



# **RCMP Halifax Regional Detachment**

### 2024/2025 Human Resource Request

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### **Presentation Purpose**

• To outline and provide rationale supporting Halifax Detachment's request for additional funding for 6 new Police Officer resources in FY 2024/25.





## **Presentation Outline**

- Overview HRD & Resources
- 2024/25 Resource Request
  - Enhancements versus Core viewpoint
- New Resource Information
- Supporting Police Metrics



# **High Level Detachment Metrics**

- Largest RCMP Det. east of the Rockies
  - Total 200 Police Officers + 33.5 civilian staff FTEs
    - 188 Police Officers funded by HRM
    - +12 Police Officers funded through Prov. Of NS
  - Deployed from 7 offices across HRM
    - Patrolling 95% of HRM (~5202 km<sup>2</sup>)
    - Serving 43% of pop. (~200 k citizens)
    - Responded to 56,513 Calls for Service (2022)



## **RCMP Resource Requests - Overview**

- RCMP Police Officer FTEs
  - 2022/23 FY +4 RM FTEs Resources identified and under relocation
  - 2024/25 FY +6 RM FTEs New resources requested

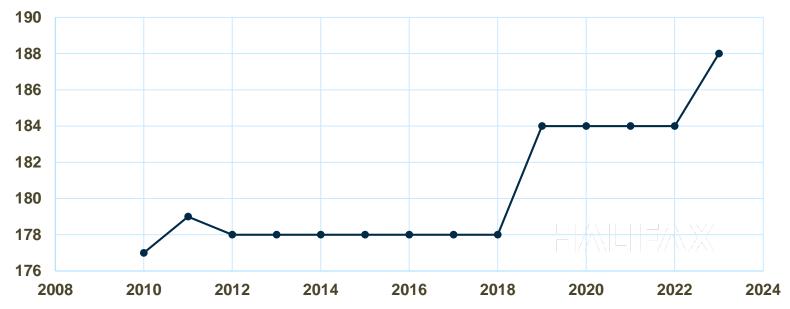
Note: This updated presentation is supplemental to the resource business case submitted Nov. 2023





### **Police Officer Resources - History**

#### HRM Funded RCMP Police Officer FTEs



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### 2024/2025 Resources Requested - RCMP

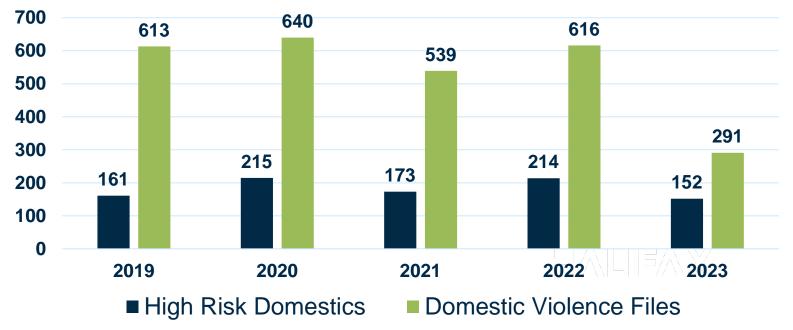
- For adequate & effective policing
  - 4 x General Duty Investigators (Cst.)
  - Core service requirement
- To improve service delivery
  - 2 x Intimate Partner Violence Investigators (Cst.)
- Total cost based on number of RCMP Police Officers
  - FTEs determined by community needs/wants
  - Per officer costing rank neutral "Inclusive"

# **Intimate Partner Violence Investigators**

- 2 x Constables
- No <u>dedicated</u> capacity now
- Estimated 600 1000 DV files annually (100+ high risk)
- Investigations specialized & complex
  - Requires experienced-trained investigators
  - Plain clothes & on day shift
  - De facto creates specialized "unit"
  - Partner with Domestic Violence & Victim Services
- SME resources a best practice
- Initial capacity requested deployed to best advantage

