

# Port Alberni RCMP



# Municipal Resources/ Service Demands

- 2001 = 33 members
- 2007 = 34 members
- 2008 = 34 members (35 approved)
- 2009 = 34 members (36 approved)
- 15.5 municipal employees includes 4 custodial guards

# Added Value to Municipal Contract

- 10.5 Provincially funded members: includes 6 general duty members, 2 FIS, 1 GIS and 1.5 Public Service Employees (PSE)
- 4 First Nations Police Officers
- “Neutral Cost” access to specialized services such as ERT, specialized traffic, Major Crimes, Tactical Teams , Air Services etc.
- **Volunteers:** Aux/Csts, COPS, Speed Watch, Victim Services, community policing office = 62

# Approximate Costs

- Municipality pays 90% / regular member
- **\$3,974,920** divided by 34 members =  
**\$116,909.41** (2008/2009 budget)
- **\$136,249.00** cost per regular member (budget analyst info FEB 2009)
- Municipal support staff (includes guards)=  
**\$1,124,026.00** (un audited figure)

# Risks

- Increase in demands for service - history
- No commensurate increase in policing strength =  
Less quality or reduced service delivery/ impact  
on Crime Reduction Strategy
- Increased risk to community
- Increased risk to the reputation of the RCMP and  
City of Port Alberni
- Employee Wellness ( health and morale)

# What have we done to date?

- deferred approved contracted Regular member position – one in 2008 – one in 2009 *saving \$250,000 every year*
- .5 increase in Municipal Employee – *Approx \$36,000*
- July 2008 Return of *\$ 449, 831.87* in surplus salary dollars – applied to quarterly payments (*forecast return in July 2009= \$200,000.00*)
- Actively seeking equitable PS support including reclassification from CR3 to CR4 status
- Actively pursuing Provincial Traffic positions based in PA. Value added, revenue in form of rental space.

# Change Management

## DEC 2006 - present

- \$250,000.00 reduction in overall policing budget per year. 1.25 million over 5 years
- Introduction of PRIME
- Comprehensive change in shift schedule
- Redeployment /reclassification of resources
- Implementation of the Crime Reduction Strategy
- Increased accountability of overtime, travel & training expenditures.

# Crime Reduction Strategy

- Targeted prolific and high risk offenders
- Rapid response to emerging crime trends
- Intelligence driven
- Root causes of crime
- Increased interoperability with Gov't and NG agencies
- Success as per OCT 2008 report to Council
- Model was recognized as effective in MR of Jan 2009

# Total Calls for Service Alberni Valley- RCMP

Year	Total Calls for Service
2002	13,909
2003	14,677
2004	15,528
2005	15,945
2006	16,600
2007	16,242
2008	14,342

# BC Municipal Police Force Cost Report 2005 – dated August 2006

- Corporate Management Branch estimates
- Independent Police Force cost per member 2008 = \$148,941.00 up from \$142,500.00
- Port Alberni cost per officer = \$116,909.41

# BC Municipal Police Force Cost RCMP Corporate Management Branch 2008

- Independent Police force cost per capita = \$273.00
- RCMP cost per capita = \$170.00
- Independent Police force Criminal Code case burden per member = 58
- Port Alberni RCMP Criminal Code case burden per member = 118

# Crime Rate / Comparisons

July 2007 report Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor  
General

City	Year	Crimes per 1000	Criminal Offences	Ranking
Port Alberni	2001	186	3446	
	<b>2006</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>4016</b>	<b>6th</b>
Courtenay	2001	202	3867	
	<b>2006</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>3421</b>	<b>21st</b>
Campbell River	2001	152	4512	
	<b>2006</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>5363</b>	<b>17th</b>
Parksville	2001	118	1273	
	<b>2006</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>1625</b>	<b>28th</b>