



Alberta RCMP - Municipal Policing Report

Detachment Information

Detachment Name

St. Albert

Detachment Commander

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Community Priorities

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

Updates and Comments:

Over the past year, the detachment made significant progress toward its target of decreasing crimes against persons and property through a coordinated effort of proactive, intelligence-led initiatives. Central to this effort was a sustained focus on prolific offenders and their management, supported by close collaboration with Probation and Parole locally, regional partners, and specialized RCMP units. This approach enabled frequent monitoring of offender conditions, targeted curfew checks, and timely enforcement actions, while also driving successful operations such as shoplifting blitzes, bait vehicle deployments, and targeted investigations into organized theft and re-VIN activity. These efforts resulted in multiple arrests, the recovery of substantial amounts of stolen property, and the disruption of repeat offenders contributing to crime in the community. Complementing enforcement, proactive patrols and community engagement initiatives enhanced police visibility in high-risk areas, strengthened public trust, and supported crime prevention through education and outreach. At the same time, the expansion of confidential informant capacity significantly improved the detachment's intelligence-gathering capabilities, positioning units to better identify and respond to emerging crime trends. While some operational pressures impacted the ability to fully meet all intelligence-related financial targets, overall gains in source development and enforcement coordination contributed to a more informed and effective policing response. Collectively, these integrated efforts demonstrate a strong commitment to proactive policing and have contributed to measurable reductions in crime trends, improved offender accountability, and enhanced community safety.





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

Updates and Comments:

Over the past year, the detachment advanced its commitment to reducing crimes against persons and property by strengthening community trust, enhancing cultural awareness, and expanding proactive engagement initiatives. Through increased training and exposure to diversity in the community, as well as a focus on mental health awareness and appropriate response strategies, members were better equipped to engage with diverse populations and respond to complex social issues. This was reinforced through a significant expansion of school-based programming, including a high volume of School Resource visits and the implementation of a new service delivery model that dramatically increased daily school engagement- carrying on into 2026 as we build back to full times school resources. Members also participated in key cultural and community events, including Indigenous Peoples Day, Pride events, and anti-hate initiatives, fostering stronger relationships with underrepresented groups.

Beyond schools, the detachment prioritized outreach to vulnerable populations, particularly seniors, through numerous fraud awareness presentations and ongoing engagement at care facilities and community centres. Broader community trust was further strengthened through consistent visibility and participation in local events, charitable initiatives, and partnerships with organizations such as the Chamber of Commerce, Citizens on Patrol, and Special Olympics. High-impact initiatives such as food bank drives, public safety campaigns, and large-scale events like the RCMP Expo and community festivals created meaningful opportunities for positive interaction and education.

Collectively, these efforts reflect a deliberate and sustained approach to community engagement—one that builds trust, improves public confidence in policing, and supports crime prevention through education, visibility, and strong community partnerships.

Priority #3: Traffic

Updates and Comments:

Over the past year, the detachment advanced road safety through a sustained and adaptive approach to proactive traffic enforcement, with a strong emphasis on visibility, engagement, and data-informed deployment. Enforcement activity remained consistently high throughout the year, with a steady increase in violations detected, culminating in a particularly strong fourth quarter driven by enhanced traffic visibility initiatives, improved staffing levels, and more accurate tracking practices. Checkstop operations were conducted regularly, with notable increases during high-risk periods such as the holiday season, contributing to impaired driving deterrence and overall public safety. While some quarterly targets were impacted by staffing pressures and tracking challenges, new reporting processes were implemented to improve accountability and measurement moving forward.



A significant focus was placed on school zone, playground, and construction zone safety, with frequent patrols and targeted operations designed to reduce risk to vulnerable road users. Enforcement efforts were flexibly adjusted to reflect seasonal realities, including school closures, summer traffic patterns, and weather-related impacts on driver behaviour. In addition to enforcement, the initiative emphasized visible policing and public interaction, reinforcing safe driving behaviours through presence and engagement.

Overall, the year demonstrated a strong commitment to proactive traffic safety, balancing enforcement with education and adaptability. These efforts contributed to increased compliance, heightened deterrence, and safer roadways within the community.

Priority #4: Domestic Violence

Updates and Comments:

Over the past year, the detachment took a coordinated and proactive approach to addressing ongoing and repetitive domestic, spousal, and gender-based violence through enhanced awareness, strengthened partnerships, and improved frontline response. Key efforts focused on advancing education and community engagement through active participation in the Domestic Violence Committee, which guided priorities such as human trafficking awareness, femicide prevention, and financial literacy as a means of reducing vulnerability. A multi-agency human trafficking workshop was successfully delivered, highlighting the intersection between exploitation and intimate partner violence, while ongoing discussions supported the development of longer-term advocacy and prevention strategies.

Internally, significant progress was made in equipping frontline members with the tools and knowledge needed to respond effectively to domestic violence occurrences. This included enhanced training on trauma-informed approaches, shelter access through centralized systems, legal authorities, and emerging risk factors such as strangulation, criminal harassment, and coercive control. Strong collaboration with victim support services and community organizations ensured members were consistently informed of available resources, enabling more effective safety planning and victim support.

Operationally, the detachment strengthened its response to high-risk individuals and repeat occurrences through regular case management with Victim Services, targeted interventions, and the use of legislative tools such as Clare's Law disclosures. Additional preventative efforts included the development of resource materials aimed at engaging individuals at risk of offending, with a focus on early intervention and behaviour change. Collectively, these efforts demonstrate a comprehensive and proactive strategy that enhances victim safety, supports offender accountability, and works toward reducing the cycle of repeat domestic violence within the community.





