

**1. Correspondence:**

*Please note that correspondence received by and sent from the WRPCPC office on a daily basis far exceeds those mentioned in this list. This correspondence section features letters specifically directed at or provided by WRPCPC but does not include correspondence of common daily practice or emails unless specifically requested by the sender.*

**Received:**

- 1.1. Copy of the letter sent by MP Stephen Woodworth to Honourable Peter Van Loan, M.P. (Minister of Public Safety) re: Youth Gang issues (Received July 15, 2009).
- 1.2. Received a thank you letter from John Howard Society for participation re: the Driving Toward A Safer Community Golf Tournament.
- 1.3. Copy of letter to the Honourable Peter Van Loan, M.P. (Minister of Public Safety) from Stephen Woodworth regarding progress on the Youth Gang Prevention application. (Received July 22, 2009).
- 1.4. Reply from Senator Larry Campbell's office acknowledging the receipt of the correspondence sent re: Bill C15. (Received July 21, 2009).
- 1.5. Reply from Senator LeBreton re: Bill C15. (Received July 22, 2009).
- 1.6. A thank you letter from MPP John Milloy thanking the CPC for the invitation to the CPC meeting held on July 10, 2009. (Received July 30, 2009).
- 1.7. Received from Langs Farm Village Association the 2008-2009 Annual General Report. (Received August 17, 2009).

**Sent:**

- 1.8. Sent letter to Senators re: Bill C15. (Sent by email July 20, 2009).
- 1.9. Sent letter of support for Lang Farm Village Association's application for funding re: P.L.A.Y. Program Proposal.
- 1.10. Sent letter to Commissioner Horne acknowledging the work done on the Regional Official Plan, by way of including crime prevention principles.
- 1.11. Sent letters to all MPs and MPPs thanking them for their participation in the July 2009 CPC meeting.
- 1.12. Sent invitation to the Honourable David Caplan to be the keynote speaker at the "In the Mind's Eye" Film and Forum. (Sent July 30, 2009).

**2. Staff and Committee Reports:**

**2.1. Facilitating Committee:**

The Facilitating Committee members met on September 2, 2009 at their regularly scheduled monthly meeting to discuss the Youth Gang Prevention funding, the Community Relations Projects as follows: Talk Local "safe cities" series and the new CPC website. The Facilitating Committee also discussed the 2010 Budget (see attached), the appointment of the Nominating Committee and the agenda for the CPC July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009 meeting.

(Christiane Sadeler, staff)

## 2.2. Communications & Marketing and Community Relations Committee:

Presentation and materials created for Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police (CACCP) conference presented by Christiane Sadeler, Tom Galloway and Matt Torigian. Presentation by our representatives was well-received.

### “Safe Cities” series on Rogers Talk Local with Mike Farwell

The WRCPC has partnered with Rogers Television to produce a 10-part “Safe Cities” series on issues related to crime, victimization and fear of crime. The series will air the last Wednesday of each month from September 2009 through June 2010. It will feature local crime prevention topics and best practices and provide an opportunity for viewers to call in and ask questions or comment. The series will be part of "Talk Local" hosted by Mike Farwell. An overview of the series will be reported to the Region's Community Services Committee on Sept 15. Please assist in promoting this educational opportunity. A copy of the summary of airdates and topics will be provided at the meeting on September 11, 2009. Council members are encouraged to promote the program among their own organizations and boards.

A communications plan has been drafted in anticipation of the Youth Gang Strategy Funding (NCPC). This plan will provide all stakeholders a common message upon announcement of funding and awareness of who will do what.

Articles submitted to the Region News (internal newsletter) promoting “In The Mind's Eye 2009”, Rogers TV “Safe Cities” Series, the community consultation and our new website. Should be distributed end of September.

The City of Kitchener's Little Black Book - a resource booklet for youth – will be available by the end of September. CPC is a sponsor of this project. Copies will also be available at the CPC office, KPL, WPL, Community Centres and City Hall.

### WRCPC Branding Update

Watch for the NEW e-newsletter to roll out later in September!

