



# SIoux LOOKOUT DETACHMENT

2023-2025

ACTION

PLAN

## OUR VISION

Safe Communities... A Secure Ontario

## OUR MISSION

To serve our province by protecting its citizens, upholding the law and preserving public safety.



## OUR VALUES

Serving with  
**PRIDE,  
PROFESSIONALISM  
& HONOUR**

Interacting with  
**RESPECT,  
COMPASSION  
& FAIRNESS**

Leading with  
**INTEGRITY,  
HONESTY  
& COURAGE**

*Always doing the right things for the right reasons*

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# Message from the Detachment Commander

“The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) continues to have a clear path forward with the implementation of the 2023-2025 Strategic Plan. As an extension of, and building upon, the 2020-2022 Strategic Plan, we remain focused on and committed to our three strategic priorities, specifically our people, our work, and our communities. The plan will continue to guide our organization’s priorities, strategies, initiatives, and the requirements expected with the enactment of the regulations associated to the new Community Safety and Policing Act (CSPA),” OPP Commissioner Thomas Carrique.



I am pleased to present the new 2023 – 2025 Action Plan for the Sioux Lookout Detachment. The OPP has also launched its 2023-2025 Strategic Plan. It outlines our next steps towards becoming the sort of an organization we want to be and what and how policing services will be delivered. The OPP's Strategic Plan is available on opp.ca. As we look back over the past year and even over the past three years, we recognize the many policing successes we have had:

- Officers and Civilian staff in Sioux Lookout, Pickle Lake, Wapekeka, Kitchenuhumaykoosib Inninuwig and North Caribou Lake continue to work diligently towards improving overall community safety in all our communities.
- We continue to provide effective and efficient policing while focusing on minimizing costs and maintaining a high level of community satisfaction.
- We continue to focus on the reduction of harm and victimization, specifically violent crime, property crime and illicit drugs.
- Sioux Lookout Detachment remains committed to a traffic safety approach that will change driver behaviours responsible for injuries and deaths on roadways, waterways and trails.
- We will continue to partner, engage and educate to find solutions in demands for service involving persons with mental health issues or experiencing a mental health crisis.
- We will continue to identify opportunities to enhance our frontline officer’s experience.

As we look forward, we will continue to ensure our communities have the service delivery they require. The focus of the next three years for our Detachment will be:

- Alcohol and drug abuse continues to be a catalyst for most crimes occurring within our communities. Our Detachment will continue our commitment of curbing the illegal supply of drugs and alcohol, while engaging our community partners to identify and address root causes.
- Ensuring proactive recruiting and staffing initiatives continue as there is high employee turnover in Sioux Lookout, Pickle Lake and our northern First Nations communities; officers completing their mandatory duration postings in these locations move to other detachments within the OPP.
- The level of violent crime within our communities continues to be well above the national average and we are committed to continuing to work with our communities and stakeholders to address this trend through enforcement, engagement and education.
- We are committed to collaborating with our community partners to develop co-response models that focus on prevention, harm reduction and risk intervention strategies to improve the overall well-being of our communities.

We remain open to, and respectful of, cultural differences and the ongoing development of skills and knowledge to build mutually effective relationships. The dedication of our members, together with the support of our municipalities, will ensure our continued success in keeping our communities safe.

Inspector Karl Duewel  
Detachment Commander  
Sioux Lookout Detachment

## Our Detachment

The Sioux Lookout Detachment serves the second largest geographical area in the Province and is responsible for 1,203 kilometers of winter (ice) roads.

The Sioux Lookout Detachment has Stream 2 Agreements (Community Tripartite Agreements - CTA) to police the First Nations communities of Wapekeka and North Caribou Lake (Weagamow). The Sioux Lookout Detachment supports the far north First Nation community of Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug (Big Trout Lake) under the Ontario First Nation Policing Agreement (OFNPA). By air, Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug and Wapekeka are 440 kilometers north of Sioux Lookout while North Caribou Lake is 320 kilometers.

Sioux Lookout is considered the “Hub of the North”. The local hospital serves 29 far north First Nations. Several First Nation Tribal Councils along with Federal and Provincial Agencies are located in Sioux Lookout. The economic development opportunities currently in the far north are minimal resulting in high unemployment and poverty.

