

# Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Inc.

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## Program Coordinator's Report JANUARY 1 TO MARCH 31, 2024 – Q1 Drew Kalte

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## TIP STATISTICS FOR JANUARY 1 TO MARCH 31, 2024

- Total Tips (Phone, Web, and Mobile, including follow ups): 752
- New Tips (Phone, Web, and Mobile): 152

### Tips Allocated: 180 (28 tips were allocated to multiple recipients)

- Grey Bruce OPP: 54 (30%)
- South Bruce OPP: 35 (19.5%)
- The Blue Mountains OPP: 3 (1.5%)
- Owen Sound Police Service: 44 (24.5%)
- Hanover Police Service: 11 (6%)
- Saugeen Shores Police Service: 12 (7%)
- West Grey Police Service: 9 (5%)
- Neyaashiinigmiing First Nation Police: 5 (3%)
- Ontario MNRF: 1 (0.5%)
- Ontario MOF (contraband tobacco): 0 (0.0%)
- Ontario MECP (environment, conservation, parks): 0 (0%)
- OPP Contraband Tobacco Enforcement: 0 (0.0%)
- OPP Historic Crimes: 1 (0.5%)
- OPP AGCO Investigations: 0 (0%)
- OPP Anti Human Trafficking Coordination Unit: 0 (0%)
- RCMP: 0 (0%)
- CBSA: 0 (0.0%)
- Équité Association (insurance fraud): 1 (0.5%)
- Animal Welfare Authorities: 3 (1.5%)
- OMVIC Investigations & Enforcement: 1 (0.5%)

### Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Statistics Since Inception May 1987

Tip Reports	18,789
Arrests	1,789
Charges	2,557
Cases Cleared	2,753
Property Recovered	\$4,838,616
Narcotics Recovered	\$50,616,327
Rewards Approved	\$288,660

### **Tip Totals Year to Date**

- 152 new tips have been received during the first quarter of 2024, which is behind the first quarter of 2023 by 16 tips.

### **MEDIA**

- LITE 99.3, Bayshore Broadcasting, Bounce Radio 92.3, Blackburn Radio (Cool 94.5 & 101.7 The One), Shoreline Classics, and Bluewater Radio continue to receive Crime of the Week segments that are sent out from our office on a weekly basis.
- Monthly Crime of the Week columns are forwarded to the Bruce County Marketplace magazine.
- Crimes of the Week are being forwarded to the Owen Sound Hub and the Saugeen Times online news, as well as Eastlink TV.

### **FUNDRAISING**

- Nevada ticket revenues are declining but continue to assist in funding eligible expenses.
- We applied for funding from the Port Elgin, Hanover, and Owen Sound Walmarts for 2024, and funding has been confirmed by the Owen Sound and Port Elgin Walmarts.
- In the first quarter of 2024 the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie and the Township of Georgian Bluffs donated to our program, and we are very grateful for their support. We continue to reach out to each of the Police Services Boards and Municipalities of Grey and Bruce to request funding commitments for our program.
- We reached out for funding from our local Royal Canadian Legions, with the Meaford Legion Branch #32 donating to our program.
- We launched our Community Donor Membership Program in November 2023, which allows the community to offer support by purchasing a tax-deductible donor membership. Donor membership levels are available at \$50, \$100, \$250, and \$500.

### **EVENTS AND PROMOTIONS**

- The Winter 2024 edition of TIPSTER Magazine was released in January, featuring articles and editorials focusing on regional current crimes and community safety topics, and has been very well received by our partners and the community.
- We continue to participate in the Grey Bruce Crime Prevention Action Table, and in conjunction attended Anti-Human Trafficking awareness events on February 20, 2024 in Kincardine and February 22, 2024 in Owen Sound.

