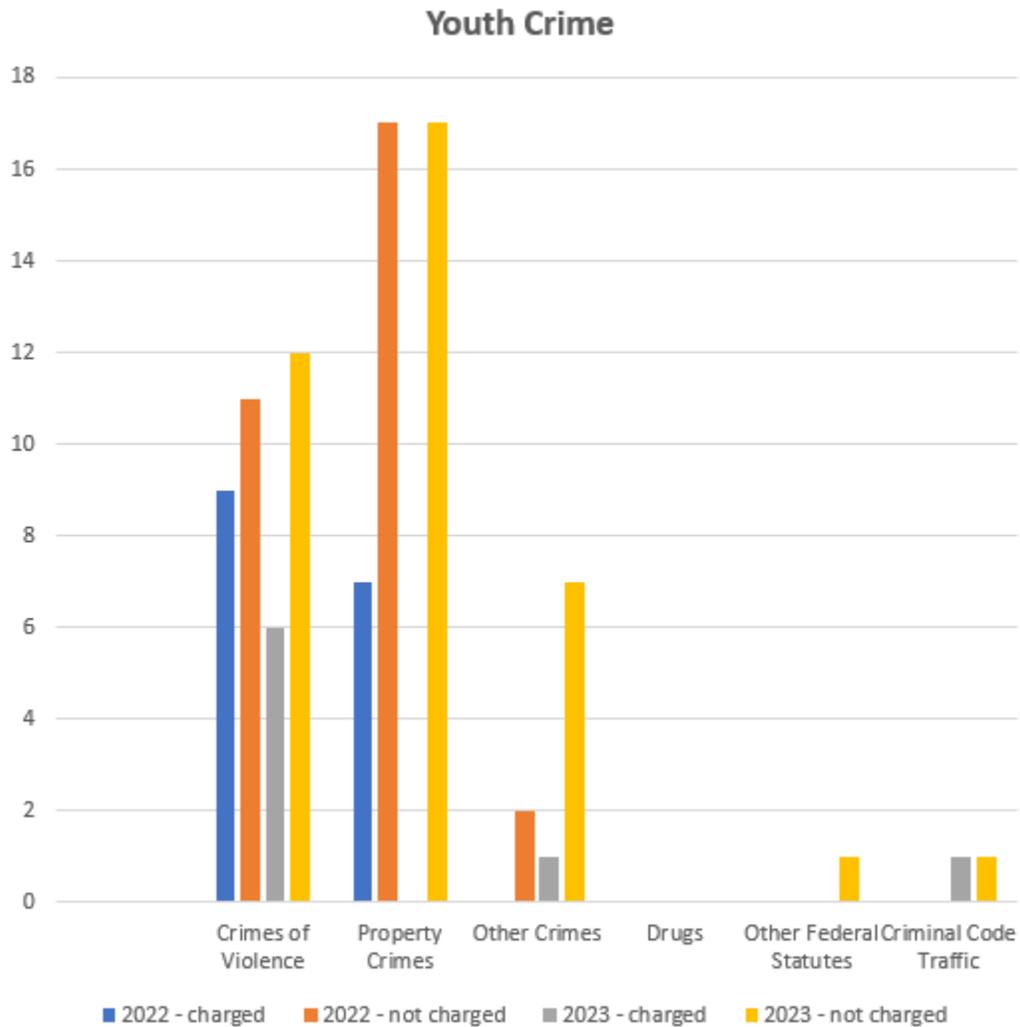
Through our proactive targeted patrols and community initiative, the Saugeen Shores Police Service works with the community to collaboratively facilitate a decrease in property crime rates and improve clearance rates.

As most property crimes are reported well after the incident, Saugeen Shore Police Service will strive to reduce property crimes, before they happen, through public engage and education. Our media officers regularly share important tips to the community through our social media accounts and by attending public information sessions.

Crime prevention initiatives such as Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED), 'Lock it or Lose it', internet safety, and any other requested topics of concern help educate the public in hopes of decreasing these preventable crimes.

2023 Incidents		
Property Crimes	2023 incidents	clearance rate
Break and Enter	30	16.70%
Theft Over \$5,000	5	80.00%
Theft of Motor Vehicle	17	35.30%
Theft Under \$5,000	138	18.80%
Theft from Motor Vehicle Under \$5,000	24	0.00%
Theft Under \$5,000 - shoplifting	29	41.40%
Possession of Stolen Property over \$5,000	2	100.00%
Possession of Stolen Property under \$5,000	5	100.00%
Fraud	43	34.90%
Identity Fraud	6	0.00%
Mischief	106	27.40%

7. Youth Crime and Clearance Rates



Youth Crime	2022 - charged	2022 - not charged	2023 - charged	2023 - not charged
Crimes of Violence	9	11	6	12
Property Crimes	7	17	0	17
Other Crimes	0	2	1	7
Drugs	0	0	0	0
Other Federal Statutes	0	0	0	1
Criminal Code Traffic	0	0	1	1
TOTAL	16	30	8	38

