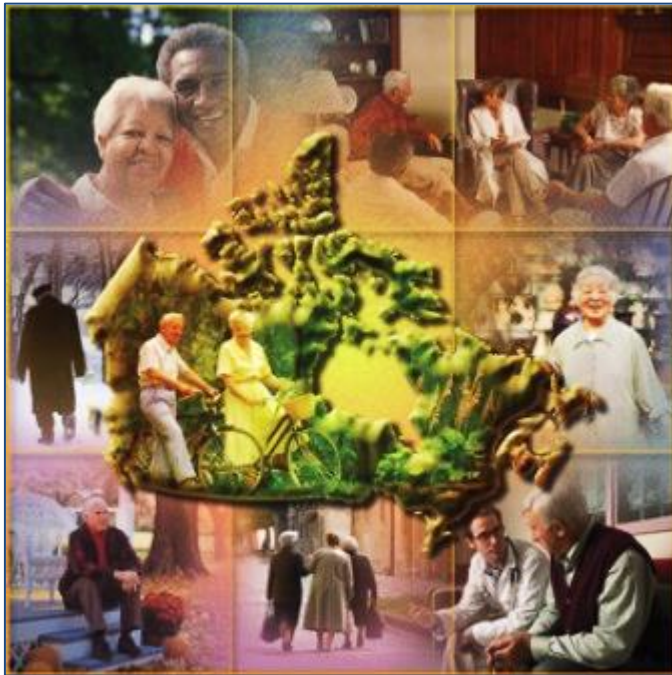




KEEPING OUR SENIORS SAFE



Superintendent Carolyn Bishop
Community Services

Sergeant Chris Palmer
Community Partnerships Bureau

June 17, 2016

Deeds Speak





PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- Responding to our Seniors
- Crimes against Seniors
- Keeping our Seniors Safe
- Our Partners
- Engaging the Community
- Questions and Answers





RESPONDING TO OUR SENIORS

Our People, Our Programs

1. Elder Abuse Investigators
2. Seniors Safety Officer
3. Victim Assistance Officer
4. Mental Health Resources
5. Seniors Crime Stoppers
6. Project Lifesaver
7. Vulnerable Persons Registry





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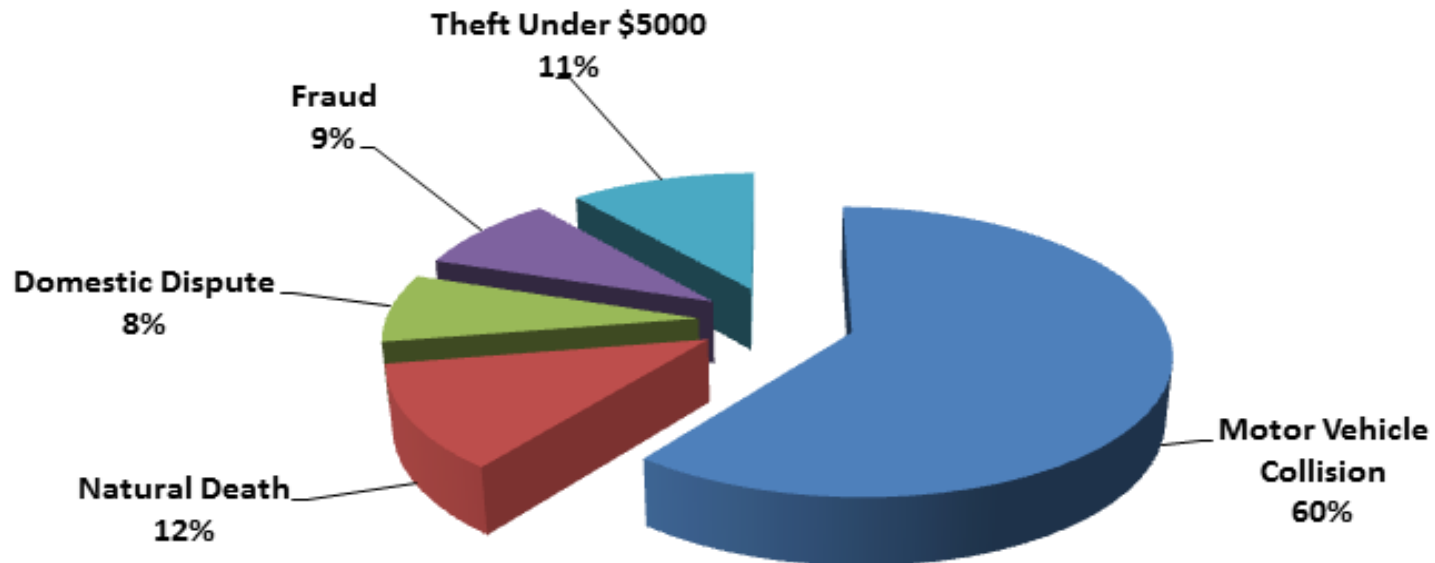
Calls for Service 2015

