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Insp. Aaron WHITE  
Officer in Charge  
St Albert, Alberta

Dear Mayor Olivieri,

Please find attached the quarterly Policing Report for our vibrant St Albert community. It outlines staffing, financial information, and crime trends for the city, and supports our commitment to transparency and ongoing collaboration with our community partners.

Through both provincial and municipal policing contracts, the RCMP serves roughly 40% of Albertans across 95% of the province, including your community. That is why it is so important that our work is centered on people — the frontline members serving your community, the support teams behind the scenes, and the Albertans who rely on us every day.

The Government of Alberta's Police Funding Model (PFM) has strengthened our ability to meet those needs. With your contributions, we have added 279 police officers, 136 directly to detachments, along with 242 civilian staff, including 77 supporting detachment operations. These investments have also enabled the development of a Real-Time Operations Centre to support frontline officers, the expansion of our drone program, enhanced investigative capacity, and the addition of a third specialized Emergency Response Team.

These resources, along with the dedication of our employees and the support of your community, have helped bring Alberta's crime rates to their lowest point in five years — and we are committed to building on this progress together.

I welcome continued conversations about your community's policing priorities and any ideas that can help us strengthen our service. Working collaboratively is essential to maintaining this forward progress, and I encourage you to reach out at any time with questions, concerns, or suggestions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a series of loops and a long horizontal stroke at the end, positioned above the typed name.

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## Alberta RCMP - Municipal Policing Report

### Detachment Information

**Detachment Name**

St Albert

**Detachment Commander**

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**Report Date**

February 9, 2026

**Fiscal Year**

2025-26

**Quarter**

Q3 (October - December)

### Community Priorities





## Priority #1: Engage proactive initiatives to decrease crimes against persons & property.

### Updates and Comments:

Members of St Albert CPVS conducted regular proactive patrols across the community, including bike trails, school zones, and areas with high shoplifting activity. These patrols were carried out by both members and reservists to increase visibility and deter crime.

Also, St. Albert CRU manages Habitual Offender Management files for the detachment. This includes weekly coordination with probation to update offender conditions, which are shared with RCMP watches for awareness and enforcement. **Twenty-six individuals are currently monitored**, with random curfew checks focused more heavily on prolific offenders. During the year, 44 curfew and condition checks were completed, resulting in six breaches of identified offenders.

CRU further manages the detachment's warrant task queue by identifying subjects still in the area and executing warrants where possible. When individuals are outside the jurisdiction, efforts are made to notify them or coordinate with other jurisdictions. These efforts have reduced the size of the warrant queue. Currently, the backlog of St Albert arrest warrants is just over 100- which is very good for a community this size.

In addition, CRU works **weekly** with the St. Albert Probation Office and shares information with general duty members to support proactive compliance checks. Intelligence is also received from neighboring jurisdictions to identify crime trends that may affect St. Albert.

Operationally, CRU partnered with the Community Response Team and retail loss prevention to conduct a two-day **blitz shoplifting** at three locations, which deterred theft, recovered stolen property, and resulted in one prolific offender being arrested and charged. A John String Project led to nine individuals being charged, and a vehicle theft investigation resulted in four people being charged, followed by a significant reduction in related complaints. A bait truck deployment under this project also led to the arrest of a prolific vehicle theft offender.

There are several standing operations ongoing locally targeting property crime through specialized investigative techniques.

## Priority #2: Enhance response, outreach, and support for seniors, youth, and other vulnerable person

### Updates and Comments:

CPVS is presently staffed by a Sergeant, a Corporal, an active duty Constable, a light duty Constable, and a Reservist. Members have focused on community engagement, including multiple fraud



prevention presentations at seniors' centres and residences, with additional presentations and senior-focused initiatives scheduled.

Community involvement also included a successful Food Bank Drive and Salvation Army Toy Drive. Members attended the indoor Farmers Market at the Enjoy Centre over four weekends and are scheduled to attend the Lifestyle Expo with Recruiting in April, which is expected to draw over 18,000 attendees. An RCMP Expo for schools and the public is also planned for May, featuring several RCMP resources and partner agencies.