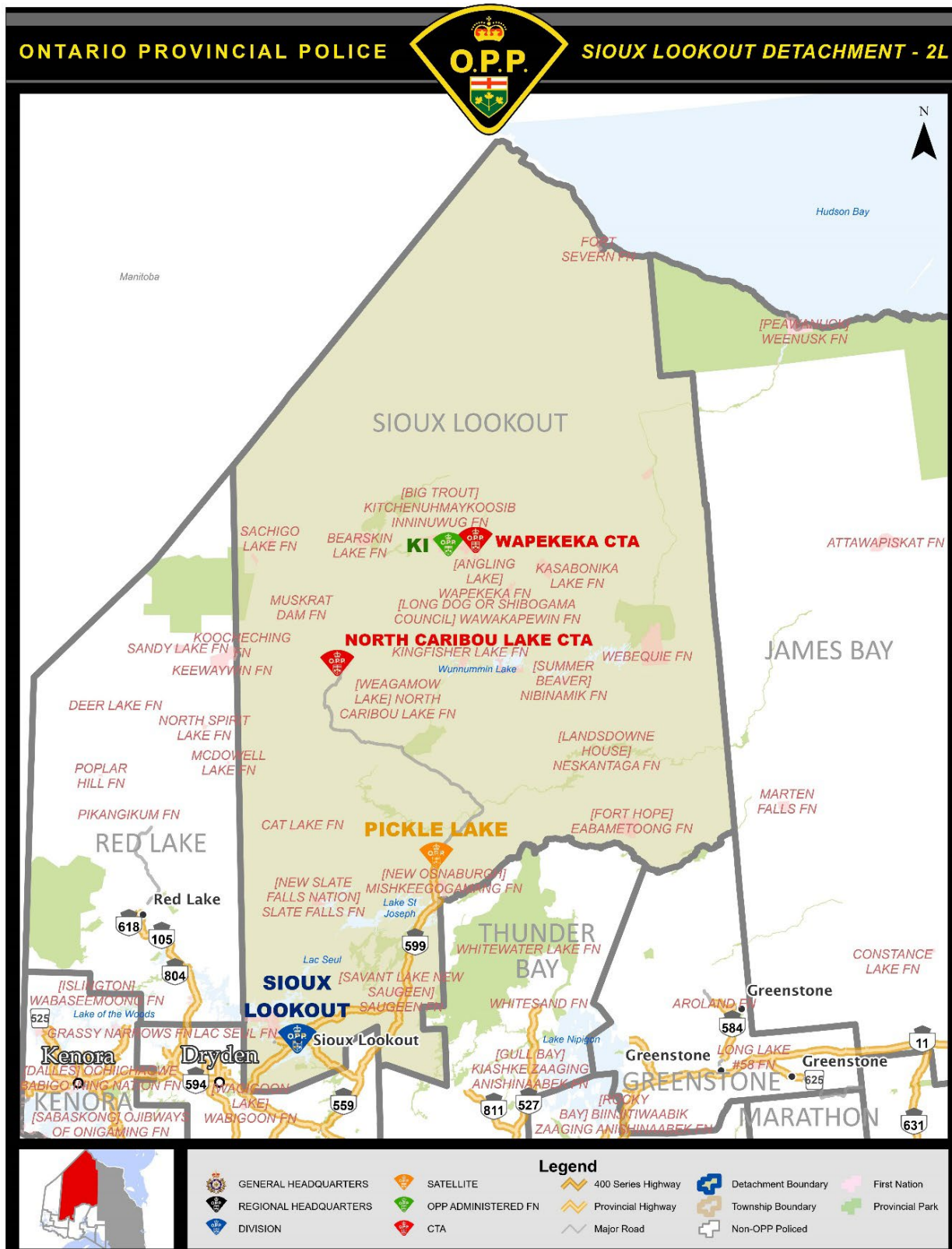
The municipality of Sioux Lookout has signed a Friendship Agreement with area First Nations which has been creating excellent sharing and learning opportunities to improve the socioeconomics of the area.

Nishnawabe-Aski Police Service has 13 detachments, and the Lac Seul Police Service has two detachments within the Sioux Lookout OPP Detachment area. The Sioux Lookout Detachment provides on-going support to these services.

The Sioux Lookout Detachment area has thousands of lakes, both large and small, most of which are accessible only by air. Sioux Lookout is home to many tourist camps and outposts. These tourist outfitters bring in several thousand people to the detachment area each year.