8. Assistance to Victims of Crime

➤ Community Safety and Policing Grant Program

Provincial Funding Stream - The “Prepared to Respond - Enhanced Sexual Violence and Harassment Investigations through awareness, education, and training initiative” grant application with an allocation of \$27,391.60 in 2022-23, \$27,422.00 in 2023-24 and \$25,457.20 in 2024-25, was approved for funding under the ***Provincial Priorities Funding Stream***

Local Funding Stream - The request for partial funding of the Support Services Supervisor who will be responsible for coordinating and implementing various projects within the Police Service that will be aimed at addressing crime and social issues on a sustainable basis was approved for funding under the ***Local Priorities Funding Stream*** with an allocation of \$60,893.02 in 2022-23, \$60,893.02 in 2023-24 and \$60,893.02 in 2024-25

➤ Victim Services

Victim Services of Grey-Bruce partners with emergency services including the Saugeen Shores Police Service, community agencies and the community to provide direct assistance to victims of crime and tragic circumstance and to develop partnerships designed to enhance support to victim and educate and promote awareness regarding victimization.

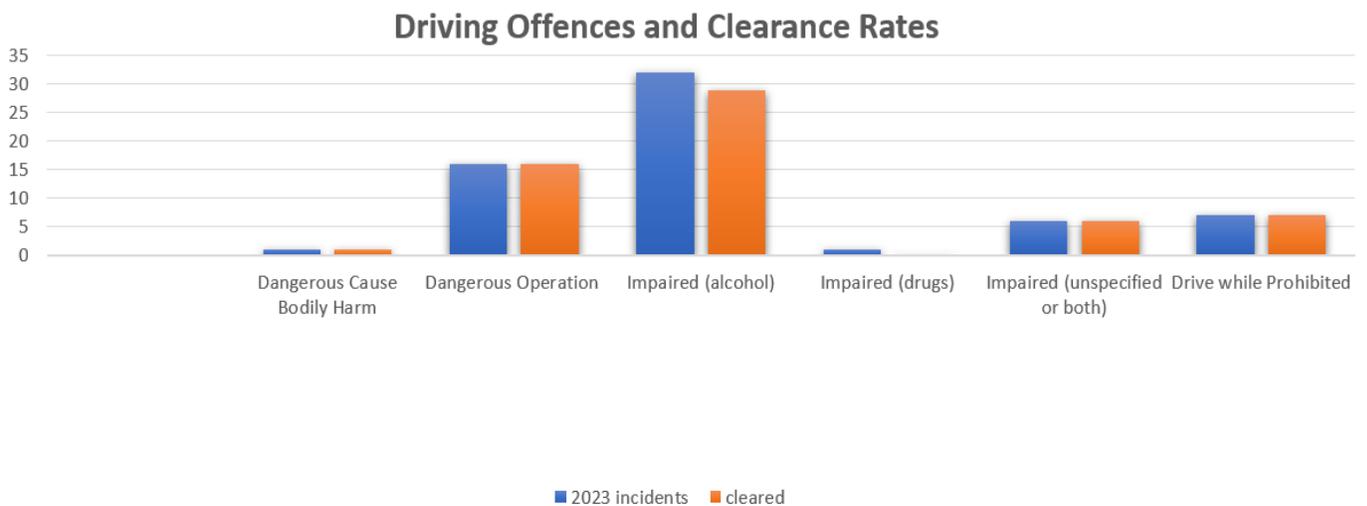
9. Road Safety

The Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere (RIDE) program is partially funded by a grant program. The Saugeen Shores Police Service is committed to actively patrolling the area to combat impaired driving, and ensuring that all of our patrol officers are trained in Standard Field Sobriety Testing (SFST). In addition to our SFST trained officers, we have two officers trained as Drug Recognition Evaluators (DRE) who can perform enhanced testing on impaired drivers as needed.

We closely monitor accident reports, traffic complaint locations and work with our Municipal partners to analyze data obtained from traffic counts and portable speed signs with the goal to address safety concerns and improve appropriate movement (vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian) throughout Saugeen Shores .

Members monitor school zones and street crossing locations during times students and parents would be travelling to and from schools to help ensure the safety of young residents within Saugeen Shores.

Traffic Enforcement is a major priority for the Saugeen Shores Police Service. In 2023, we had 2,233 Highway Traffic Act charges / warnings, and an additional 180 Compulsory Automobile Insurance Act charges / warnings.



Driving Offences	2023 incidents	clearance rate
Dangerous Cause Bodily Harm	1	100.0%
Dangerous Operation	16	100.0%
Impaired (alcohol)	32	93.5%
Impaired (drugs)	1	0.0%
Impaired (unspecified or both)	6	100.0%
Drive while Prohibited	7	100.0%

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