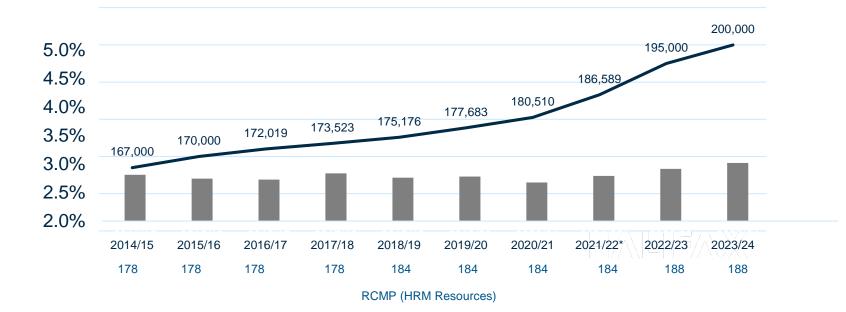
### **Domestic Violence Statistics**

January 1st, 2019 to September 29th, 2023

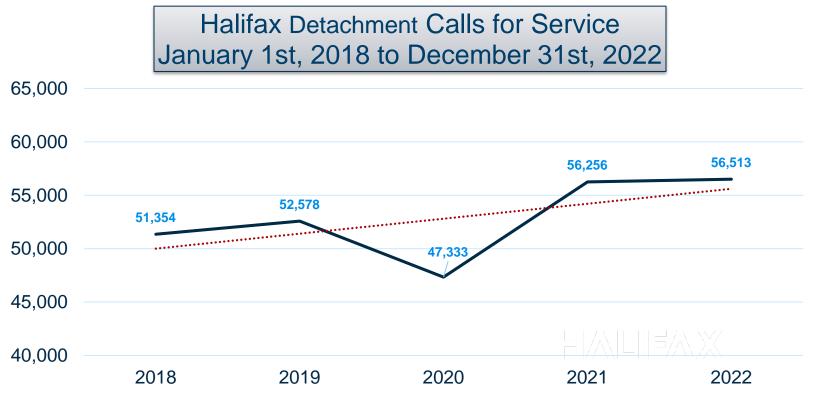


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#### RCMP Halifax Det. – Overarching Metrics



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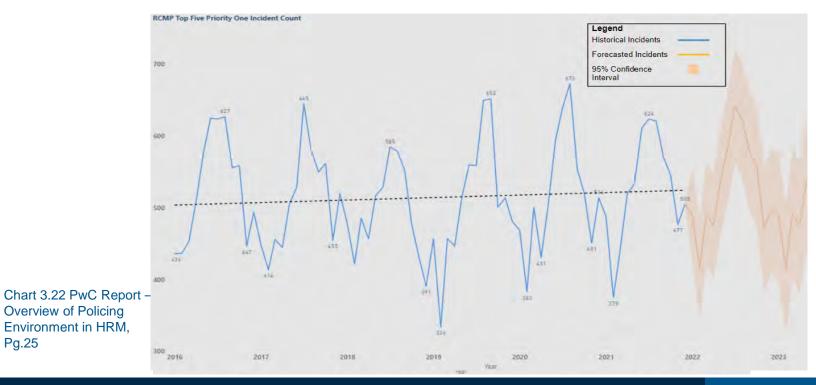


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# **General Duty Investigators**

- 4 x General Duty Constables
  - New uniformed police resources
  - Investment to stem erosion of adequate & effective service
  - Enhancement versus Core view
- Recognition of continued high demand on service
  - Increases in population & calls for service
  - Increased investigative time
  - Impact of MH calls on police services
  - Underhoused crisis HRM Homeless Strategy
  - Climate change induced & other large operational pressures