Watch for the first of our series of “RAP Sheets” to be released this fall – These RAP (‘Research And Planning’) sheets are the fact sheets written by our research staff that will showcase current facts and data (Research) and what actions are being taken locally (Planning).

Check out our NEW website at [www.PreventingCrime.ca](http://www.PreventingCrime.ca) (week of Sept 7). If you haven't submitted your Member Bio yet through the Survey Monkey questionnaire, please do so ASAP.

Check out the NEW In The Mind's Eye website at [www.inthemindseye.ca](http://www.inthemindseye.ca) (week of Sept 7)

Your feedback and suggestions are welcome to [itracy@region.waterloo.on.ca](mailto:itracy@region.waterloo.on.ca). The remaining 3 sites (say hi, reach out, neighbour to neighbour) should also be updated by end of September.

“Community Shredding Days” – MP Harold Albrecht invited us to support this event: “The importance of protecting ourselves from identity theft is the focus of this event. We are encouraging people to bring a non-perishable food donation (Wilmot Family Resource Centre

in New Hamburg will be recipient from New Hamburg and Foodbank from other 2 events). Royal Shredding and Shred-it have graciously donated their trucks for the events.”

Friday, Sept 4, 2009

9:00 am – 12:00 pm – Norm S. Hill Park, 251 Jacob Street, New Hamburg

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm – Sunrise Centre, 1400 Ottawa Street South, Kitchener

Saturday, Sept 12, 2009

9:00 am – 12:00 pm – 153 Country Hill Drive, Kitchener (MP Office)

Assisting with promotion of Community Consultation through articles and media.

Participation in the Oktoberfest Thanksgiving Day Parade (Mon Oct 12). Will need volunteers to walk the parade route.

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual School “Say Hi Day” has been scheduled for Monday, October 19, 2009 to coincide with National School Safety Week (Oct 19-23) – “A connected school is a safer school”.

(Tracy Jasmins, Staff for Aubrey Walters & Bill Davidson, Co-Chairs, Community Relations)

### 2.3. Substance use and addictions:

A Health Canada Drug Strategies Initiative Funding proposal was submitted in July with ROOF as lead and Kindale and CPC as partners. The proposal is aimed at preventing illicit drug use amongst youth.

The Waterloo Region Integrated Drugs Task Force meets again September 15. Brice, Katherine and Steve are assisting with guiding the process, and resourcing this critical CPC endeavour.

In The Mind’s Eye 2009: Issues of Substance Use in Film + Forum begins in October and continues through to November with free events every week. CPC members are asked to widely circulate promotional material as it becomes available.

In July Michael presented two workshops to front-line addiction workers, social workers, EAP professionals and others as part of the national “50th Annual Institute on Addiction Studies”.

Following an ITME 2007 presentation and a forum hosted by CPC in 2008, steps to create a mobile health-based service for street-involved people have been taken on by a subcommittee of the Waterloo Region Harm Reduction Network (itself an initiative of CPC in 2005) with the Kitchener Downtown Community Health Centre acting as lead agency. A final report discussing community consultations was released in August that will assist in building a core-funding proposal to the Waterloo Wellington Local Health Integration Network later this year. Called a “mobile omnibus”, this new service intends to offer primary health care, outreach, addictions and other services at a variety of locations outside of normal 9-5 operating hours. Accessing health care and related services is an issue for many in Waterloo Region.

(Michael Parkinson, Staff)

#### 2.4. Violence Prevention:

The Violence Prevention Plan Implementation Committee (VPPIC) met in early July. During that meeting Julia Watts from Family and Children Services joined the committee. The committee also reviewed its Terms of Reference. The revised Terms of Reference will be presented at the September meeting of Council for consideration. (Revised Terms of Reference attached).

In addition, the committee spent a great deal of time creating a work plan for the year. This plan primarily consists of a consultation process to identify gaps in services for victims and perpetrators of interpersonal violence within Waterloo Region. Once these gaps are identified the committee will make recommendations to address them to the Crime Prevention Council and the community.