STAT TRENDS

We have to be incredibly careful about how we interpret stats, especially one offs where one category takes off during a quarter, sometimes the way files are scored or tracked can influence a category when we have low numbers already, skewing results one way or the other. We can however, look globally at the stats and get an idea of our health in the community.

Overall, the health of the community as reflected in these Q4 2026 policing results is relatively stable with some mixed but manageable pressures. Total Criminal Code incidents have remained essentially flat year-over-year, suggesting no significant overall escalation in crime. Crimes against persons show a rebound from 2025 low, particularly in robbery and assaults, though still generally within longer-term ranges, while some serious categories like sexual offences fluctuate but trend downward over time. Property crime, a priority, has decreased compared to last year, driven by reductions in theft under \$5,000, mischief causing damage, and auto theft, though fraud continues to trend upward and remains a persistent concern which we are hopeful some structural and deployment changes this year will assist in taking that pressure off.. Other Criminal Code offences, especially breaches and failure to comply, have increased, pointing to ongoing challenges with repeat or high-risk individuals (which we have predicted and will continue to see rise). On the traffic and public safety side, injury collisions have risen, and enforcement activity has increased, while mental health-related calls and provincial statute activity remain steady. Encouragingly, indicators like spousal abuse reports and false alarms are trending downward- but, specifically with spousal abuse, we need to be cautious of how we interpret the trend. Taken together, the data suggests a community that remains safe overall, with policing demands shifting toward complexity—repeat offenders, compliance issues, fraud, and traffic safety. All of which are priorities for 2026 along with domestic violence.





Community Consultations

Consultation #1

Date	Meeting Type
Monthly	Meeting with Stakeholders
Topics Discussed	
Policing initiatives and community priorities	
Notes/Comments:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Feb 12- Crown Counsel• March 5th- Seniors Centre• March 4th- LoSeCa• March 12th- Special Olympics• March 23rd- Community Charity- LETR	

Consultation #2

Date	Meeting Type
Click or tap to enter a date.	Meeting with Elected Officials
Topics Discussed	
Policing priorities for St Albert	
Notes/Comments:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jan 21 – Meet & Greet (Mayor, CAO, Execs)• Jan 28 – Meet & Greet (Fire Chief)• Jan 30 – 1:1 (Insp. White & Bill Fletcher)• March 31- Diane McMordie	
(elected officials and senior city officials)	





Consultation #3

Date	Meeting Type
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Topics Discussed	
Policing Priorities for St Albert	
Notes/Comments:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jan 20 – Traffic Safety & Crime Prevention Awareness (City Communications)• Feb 13 – Meet & Greet (RCMP/IRC – Samantha Atkinson)• Jan 15 – School Division	





Municipal Operations: Human Resources Overview

Staffing Category	Established Positions	Working	Temporary Absences	Hard Vacancies
Regular Members	75	62	11	2
Detachment Support	#	#	#	#

Notes:

1. Data extracted on March 31, 2026 and is subject to change.
2. Temporary Absences - When a position is filled, but the member is unable to perform operational duties for a period of time, it becomes a temporary absence, while the member is placed on special leave. This may occur due to Maternity/Paternity leave, medical leave more than 30 days, leave without pay, graduated return to work. They are not included in the "Working" 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, 62 officers are currently working. There are 11 officers that are temporarily absent (Two Graduated Return to Work, one Parental, seven Medical, and one Leave Without Pay). Two of these positions are backfilled to ensure coverage. One position has two members assigned to it and there are two members that are Surplus to Establishment. There are two hard vacancies at this time.





Municipal Operations: Financial Overview

Municipal Overview	Fiscal Year-to-Date	Revised Plan at Q4	2025-26 Financial Plan
Detachment Working FTE Levels	59.70 FTE	59.40 FTE	65.00 FTE
Total Direct Costs	\$ 9,767,874	\$ 10,290,142	\$ 11,337,800
Total Indirect Costs	\$ 5,373,583	\$ 5,437,060	\$ 5,914,354
Total Costs after Final Adjustments	\$ 13,727,311	\$ 14,195,982	\$ 15,568,439

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:

Your financial Forecast for 2025/26 was adjusted to better align with realized expenditures and FTE utilization. The financial figures as identified above include the original and revised forecast totals and reflect information available as of March 31st, 2026. The Q4 invoices will be distributed by May 04th, 2026. Any variances from your Quarter 4 invoice and what the actual expenditures are, will be billed or credited in the Q1 2026/27 reconciliation package.

RCMP will continue to provide your community with monthly enhanced reporting to support ongoing forecast adjustments and potential invoice revisions, and 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.



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 Q4	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 Q4	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"> • Member Pay, including pay for Regular Members, planned and retroactive pay increases, and overtime pay; • Operational equipment, including member equipment, informatics, vehicles, and vehicle fit-up; and/or • Unit operations, including fuel costs, training, secret expenses, and other operations and maintenance costs.
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"> • Employee Benefits (i.e., Superannuation, Canada Pension Plan, and Employment Insurance); • Recruiting operations, Cadet training (at Depot Division), and the Police Dog Service Training Centre;



Term	Definition
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Common IT services, including management of the Police Records and Occurrence System;• 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• Other divisional and regional administration services.
Total Costs after Final Adjustments	Reflects total costs of all expenditure categories and any cost adjustments at the applicable Contract Partner share.

