## Information Report for the OIC Halifax District HRM Board of Police Commissioners' Meeting November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017

## **September Training:**

• 82 Members received training in October 2017, accumulating a total of 687 hours. Examples of training received were Carbine Operator, Human Source, Restorative Justice etc.

## **Victim Services:**

- The RCMP Victim Services program in Halifax District is overseen by a Coordinator and includes a roster of 8 volunteers. They follow up with victims of crime via telephone to offer support and referral services. The range of incidents they respond to is very broad and can include suicide, sudden death, assault, domestic violence, sexual assault, break & enter, etc.
- For the month of October Stats for Victim Services:
- o The Victim Services Coordinator reviewed 428 files this month.
- o Victim Services volunteers followed up on 67 files.
- o There were 3 files referred to the Domestic Violence Case Coordinator as High Risk.
- o There were **0** files referred to the Department of Justice's Victim Services.

<u>Lower Sackville</u> – October has seen a sharp increase in Thefts from Motor Vehicles in Lower Sackville and in Cole Harbour. Residents are reminded to keep valuables and change out of sight of would be thieves' and lock your vehicle doors.

Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> - Suspicious fire in the Springfield Road area, persons unknown set a garage on fire many folks out trick or treating and notices the glow of the fire. File is still under investigation.

<u>Cole Harbour</u> - On Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> a suspect attempted to rob a taxi driver, a struggle ensured and suspect was kicked out of the taxi. The suspect was arrested a short time later and is facing attempted robbery charge.

<u>Tantallon</u> – On Nov 12<sup>th</sup> RCMP were called to a Break and Enter to a business in Tantallon where a significant amount of merchandise was targeted. The file is still under investigation by the Integrated General Investigation Section.

<u>Eastern Shore</u>: Musquodoboit Harbour - Oct 8<sup>th</sup> two lost hikers on Crowbar Lake trail in Musquodoboit area. The males advised they were not injured, and had water and 40% phone, but did not know where they were. Ground Search and Rescue was initiated and the males were about 7 km. in the woods when located. GSAR everyone them out, at trailhead approximately midnight, safe and sound. RCMP would like to remind citizens about being prepared when going in the woods at any time, always bring a cell phone if possible.

Media release on securing your "Camp or Cottage" was released to advise citizens of the importance of properly securing your seasonal locations. Put valuables out of sight, quality locks on sheds or garages and check on property if possible throughout the winter months.