In schools, Paul Kane High School funds one enhanced School Resource Officer position (ending next fiscal year- alternative delivery is being explored). A new deployment model was implemented on December 1, 2025, with members attending three to four schools per day, five days per week. As of this reporting period, **136 school visits have been conducted this year, along with four presentations to seniors.**

### Priority #3: To proactively address instances of ongoing or repetitive domestic violence

#### Updates and Comments:

Proactively,

Between October and December 2025, members focused on training, case management, and committee work related to domestic violence and high-risk files. In October, members attended a criminal harassment presentation to support file review and local expertise and completed one Clare's Law disclosure. They also **assisted the Domestic Violence Committee** with organizing and delivering a human trafficking workshop, which included a presentation by ACT and a panel discussion. The workshop highlighted that human trafficking could exist within relationships and was attended by 33 people.

In November 2025, members participated in a **case management meeting** with the VSU to discuss high-risk clients and resource needs. They attended two educational seminars on the manosphere and online misogyny and radicalization, as well as choking and strangulation. A Domestic Violence Committee meeting was also held, where members debriefed the human trafficking workshop and discussed Shelter Link/211 and risk assessments across the court, bail, and probation processes.

In December 2025, another case management meeting with the VSU was held to review high-risk clients, including files identified as particularly concerning. Members attended two additional seminars focused on brain injuries and domestic violence, and gender-based violence. Two Clare's Law **disclosures were completed.** Beyond that local members were educated on their authority to release





information and lay charges related to restraining orders. Further communication on Shelter Link/211 is planned once additional information on the related app is received.

Looking forward into 2026, the reporting of spousal abuse is down, work needs to be done to ensure we are capturing the reality of the community. Upcoming policing priorities will seek to address this.

## Priority #4: Enhance Road Safety

### Updates and Comments:

The local traffic unit has a goal of 128 School Zoen Patrols per month. During this quarter, schools were closed for part of the time due to the teacher strike, so enforcement efforts shifted toward playground and construction zones. In Q3, 73 Enhanced Traffic shifts covering an estimated six zones per shift resulted in approximately 146 patrols for a total across all quarters of 438 patrols.

Violation totals include both tickets and warnings issued by St. Albert Traffic and Detachment members, including those working Enhanced Traffic overtime shifts, but excluding Enhanced members from outside detachments. In Q3, 1,394 violations were recorded, averaging 464 per month. This reflects a seasonal decrease from Q2, attributed to weather impacts on detection, changes in driver behavior, and a shift in focus toward responding to an increased frequency of motor vehicle collisions.

Checkstops are generally expected to occur four times per month, or 12 per quarter. In Q3, 13 documented checkstops were conducted, exceeding the quarterly target. A new recording and tracking process has been implemented to better capture these efforts. Checkstop and joint force operation size increased after November 30 to address the hunting season and the Christmas and New Year's period.





## Community Consultations

### Consultation #1

Date	Meeting Type
January 13, 2026	Meeting with Stakeholders
<b>Topics Discussed</b>	
New police committee business	
<b>Notes/Comments:</b>	
Discussing priorities going forward and process for identifying community issues.	

### Consultation #2

Date	Meeting Type
January 14, 2026	Meeting with Stakeholders
<b>Topics Discussed</b>	
Housing and homeless related issues- police role in serving that population	
<b>Notes/Comments:</b>	
Meeting with the food bank and assistance programs regarding how police can assist them in their work	

### Consultation #3

Date	Meeting Type
January 20, 2026	Meeting with Stakeholders
<b>Topics Discussed</b>	
Local Family Support Services	
<b>Notes/Comments:</b>	
Meeting with various social and family services regarding their roles and initiatives and how police will fit into their operations.	



## Municipal Operations: Human Resources Overview

Staffing Category	Established Positions	Working	Special Leave	Hard Vacancies
Regular Members	75	58	15	6
Detachment Support	#	#	#	#

### Notes:

1. Data extracted on December 31, 2025 and is subject to change.
2. Once Regular Members are placed on "Special Leave" (e.g., Maternity/Paternity leave, medical leave more than 30 days, leave without pay, graduated return to work), they are not included in the FTE count and their pay is not charged directly to each location. However, any salary expenditures associated with these employees while on leave is included as an "indirect cost" and billed within the Divisional Administration rate, charged to all contracts.
3. Hard Vacancies reflect positions that do not have an employee attached and need to be filled.

### Comments:

Police Officers: Of the 75 established positions, 58 officers are currently working. There are 15 officers on special leave (Seven Medical, four Parental, three Graduated Return to Work and one Leave without Pay). Four of these positions are backfilled to ensure coverage. There are two officers that are Surplus to Establishment. There is one additional position with two officers assigned to that position. There are six hard vacancies currently. This is accurate as to Dec 31. Two officers have returned to work, and several others are beginning their transition back.