### **CRIME STOPPERS BOARD**

- We currently have six members on our Board of Directors with one new pending applicant. We are continuing to recruit new members to the Board and are seeking specific skill sets, such as a Treasurer and people with fundraising experience.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- We will be participating in the Meaford Volunteer Recruitment Fair on April 18, 2024.
- Our 32<sup>nd</sup> annual golf tournament will be taking place on Thursday June 6, 2024 at Saugeen Golf Club, Port Elgin.
- We have three classic car tours and shows planned for Sunday June 23, 2024; Sunday August 11, 2024; and Sunday September 29, 2024.

# TIPSTER



Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce

SPRING 2024







The wheels are in motion to host the 32nd Annual Golf Classic in support of  
**Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce**

**OVER \$600,000.00 Raised to Date . . . Rated Among the Best!**

Our Title Sponsors Bayshore Broadcasting & Germania Mutual Insurance Company have been teamed up with Carlsberg Canada this year. We welcome Carlsberg aboard as we invite you to join us in support of this key community fundraising event. The proceeds will help fund the essential work that Crime Stoppers performs, to help make our Grey-Bruce communities safe.

**WHERE: Saugeen Golf Club will return as our host venue**

**WHEN: Thursday, June 6th, 2024**

Attached is the 32nd Annual golfer registration form, including hole sponsorship information. As designated group leader, please share details with your team.

**Chances to Win 2024 Cars + \$30,000.00 & More!**

Entry fee includes all golf related activities, all meals, Annual Souvenir & all post-play festivities, including the Grand Prize Draw.

**Mingle with Guest Celebs of the Day**

As per the norm, we anticipate the tournament will fill up again this year and request that you complete and return the registration form by April 26, 2024.

**A Good Cause with Good Fun & Good Food for Everyone**

Your past support has been part of the Tourney's success & we look forward to hosting you and your fellow golfers at Saugeen Golf Club on Thursday, June 6th, 2024, in support of ...

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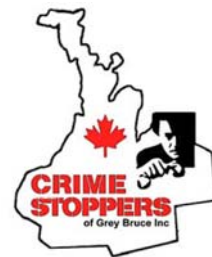


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## Recognizing Human Trafficking

Human trafficking is one of the fastest-growing crimes worldwide. It is a serious criminal offence under the Criminal Code of Canada that can include recruiting, harbouring or controlling a person's movements using force, physical or psychological coercion, or deception. Traffickers often make victims do labour (for example, domestic, physical and manual labour) or perform sexual acts in exchange for monetary gain. What follows is a basic primer on the many faces of human trafficking.

To begin with it may be helpful to know what is not human trafficking. Human smuggling that involves moving someone across a border is not necessarily human trafficking. Nor does the label of human trafficking mean the consensual paid sex work by individuals 18 years or older. This form of activity is consensual by all participants and falls under other long established legislation.

Sex trafficking, labour trafficking and forced marriage are the three primary types of human trafficking.

### Sex trafficking

Sex trafficking is a form of sexual exploitation that can include recruiting, harbouring, transporting, obtaining or providing a person for the purpose of sex. It refers to the forced, coercive, fraudulent or deceptive exchange of sex for something of value (for example, money, food, drugs, alcohol, transportation, shelter). In Ontario, sex trafficking is the most commonly reported form of human trafficking.

*Learn more about sex trafficking*  
[www.ontario.ca/page/sex-trafficking](http://www.ontario.ca/page/sex-trafficking)

### Labour trafficking

Language like "forced labour," "servant" and "servitude" are sometimes used when talking about labour trafficking. There have been labour trafficking cases involving construction, manufacturing, mining, hospitality, salons, agriculture, domestic work, sales and other industries.

Labour traffickers often take away passports and other documents of foreign nationals, and sometimes control where the person stays. Debt bondage is a form of labour trafficking where a person is told they must work to pay off a large, unexpected and illegal debt.

People in other countries and newcomers may be recruited by someone from their home country or from Canada who makes false promises about what a job is and how much it pays. The person may not know their rights in Ontario, may not know how to get help and may fear reporting to police.

