



SURREY CRIME PREVENTION SOCIETY
ENHANCING COMMUNITY SAFETY TOGETHER



SURREY CRIME PREVENTION SOCIETY 2021 ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT

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Message from Our Executive Director

This year, Surrey Crime Prevention Society celebrates its 38th anniversary of enhancing community safety in the City of Surrey. Since 2012, over 3,600 volunteers generously contributed over 230,000 hours supporting our unique community safety programs in the City of Surrey. It is with tremendous pride and gratitude we celebrate the accomplishments of our amazing volunteers and dedicated staff.

Our volunteers continued to deliver exceptional results while supporting our community safety programs. Ensuring our volunteers achieve excellence through personal and professional growth is a tremendous honor to witness. These individuals move onto careers in public service achieving the ultimate milestone, with this year being no exception.

Throughout 2021, our volunteers supported our many programs while developing strong alliances with our community partners to ensure a cohesive approach to public safety. With the support of our amazing staff and volunteers, we have successfully delivered community safety programs resulting in superior outcomes. This year we witnessed the growth of our volunteers and staff with many leaving to pursue careers in public service.

Thank you to our valued sponsors, community partners and members who recognize the commitment of our volunteers and staff. Working in collaboration with the City of Surrey has enabled us to maximize our opportunities by aligning our resources to support the goals of the City. We continue to identify new opportunities working with Surrey Schools and other community partners to support youth. The Covid 19 pandemic continued during 2021 and the safety of our volunteers and staff continued to be a priority while ensuring all Covid-19 safety protocols were in place.

Karen Reid Sidhu | Executive Director

Mission

Surrey Crime Prevention Society takes a 360° holistic approach to community safety through programs delivered by our trained and dedicated volunteers. Surrey Crime Prevention Society is committed to supporting community safety and public awareness while aligning with the goals of our community partners.

Vision

Surrey Crime Prevention Society is a committed partner in the enhancement of community safety in the City of Surrey.

History

Informally organized in 1981 and incorporated as a registered, non-profit Society in 1984, Surrey Crime Prevention Society (SCPS) is a volunteer-based organization dedicated to community safety. The Society is governed by an elected Board of Directors within the terms of Surrey Crime Prevention Society's Constitution and By-Laws. Funding is derived from grants and corporate partnerships as well as businesses, donations and memberships.



Building a Sense of Civic Pride

As a not-for-profit organization in Surrey, Surrey Crime Prevention Society (SCPS) is a volunteer-based organization responsible for the delivery of community safety programs throughout communities in the City. **Since 2012, 3,600 volunteers generously contributed over 230,000 hours supporting our unique community safety programs in the City of Surrey.** Volunteers observe and report on a variety of issues and share this information with respective community partners. They support a variety of other activities and programs throughout the City of Surrey.

In 2021, **477** volunteers contributed **25,953** hours towards the enhancement of community safety in Surrey. These volunteers actively delivered community safety programs throughout the City. The majority of volunteers with SCPS are university and high school students dedicated to making a difference. There has been an increased interest from individuals, specifically youth in the community to volunteer with our Society.

Surrey Crime Prevention Society aligns the goals of the Society with the City of Surrey and other community partners. All activities performed by our volunteers are measured using an Outcomes Measure Framework capturing relevant data outlining the success of our programs. This report includes quantitative and qualitative data collected by SCPS. Data collected is through the program deliverables that occur in the community and shared regularly with community partners.