Public intoxication, public disorder and alcohol related offences continue to be a major issue in all our communities. Numerous deaths each year are attributed to alcohol abuse. Severe intoxication puts people at risk of being victims of crime and injury and is the catalyst for most crime as most violent crimes are committed when the accused and/or the victim are intoxicated. People commit thefts to fuel their alcohol addiction which fuels the disorder on the streets. Public intoxication, aggressive panhandling, intimidation, indecent acts and disturbances are all examples of behaviour that make people feel unsafe. This type of street crime and disorderly behaviour has a negative impact on the economy and the quality of life for everyone living in the detachment area. This disorder issue also rouses anger which leads to strained community relationships. There are few resources available in Sioux Lookout and even less in the far north to help people with addictions and mental health issues.

# Our Detachment Area (map)



# Action Plan Commitment Summary

The OPP’s action planning process ensures compliance with the Adequacy and Effectiveness of Police Services Regulation (Adequacy Standards) filed as O. Reg. 3/99 in 1999.

Through analysis and consultation, the following areas of focus were identified for the next three years. These are reflective of local issues; activities will be addressed, monitored and adjusted as needed.

Crime	Roadways, Waterways and Trails	Community Well-Being
To address and prevent violent crime in our communities.	To sustain a continuous and year-round focus on the causal factors of motorized vehicle collisions.	To identify co-response solutions for non-police related demands for service that impact police resourcing.
To address and prevent property crime in our communities.		Prioritize recruitment of individuals who reside within our service area.

# Crime

**Description:** Alcohol has been a contributing factor to the majority of violent and property crimes which occur in our communities. Assault and sexual assault are of specific concern due to their continued high rate of victimization and increasing trend. A reduction of victimization will be essential moving forward.

Commitment	Outcomes	Actions
<p><b>To address and prevent violent crime in our communities.</b></p>	<p>Reduce harm and victimization by collaborating with community groups to prevent assault, sexual assault and other crimes against a person.</p>	<p>Utilize the Community Mobilization Officer (CMO) to leverage opportunities to work with community members and/or stakeholders in proactive crime reduction strategies.</p> <p>Engage and liaise with community groups, including Child and Family Services, Women’s Shelter, Community Counselling, Sioux North High School, Pelican Falls High School, Meno-Ya-Win Health Centre, First Nation Chiefs and the Native Friendship Centre.</p> <p>Actively participate and continue to bring cases of “acutely elevated risk of harm” to the Situation Table to reduce likelihood of victimization.</p>
<p><b>To address and prevent property crime in our communities.</b></p>	<p>The reduction of property crime in our communities.</p>	<p>Monitor crime trends impacting our Detachment through predictive trend analysis, criminal analysis and proactive compliance checks via the Offender Management and Apprehension Program (OMAP), focused patrol initiatives as well as focused liquor enforcement.</p> <p>Engage and liaise with community businesses and groups such as the Healthy Community Task Force, Chamber of Commerce, Municipality of Sioux Lookout, First Nation Chiefs and Council, Kenora District Services Board and local schools.</p>



# Roadways, Waterways and Trails

**Description:** Change driver behaviours responsible for victimization on roadways, waterways and trails. Focus on the "Big Four" causal factors of fatal, personal injury and property damage collisions, with an evidence-based focus on vehicular traffic. The "Big Four" causal factors are: impaired (alcohol/drug), speeding/aggressive, inattentive/distracted driving and lack of occupant restraint and safety equipment.

Commitment	Outcomes	Actions
<p><b>To sustain a continuous and year-round focus on the causal factors of motorized vehicle collisions.</b></p>	<p>The reduction of fatal, personal injury and property damage collisions on roadways, waterways and trails.</p>	<p>Engage and liaise with community groups and organizations such as, but not limited to, insurance companies, the Municipality of Sioux Lookout and road maintenance companies.</p> <p>Utilize targeted media campaigns in an effort to reduce victimization on highways.</p> <p>Make presentations in high schools to address high risk behaviour by educating on speed related collisions.</p> <p>Expand the use of social media by using our local media trained officers to assist with distribution of emergent messaging during weather events, road closures and urgent public safety messages.</p>

# Community Well-Being

**Description:** Enhancing our relationships with our communities and public service stakeholders will increase our effectiveness in delivering on public safety commitments.