A short paragraph that can be used to communicate the purpose of the current research project to members of the community reads as follows:

##### Waterloo Region Violence Prevention Current Implementation Project

During the next year the Waterloo Region Crime Prevention Council will be exploring services for victims and perpetrators of violence in Waterloo Region. The project will begin by determining what capacities our community currently has. This information will then be used to identify gaps in services.

The project itself is designed as a multi-step process. The first step is a review of reports written about Waterloo Region, Ontario and Canada related to services for victims and perpetrators of violence. A literature review will lead into a fall consultation with relevant stakeholders. This consultation will focus on identifying community assets and perceptions of gaps.

While this consultation takes place, the Crime Prevention Council will assemble a list of practices that have worked in other jurisdictions to address the gaps identified and use this information to develop a plan of action to improve services for victims and perpetrators of violence in Waterloo Region.

Once this action plan is created it will be shared with community agencies and local government departments, who will be asked to play a lead role in implementing projects that fit within their individual expertise and mandate. The Waterloo Region Crime Prevention Council's role will be to assist agencies in setting up new services and closing the gaps. Alongside this assistance, the Crime Prevention Council will support the new programs with high quality evaluations to demonstrate that the new services are effective.

The following two tables come from the unpublished Master's thesis written by University of Ottawa student, Zachary Van Daele, titled WHO Can Prevent Violence: Challenges and Successes in Violence Prevention in Two Canadian Studies (February, 2009). The Waterloo Region violence prevention plan was one of the two projects he reviewed.

**Table 6.1 Progress of Programs in Comparison to WHO's Action Steps**

<b>WHO Action Steps</b>	<b>Progress of Waterloo Violence Prevention Plan</b>	<b>Progress of <i>Prevention of Violence Canada</i></b>
<b>1) Increasing the capacity for collecting data on violence</b>	Plan in place to create partnerships with already existing agencies that collect data in the region	Workgroups have been created with experts in them but they cannot mobilize knowledge due to a lack of resources
<b>2) Research violence – it's causes, consequences and prevention</b>	No solid plan yet, but hypothesizing a partnership with local universities and the creation of a research advisor council	
<b>3) Promote the prevention of interpersonal violence</b>	Five specific goals of the Waterloo Violence Prevention Plan deal with primary prevention, just not implemented yet	
<b>4) Promote social and gender equality and equity to prevent violence</b>	Has a goal to specifically promote social equity, and thinks gender equality will be a by-product of the six goals outlined in the Violence Prevention Plan	
<b>5) Strengthen support and care services for victims</b>	Not there yet. Does not want to deliver services but will help existing services strengthen and develop	
<b>6) Develop a national plan</b>	Working together with other organizations such as IPC to advocate and develop a national plan	

(Adapted from WHO, 2004, vii)

**Table 6.2 Progress of Programs in Comparison to IPC Implementation Steps**

<b>IPC Implementation Steps</b>	<b>Progress of Waterloo Violence Prevention Plan</b>	<b>Progress of <i>Prevention of Violence Canada</i></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Establish Responsibility Centres</b></li> </ul>	The idea of a having CS&CPC act as a Responsibility Centre has been developed	No actual Responsibility Centre
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Effectively collect and use knowledge and data</b></li> </ul>	Has a wealth of knowledge and data already collected and there are plans to develop partnerships with local post-secondary institutes to assist this step	Has had the ability to recruit many experts with a great amount of knowledge. No way to mobilize/use this knowledge due to lack of resources
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Obtain sustained funding</b></li> </ul>	The Violence Prevention Plan is a project under CS&CPC which has sustained funding, but the Violence Prevention Plan itself does not have sustained funding	No sustained funding
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Develop public engagement</b></li> </ul>	CS&CPC has created a relationship with the public over the past 15 years which has made the public mainly supportive of its projects, including the violence prevention plan	Has not been able to engage the general public, but has engaged the public health and crime prevention community
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Address and concentrate on highest priorities</b></li> </ul>	This cannot be done until project is implemented, which it is not	This cannot be done until project is implemented, which it is not
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Create collaboration and problem solving partnerships</b></li> </ul>	Central to this plan working is the development of partnerships. It is the partnerships which have been created by the CS&CPC that have been a major factor in the development of this plan	<i>PVC</i> is built on partnerships ranging from partnerships with individual experts, to partnerships with provincial and national Public Health Associations, and even to international partnerships with WHO