*Learn about your rights under the  
 Employment Standards Act*  
[www.ontario.ca/document/your-guide-employment-standards-act-0](http://www.ontario.ca/document/your-guide-employment-standards-act-0) )

### How trafficking can happen

Traffickers identify and target a person's vulnerabilities to gain trust and form a bond. They often identify and fulfill a person's needs, and then use that dependence to control and exploit them.

A person can be trafficked anywhere, including in their home community. People who are being trafficked, and the people around them, may not know that a crime is taking place.

Some people who are trafficked are controlled and monitored constantly and don't have the opportunity

or are afraid to ask for help. They may also be manipulated to believe that the trafficker is the only person who cares about them and that they are best off staying with their trafficker.

Traffickers can control and manipulate victims using:

- emotional abuse
- lies
- addiction
- threats
- violence
- isolation
- taking control of identification, documents or money

***Learn more about how traffickers can recruit someone into sex trafficking***

***[www.ontario.ca/page/sex-trafficking#section-3](http://www.ontario.ca/page/sex-trafficking#section-3)***

### **People at risk of human trafficking**

Anyone can be at risk of being trafficked, however there are some factors that can make someone more vulnerable.

People who are at higher risk of being sex trafficked are:

- women and girls (though boys, men and people who identify as 2SLGBTQQIA+ are also targeted)
- homeless and/or marginalized youth
- youth who struggle with self-esteem, and/or are experiencing bullying, discrimination, poverty, abuse, isolation and other social or family issues
- Indigenous and racialized women and girls
- people with addiction, mental illness or developmental disabilities

***Learn more about other vulnerabilities that sex traffickers may target.***

***[www.ontario.ca/page/sex-trafficking#section-2](http://www.ontario.ca/page/sex-trafficking#section-2)***

People who are most at risk of labour trafficking include:

- migrant workers
- newcomers to Canada
- people with uncertain immigration status
- people who are homeless
- people who do not speak English or French

### **Signs that someone may be being trafficked**

Changes in behaviour, physical appearance, belongings and relationships with family and friends can be signs that someone might be a victim of human trafficking. Signs to watch for include:

#### **Behaviours and activities:**

- are repeatedly missing from home and/or have been frequently reported missing to police
- are being secretive about their activities
- begin staying out more often and later
- are absent from school or there is a decline in school performance
- use new or increased methods of transportation, such as taxis, ride-hailing or sharing applications
- are not allowed to speak for themselves and their activities are controlled by someone else
- seem fearful, anxious, depressed, submissive, tense, nervous or paranoid (they may avoid eye contact or seem fearful around police)
- move frequently and may not know their surroundings well
- are repaying a large debt through labour or sex (including sexual imagery/filming)
- are unpaid or paid very little to work and seem to be treated poorly (long or unusual hours, not allowed breaks or forced to live in poor conditions)

#### **Relationships with family or friends:**

- are withdrawing or isolating from family and friends
- have a new boyfriend, girlfriend or friend who they won't introduce to friends and family suddenly spend time with an older person or people

#### **Physical appearance and belongings:**

- begin wearing more sexualized clothing
- have new clothing and jewellery that they can't afford to buy
- show signs of physical abuse, such as bruising, cigarette burns or fractures
- have tattooing or branding symbols, particularly names
- suddenly have a new or second cell phone with a secret number
- don't have their own belongings or money, and don't control their own passport or other documents
- seem malnourished or lack medical care.

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Canada has a dedicated, confidential, 24/7 human trafficking hotline:

**Toll-free: 1-833-900-1010**

The hotline is for victims seeking help, people with a tip to report a potential case, members of the public wanting to learn more about the subject. You can also find services across Canada including Ontario, using the hotline's National Referral Directory.

If you have information or suspect human trafficking is happening in your community and wish to remain anonymous you can call your local Crime Stoppers toll-free at:

**1-800-222-8477 or use your P3 App.**

( Source: [www.ontario.ca/page/recognizing-human-trafficking](http://www.ontario.ca/page/recognizing-human-trafficking) )



# That old beater in your driveway can help solve crimes



## *Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce partners with “Donate A Car Canada”*

Donate a Car Canada will now accept vehicle donations for the benefit of Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce. Free towing is provided in most areas across Canada, or you can drop off your vehicle to maximize your donation.

