



Community Safety Report Card for Esquimalt Council – Q1 2026

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Highlights for Q1

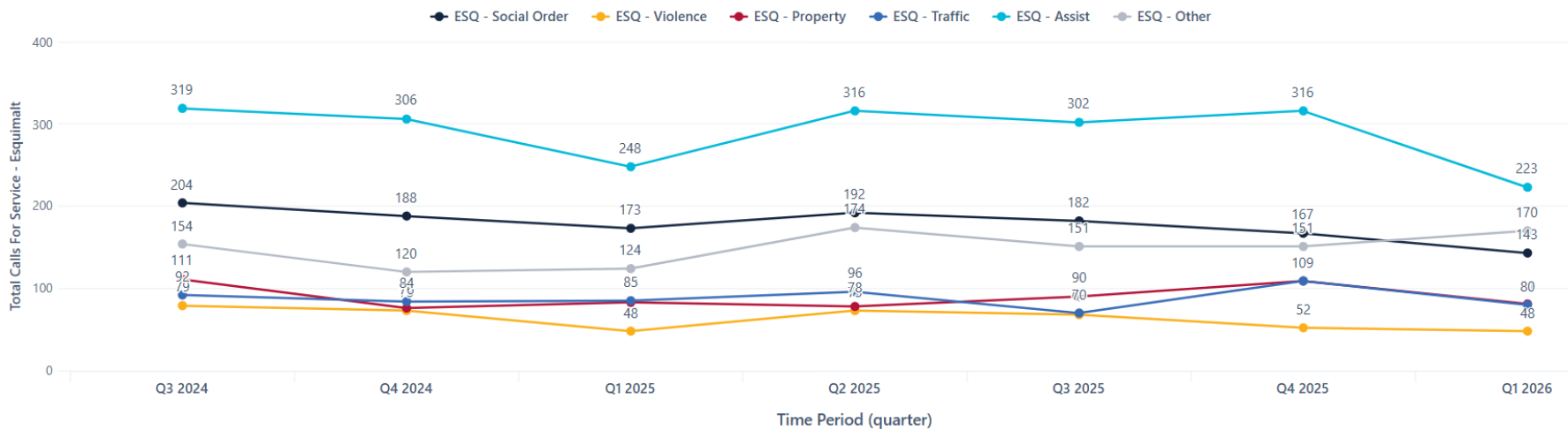
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VicPD Calls for Service



Esquimalt Calls for Service



Notable Files

□ **File 26-7469**

VicPD received an online threat via the VicPD Instagram account relating to the Wounded Warriors Run. Officers from the General Investigation Section and the Analysis and Intelligence Unit determined the threat originated from a location in Esquimalt. A resident was subsequently arrested.

□ **File 24-9022**

VicPD received multiple reports over several weeks regarding a suspicious male skulking in the Esquimalt/Vic West border area. West Division patrol officers worked to identify the individual and determine his activities. The individual was later determined to be involved in the illicit drug trade, and the investigation is ongoing.

□ **Problematic Residence**

A problematic residence has generated numerous calls for service and is associated with a shooting that occurred in 2024. This location is a priority for West Division Traffic and Patrol units.

□ **By-Law Response**

Esquimalt Division and Patrol Division officers worked in coordination with Esquimalt by-law officers on several by-law-related matters, including:

- Overnight sheltering at Saxe Point
- RV parking and sleeping in vehicles on Lyall Street
- Parking and sheltering at the Fleming Beach parking lot

Crime Prevention and Safety Initiatives

□ **School Safety**

Following the Tumbler Ridge shooting, School Liaison Officers maintained close contact with all Esquimalt schools to offer support, guidance, and deliver requested lockdown drills.

□ **Fraud Prevention Month**

Esquimalt Community Resource Officers Cst. Stacey Fuller and Cst. Ian Diack partnered with Esquimalt Fire Department to deliver a Fraud and Fire Prevention presentation to seniors at the Seniors Community Centre.

