#### **Lock-Out Auto Crime**

Lock-Out Auto Crime (LOAC) is an educational program supported by ICBC to draw attention to the high rate of thefts from vehicles. CPO Volunteers audit parking lots looking for vehicles with visible valuables, garage door openers, open windows or doors that are left unlocked. Friendly reminders are often left on the vehicle windshield to secure the respective vehicle, and prevent a crime from occurring.

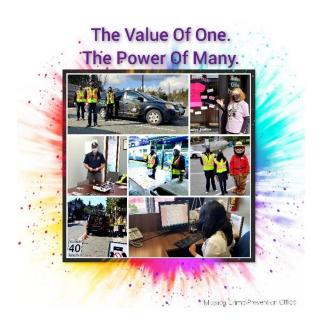
# <u>Additional Programs / Services</u> <u>Available:</u>

- Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)
  - FREE Assessments for Residents and Businesses to reduce chances of Break and Enter or Mischief.
- > Crime Free Multi-Housing (CFMH)
  - Reducing crime and enhancing safety for Multi-housing rental properties.
- > Project 529
  - ➤ Anti-bike theft program/Community Watch for your bike!
- > Safe Place Program
  - Businesses/Institutions providing a safe haven for all LGBTQ2S+ community members.

# Want to learn more or join our team?

Our enthusiastic Mission CPO team would love for you to stop by our office or contact us via phone/email for further information on how you can contribute to Crime Prevention and Community Safety within the City of Mission.

If you would like to join our fantastic team of Mission CPO Volunteers, contact us for a **Volunteer Application form!** 





# Mission Crime Prevention Office



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### **Hours of Operation**

Monday to Thursday: 9:00AM – 5:00PM Friday: 10:00AM – 2:00PM

# Purpose and Role of the Crime Prevention Office

At the Mission Crime Prevention Office (CPO), we strive to embrace proactive Crime Prevention strategies and programs along with problem solving initiatives, to ultimately enhance safety in our community. We engage our Mission community members to be a part of the solution to crime in their neighbourhood and municipality.

Our office is run by the Crime Prevention Coordinator, who is responsible for the continuation, development, promotion and implementation of community-based Crime Prevention/Community Safety Operational Programs for the City of Mission. Along with the Coordinator, we have 25+ dedicated Volunteers who work selflessly within the various programs to educate and help deter crime within the Mission Community. We work closely with the Downtown Business Association, Block Watch Captains, ICBC, International Crime Free Association, Mission RCMP and other partners to address our Mission Community members concerns.

It is important to note that the CPO is **not** a Community Police Office, therefore there is no uniformed RCMP member present on site. The office does however work closely with the Mission RCMP Community Support Enforcement Team with collaborations for various Community Safety and Crime Prevention initiatives, and educational events.

# Crime Prevention Office Programs

### **Block Watch:**

Governed by the Block Watch Society of BC, the Mission CPO offers the Block Watch program to all neighbourhoods of the Mission Community. This program is a proactive program which encourages neighbours to work together to reduce the likelihood of property and residential crime in their neighbourhood. The program involves two commitments: the first is to be concerned about your neighbour's property as you would you own, and then second is to report all suspicious or criminal activity to the Mission RCMP.



# **Speed Watch:**

As an ICBC sponsored educational program, Speed Watch aims to reduce incidents of Speeding. Not only does this spread awareness to drivers who are speeding, but also provides valuable information/data to the Mission RCMP, ICBC and the City of Mission on areas where speeding is a significant problem. Speed Watch checks are completed by the Mission CPO volunteers whom are trained by the respective Road Safety Coordinator at

ICBC. Volunteers **do not** issue Violation Tickets, however the office does mail out Speeding Letters to Registered Owners as an awareness piece.

Is there an area that you feel speed is an issue at? Get in touch with our office so that we can add it to our list of locations to monitor!

#### Citizens on Patrol/Beat Patrol:

Working in teams and using an appropriately marked City of Mission vehicle, volunteers will drive through Mission neighbourhoods serving as a crime deterrent and operating as extra "eyes and ears" for the Mission RCMP. All reports of suspicious, criminal or nuisance activity is documented and reported accordingly. Along with vehicle patrol, similar patrols are done on foot (Beat Patrol) where the CPO Volunteers are available to engage with our business community, or general members of our community in assisting or providing further information surrounding crime prevention and community safety tips.