When you donate your car, truck, RV, boat, or motorcycle to Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce it will either be recycled or re-sold (depending on its condition, age and location). Donate a Car Canada will look after all the details to make it easy for Crime Stoppers to benefit. You will receive a tax receipt after your donation has been processed!

They will accept most vehicles including but not limited to cars, trucks, vans, SUV's, trailers, RV's and boats. There are a few conditions, however, that must be met in order for your vehicle to qualify.

- Donation must be made by the registered owner, or their legal representative.
- Vehicles must be registered in Canada.
- Vehicle must be in 'complete' state with no major parts missing.
- Special conditions will apply to boats, trailers, and RVs
- They cannot accept vehicles with insurance claims against them.
- They cannot accept vehicles with liens or encumbrances on them.
- They are able to accept vehicles with body damage.

In most cases RVs are required to be dropped off, however they will be handled on an individual basis.

To donate your vehicle, follow the steps below.

- From the home page, select the tab 'Donate'. Here you will be asked to answer a few simple questions to qualify your vehicle.
- Fill out the donation form with your vehicle and contact information.
- Review the details you have entered, agree to the terms and conditions, and submit your vehicle for donation.

Further instructions will be provided for either drop off or towing.

Check your email for a confirmation email. If you do not see the confirmation message immediately, please check your junk mail folder.



Tax receipt - There are many factors that go into determining this amount of the receipt. For more detailed information, please go to the web site for more details.

If your vehicle is being recycled, you no longer require insurance on the vehicle once it has been picked up by the towing agent. If your vehicle is going to auction, however, it is suggested that you keep insurance on your vehicle until the vehicle has sold. You will notify you by email when your vehicle has been sold.

You will be contacted by the towing agent within 48 hours after you call for removal. At that time, you can arrange the most convenient time for pick-up of your vehicle. You do not have to pay for your vehicle to be towed. If the vehicle is recycled, the towing cost



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is included. If your vehicle is sent to the auction, the towing cost is deducted from the sale price of your vehicle.

Dropping off your vehicle at our selling agent is beneficial for the charity because it eliminates the towing cost from the donation. Drop off instructions will be provided once your online form is complete.

You will receive a tax deductible receipt directly from the charity after the sale of your vehicle and the accounting process is complete. You will receive an email confirming your donation has been sent to the charity. You should then receive your tax receipt from the charity within approximately six weeks.

Some vehicles may not register when you enter the serial number on the form. If you have a vehicle manufactured prior to 1980, or if you are donating a boat, motorcycle, trailer, or another type of vehicle that does not meet this requirement, please add zeros to the end of your serial number to total 17 digits.

In most cases, your boat will need to be dropped off at the nearest sales agent and some unique procedures will apply. The agent will work closely with you and the auction agents to determine the best process.

Nothing is worthless if you are fighting crime.

**Thank You**  
for your  
generous  
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# "PLEASE DON'T PAY THE CON ARTIST"

## *Southern Bruce County residents out \$162,000 so far this year*

by Kevin Martin

**(SOUTH BRUCE COUNTY)** - March is Fraud Prevention month, and the South Bruce Ontario Provincial Police is asking residents to be mindful of the cons and scams that are attempted every day.

The numbers (reported by the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre:

- 2021, Canadians lost a reported \$384 million dollars to Fraud
- 2022, Canadians lost a reported \$530 million dollars to Fraud
- 2023, Canadians lost a reported \$554 million dollars to Fraud

Canadians have seen a steady increase in dollar losses to Fraud over the past three years. Considering that about 10 per cent of Fraud is reported, the actual dollar losses are considerably higher.