## Municipal Operations: Financial Overview

Municipal Overview	Fiscal Year-to-Date	Revised Plan at Q3	2025-26 Financial Plan
Detachment Working FTE Levels	60.80 FTE	61.00 FTE	65.00 FTE
Total Direct Costs	\$ 7,364,505	\$ 10,538,182	\$ 11,337,800
Total Indirect Costs	\$ 2,891,087	\$ 5,499,091	\$ 5,914,354
<b>Total Costs after Final Adjustments</b>	<b>\$ 9,305,033</b>	<b>\$ 14,475,045</b>	<b>\$ 15,568,439</b>

**Note:** For detailed explanations of the terms and types of costs that are included above, please visit the definitions section on the next page.

**Comments:**

As of Q3, the annual plan for St. Albert Municipal Detachment is based on 61.00 working members.

The Alberta RCMP will continue to provide your community with monthly enhanced reporting to support ongoing forecast adjustments and potential invoice revisions, to ensure projections are as accurate as possible. This increased reporting will support ongoing management of policing budgets, while also enhancing transparency and engagement with our partners.

Quarter 3 invoice for the 2025/26 fiscal year was distributed on January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026.



## Definitions

### Municipal Operations: Human Resources Overview

Term	Definition
FTE Utilization	A full-time equivalent (FTE) employee is defined by the number of months in a fiscal year that a position is filled. The FTE utilization level refers to the total months filled for all positions within the Detachment/unit.
2025-26 FTE Utilization Plan	Reflects the number of working FTEs planned to be in-place for the current fiscal year.
Revised Plan at Q3	This reflects any adjustments to the planned number of working FTEs, which may vary as hard and soft vacancies fluctuate throughout the year.

### Municipal Operations: Financial Overview

Term	Definition
Fiscal Year-to-Date (YTD)	Reflects the actual expenditures that have been processed or working FTE levels to-date. This does not include any financial or human resource transactions that have not yet been processed.
Revised Plan at Q3	Reflects any adjustments to the forecasted spending plan for the relevant category, to better align with realized expenditures throughout the year.
2025-26 Financial Plan	Reflects the initial financial plan set for each category of expenditure for the current fiscal year.
Detachment Working FTE Levels	Reflects the number of working Regular Members (i.e., police officers) anticipated to be in-place for the current fiscal year.
Direct Costs	Reflects both Division and Detachment-controlled costs associated to front-line policing operations and investigations. This may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Member Pay, including pay for Regular Members, planned and retroactive pay increases, and overtime pay;</li> <li>Operational equipment, including member equipment, informatics, vehicles, and vehicle fit-up; and/or</li> <li>Unit operations, including fuel costs, training, secret expenses, and other operations and maintenance costs.</li> </ul>
Indirect Costs	Reflects all costs associated to employee benefits as well as division administration and core support services. This may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Employee Benefits (i.e., Superannuation, Canada Pension Plan, and Employment Insurance);</li> <li>Recruiting operations, Cadet training (at Depot Division), and the Police Dog Service Training Centre;</li> </ul>



Term	Definition
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Common IT services, including management of the Police Records and Occurrence System;</li><li>• Complaints and accountability mechanisms through the Civilian Review and Complaints Commission for the RCMP, the RCMP External Review Committee, and enhanced reliability and accountability programs; and/or</li><li>• Other divisional and regional administration services.</li></ul>
Total Costs after Final Adjustments	Reflects total costs of all expenditure categories and any cost adjustments at the applicable Contract Partner share.