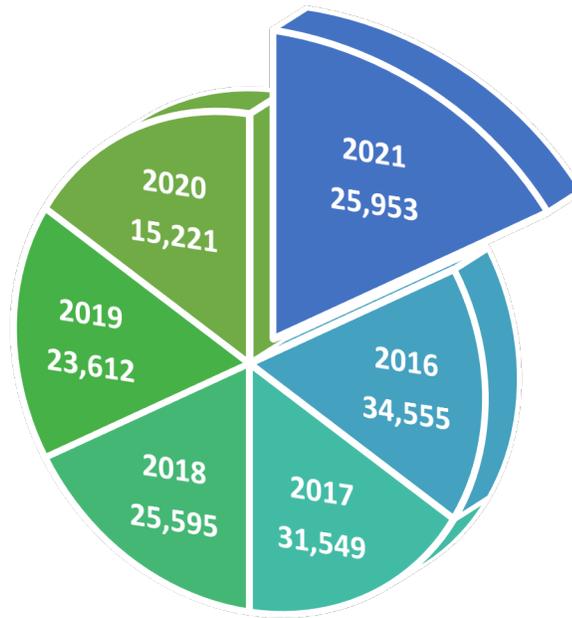
Surrey Crime Prevention Society focuses on a three-pillar approach to measure the outcomes of the community safety programs provided. These three pillars include:

1. **Public Education and Awareness** – Surrey Crime Prevention Society supports community safety through increased public education and awareness initiatives.
2. **Community Engagement | Civic Pride & Guardianship** – Surrey Crime Prevention Society increases community engagement amongst individuals, primarily youth and young adults allowing them the opportunity to feel engaged and take ownership of their neighborhoods and communities.
3. **Community Safety** – To enhance community safety in the City of Surrey through the delivery of community safety-based programs.



Commitment

Surrey Crime Prevention volunteers support a variety of programs demonstrating a strong commitment to their community.



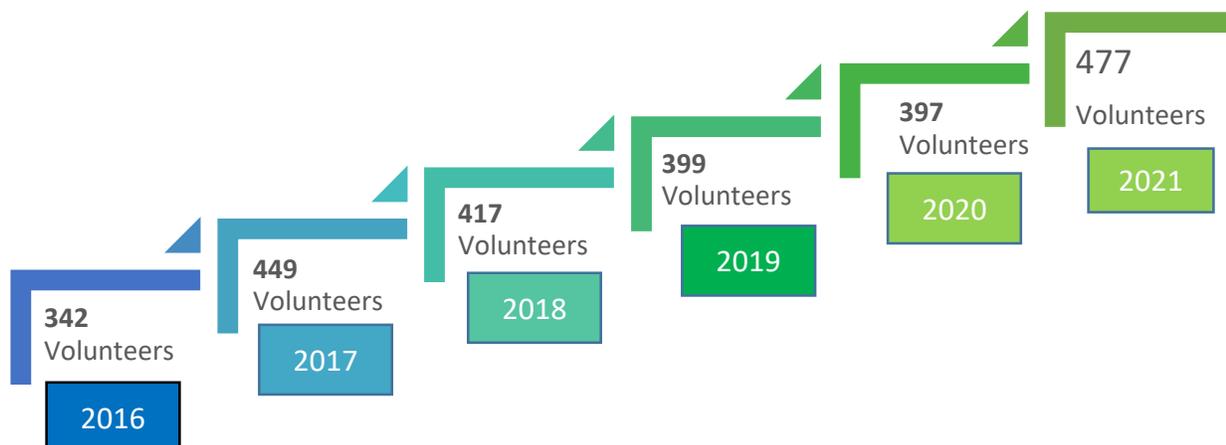
Our Volunteers

Programs supported by SCPS are measured using a comprehensive Outcomes Measures Framework designed to capture the outstanding contributions of our dedicated volunteers and the positive impact in the City of Surrey. Volunteers with SCPS undergo a comprehensive screening and training process. Volunteers are selected based on their skills, awareness of the community and commitment to their community.

All volunteers must undergo a criminal background check and must maintain a clear background check throughout their volunteer role with SCPS. If applicable, they are required to provide a driver's abstract from ICBC.

