



**ST. ALBERT RCMP
Community
Policing**

**Year End Report for School Boards
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St. Albert Crime Prevention / Victim Services – Community Policing Unit

The Community Policing Unit (CPVS) in St. Albert has a multi-duty responsibility model. Officers are part-time School Resource Officers, part time Crime Prevention Officers, and have a variety of other crime reduction duties including summer suppression green space patrols.

RCMP School Division Partners

Conseil Scolaire Centre-Nord

St. Albert Public School Division

Greater St. Albert Catholic School Division

Sturgeon School Division

School Resource Officer Program

During the school year, each school is assigned a primary contact from the CPVS unit to be their School Resource Officer. This year our School Resource Officer team consisted of Cpl. Morgan (departed February 2025), Cpl. Nault (April 2025), R/Cst. Mckay, Cst. Burroughs, Cst. Tran and Cst. Glendenning. Sgt. Losness (April 2025) oversees the CPVS and Traffic units.

Our unit members attended the Edmonton Police Service School Resource Officer Conference in October, which led to many new ideas for the unit to engage with the youth.

The Objectives of these Programs are:

To build positive relationships with youth while maintaining a safe school environment through:

- Classroom interactions
- Problem solving with youth and staff
- Acting as a resource to the School Administrators
- Providing enforcement/ police investigation when needed

Grade 8 Drug Awareness Program

St. Albert School Resource Officers continued to deliver a two-lesson presentation to grade 8 students this year. The lessons focus on Alcohol, Vaping and Cannabis.

Grade 6 Drug Awareness Program

As in previous years, our current Grade 6 program was created locally by our CPVS members based on their experiences and most valued lessons they've taught in the past. The classes included lessons on:

- Peer Pressure;
- Tobacco and Vaping;
- Alcohol and Cannabis;
- Online Safety; and
- Stress

We will continue to offer this program to all Grade 6 classes within St. Albert. Some Grade 6 classes asked for extra presentations on other matters they felt they wanted to learn more about including but not limited to bullying, fighting, stealing, sensitive photos and YCJA consequences.

Cst. Glendenning also brought special speakers into classrooms that asked about other units within the RCMP including an Emergency Response Team Members, Forensic Identification member, and a Composite Sketch Artist.

Violence Threat Risk Assessment

Violence Threat Risk Assessment (VTRA) and Assessment of Risk to Others (ARTO) continues to be very useful for officers, schools and community partners to assess violent situations or threats of violence. This year Cst. Burroughs hosted a Train the Trainer event where more than 70 people attended and became VTRA trained.



Enhanced SRO Position at Paul Kane

Paul Kane and the RCMP entered into an agreement that saw a RCMP member spending a shift interacting and engaging with students and staff at the Paul Kane High School once a week. Having a consistent RCMP presence, but with different members of the RCMP, allowed the students the opportunity to meet and become acquainted with other police officers who serve in St. Albert.

This consistency of having a police officer in the school on a regular basis took away the uniqueness of their presence and allowed them to meld into the fabric of the school community and were readily accepted.

The enhanced position was deemed successful and will carry into the 2025-2026 school year.

MacEwan Student Placement

This year, the Field Placement portion of the MacEwan University's Policing Studies program continued to move forward for the Fall 2024 semester and Winter 2025 Semester. We had Joey and Megan join the CPVS team twice a week each during their placements, completing over 200 hours each with St. Albert Detachment. Kaylee joined the CPVS unit in September. They were able to observe and participate in many of the different areas of policing from paperwork to patrolling.

Opportunities they participated in:

- Visit schools and local businesses
- Attending community meetings
- Patrolling with CPVS members
- Records Management
- Victim Services and Court
- Front counter
- General Duty patrols
- Exhibit room
- Traffic
- Telecoms
- Municipal Enforcement ride-a-long
- Crime Reduction Unit – curfew checks
- Shadowed Criminal Analyst
- Police Dog Services

- Medical Examiner's Office
- RCMP Fitness Team
- Forensic Identification Team
- General Investigations Section
- Attending Community Events

St. Albert detachment has great pride in providing these students with such excellent opportunities to experience policing and life in the RCMP, as well as furthering their education in the field.

Stuff a Cruiser for the Food Bank

St. Albert RCMP CPVS teamed up with several local stores to Stuff a Cruiser for the Food Bank! Together we collected 2856lbs of food and supplies such as diapers, and \$162.30 was raised for the St. Albert Community Village and Food Bank.

In April 2025 a Stuff a Cruiser for the Food Bank! drive was held again, resulting in an additional 806lbs of food donated.

The last food drive for the year was held on Oct 17, 2025 at Superstore. The generous citizens of St. Albert provided the Food Bank with Police Cruisers full of food and cash donations.



Stuff a Cruiser with School Supplies

Cst. Glendenning organized the first ever St Albert RCMP school supply drive at Walmart on August 14, 2025. Cst. Glendenning and Cpl. Nault parked police vehicles at both entrances and a very conservative estimate of \$6000.00 worth of school supplies were collected and distributed to the different school divisions within St. Albert to provide to families who required some assistance during a very expensive time of year.

This initiative was well received and the citizens of St. Albert responded positively. This school supply drive will take place again in 2026.



RCMP Toy Drive for Local Families

St. Albert CPVS reached out to community members to see if there was a need for toys and Christmas items within the community. The Salvation Army partnered with the St. Albert RCMP to host the Toy Drive. The Salvation Army have a Toy Store where people in the community can come in and pick presents for their family (for free) so they can have a Christmas as well. Cst. Glendenning worked with the Salvation Army and with Walmart to organize the first ever Toy Drive. It was a huge success and the largest single donation the Salvation Army has ever seen. This benefited kids and teenagers in our community.