Between January 1, 2024, and March 20, 2024, residents of Southern Bruce County have lost \$162,150 to cons and scams. Scams reported to South Bruce OPP in the past week:

- \$3,300 of gift cards sent to a scammer trying to arrange an online purchase.
- \$13,250 sent to a scammer that set up an online investment site.
- \$35,000 sent to a scammer to convert to electronic currency.
- \$1,800 sent to a scammer in response to an online job advertisement.
- \$4,000 sent to a scammer to help out a grandchild involved in a car crash.

Experienced scammers use technology to create very convincing schemes to trick you into sending them money. They will commonly use the name of a real company, or a person's name you recognize, to gain your trust so that you will send money or personal information to them.

A quick and easy way to prevent Fraud? Verify any contact that you aren't expecting.

Police are offering the following tips to help protect you from a con artist:

- If it sounds too good to be true, it likely is;
- Remember that you can't win a contest that you didn't enter in the first place;
- If you have a concern about your computer, take it to a reputable repair shop for service. Never provide remote access to your computer to a "tech" that calls you out of the blue;
- Gift cards are a red flag. If someone contacts you and directs you to buy gift cards, you need to hang up the phone/shred the letter/delete the email, etc.

Your best defence is to verify any unsolicited contact made to you. Unsolicited means that you didn't ask for it.

Fraud is a multi-million-dollar enterprise that will only end when the thieves stop making money at it.

Anyone interested in more information on fraud can contact the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre at **1 888 495 8501** or check online at **www.antifraudcentre.ca**.

Anyone with information are encouraged to call 1-888-310-1122. Should you wish to remain anonymous, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or submit a secure web-tip at **www.cstip.ca**, where you may be eligible to receive a cash reward of up to \$2000.



*Kevin Martin is the Communications officer with the South Bruce Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police. After 33 years working in policing and public safety Kevin is retiring from police work. He has cast a long shadow over the communities of South Bruce County and will be missed. The folks at Crime Stoppers wish him and his family all the best.*

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## UTILITY TRAILER AND TOOLS STOLEN



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**(GREY HIGHLANDS, ON) - On January 5, 2024, Police were contacted regarding a theft of a utility trailer which was stolen from a residence on Grey Road 7 in the Municipality of Grey Highlands.**

Police attended and was advised that sometime between on January 5, 2024, between 10:30 a.m. and 11:45 a.m., unknown individual(s) attended the residence and removed the light grey enclosed 10-foot utility trailer.

Items that were stored in the trailer and stolen are:

- 4 X safety harnesses ropes
- Brand new pump jack
- Stihl chainsaw
- 2 X Milwaukee worm drive skil saws
- 2 X Milwaukee framing nailers
- Brand new Makita air compressor
- Dewalt air compressor
- Ratchet set
- Various hand tools
- 2 X leather framing work pouch with hammers
- Honda 2800 generator
- 4 gas jerry cans
- 2 X 100-foot extension cords
- 2 X 100-foot 1/2-inch air hoses
- 1 box of 3 1/4 hand nails
- 1 box 2 1/4 hand nails
- 2 X boxes of sheeting staples
- 5 X boxes of strip nails
- Metabo worm drive cordless saw
- Metabo cordless frame nailer

- Sledgehammer
- 2 Dewalt clamps
- 3 hardhats
- 1 air pig
- 2 X 1/2-inch tow chains 10 feet
- 2 X 8 nylon tow straps
- Milwaukee cordless grinder
- Metabo joist hanger nailer