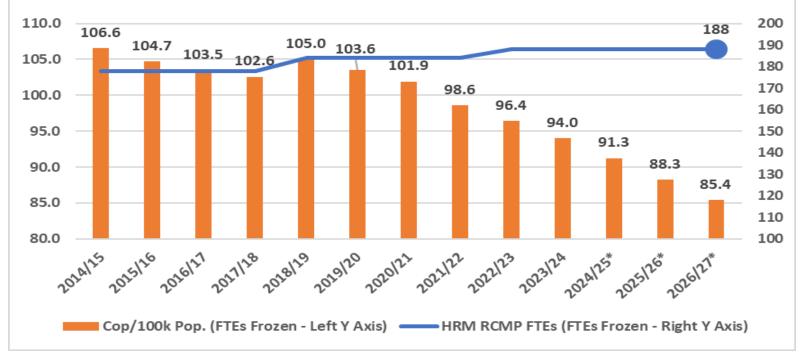
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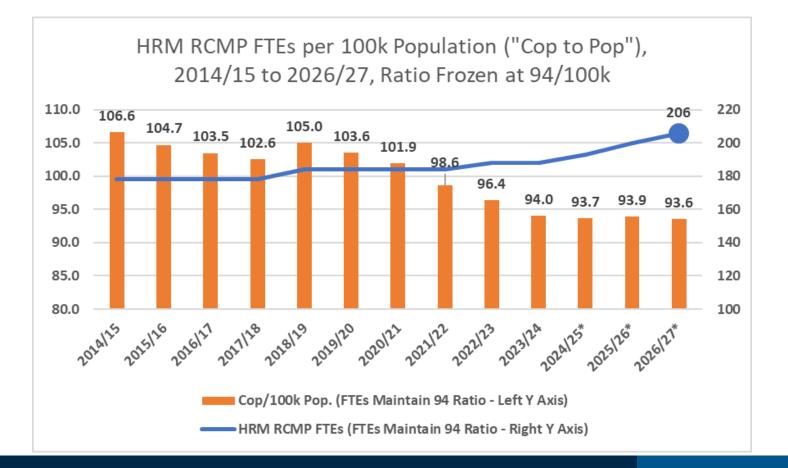
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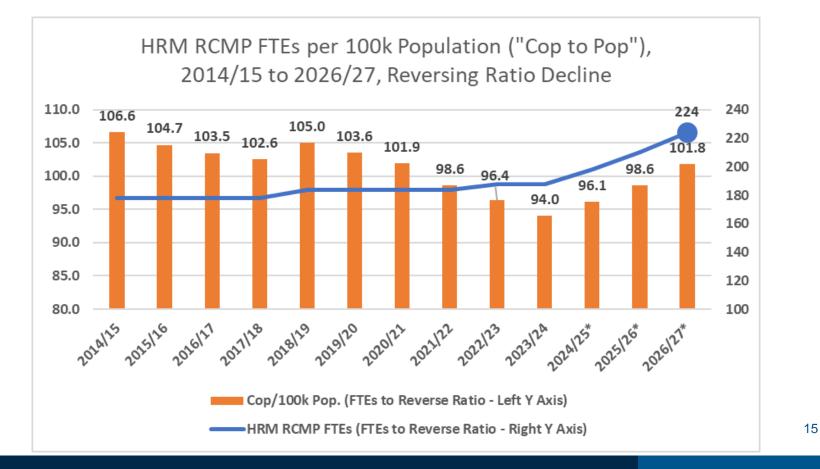
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# HRM RCMP FTEs per 100k Population ("Cop to Pop"), 2014/15 to 2026/27, with FTEs Frozen at 188



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## **Assistant Detachment Commander**

- 1 x Superintendent
- Equivalent to a "Deputy Chief" role
  - Position funding now secured externally
  - HRD continues to go through the internal classification process
- Primary focus oversight of RCMP operations
- As Det. 2 i/c supports OIC's (C/Supt.)
- strategic level engagement with HRP/HRM/BoPC/H Div./DOJ
- Key command position in HRM integrated policing & with HRM Public Safety Office
  - Will support sustaining Integrated policing model in long term

## **Resource Request Rationale**

- The request for additional Police Officer FTEs based on:
  - Recognition of a better way to investigate Intimate Partner Violence cases and support victims
  - BC Inquest called for this model in 2009/2010
- Current & forecasted operational environment demands:
  - RCMP served area population growth
  - Increased frontline response demands
  - HRM Homeless strategy
  - Enhancement versus Core view point



# **Summary**

- RCMP (all levels) fully committed to supporting HRMs address of PwC report
- Additional funding for 6 new RCMP Police Officer requested for FY 2024/25
  - Investment in HRM's RCMP service
  - Provide much needed uniformed resources to begin to address increased demands for service
- Improved RCMP service delivery:
  - Establish resources to better investigate highest risk Intimate Partner Violence cases





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