

HAMILTON POLICE SERVICES BOARD

- INFORMATION -

DATE: 2019 April 11
REPORT TO: Chair and Members
Hamilton Police Services Board
FROM: Eric Girt
Chief of Police
SUBJECT: *Year-End Report: Victim Services Branch – 2018*
PSB 19-022

BACKGROUND

The Hamilton Police Service Victim Services Branch was established in 1992. There are four (4) full time civilian employees and over 80 volunteers. Victim Services respond to the immediate needs of people who have been victimized by crime and/or trauma, such as homicides, suicides, sudden death, assaults, sexual assaults, motor vehicle and fire fatalities, robberies and harassment.

The Victim Services Branch has been the recipient of several prominent Provincial and International Awards for program delivery to victims of crime and trauma.

The Victim Services Branch has also been recognized as a best practices model and have presented at the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Conference.

Attached is the Victim Services Annual Report for 2018, outlining the quality service provided to the residents of the City of Hamilton.



Eric Girt
Chief of Police

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Attachment: *2018 Annual Report – Victim Services Branch*

cc: Frank Bergen, Deputy Chief – Support
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VICTIM SERVICES BRANCH ANNUAL REPORT

2018

IN PURSUIT OF OUR MISSION WE BELIEVE IN
SENSITIVITY TO VICTIMS OF CRIME

COMMITTEE & COMMUNITY WORK

1. Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee for City of Hamilton
2. High Risk Domestic Violence Community Advisory Team
3. Trauma Informed Care Committee
4. Hamilton Anti-Human Trafficking Coalition
5. Women's Services Advisory Committee to the Chief
6. Emergency Women's Shelters Protocol Committee
7. Sexual Offences Review Team (SORT)
8. Woman Abuse Working Group and Public Awareness and Education Committees (WAWG)
9. Sexual Assault Community Review Team (SACRT)

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

Victim Services Branch presented to:

- Citizens Police College
- Mohawk College
- Indigenous Victim Services
- WAWG Court Committee
- Human Trafficking Conference
- CCAS
- Women's Weekly
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A volunteer's actions and efforts are valued at the centre of a neighbourhood's development.

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Chief Eric Girt