## STOLEN VEHICLE FOUND BURNED

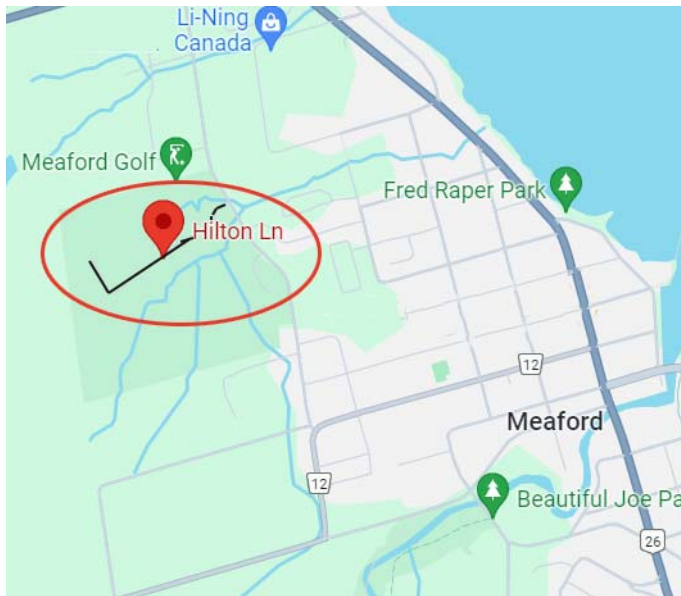


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**(GREY HIGHLANDS, ON) - Sometime on March 22, 2024, between 1:00 a.m., and 10:00 a.m., a 2023 White Volkswagen Atlas, plate CYDP335, was stolen. On March 22, 2024, at 7:05 p.m., the Grey Bruce OPP received a report of a vehicle that was on fire on Boar Farm Road in Grey Highlands. Investigation revealed that the stolen vehicle and vehicle fire were of the same.**

Police are asking the public to check their video surveillance on March 22, 2024, of a Volkswagen Atlas. If you have any information you can contact the Grey Bruce OPP or Crime Stoppers.

## STRING OF B&Es IN MEAFORD



**(MEAFORD, ON)** - Police are reporting a string of break and enters to a new build subdivision on Hilton Lane in Meaford.

**On October 25, 2023**, police responded to a break and enter at residence that was under construction on Hilton Lane in Meaford. The soffit and drywall were damaged.

**On October 30, 2023**, police responded to a break and enter to a residence that was under construction on Hilton Lane in Meaford. The drywall was damaged along with evidence that the suspects had a fire in the basement.

**On November 1, 2023**, police responded to a break and enter to a residence that was under construction on Hilton Lane in Meaford. The complainant advised that this has occurred three times that week, but this was the first time they called police. There was evidence of spray paint damage on the drywall.

**On November 27, 2023**, police responded to a break and enter to a residence that was under construction on Hilton Lane in Meaford. There is damage to drywall and the electrical panel.

**On February 4, 2024**, once again police responded to a break and enter to a residence that was under construction on Hilton Lane in Meaford. There is damage to the soffit, the drywall along with spray paint on drywall inside the residence.

It is believed that the suspects are gaining access to the residences through the soffit then dropping through the drywall on the ceiling. If anyone observes any individuals in Hilton Lane during the nighttime hours, please call the OPP at 1-888-310-1122.

## THEFT OF A CFRO 600 ATV



**(PORT ELGIN)** Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce and the Saugeen Shores Police Service are seeking the public's help in solving the theft of an ATV.

On December 30th at 5:00 a.m. a 2020 orange CFRO 600 ATV, bearing plate **2SH57**, was stolen from a residence along Bluewater Drive in the Town of Port Elgin. Police note the licence plate may have been removed and the ATV may have been altered in colour.

A photo of the stolen ATV can be viewed on the Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce website and Facebook page.

## THEFT OF UTILITY TRAILER



**(GREY HIGHLANDS, ON)** - On January 16, 2024, police responded to a report of a stolen utility trailer from a rural property on the East Back Line in the Municipality of Grey Highlands.

Police spoke with the owner who advised the trailer was last observed on the property in a drive shed on December 2, 2023, and that it was discovered missing on January 16, 2024. The trailer is described as a 2022 Tow-Tek 7X14 utility trailer with plate **W4796F**.

## VEHICLE ENTERED; GAS STOLEN

**(MEAFORD, ON)** - On January 5, 2024, Police investigated a report of a vehicle being entered and a vehicle's gas tank drilled into, and gas removed at a



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business on Highway 26 in the Municipality of Meaford.

