



July 2022

SPS Financial Update

The Surrey Police Board (SPB) [reported SPS's year-to-date expenditures](#) at its July public meeting, showing nearly \$7.0M underspent in the Surrey Police Service (SPS) operational budget.

For 2022, the City of Surrey allocated \$72.5M of its policing budget to SPS, which is 37% of the \$194.8M used to fund all police services in Surrey (SPS, RCMP and civilian police support services). The SPB only has oversight of its own operational budget, which it reports out on publicly.

The \$63.7M one-time policing transition budget is also on track. The Board reports on where these funds are being spent, including those spent on IT capital expenditures (\$2.4M year-to-date).

You can view all financial updates on the Police Board website under "[News & Publications](#)".

Thinking of a Career in Policing? Take our Survey

New recruits will be an integral part of the growth of SPS during the policing transition and beyond. We're building a team that reflects the community we serve, inclusive of all ethnicities, cultures, genders, and sexual orientations.

In order to learn about the challenges and barriers that may exist for some community members in pursuing a career in policing, we have developed a short survey.

If you are considering a career in policing, we encourage you to complete this [survey](#) before August 31st.

Hiring and Deployment Update

In alignment with the [SPS-RCMP HR Strategy and Plan](#), SPS is preparing to deploy our next group of officers into policing operations on July 25th. This deployment marks an important milestone as we will surpass the 100 mark of SPS officers deployed into the community. These officers are responding to calls for service and working in a number of specialized units to support public safety, alongside the Surrey RCMP.

SPS has now hired 237 police officers (86% from the Lower Mainland), and 52 civilian employees. Our [hiring continues](#) for our fall onboarding classes, as well as for select civilian positions.

Chief Constable Lipinski provided an update on the continuing growth of SPS on CKNW's Mike Smyth Show earlier this month. You can listen to the full interview [here](#).

SPS in the Community

One of the priorities in the [SPS 2022 Strategic Plan](#) is the development of our community policing model. Our [Q2 Strategic Plan Metrics](#) show our progress in this area. In Q2, SPS had 164 proactive engagements with the community, including 21 engagements with Indigenous rightsholders, and 4 engagements with the 2SLGBTQ+ community.

In July, Constable Grandia and Constable Hanuse participated in the [Pulling Together Canoe Journey](#) with the Blue Eagle Cadets. This trip builds relationships between public agencies and Indigenous communities.

Our officers also attended a number of community events recently including Surrey Canada Day, Surrey Fest, Semiahmoo Fish and Game Club Open House, Youth Nations Cup, and the Eid al-Adha event hosted by the BC Muslim Association. On July 23-24, the SPS tent will be up at the Surrey Fusion Festival.

Follow our community activities on [Twitter](#) through our #TogetherintheCommunity series.

In Case You Missed It

[SPS 2021-2022 Report to the Community](#)
[Experienced Officers Information Session \(recording\)](#)
[Policing Transition - The Road to SPS](#)

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