Volunteers undergo both classroom and field training to ensure they are equipped with the necessary tools to be successful in their volunteer role. Volunteers set personal goals with staff and participate in regular performance evaluations. Volunteers are encouraged to participate in a variety of special projects and events in addition to their regular volunteer commitment. SCPS regularly evaluates the work of volunteers to ensure the programs are effective in offering the best possible experience for volunteers. Volunteers display the highest level of professionalism while representing the Society.

Volunteers are recruited through a variety of sources including post-secondary institutions, community agencies, businesses and high schools. The minimum age to volunteer is 16 years old.



Our Programs

Citizens Community Safety Watch Program

In 1981, SCPS introduced one of the first Citizens Crime Watch Programs in the Province. Today, the Citizens Community Safety Watch Program (CCSW) staff and volunteers work closely with Surrey RCMP District Offices, Surrey Fire Department, Bylaws, Parks, Recreation and Culture, Surrey Libraries and local businesses

Highly trained volunteers support communities throughout Surrey four nights a week. These volunteers are the additional “eyes and ears” for community partners and emergency services in all five districts in the City of Surrey. Community partners call upon our volunteers to support them on a variety of functions relating to issues these communities face daily.



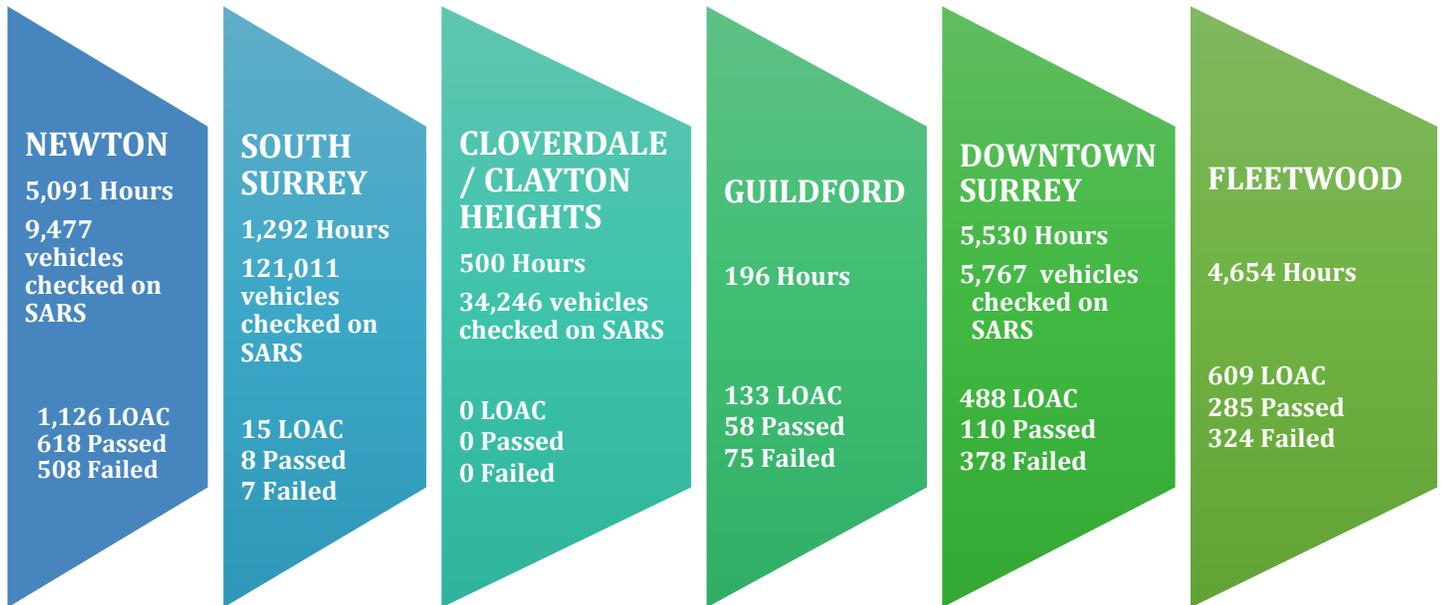
414	Vehicles on shift
5	Districts in Surrey
53,936	# of Stolen Auto Recovery Plates Checked
28	Drug and Alcohol Incidents
60	Calls of Service Emergency
3,114	Hours
46	Volunteers

Community Safety Tours



Volunteers participating in Community Safety Tours observe and report on a variety of suspicious activities throughout the City of Surrey. Volunteers support our community partners and stakeholders delivering this program while enhancing community safety in areas that include shopping centers, local parks, transit hubs, recreation centers, libraries and businesses.