□ **Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)**

In response to rising global tensions and concerns about hostility toward places of worship, Cst. Fuller completed a CPTED assessment for Blessed John Henry Newman Catholic Church on Old Esquimalt Road. Community Resource Officers continue to complete CPTED assessments for houses of worship in both Esquimalt and Victoria, including churches, mosques, and synagogues.

□ **Crisis Intervention and De-escalation Training**

Cst. Ian Diack and Sgt. Angela Van Eerd delivered multiple de-escalation training sessions in collaboration with Esquimalt Fire Department for all fire personnel. Cst. Diack also provided the same training for Township of Esquimalt staff, including Parks and Recreation, Municipal Hall, and Gorge Park Pavilion staff.

□ **Cybercrime Prevention**

VicPD has launched a Cybercrime Prevention Initiative to assist small businesses in Esquimalt and Victoria.

Crime Prevention and Safety Initiatives

□ **Traffic Safety**

VicPD Traffic Unit conducted multiple speed enforcement initiatives:

✓ **700 - 800 block of Admirals Road**

This project remains ongoing, with two speed boards deployed to remotely monitor speeds and collect data. Overall speeds are generally at the posted limit, with a small number of outliers.

✓ **Colville Road**

Speed monitoring continues, with officers noting speeding primarily during rush-hour periods.

✓ **Intersection enforcement – Arcadia Avenue and Selkirk Street**

Enforcement was conducted in response to citizen complaints regarding drivers failing to stop at the stop sign. Violations and warnings were issued throughout February and March. As a result of these initiatives, VicPD traffic officers issued 169 violations and warnings under the Motor Vehicle Act in Esquimalt.

✓ **Distracted Driving Campaign**

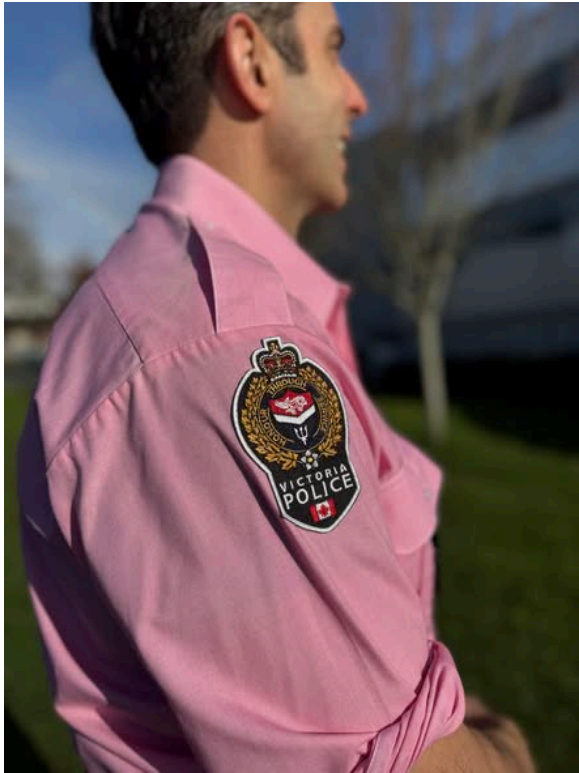
Beginning in early March, Traffic officers conducted distracted driving enforcement in Esquimalt and Victoria, monitoring cell phone use at Craigflower Road and Tillicum Road.

Community Engagement

- ❑ **January 28 – Human Library Event** - Cst. Stacey Fuller participated in the Rockheights Elementary School *Human Library* event, answering students' questions about policing.
- ❑ **February 18 - Rainbow Kitchen Community Dinner** – Organized by Cst. Stacey Fuller. The community dinner was served by Sgt. Angela Van Eerd (Esquimalt Division), Sgt. Fiona Ford (Community and Court Services), and Rear Admiral David Patchell.
- ❑ **February 19 - Special Olympics Athletes Visit** – Special Olympic athletes visited Esquimalt Division to meet with officers and tour the workspace.
- ❑ **February 22 - Polar Plunge for Special Olympics** – Numerous members of Esquimalt Division participated in the Polar Plunge. Cst. Ian Diack was recognized as a top fundraiser and was honoured to receive a \$2,500 donation from the Royal Canadian Legion, Esquimalt Dockyard Branch, in support of the Vancouver Island Polar Plunge. Cst. Dan Galliano, a long-time supporter of the Polar Plunge and Esquimalt Division Traffic Officer, was also recognized as a top fundraiser.

