

Report to the Board: Criminal Investigation Division

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Criminal Investigation Division investigated the following incidents:

- January 2025 SC25000214 / SC25000224 / SC25000374 / SC25000494 Frauds During the
 month of January 2025, CID was assigned to investigate four separate frauds that had originally
 been tasked to the uniform division. The community continues to see reports of fraudulent
 activity that is generated by means such as telephone scams, computer "pop ups", Facebook
 Marketplace scams and in person scams using counterfeit cheques/money orders. SCPS CID
 members take on these investigations and use judicial authorizations to attempt to trace the
 flow of the money. All of the above investigations are ongoing.
- 2025 January 28 SC25000625 Public Mischief "Swatting" On January 28, 2025 in the late evening hours, SCPS received a call for a female that had been shot by a male in a subdivision in the west end of Strathroy. SCPS Uniform Officers responded with OPP units for support. The investigation revealed that the incident was a hoax, often referred to as "Swatting" A swatting incident is described as a call to emergency services to report a false crime in progress in an attempt to elicit a large police response. There was no shooting and no one was injured. The SCPS Criminal Investigations Division has commenced an investigation to determine who is responsible for the call.
- Street Crime Unit (SCU) In January 2025, the Street Crime Unit generated 12 reportable occurrences. The Street Crime Unit is currently investigating an active drug project in the community. D/Sgt. Cartwright and D/Cst. Schut attended a 3 day conference held by the Criminal Intelligence Service Ontario in Blue Mountain this month. This conference focused on the use of confidential informants and agents. The conference content was excellent and was a benefit to our officers.
- Digital Forensics Unit (DFU) In January 2025, D/C Butts continues to work on data extractions and analysis of digital devices.

STATISTICS:

- CRIMINAL CHARGES CID 0
- Criminal Charges SCU 0
- Provincial Offence Charges SCU 0
- INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE INCIDENTS: 29 IPV incidents In January 2025, the SCPS laid 4 charges relating to intimate partner violence. Two of the persons charged were male and one person charged was female.

SEARCH WARRANTS/PRODUCTION ORDERS: 4

COURSES: (2)CONFERENCES: (1)

Meetings: (CISO/PATS/ETC) 2Sex Offender Registration: 1

• OTHER DUTIES:

External Police Agency Assistance Notifications;

- SC25000479 SCPS requested assistance from OPP to provide a breath technician for an impaired arrest.
- SC25000625 SCPS requested assistance from the OPP for a weapons call that turned into a Swatting incident. Multiple OPP resources attended.

Respectfully submitted,

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