Volunteers are trained to observe and report resulting in a more efficient use of community resources. Volunteers tour on foot and bicycles throughout communities in Surrey. Volunteers conduct public awareness and education campaigns with our community partners.



Total Number of Hours 15,471

Total Number of Vehicles checked on SARS 170,571

Total LOAC 2,371

LOAC Fails 1,292 | LOAC Passed 1,071

The Locking Out Auto Crime Audit Program was suspended in 2021 due to Covid-19 restrictions

Traffic Safety Program

Speed Watch | Distracted Driving

This program was introduced in 1987, when SCPS pioneered the use of electronic Speed Reader Boards with the support of ICBC.

Volunteers use “smart phones” using an “App” called “*Speed Watch*”. The information captured and reported to community partners is used to support traffic measures. Volunteers record the speed of vehicles and any distracted drivers observed during shift. Volunteers also support special projects in partnership with RCMP, ICBC, Metro Vancouver Transit Police and the City of Surrey Vision Zero Program.



252,713
#Checked
Vehicles

315
#Program
shifts

4,372
#Vehicles
Speeding

1,159
#Distracted
Drivers

1,800
#Hours

18
#Volunteers

DID YOU KNOW
Our volunteers use smartphone technology to analyze data? This information is shared with our community partners.



Community Enhancement Anti-Graffiti and Adopt-a-street



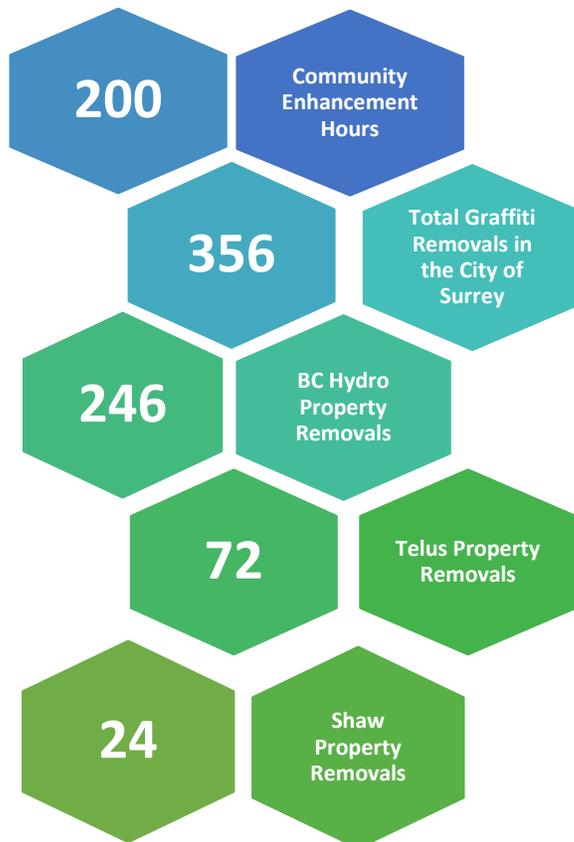
SCPS introduced the Anti-Graffiti Program in 1996, providing 22 years of committed service in Surrey. Working with Surrey Parks, Recreation and Culture, and Bylaws Enforcement, we support Surrey’s efforts to eradicate graffiti through our cost-effective program.

Graffiti often results in neighborhoods experiencing additional acts impacting the safety of the community. In response to this, the City of Surrey’s Public Safety Strategy has identified “zero tolerance for graffiti” as an avenue towards creating safe and prosperous communities.