Commitment	Outcomes	Actions
<p><b>To identify co-response solutions for non-police related demands for service that impact police resourcing.</b></p>	<p>Reduced repeat contacts between police and persons experiencing a mental health crisis and/or those with substance abuse disorder.</p> <p>Improved outcomes for individuals in crisis</p>	<p>Coordinate the development of co-response/ intervention teams.</p>
<p><b>Prioritize recruitment of individuals who reside within our service area.</b></p>	<p>Continue to reflect the population that we police.</p>	<p>Develop localized initiatives during community events and at our local schools.</p>



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# SIoux LOOKOUT DETACHMENT ACTION PLAN

## PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Alcohol and Gaming Enforcement	Drug Evaluation and Classification	Provincial Operations Centre
Asset Forfeiture	DNA Coordination	Public Order
Auxiliary Policing/Chaplaincy	Emergency Management	Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems
Aviation/Flight Operations	Emergency Response	Repeat Offender Parole Enforcement
Biker Enforcement	Explosives Disposal	RIDE (Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere)
Blood Stain Analysis	Federal Firearms Program Delivery	Search and Rescue
Breath Analysis/Drug Recognition	Federal and Provincial Road Safety Countermeasures	Security Assessments and Enquiries
Canine Search, Rescue, Tracking and Detection	Forensic and Identification Services	Surveillance - Electronic and Physical
Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive Response	Fraud, Corruption, Economic/ Financial Crime Investigation	Tactical and Emergency Medical
Child Exploitation Investigation	Hate Crimes/Extremism Investigation	Tactics and Rescue
Civil Litigation File Coordination	Illegal Gaming Investigation	Technological Crime/ Digital Evidence Forensics and Analysis
Civilian Data Entry	Incident Command	Threat Assessment
Collision Reconstruction and Investigation	Indigenous Policing	Traffic Safety
Commercial Vehicles and Dangerous Goods	Information Technology	Training
Communications	Intelligence	Underwater Search and Recovery
Community Policing	Justice Officials and Dignitary Protection Services	United Nations Policing Missions
Community Street Crime Units	Marine, Motorized Snow and Off-road Vehicle and Motorcycle Patrol	Urban Search and Rescue United Nations Policing Missions
Complaint Investigation	Media Relations	Video Forensics
Computer-Aided Dispatch	Missing Persons and Unidentified Bodies	Violent Crime Linkage Analysis
Contraband Tobacco	Offender Transportation	Victim Assistance, Support and Response
Court Case Management	Ontario Sex Offender Registry	Weapons Enforcement
Crime Analysis	Organized Crime Enforcement	Witness Protection
Crime Gun Analysis	Physical Security Services	
Crime Prevention and Community Safety	Polygraph	
Crime Stoppers	Provincial Anti-Terrorism	
Criminal Investigation Services and Major Case Management	Provincial Cybercrime Strategy	
Crisis Negotiation	Provincial Human Trafficking Strategy	
Drug Enforcement		

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The above list corresponds with the *Adequacy and Effectiveness of Police Services Regulation (Adequacy Standards, O. Reg. 3/99)*. The list further provides an overview of various OPP programs and services but should not be considered complete.

# CONTACT THE OPP

## REACH THE OPP BY PHONE

- Call 9-1-1 for emergencies
- Don't hang up, stay on the line
- Call 1-888-310-1122 for non-emergency calls
- TTY 1-888-310-1133  
(for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Speech Impaired)
- Know your location

## SPEAK WITH AN OFFICER IN PERSON

To arrange to meet an officer at a detachment, go to [www.opp.ca](http://www.opp.ca) to use the Local Detachment Finder and follow the prompts.

## PROVIDE AN ANONYMOUS TIP

- Call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS)
- Visit [www.crimestoppers.ca](http://www.crimestoppers.ca)

## REPORT ONLINE

You now have the option to report select occurrences to police from the convenience of a computer.

Visit [www.opp.ca/reporting](http://www.opp.ca/reporting) to use the Citizen Self Reporting system. Specific incidents can be reported online at your convenience without attending a detachment or waiting for an officer.

You can use this system to report:

- Driving Complaints
- Lost/missing property
- Mischief/damage to property
- Mischief/damage to vehicle
- Stolen licence plate(s) and/or validation sticker
- Theft From vehicle
- Theft

**Do not use this system if this is an emergency! If it is, call 9-1-1.**

**9-1-1 is for police, fire, or medical emergencies only.**

Every time an accidental or hang-up 9-1-1 call is received, OPP officers are dispatched.

You may be taking police officers away from a real emergency.

**#KnowWhenToCall**

If you've dialed in error, stay on the line and speak with the communicator. This will eliminate the need for the emergency operator to call back. As per OPP policy, officers will still be dispatched to ensure you are safe.

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