Call Type	
Motor Vehicle Collision (MVC)	1477
Natural Death	290
Theft Under \$5,000	270
Fraud	215
Domestic Dispute	190



RESPONDING TO OUR SENIORS

Calls for Service 2015





CRIMES AGAINST SENIORS

Violent Crime 2015

VIOLATION AGAINST VICTIM	TOTAL VICTIMS	TOTAL SENIORS 65+	% OF SENIORS
Assault	2,117	104	4.9%
Utter Threats	820	42	5.1%
Assault Level 2	762	33	4.3%
Harassing Communications	421	28	6.7%
Sexual Assault	309	15	4.9%



CRIMES AGAINST SENIORS

Perception and Reality

Seniors are the least likely demographic to suffer violent crime, but they are the most likely to suffer violence at the hands of a family member or caregiver.





CRIMES AGAINST SENIORS

What is Elder Abuse

- Neglect
- Physical Abuse
- Psychological/Emotional abuse
- Economic/Financial abuse



CRIMES AGAINST SENIORS

Top Scams Targeting Seniors

- Lottery
- Telemarketing/Salesperson
- Emergency/Grandparent
- Investment Schemes
- Romance





CRIMES AGAINST SENIORS

Risk factors for Elder Abuse

- Strained family relationships
- Caregiver dependence on a Senior for accommodation or financial support
- Within institutions where staff are poorly trained or overworked
- Socioeconomic factors
- Social isolation





CRIMES AGAINST SENIORS

Challenges and Barriers

- Fear, shame, guilt
- Language
- Isolation
- Dependency
- Disabilities
- Lack of awareness
- Mistrust of authority





KEEPING OUR SENIORS SAFE

Non-Criminal Calls for Service

- Check welfare
- Wandering/Missing Persons
- Emotionally Disturbed Persons (EDP)
- Violence between persons cognitively-impaired
- System navigation, access and gaps
- Homelessness
- Hoarding





KEEPING OUR SENIORS SAFE

Power through Education



SENIORS' DAY
2016

Wednesday, June 8, 2016
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Georgina Ice Palace
90 Wexford Drive, Georgina

York Regional Police, along with Georgina Fire Services and other community partners, will be connecting with seniors and their families to share important information about crime prevention, healthy aging, elder abuse, keeping seniors safe and living with dementia/Alzheimer's.


Register in advance to save your spot at this year's event, designed specifically with seniors in mind.

Seminars and display booths on:

- Crime prevention
- Fire safety
- Emergency preparedness
- Frauds and scams
- Traffic and pedestrian safety
- Fitness
- Exhibitor booths
- Demonstrations by Georgina Fire Services and the York Regional Police Canine, Emergency Response and Marine Units

Free lunch provided.

For more information and to register, please contact:
York Regional Police Community Services
Phone: 1-866-876-5423 ext. 6709
Email: communityservices@yrp.ca
DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION: Wednesday, June 1, 2016



2016 SPRING SENIOR CITIZENS ACADEMY

When: Monday, April 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2016
Time: 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Where: King City Seniors Centre
30 Fisher St., King City
Cost: Free - refreshments included
Contact: Leslie Millar - lmillar@king.ca, 905-833-5321, ext. 5240
or YRP Community Services - communityservices@yrp.ca, 1-876-866-5423, ext. 6709

What is the Senior Citizens Academy?

