



# **NORTH BAY POLICE SERVICE**

## **2009 Annual Report Patrol - Platoons**

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**A. Mandate of the Unit**

The *Police Services Act* mandates that a police service provide community patrol. This includes both general patrol and directed patrol in areas and at times where it is considered necessary or appropriate based on such factors as crime, call and public disorder analysis, criminal intelligence and road safety.

The uniformed officers are the first responders to emergency calls for service. In addition to the general and directed patrols uniformed officers provide traffic enforcement, accident investigation, conduct criminal investigations and general police assistance. The majority of the calls for service received are responded to by the uniformed members of the patrol section.

Supporting community based initiatives and special events with policing, hi-visibility to ensure public safety, add to the tasks and diversity for the requirements of the uniformed officer.

**B. Executive Summary**

The sixty officers assigned to the patrol section are organized into four platoons. Each platoon is supervised by a Sergeant and Staff Sergeant, who report to the Divisional Commander, the Inspector in Charge of Operations.

Working a rotating schedule of 12 hour shifts, the four platoons provide policing 24 hours a day 365 days a year. The majority of the police service's contact with the public occurs with the uniformed officer.

**C. Activities**

Each platoon is responsible for deploying a Bicycle Patrol Officer in the summer and the Platoon Traffic officer year round. The BPO is an officer assigned from each shift and one from the Traffic Section. When staffing levels permit the BPO is deployed by the duty shift. In addition to this, numerous requests for attendance to community events are received and responded to by the uniform section.

**D. Performance Indicators**

Platoon	Total Hours Worked	Dispatch Calls	Criminal Code Charges	Reports	POA	Traffic Warning	POA Summons	LLA By-Law	3-Day Reports
1	20,160	5307	577	1846	287	542	25	167	410
2	21,024	5723	631	2068	487	441	57	130	614
3	20,292	5869	657	1889	547	622	42	124	531
4	20,892	5930	868	2208	380	712	83	196	482
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>82,368</b>	<b>22,829</b>	<b>2,733</b>	<b>8,011</b>	<b>1,701</b>	<b>2,317</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>617</b>	<b>2,037</b>

**E. Anticipated Issues for the Future**

The Strategic Planning Committee identified that 81 % of the constables on patrol have less than 10 years experience. Of all the sworn officers 70 % have less than 15 years of experience. Continued dedication and resources must be applied to several areas of training, including Supervision, Advanced Patrol Training, General Investigative Techniques, Sexual Assault Investigation and Interview and Interrogation Techniques

Maintaining staffing levels on platoon will ensure deployment of the Platoon Traffic Officer / Bicycle Patrol Officer to address the numerous traffic complaints and high visibility that the public consistently identifies as a concern.

**F. Performance Objectives for the Next Year**

Maintaining the staffing complement of 2 supervisors and 13 Constables on each platoon ensures that the training, leave requirements, special deployments and general patrol levels can be met effectively and efficiently. In addition, this will ensure that all priority levels of calls for service are responded to within the time requirements.

Special deployments include the bicycle patrol. Directed patrols include the deployment of the Platoon Traffic Officer, R.I.D.E. initiatives and the Joint Snowmobile Patrol.