The 2nd Annual Salvation Army Toy Drive will be held on November 22, 2025 at Walmart. Organizers are confident that toys collected will exceed last years generous donations.



Paint the Police Car for PRIDE Month

On June 10 2025 Cst. Burroughs and Cpl. Nault attended to the Lois E. Hole school. We have been discussing with the youth that celebrating Pride month to us means that **everyone is important** and you should **always be kind!** This has been a great way to engage with youth and many of them were shocked that we were actually telling them that they had permission to put paint on our cars for this event!



533 St. Albert Air Cadets Awards and Year End Ceremony

Cpl. Nault had the honor of attending the 533 St. Albert Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron year end awards in May 2025, including presenting an award to a worthy recipient.

The cadets and marching band put on an impressive demonstration of their marching and musical skills they have learned this past year.

Community Work

In addition to all the work at the schools, the CPVS unit is very active in Community initiatives including participating in the following:

- Neighbourhood Watch
- Citizens On Patrol
- Mental Wellness Working Table
- Welcoming and Inclusive Working Table
- Elder Abuse Case Conference
- Neighbourhood Connections and Crime Prevention
- Inter-agency Information Sharing
- Neighbourhood Development Committee
- School Community Resource Team Meeting
- Strategy And Mobilization Committee
- VTRA Committee
- Sexual Violence Prevention & Response Sub-Committee
- Engaging seniors at the Red Willow Seniors Centre in monthly visits.

Block Party Attendance

As supported by the Alberta Justice and Solicitor General, and as part of the City of St. Albert Social Master Plan, Block Parties are part the RCMP Crime Reduction strategies.

These events allow Officers to:

- Speak about steps citizens can take to reduce crime in their neighborhood
- Encourage residents to watch out for each other
- Empower residents to report suspicious people or incidents
- Allow citizens the opportunity to ask officers questions
- Provide an opportunity for children to see police officers as a normal part of the community visiting their neighborhood.

St. Albert RCMP partners with St. Albert City Neighbourhood Development and St. Albert Neighbourhood Watch to encourage residents to host Block Parties. The CPVS unit attended many of the scheduled block parties and will continue to do so this year.

Enhanced Farmers Market Patrols

St. Albert CPVS has spent considerable time at the St Albert Farmers Market this summer engaging market customers, vendors, market employee's and passersby. The consistent RCMP presence has been warmly received and welcomed.

Enhanced Green Space Patrols

St. Albert CPVS continue to proactively patrol the green spaces in St. Albert from May – October as weather permits. The St. Albert Crime Map (not shown) determines hotspots or crimes trends occurring on or near green spaces in St. Albert, which supports the need for patrols on the trails and in the parks within the community. To provide these enhanced green space patrols, the unit's schedule changes from June until the end of August. These patrols have ensured safe spaces for all the community. This year's patrol locations will be dependant on the activity and events within the community. We encourage community members to engage with members while they are on patrol.

40 Developmental Assets

St. Albert RCMP continues to support the 40 Developmental Asset Model and the use of Positive Tickets to reward youth for healthy choices and positive behavior. Positive Tickets are given to local youth by RCMP, Mayor and Council, Public Works, Block Party organizers and Community Social Development. This Crime Reduction Strategy allows youth to use these tickets for free access to city recreation facilities, while building healthy relationships with adults in the community. The tickets have no expiry so they can be kept by individuals and redeemed when they are able. **Over 600 positive tickets were redeemed in 2025!**

School Report Summary

The St. Albert RCMP continue to have positive relationships with all St. Albert School Divisions, school administration as well as students. This special relationship isn't just contained within the walls of the schools but also continues out in the community.

This year, officers were able to participate in many of the regular school activities and enjoy being part of and experiencing the amazing and unbridled enthusiasm and school spirit the students demonstrated.

The St. Albert CPVS team continued to provide education and awareness to students, parents and community members on a variety of topics this year. The Community Policing Team were able to get back into many Grade 6 classes for our Grade 6 Social Skills curriculum and all the officers enjoyed being back in the classroom regularly.

The St. Albert RCMP continued to be a part of the safety response at all the schools including participating in Safety Planning and Lockdowns as required. The detachment "School Action for Emergencies" (SAFE) plans were reviewed and updated, in partnership with the school divisions.

CPVS members continued to be involved with investigations involving school aged youth. The unit continued regular communication with school administration and worked with the schools and divisions to continue to promote Restorative Justice in such investigations.

Our school team is heavily invested and strongly believes in the relevance of the VTRA program. The VTRA program is a positive step forward for students who find themselves in difficult circumstances. This allows the student, their families, the RCMP, the school and community support agencies an opportunity to come together to address the root cause of the issue and devise a workable and sustainable solution. CPVS also connected with administration on investigations that would have an impact on the larger school community

The St. Albert CPVS unit regularly promotes initiatives such as the #9PM Routine and Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) as they are valuable crime prevention programs.

The CPVS unit was at many of the local events this summer such as the St. Albert Rainmaker Parade, Canada Day celebrations, Rock'in August, Touch -a- Truck, summer camps and the Farmers Market.

In conclusion, the St. Albert RCMP CPVS unit is heavily involved in this dynamic and diverse community. Our team members are dedicated to unfettered engagement between community members, community groups and the RCMP. The RCMP are always looking for new opportunities and initiatives to strengthen this relationship and maintain the trust that the citizens of St. Albert have in the RCMP.