Community Engagement

February 25 - Pink Shirt Day – Cst. Ian Diack and Cst. Martine Renaud attended École Victor-Brodeur to speak with students about kindness, inclusion, and what it means to be an “upstander” by standing up for themselves and their friends.



Community Engagement



Current Focus

- **Traffic Safety**

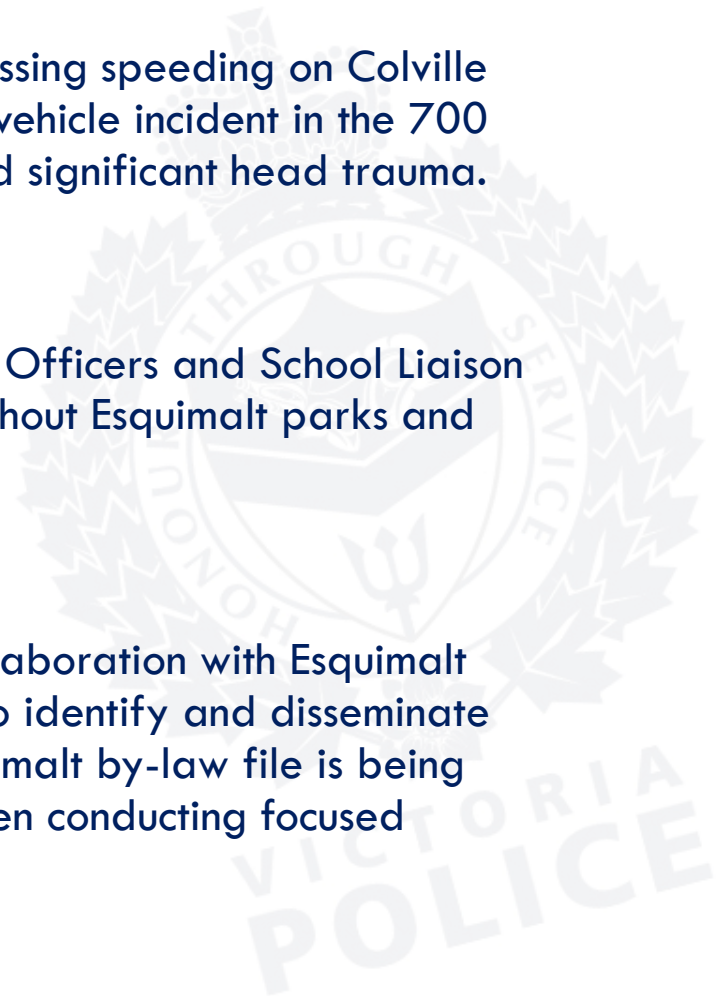
Traffic officers continue enforcement efforts addressing speeding on Colville Road. Collision analysts are investigating a motor vehicle incident in the 700 block of Lampson Street in which a cyclist sustained significant head trauma.

- **Summer Action Plan**

Sgt. Van Eerd is coordinating Community Resource Officers and School Liaison Officers to conduct bicycle and foot patrols throughout Esquimalt parks and neighborhoods during the summer months.

- **Analysis and Intelligence**

The Analysis and Intelligence Unit is working in collaboration with Esquimalt Community Resource Officers and Patrol Division to identify and disseminate public safety and by-law priorities. A master Esquimalt by-law file is being maintained, with members attaching to the file when conducting focused enforcement and patrols.



Q & A

