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Crime Prevention Week



Crime Prevention Week in Ontario has been designated November 2nd-8th, 2008. The Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services will place emphasis on community safety and crime prevention during this annual event. "Invest in Your Future: Prevent Crime" is this year's theme and it will help enhance our group efforts to build safer and stronger communities. By promoting personal and public safety in the province through prevention, preparedness and social development the Police, Government and communities will be encouraged to continue to work together. This will help create strategies to address local issues and to reduce overall crime in Ontario. CPAT has applied for the Safer and Vital Communities (SVC) grant which encourages community partnerships by providing a one time funding for local projects and initiatives to help prevent and reduce crime. The SVC grant is only available to community based non profit organizations like CPAT. Crime Prevention Week is an excellent opportunity to shine light on CPAT and our successful partners, like the Toronto Police Service (TPS), and how police and communities work together to help prevent and reduce crime and increase the overall well being of community safety. CPAT will be participating in Crime Prevention Week by attending the launch at TPS Headquarters, participating in crime prevention and community mobilization courses and partnering with a police division to educate seniors on crime prevention.



CPAT Membership Drive

CPAT membership is open to anyone who is interested in reducing crime and who is willing to assist us in making Toronto a safer city for everyone. CPAT is now extending official membership status, beyond our Board of Directors, to the community, other non-profit groups and corporations. This new initiative, a CPAT Membership Drive, will increase the numbers of recognized members and assist us in offering all of our programs. Your support is greatly appreciated. Members will receive a membership card and will receive this newsletter, in addition to an invitation to our Annual General Meeting. Get involved and support your non-profit charity organization—your membership is important to CPAT. Please join us by filling out the convenient form enclosed in this newsletter. Membership to CPAT is \$10 for an individual/household; \$5 for senior citizens; \$50 for a non-profit organization; and \$100 for a corporation. Remember, your membership helps support our charitable organization. We hope you become a member today! If you would like to make a donation, in addition to your membership fee, please feel free to do so and you will receive a charitable tax receipt of any contribution of \$10 or more.



Annual General Meeting

On Monday November 17, 2008 at 6pm CPAT will be hosting our Annual General Meeting (AGM). This year the AGM will be located at 17 Fairmeadow Avenue, Room #207. The AGM is open to the public. This is a great opportunity to meet members of CPAT, ABC's of Fraud, and local residents of the community who work to keep our neighborhoods safe. Featured at this years meeting will be an award ceremony for the winners of CPAT's 3rd annual "What bullying means to me" anti-bullying poster contest. Local students were encouraged to create posters reflecting their views on anti-bullying and the winners will be attending to receive recognition for their wonderful works of art. In addition, elections and re-elections for CPAT's Board of Directors will be held. Those who have paid membership for 2008 have voting privileges at the AGM and can nominate people for Executive or Board positions as well. Furthermore we are encouraging input on our organizational initiatives for the 2009 year. The input you provide can guide our organization so that CPAT can continue to provide effective services to the public.

Neighbours' Night Out



June's 17 annual Neighbours Night Out event was a huge success this year. Over 200 community events were registered with CPAT this year. These events ranged from a handful of close neighbours to larger events with several hundred in attendance. Police, Fire, and City Councillors were encouraged to attend as many events as possible and are always a big hit for an event. Since the program began over a quarter of a million residents around the GTA have participated. Neighbours Night Out provides an opportunity for neighbours, families, friends, and community groups to have a fun night and get to know each other and build community spirit. This type of program is crime prevention through social development. Toronto residents should connect with their neighbours to help make our city a more friendly and safer place for everyone to live, work, and play.

Thank you to everyone who participated or contributed to another successful year!!!

New CPAT Staff Members



William Schroder is the new Crime Prevention and Youth Program Coordinator at CPAT. William holds an Honours Degree in Criminology, Justice, and Policy Studies as well as a College Diploma in Police Foundations. William's previous work includes mentorship to troubled children within public schools and assisting the wrongfully convicted within the criminal justice system. William is North York's Coordinator for the Neighbourhood Watch Program, 31 32 & 33 Division, as well as 53 Division. He will continue to develop and maintain the Safe and Secure, Neighbourhood Watch, and Keeping Every Youth Safe (KEYS) programs in these areas of the city. The previous Crime Prevention and Youth Coordinator, Gemma Broderick, is now the Executive Director of the organization.

Giles Drage is the new Crime Prevention and Adult Program Coordinator for CPAT and he is responsible for 13, 14, 41, 42, and 43 divisions. Giles has a National Diploma in Public Services and previously served with Surrey Police in England as a Community Support Officer before moving to Canada 3 years ago. Since moving to Canada Giles has worked in the Loss Prevention and Security fields which has helped him expand his experience and knowledge in dealing with and preventing crime.

Bowling Fundraising Event

CPAT is hosting a bowling fundraising event this year! This is an opportunity to have a fun family afternoon bowling while supporting CPAT, which is a registered charity and non-profit organization. The event will take place at O'Connor Bowl, 1401 O'Connor Drive in Toronto, on Saturday December 13 from 4-6pm. There will be bowling, a silent auction and a raffle. It will be a good opportunity to have fun with CPAT staff, Board of Directors and volunteers. The Toronto Police Service will also be attending, so it is a great way to connect with local officers. Tickets are \$10 each which includes bowling for two hours, automated scoring, shoes and taxes. Remember this is a great way to support local crime prevention initiatives and programs that CPAT provides. We need your support, so please contact our office if you would like to purchase tickets for you and your family. CPAT is looking forward to your participation in this fun event!



EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

EMERGENCY SITUATIONS
Call 9-1-1

- Homicide
- Serious injury
- Assaults
- Serious accident
- Robbery
- Officer needs help
- Shots fired
- Suspicious person
- Burglary
- Fire or explosion
- Weapons
- Drug Dealing
- Theft (In Progress)
- Crime in progress

NON-EMERGENCY SITUATIONS
Call (416) 808-2222

- Noise Complaint
- Dog running loose
- Lost or recovered property
- Theft (after the fact)



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