SCPS works with agencies who refer youth including PCRS and the Ministry of Children and Family Development. This program accommodates youth who are required to complete community service hours assigned by the courts.

A grant from the City of Surrey, BC Hydro, Shaw and Telus supports this program.



Office Administration and Support

With the support of our administrative volunteers, we are able to ensure all work performed in the field is captured and recorded in our reporting to our community partners. Due to the pandemic we were unable to offer this in a full capacity. Volunteers contributed **112** hours for this program. Many of these volunteers also support community programs as well.

2021 Volunteer Symposium

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, SCPS decided to deliver the awards to our volunteers in compliance with the provincial health regulations and held the event virtually. Here is a look at Symposiums from the past.



VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR 2021



Joshua Ramirez
VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR



Ishmeen Dhesi
COMMUNITY SAFETY
YOUTH MENTORSHIP
PROGRAM



**Jagraj
Randhawa**
DOWNTOWN
SURREY



**Tarnpreet
Dhalival**
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Randhawa**
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CITIZENS
COMMUNITY
SAFETY WATCH



Floyd Morfe
LIFT HIGH SCHOOL
PROGRAM



**Saymant
Sharma**
NEWTON



Jin Ho Shon
TRAFFIC SAFETY



Amrit Dhami
SOUTH SURREY &
CLOVERDALE

Civic Pride Program

This program had over **174** students participating in the 2020|2021 school year.

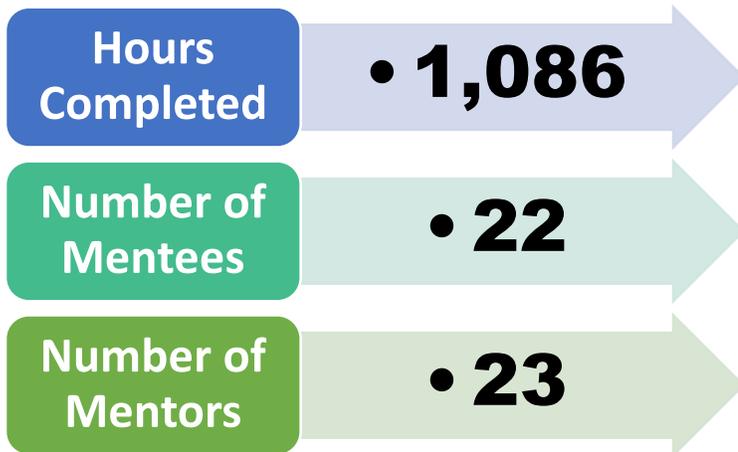
We would like to thank and acknowledge the City of Surrey and Envision Financial for their generous funding so we may continue to engage Grade 6 & 7 students throughout the City of Surrey.



Community Safety Youth Mentorship Program

The Community Safety Youth Mentorship Program was introduced in 2013 to support the needs of vulnerable youth through partnerships with community partners in Surrey. Through a generous grant from the Telus Community Board, we are able to continue to support youth in our community.

Our Community Safety Youth Mentorship Program supports vulnerable youth between the ages of 12 and 18. Vulnerable youth face a higher risk of being recruited to groups exposing them to significant danger. This program provides mentorship from trained SCPS volunteers and offers important life skills providing an alternative to mentees who may otherwise be influenced into less desirable activities.



“If it wasn’t for the Mentorship Program, I wouldn’t have had the opportunity to create such a strong bond with [my mentee] and guide him in developing skills in leadership, compassion, work ethic, and integrity. Whether it is observing and reporting suspicious activity in the City of Surrey or assisting our local police agencies during emergency situations; the invaluable experiences we were able to have together are something we will always cherish.”

“I believe the program has helped me grow as an individual. My mentee has casted light on a new perspective of life that surrounds kids who have gone through many hardships in their lives. I’ve learned how to be more understanding and empathetic as well as have understood more about the importance of setting boundaries.”