(Adapted from IPC, 2007, 16-17; IPC, 2008, 56)

(Anthony Piscitelli, Staff for Bill Wilson, Chair of VPPIC)

## 2.5. Research and Evaluation:

An article on poverty, mental illness, crime and victimization has been accepted for publication in Child and Family Journal and will appear in the upcoming issue.

A Concept Paper for the Centre of Innovation in Violence Prevention has been prepared in collaboration with Conestoga College for a meeting with senior staff of the Attorney General. This meeting was arranged by Leeanna Pendergast and took place on September 1st. The meeting included Christiane Sadeler, Anthony Piscitelli, and Jessica Hutchison (CPC staff members) and Drew Price, MPP Liaison & Public Appointments and Chris Cheung, Senior Policy Analyst from the Attorney General's office. Mr. Cheung agreed to review the concept paper in detail and provide feedback on the best course of action to try and move the project forward. He will also give some consideration as to whether or not there are other Ministries that may be worth approaching.

The Correctional Service of Canada (CSC) has requested proposals from non-profit organizations to host a community forum in regards to community corrections. CPC has partnered with CMHA Grand River Branch and Grand Valley Institution for Women (GVI) to submit a proposal for "The safe and successful reintegration of federally-sentenced women with mental health issues back into the community". CSC will award up to \$7500 to successful applicants and successful applicants will be notified mid-October. The forum has been scheduled for mid-February and will comprise presentations by relevant stakeholders in the morning followed by a community consultation in the afternoon.

More RAP sheets (Research and Planning) have been produced and are awaiting feedback/approval from AGORE committee at the September meeting. These RAP sheets will be used on the Rogers TV series with Mike Farwell.

Also attached is the revised AGORE Terms of Reference.

(Jessica Hutchison, Staff for Tom Brenner, Chair of AGORE)

## 2.6. The Region of Waterloo Official Plan:

The Region of Waterloo Official Plan was adopted by Regional Council on June 16, 2009 at a special Council meeting. Members of council will recall that during the January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Waterloo Region Crime Prevention Council meeting we offered input to Cushla Matthews and John Lubczynski on how best to incorporate crime prevention principles into the plan. A summary of sections of the plan that impact crime prevention is available through the CPC office.

(Anthony Piscitelli, Staff)

## 2.7. Consultation with the Community, 2009:

The groundwork has been laid for the consultation with the community to take place from September-December 2009. A toolkit is available with a 15 year history of the Waterloo Region Crime Prevention Council, consultation framework, rationale for the framework, and all tools that will be used including focus group questions and related tools, blogging questions and related tools, and a survey to be delivered online and by mailout. Data will be analyzed

from the consultation over the later half of December, 2009 and lead to a draft report for CP Council that in turn will be a tool to help inform the Waterloo Region Crime Prevention Council Business Plan for 2010-2014. A midterm report will be available at the October 9, 2009 meeting.

The community will be asked what works, what can CPC do better across all three strategic directions. Staff will be responsible for the dissemination of the surveys and will be leading the blogs as well as lead focus groups. The assistance of members of Council is requested delivering the focus groups within their own agencies. All tools needed, including the questions and note-taking tools, focus group dialogue, and ethics forms will be provided.

CPC members' assistance in delivering focus groups in September and October is highly appreciated.

If you wish to volunteer to run a focus group in your member agency, then please feel free to contact Andrea at any time. Andrea can best be reached at: mcar6250@wlu.ca

(Andrea McArthur, Staff for Christiane Sadeler)

## 2.8. CPC Office updates:

Eliot Winkler, summer student through HRDC funding, has left to pursue studies at the University of Western Ontario. Eliot helped develop this year's ITME 2009 program. His cheerful disposition, professional and conscience attitude and good team spirit will be missed by his colleagues in the office. We wish Eliot all the best in his endeavour to become a medical doctor.

