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Subject: Police Services Board - Request for Inclusion of Correspondence on Council Agenda

Good afternoon Ms. Giles,

On behalf of The Blue Mountains Police Services Board, I am providing the below motion as passed at the January 24, 2024 Board Meeting and approved through the Board's Minutes at the May 6, 2024 Board Meeting.

D.1 Terry Gates, Resident Re: Letter in support of using the CAMSafe program in the Town

THAT The Blue Mountains Police Services Board receives for information the correspondence of Terry Gates, Resident Re: Letter in support of using the CAMSafe program in the Town;

AND THAT the Board supports the concept of the CAMSafe Program;

AND THAT the Board requests that Mr. Gates' correspondence be provided to Council for consideration of how the Town can support the communication of the CAMSafe Program within the community, Carried.

I attach the referenced correspondence hereto and request that the attached letter from Mr. Gates be included on a future Council Agenda for their information and consideration. For additional information, the Board is expecting to receive a deputation from Belleville Police Staff Sargent Jeremy Ashley, Operations Division, at a future Board Meeting to receive additional information about the CAMSafe program.



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As part of providing [accessible customer service](#), please let me know if you have any accommodation needs, require communication supports or alternate formats.

From: TERRY GATES <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, December 6, 2023 3:18 PM
To: Kyra Dunlop <kdunlop@thebluemountains.ca>
Cc: Jeremy Ashley <[REDACTED]>; Huronia Alarm and Fire Security Inc. <[REDACTED]>
Subject: CAMSafe Program

Hi Kyra,

It was a pleasure speaking with you earlier about contacting the Police Board regarding the Ontario CAMSafe program. I appreciate you forwarding a copy of this email to the Board. I am including some information that I hope will be useful for the Board members. Ultimately, if one of the Board members could reach out to Staff Sargent Ashley, that I expect, would be one of the best ways to introduce this program to our area. My goal is to try to connect the right individuals in hopes that they can collectively bring this program to our area.

To being with, I found out about this Ontario wide program through a monthly email update from Huronia Alarm and Fire Security Inc. This is a firm which operates security systems in our region. [REDACTED]. Kudos to them for bringing this to our attention.

I tried to register to the program but encountered a small issue, therefore I reached out to the contact provided on the website and have since been emailing with Jeremy Ashley Staff Sargent Operations Division.

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Here is a quick overview of the program, copied from Huronia's newsletter.

CAMSAFE PROGRAM: OPP ENCOURAGING RESIDENTS TO HELP FIGHT CRIME IN THEIR COMMUNITY

Some local communities in our area, including Alliston, Hanover, Tiny Township and Nottawasaga, have joined a community-based security video registry program called **Camsafe**. This voluntary network of residential (and some business and commercial) CCTV and security cameras is helping the OPP expedite investigation procedures and solve crime.

"Think of it like Neighbourhood Watch 2.0. The program is set up to be a registry of anyone who owns security cameras, CCTV systems or doorbell cams in the province of Ontario. Only police have access to the database of registrants. Camsafe only requests basic contact information and camera locations – nothing else. No account information or specifics required. And you can change or delete your information at any time. All this program is aimed at doing is providing a starting point for police officers to find video footage to assist an

investigation. For example, if there was a break and enter to a home on a city street, the investigating officer can log onto Camsafe and much like Google Maps, geofence an area and see if there are anyone who has registered a camera in the area. From that point, the officer – using the contact information provided – would request the footage from the owner.”

For more information on the CAMSafe Program, and to review eligibility criteria, [please click here to watch the full news story.](#)

• [Click here for more information about the CAMSafe program.](#)

• [And click here for a list of FAQ's.](#)

Huronian Alarm & Fire Security Inc. offer a number of different [camera systems that may allow you to participate](#) in this program. [Please contact us for more information.](#)

Regards, Terry Gates 