## St Albert Municipal Detachment Crime Statistics (Actual) October - December: 2021 - 2025

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

January 13, 2026

CATEGORY	Trend	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	% Change 2021 - 2025	% Change 2024 - 2025	Avg File +/- per Year
Offences Related to Death		3	0	1	2	0	-100%	-100%	-0.4
Robbery		4	0	6	5	5	25%	0%	0.7
Sexual Assaults		9	6	16	9	7	-22%	-22%	-0.1
Other Sexual Offences		10	6	10	2	16	60%	700%	0.8
Assault		112	88	107	90	77	-31%	-14%	-6.8
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		0	0	3	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Extortion		7	8	7	2	2	-71%	0%	-1.6
Criminal Harassment		37	26	46	38	45	22%	18%	2.8
Uttering Threats		37	37	46	43	46	24%	7%	2.4
<b>TOTAL PERSONS</b>		<b>219</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>-10%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>-2.2</b>
Break & Enter		55	61	77	45	42	-24%	-7%	-4.2
Theft of Motor Vehicle		27	54	31	64	35	30%	-45%	2.6
Theft Over \$5,000		9	13	20	11	8	-11%	-27%	-0.4
Theft Under \$5,000		183	251	262	245	248	36%	1%	12.4
Possn Stn Goods		11	26	21	26	13	18%	-50%	0.4
Fraud		66	104	96	110	77	17%	-30%	2.8
Arson		3	3	3	0	1	-67%	N/A	-0.7
Mischief - Damage To Property		102	108	61	74	97	-5%	31%	-4.4
Mischief - Other		36	65	58	68	82	128%	21%	9.5
<b>TOTAL PROPERTY</b>		<b>492</b>	<b>685</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>603</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>-6%</b>	<b>18.0</b>
Offensive Weapons		6	6	14	9	8	33%	-11%	0.7
Disturbing the peace		67	56	69	52	67	0%	29%	-0.4
Fail to Comply & Breaches		63	63	66	64	97	54%	52%	6.9
<b>OTHER CRIMINAL CODE</b>		<b>24</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>0.8</b>
<b>TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE</b>		<b>160</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>8.0</b>
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE</b>		<b>871</b>	<b>1,023</b>	<b>1,054</b>	<b>989</b>	<b>1,007</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>23.8</b>



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January 13, 2026

CATEGORY	Trend	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	% Change 2021 - 2025	% Change 2024 - 2025	Avg File +/- per Year
Drug Enforcement - Production		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Possession		9	10	11	9	6	-33%	-33%	-0.7
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		12	7	12	15	3	-75%	-80%	-1.0
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	1	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.0
<b>Total Drugs</b>		<b>21</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>-57%</b>	<b>-64%</b>	<b>-1.7</b>
Cannabis Enforcement		2	0	3	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.3
Federal - General		7	6	5	5	1	-86%	-80%	-1.3
<b>TOTAL FEDERAL</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>-67%</b>	<b>-68%</b>	<b>-3.3</b>
Liquor Act		48	24	30	10	10	-79%	0%	-9.0
Cannabis Act		3	7	4	5	5	67%	0%	0.2
Mental Health Act		128	143	137	100	128	0%	28%	-4.3
Other Provincial Stats		185	105	117	143	182	-2%	27%	3.2
<b>Total Provincial Stats</b>		<b>364</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>-11%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>-9.9</b>
Municipal By-laws Traffic		8	4	8	9	5	-38%	-44%	-0.1
Municipal By-laws		81	66	79	75	55	-32%	-27%	-4.3
<b>Total Municipal</b>		<b>89</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>-33%</b>	<b>-29%</b>	<b>-4.4</b>
Fatals		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Injury MVC		34	40	33	40	57	68%	43%	4.6
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		379	470	364	253	297	-22%	17%	-38.1
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		35	36	19	51	53	51%	4%	5.1
<b>TOTAL MVC</b>		<b>448</b>	<b>546</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>-9%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>-28.4</b>
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		13	20	18	23	12	-8%	-48%	0.1
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		1	1	1	2	0	-100%	-100%	-0.1
<b>Total Provincial Traffic</b>		<b>671</b>	<b>772</b>	<b>808</b>	<b>843</b>	<b>1,940</b>	<b>189%</b>	<b>130%</b>	<b>260.9</b>
Other Traffic		3	10	8	8	3	0%	-63%	-0.2
Criminal Code Traffic		26	28	48	31	26	0%	-16%	0.3
<b>Common Police Activities</b>									
False Alarms		64	78	82	80	96	50%	20%	6.6
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		52	20	30	28	31	-40%	11%	-3.4
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		124	154	228	215	162	31%	-25%	13.7
Persons Reported Missing		24	28	38	35	24	0%	-31%	0.7
Search Warrants		2	4	0	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.7
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		160	162	160	124	138	-14%	11%	-8.2
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		15	31	18	7	11	-27%	57%	-3.2

Royal Canadian Mounted Police

Commanding Officer  
Alberta



Gendarmerie royale du Canada

Commandant  
de l'Alberta

February 4, 2026

Good day,

As we begin a new year, I would like to take the opportunity to share an update on the work the Alberta RCMP is doing to support safe, resilient communities across the province.

Like you, and the communities you serve, crime remains a primary concern for the Alberta RCMP. We recognize the significant impacts crime has on residents, businesses, and overall community well-being. Policing in Alberta presents unique and real challenges, including vast geographic areas, long response distances, and a relatively small number of repeat offenders who cause a disproportionate amount of harm. Addressing these challenges requires responses that are intelligence-led, fiscally responsible, and built on strong partnerships.