Interviews for the second Community Engagement Coordinator have begun and we hope to have an announcement for the October 2009 meeting of the successful candidate.

Please welcome Lindsay Klassen, MSW placement student, who will be joining us until December 2010. Lindsay will be working on drug related issues including the Integrated Drugs Strategy.

We are expecting two additional students to join the CPC office for the fall. Please be sure to drop by our increasingly cozy quarters.

(Christiane Sadeler, Staff)

## 3. Other additional information:

3.1. Each year in June, the City of Kitchener, Waterloo Regional Police, Kitchener Fire Department and Waterloo Region Emergency Medical Services host the 911 **Youth Charity Golf Tournament**. Proceeds from this event are donated to the Youth Program Grants. The purpose of the program is to provide financial support to projects that promote healthy, safe, positive activities and contribute to a better community for Kitchener youth. Additional grant application forms are available: On-line at [www.kitchener.ca](http://www.kitchener.ca) or by emailing [loriann.palubeski@kitchener.ca](mailto:loriann.palubeski@kitchener.ca) or by calling Lori Palubeski, Manager, Program and Resource Services at 519-741-2623. Deadline: September 30, 2009 at 4 pm.

3.2. You are invited to attend **Opportunities Waterloo Region's Annual General Meeting** 'Celebrating Community Engagement' on Thursday, October 1, 2009 - 4:30 p.m. at Lyle S.

Hallman Faculty of Social Work (Auditorium). The guest speaker is Dr. Ginette Lafrenière, Associate Professor, and Director: Social Innovation Research Group, Faculty of Social Work. A detailed agenda will be emailed to attendees prior to the event. Please RSVP to: [brenda@owr.ca](mailto:brenda@owr.ca) or call 519-883-2353 ext. 5985.

3.3. Further **drop in crime** reported in THE CANADIAN PRESS on July 21, 2009:

<http://www.thestar.com/news/canada/article/669378>

3.4. Four years after the **Summer of the Gun**, Toronto police Chief Bill Blair is celebrating a nearly 30 per cent overall drop in crime:

<http://www.thestar.com/article/663185>

3.5. The **15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the International Centre for the Prevention of Crime (ICPC)** will be hosted in Montreal. Christiane Sadeler has been asked to participate on a panel about local solutions

[http://www.crime-prevention-intl.org/filebin/Documents%20ajouts%202009/15e%20anniversaire/Programme/Programme\\_15e\\_ENG\\_7\\_aout.pdf](http://www.crime-prevention-intl.org/filebin/Documents%20ajouts%202009/15e%20anniversaire/Programme/Programme_15e_ENG_7_aout.pdf)

3.6. The Social Work in **Waterloo Region Bridge Training Program** is asking for participation in a brief online survey regarding cultural diversity in your organization.

The organization is planning to hold a cultural diversity-focused event later this fall for leaders, managers, and change makers from social service organizations. They are asking for your assistance and input to help tailor the content to make it useful to the community. We would appreciate it if you could fill out the following online survey at your earliest convenience:

[http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=pBEAwdOqy0iwmh10I5QwrA\\_3d\\_3d](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=pBEAwdOqy0iwmh10I5QwrA_3d_3d)

#### **4. CPC Member's Information Exchange Corner**

4.1. Mary Zilney's two daughters have recently published 2 books on sexual offending laws. The second book (Prosecution or Persecution) was released at the end of July. It is more of a layman's read, again highlighting the debate related to punishment.

#### **5. Attachments:**

1. Iatrogenic effect of juvenile justice.Tremblay.2009
2. Letter to Senators - Bill C15
3. Festival of Neighbourhoods flyer August 2009
4. Two Spirit People invitation
5. Information memo to Regional Council from Councillor Tom Galloway re: CACP Conference
6. Talk local spreadsheet
7. Budget 2010
8. Revised VPP Terms of Reference
9. Revised AGORE Terms of Reference

Respectfully submitted  
Christiane Sadeler, Executive Director, WRPCPC