LIFT Program – Learn | Inform | Focus | Trust



Surrey Crime Prevention Society identified a need to support youth in high school to gain an understanding of the importance of volunteering in their community.

This program was introduced to meet the needs of the high school curriculum where students are required to gain work experience in the community. Currently there are no other programs offered where students receive such a comprehensive experience delivering community safety programs.

Students are encouraged to continue volunteering with our Society once they have completed the program. Our community safety programs are delivered throughout communities in Surrey with the support of volunteers.



Career Education Dept. Head

“The experience with SCPS has been incredible. Several students have stayed long beyond their 100 hours needed for Work Experience credit, and have continued to volunteer for the society. Students learn real skills, and they can use this experience to enhance their resumes, whether they go into policing or not. I have had students who were at a bit of a crossroads in life on the edge of being a good citizen or being someone allured by unsavory people. These students have not only been successful at the society, but they have been successful in life and made the right choices.”

Number of Hours Completed: 1,827

Number of Students: 26

Transit Watch Program

In 2015, SCPS introduced a pilot project in partnership with Transit Police to tour around the transit hubs. The success of this program has resulted in Transit Police continuing to partner with SCPS.

All volunteers now support the Transit Watch program in Surrey around the transit hubs in the following areas:

- *King George*
- *Gateway*
- *Central City*
- *Scott Road (including parking lots in and around these stations)*
- *Newton bus loop*
- *Volunteers do not go into paid zones*



Volunteers and staff work in partnership with the Transit Police, Transit Security and RCMP reporting on any suspicious activity to the respective agencies based on the nature of the situation.

Volunteers support this program on foot tours, in vehicles and on bikes.

Calls to Transit Police	9
Calls to RCMP	46
Vehicles run on SARS	136,255
Locking Out Auto Crime	1,629
87-77-77 (Transit) Cards	162
Total Hours	12,413

Campaigns: Pedestrian, Locking Out Auto Crime, Customer Engagement, Anti-Bike Theft

Special Events

Surrey Crime Prevention Society volunteers support a variety of special events throughout the city. Listed below are some of the main events we support, but there are many more:

Fusion Festival | Canada Day Celebrations | Vaisakhi Parade | Cloverdale Rodeo Parade and Fair | Children’s Festival | Fleetwood Community Festival | Remembrance Day and many more. Volunteers also support community events for other charities in the city.



Special Projects

Volunteers participate in special projects throughout the City of Surrey to support and raise awareness around various issues. Volunteers participated in a variety of special projects throughout the year by providing public awareness and education, traffic control, foot | bike tours, mobile tours, media awareness | road safety campaigns. Through participation with various community partners, volunteers are effectively engaging the community in a variety of ways while positively enhancing community safety within the City of Surrey.



Special Events

- 284 Hours
- 76 Volunteers
- 11 Special Events

Special Projects

- 730 Hours
- 168 Volunteers
- 23 Special Projects



Our Valued Members

Thank you to our valued members and their generous support. Members are promoted both on our website and through social media. Your generous support sponsors one volunteer for one year with the training and development they require to be successful in our programs. **Volunteers work tirelessly and are committed to the enhancement of community safety in the City of Surrey.**

Please visit our [website](#) to see our members. Learn how you can become a [Sponsor](#) and make a difference in the life of a volunteer in Surrey.

Volunteer With Us

Surrey Crime Prevention Society actively recruits new volunteers year-round. Visit our [website](#) for program information and how you can get involved.



“When applying to a police force, it is important to show the difference you are making in your community. Surrey Crime Prevention Society provided me the opportunity to gain experience as a career in law enforcement. Volunteering at Surrey Crime Prevention Society for the last four years helped me realize that I enjoy making a positive impact in my community.”

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Our Valued Partners and Sponsors

With the support of our valued partners, we continue to offer community safety programs supporting the diverse community in Surrey.

