



Over \$3 million for the Durham Regional Police Service

Ontario Protecting Communities by Enhancing Policing in the Region of Durham Over \$3 million for the Durham Regional Police Service will help fight crime and keep people safe.

The Durham Regional Police Service is receiving \$3,084,650.50 as part of the Ontario government's more than \$91 million investment to help protect families and communities across the province. The funding is being delivered through the Community Safety and Policing Grant Program and will combine the work that began during Project Salus (2022 CSP grant), focusing on protecting our borders through the expansion of marine patrol, improved monitoring through the integration of video technology, improvements to the Gun and Gang Unit, creation of a targeted retail theft team, and lastly, the development of a Field Intelligence Officer program.

"Nothing is more important than the safety of Whitby residents," said Lorne Coe, MPP, Whitby, and Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Children, Community and Social Services/Minister of Colleges and Universities, Research Excellence and Security.

"Through this grant funding we are helping build a safer community, as well as ensuring that the Durham Regional Police Service has the tools they need to do their jobs effectively and address the issues that matter most to hard working families."

The Durham Regional Police Service project is one of 127 projects being funded across the province for 2025-26. Of the 127 projects, 88 projects will address local priorities, and 39 projects will address provincial priorities, including gun and gang related violence, sexual violence and harassment, human trafficking, mental health and addictions, hate-motivated crime, housing and homelessness, and commercial/retail theft.

"Our government is delivering on our promise to protect Ontario and keep communities safe," said Solicitor General Michael Kerzner. "Through this funding, we are helping to build safer communities by ensuring Ontario's police services have the resources they need to address local issues and improve the well-being of the people they serve." The Community Safety and Policing Grant Program supports policing initiatives that focus on local or provincial priorities and provides eligible police services/boards and municipalities policed by the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) with funding to deploy front-line officers where and when they are needed most.

"This funding strengthens our commitment to public safety by providing police with the resources they need to protect residents of Pickering-Uxbridge, and across Durham Region," said Peter Bethlenfalvy, MPP for Pickering-Uxbridge.

"By investing over \$3 million in effective crime prevention, we are supporting frontline officers and fostering a safer, more secure community."

"Under the leadership of Premier Doug Ford and Minister Kerzner, our government continues to make law enforcement and community safety a top priority for Durham Region and across Ontario" said Todd McCarthy, MPP for Durham. "As building safer communities starts with strong partnerships, this investment reinforces our government's support for the Durham Regional Police Service in providing them with the tools and resources they require to address Durham's unique policing and program needs moving forward."

"We are grateful for the Ontario government's continued investment in public safety. This funding allows us to build on the important work already underway to address the rise in violent crime. This includes focusing on protecting our borders through the expansion of marine patrol, improved monitoring through the integration of video technology, improvements to the Gun and Gang Unit, the creation of a targeted retail theft team, and the development of a Field Intelligence Officer program. By enhancing policing resources here in Durham Region, Ontario is taking real action to protect communities and ensure our residents feel safe."

- Chief Peter Moreira Durham Regional Police Service

- The Durham Regional Police Service has received more than \$15.7-million dollars from the Government of Ontario since 2018



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