We remain focused on addressing crime through continual reassessment of operational approaches, responsible deployment of resources, and close collaboration with municipal and community partners. We also recognize the significant cost of policing for communities and remain committed to ensuring available resources are deployed strategically and efficiently to deliver effective policing services to Albertans.

As part of this commitment, we are investing in modernization initiatives, including the development of the Real-Time Operations Centre, the expansion of the Emergency Response Team, increased investigative capacity and resources focused on working in partnership with communities and government on prevention initiatives and address the root causes of crime.

I want to highlight for you some of the initiatives we have underway, some of the results we've realized and some of the opportunities we remain focused on.

Despite fiscal pressures, we continue to focus resources where they will have the greatest impact. One of our key strategies is concentrating on the relatively small number of offenders responsible for the greatest harm across the province through tracking and prioritizing the Top 100 offenders. Using data compiled from RCMP and municipal police services across Alberta our Strategic Research and Analysis Unit, has assessed nearly 100,000 unique offenders and ranked them to identify those causing the most significant harm. This intelligence directly informs the work of Crime Reduction Units located across the province that can be deployed where and when emerging crime trends demand to target those offenders causing the most harm. These units work in close coordination with local detachments and partner agencies, including municipal police services and Alberta Sheriffs.

We have countless examples of successful operations targeting property crime offenders across Alberta where significant seizures of stolen property including vehicles, ATV's heavy construction equipment, and copper wire, have been recovered and offenders have been arrested to face prosecution. This includes well coordinated investigations involving teams of investigators located strategically throughout the four districts working in concert and utilizing sophisticated investigative techniques and tools including the leveraging of cutting-edge surveillance assets from our federal RCMP partners.

We know that addiction to illicit drugs is a huge driver of the types of crime that victimize Albertans. To that end, we have also utilized enhanced investigative resources to compliment local detachments in combatting the drug trade in communities across the province. We have made significant seizures of fentanyl, methamphetamines, cocaine and illegal firearms in numerous investigations across the province. These successes impact the availability of these harmful drugs through disruption of supply and act as a deterrent by holding accountable those who are profiting from the distribution of substances that deprive Albertans of their safety and security.

We are embracing technology to make policing more effective, efficient, and safer for both the public and police. The policing landscape is changing; yesterday's solutions won't solve today's challenges. As such, modern policing requires that frontline officers be supported by layers of expertise, coordination, and technology. The Real-Time Operations Centre does exactly that and is a critical component of police modernization. Operating twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, the Real-Time Operations Centre provides operational support to every Alberta RCMP officer in the province. It enhances officer and public safety, coordinates specialized resources, and ensures informed decision-making during complex and evolving incidents. For our officers, the Real-Time Operations Centre ensures they are never working alone, regardless of location. For Alberta communities, this means every officer on their street is supported by a robust network of specialized units ready to respond at any moment. Ratepayers aren't funding just one uniformed member, but a comprehensive system of expertise and technology working behind that officer to keep their community safe.

Advanced investigative resources and practices represent another essential component of modernized policing as do resources such as the Emergency Response Teams. Emergency Response Teams are teams of highly skilled and trained individuals, bringing together experienced members, specialized tactics, advanced technology, and trained negotiators as a complete operational package, essentially bringing the right resource to the most volatile and dangerous calls. Their role is to safely resolve high-risk incidents involving armed or barricaded individuals, hostage situations and high-risk arrests. By deploying the appropriate expertise, equipment, and techniques, Emergency Response Teams have consistently led to safer outcomes for community members, suspects, and police officers. Demand for these specialized responses has increased significantly, with a sixty-one per cent increase in calls requiring Emergency Response Team involvement over the past four years. In response we have increased our capacity in this area enhancing overall public safety throughout the province. These specialized units place the Alberta RCMP on the leading edge of modern policing in Canada and directly support community safety. Combined with the dedication of our employees and the partnership of the communities we serve, these efforts have helped reduce crime rates in Alberta to the lowest in five years.

We recognize that police visibility and staffing levels remain key concerns for our clients and stakeholders. We continue to focus on recruiting Albertans to serve Albertans, strengthening experienced police officer recruitment. Since April 1, 2024, we have seen 5,450 applications in Alberta and 22 Experienced Police Officers have joined the Alberta RCMP since April 1, 2025. While these recruiting numbers are encouraging, we recognize the ongoing urgency to fill vacancies which is why we continually look inward at our hiring processes to remove barriers, find efficiencies and ensure the most qualified applicants are finding their way to service in communities across Alberta as quickly as possible.