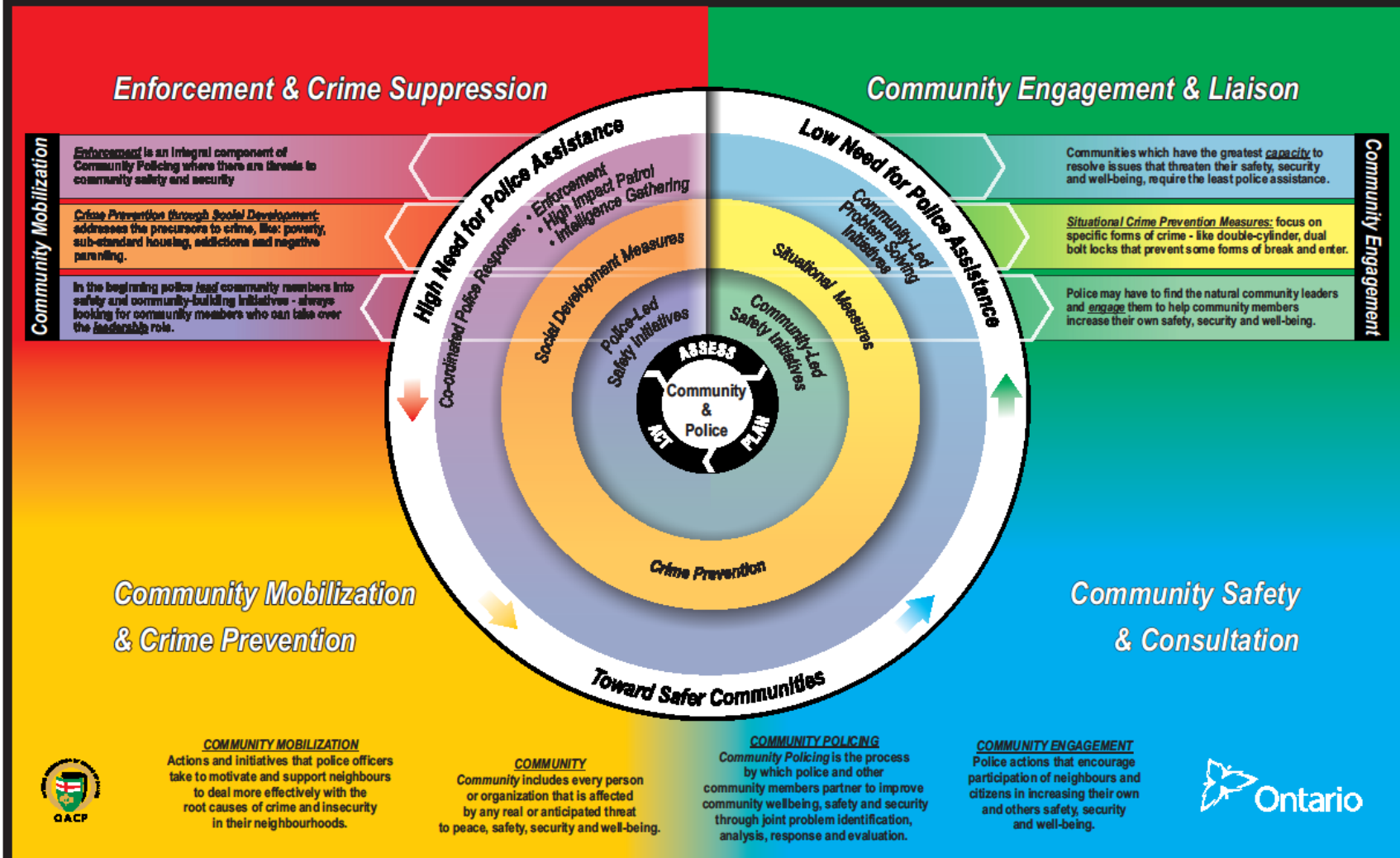
It's an opportunity for York Regional Police to connect with seniors to talk about the different facets of policing including crime prevention, frauds and scams, elder abuse, traffic and pedestrian safety and the Crime Stoppers program.

The 2016 Spring Senior Citizens Academy is hosted by York Regional Police, in partnership with the Township of King Fire & Emergency Services.



Ontario's Mobilization & Engagement Model of Community Policing





PARTNERS IN PREVENTION





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ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY

- Vulnerable Person Registry
- Crime Prevention Map
- Online Reporting
- Project Lifesaver
- Social Media
- www.yrp.ca



Crime Prevention Map
Know your neighbourhood.
Help build safer communities. Together.
Visit yrp.ca to find out about police activity and crime trends in your neighbourhood.



Plug in to your community

The complex block features a blue background. On the right, a smartphone is shown displaying a map with various markers. The York Regional Police logo is positioned in the lower-left corner of the block. The text is centered and reads: "Crime Prevention Map", "Know your neighbourhood. Help build safer communities. Together.", "Visit yrp.ca to find out about police activity and crime trends in your neighbourhood.", and "Plug in to your community".



ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY

Volunteering

The York Regional Police Volunteer Program has more than 60 people over 65 years of age registered as volunteers:

- Male Chorus
- Special Events
- Auxiliary Police Officers



Thank you Questions?





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SUPPORTS AND SERVICES

- York Regional Police Emergency: 9-1-1
- YRP non-emergency: 1-866-823-3334
- Victim Services of York Region: 905-953-5363
- Community Care Access Centre: 1-888-470-2222
- Community Crisis Response Service: 1-855-310-COPE (2673)
- Advocacy Centre for the Elderly: 416-487-7157
- Alzheimer's Society: 905-895-1337
- Community Home Assistance to Seniors (CHATS): 1-877-452-4287
- Ontario Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse: 1-866-299-1011
- Crime Stoppers: 1-888-222-TIPS (8477)