Like all police services, we experience short-term human resource pressures at frontline detachments and have developed several strategies that enable a flexible response to these pressures. We have established a Relief Team based out of Leduc and Cochrane that is comprised of 30 members who

support detachments throughout the province. Since the start of 2026, the Relief Team has deployed 34 times to various detachments in the province. In addition, we currently have 33 Reservists who are retired police officers available as and when required to deploy where the greatest needs are. This provides another option of flexible deployment of highly experienced resources.

We are continually assessing our service delivery models to ensure our resources are deployed in the most effective and efficient way. This includes assessing resource levels at detachments, monitoring our response times, reviewing and adapting our policies and piloting initiatives to improve member visibility in communities. Just recently, we approved a pilot project that leverages technology to reduce the administrative burden placed on our front-line members, so that they can spend more time engaged in proactive patrolling and community engagement.

We continually engage in consultation with our community partners and stakeholders to identify whether changes to service delivery are needed. We assess and discuss impacts with our stakeholders and prioritize flexibility to ensure we are responsive to community priorities and needs.

Municipal leadership plays a critical role in advocating for safer communities. Your collective voice—grounded in firsthand knowledge of how crime affects residents, businesses, and community well-being—is essential in advancing meaningful change related to bail practices and court capacity.

I would like to highlight some of the broader challenges we encounter in this space.

First, let me share an example of a single prolific offender whose repeated releases resulted in significant harm across multiple communities:

- In February 2025, he committed a firearm-related robbery and stole a vehicle containing a one-year-old child, receiving a 90-day sentence.
- In June 2025, he was sentenced to 21 days time served after being located in a stolen vehicle.
- In July 2025, he was arrested again in a stolen vehicle, charged with 11 offences, and released on bail with conditions.
- In September 2025, he pled guilty to theft under \$5,000 and served 30 days.
- In November 2025, he rammed an unmarked police vehicle with a stolen vehicle and was taken into custody.
- He now faces 11 charges, including failure to comply and assaulting a police officer with a weapon, and remains in custody.

This individual committed offences across Stony Plain, Spruce Grove, Parkland County, Lac Ste. Anne County, and Sturgeon County. His apprehension was the result of coordinated efforts between the Central Alberta District Crime Reduction Unit, a Community Response Team, and Parkland Detachment resources.

Examples such as this are not isolated. They demonstrate how a single prolific offender, repeatedly released back into the community, can cause significant harm to multiple municipalities in a short period of time. These cases underscore rural Albertans' concerns around repeat offending, bail, and court capacity.

We work closely with Crown Prosecutors to address repeat offending by ensuring priority offenders are supported by comprehensive bail packages that clearly outline criminal history, risk to public safety, and the broader community impacts of continued release. We also actively support the use of Community

Impact Statements, which allow communities and municipal leaders to articulate the cumulative harm crime causes beyond individual victims.

We remain compassionate toward individuals experiencing mental health challenges, addictions, and social vulnerability, and we continue to support partnerships that improve access to treatment and recovery services. This requires that adequate treatment be available and accessible. At the same time, there *are* individuals whose repeated, violent, or high-risk behaviour necessitates incarceration. Some people simply need to go to jail in order to protect the public and prevent further victimization.

Court capacity remains a significant challenge across the province, especially in rural Alberta. Limited court time, shortages of judges and clerks, and resulting delays undermine the effectiveness of the justice system. We will continue to advocate for improvements through multiple forums, consistently raising the impacts these pressures have on victims, communities, and frontline policing.

When policing data, operational experience, and municipal advocacy align, they provide a powerful foundation for justice system reform. Effective crime reduction cannot be achieved by policing alone. Long-term success depends on strong partnerships with municipalities, community organizations, government, and social service providers. We value our relationship with you and those you represent and recognize the essential role you play in shaping community safety priorities.

Modernization, fiscal responsibility, and collaboration will continue to guide our efforts. We are committed to leveraging technology, applying best practices, and deploying the right resources in the right places to support shared public safety goals.

Effective policing depends on strong partnerships, and I want to assure you that we remain committed to working closely with elected officials, municipal administrators, and community leaders to ensure policing services align with local priorities and needs. That is why I encourage you to reach out to your local Detachment Commander to discuss your policing services and explore opportunities to strengthen collaboration in support of your community priorities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Trevor Daroux', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

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