It was determined through video surveillance that on January 4, 2024, a vehicle attended the location between 5:40 a.m. and 5:52 a.m. The approximate value of items stolen is \$1900.

Police are reminding all residents to lock their vehicles and remove their valuables. Its very important to ensure all video surveillance has night vision quality.

## STORAGE UNITS ENTERED

**(SOUTH BRUCE PENINSULA, ON)** - On January 7, 2024, Police attended a storage unit for a break and enter located on Industrial Drive, Wiarton, South Bruce Peninsula.

Police attended and was advised that sometime between January 6, 2024, and January 7, 2024, the storage units were entered. Investigation revealed an additional 22 units had their locks removed and were entered.

There is currently one item outstanding that has been reported to police. A 1993 Kawasaki KSF All-terrain Vehicle, white and green in colour, VIN JKASFMA1XPB518874.

## BREAK, ENTER AND THEFT

**(TEESWATER, ON)** - On December 5, 2023, at 9:04 a.m., Police received a theft report from an address along Industrial Road in Teeswater. Sometime between 8:00 p.m. on December 2, 2023, and 7:00 p.m. on December 4, 2023, a storage locker was forcibly entered.

The list of stolen items includes:

- Table covers
- Walkie talkies

- Heat press for shirts
- Hat press
- Outdoor power cords
- Teleprompter stands
- FM transmitter
- Wireless transmitter/receiver set
- Extension ladder

The value of the stolen property is estimated to be \$35,000.

Investigators are interested in viewing any video, or dash cam video, of the area between 12:00 p.m. on December 2, 2023, and 10:00 p.m. on December 4, 2023.

*Anyone interested in information on protecting your property, including the SafeGuard Ontario Property Security Program, can visit [www.opp.ca](http://www.opp.ca).*

## SHOP THEFT DUO IN PORT ELGIN



**(PORT ELGIN, ON)** - On Saturday March 16, 2024 two individuals entered the Shoppers Drug Mart in Port Elgin and stole a quantity of merchandise.

## TABLETS AND SMARTPHONES STOLEN



**(PORT ELGIN)** - On Tuesday March 12, 2024 three suspects entered the Port Elgin Walmart and stole a number of cellphones and tablets.

## STOLEN SIDE BY SIDE



**Serial#1M0835EAVNM050296**

(SOUTHGATE, ON) - The number of thefts from farm properties is becoming quite alarming to the Grey Bruce Ontario Provincial Police.

On February 16, 2024, at 8:41 a.m., police responded to a report of a stolen John Deere side by side from a property on Southgate Sideroad 13 in Southgate Township. The owner advised that an excavator on the property was moved to obtain access to the side by side along with diesel fuel was stolen from the excavator. The owner told police that a GPS on the excavator was live at 2:00 a.m. on that date.

The area was canvassed but no video footage of the incident was captured. The side by side is described as 2022 John Deere 835E Gator side-by-side **Serial#1M0835EAVNM050296**. "Martin Drainage" decal on the hood. "74-22" Equipment number on both sides of the hood. No plates were attached.

Theft from farm properties is becoming a weekly concern for the OPP. Police are asking the public to call police if they observe anything suspicious in farmers farm properties during the night hours. The police would rather attend and find out that it's the owner tending to their property rather than receive a call the next day that an item of farm machinery has been stolen.

## STOLEN CAR IN MEAFORD

(MEAFORD, ON) - Car rented through TURO application was stolen in the Municipality of Meaford.

On February 20, 2024, an individual rented a white 2014 Honda Civic with the licence plate of **CHRJ 705**. The renter stayed at an AirBnB on Sykes Street in Meaford. The renter parked the car for the night between 6:00 p.m., and 7:00 p.m. and noticed it missing February 21, 2024, at 8:15 a.m.

## STOLEN TRAILER



(GREY HIGHLANDS, ON) - On February 8, 2024, police responded to a report of a stolen trailer on Road 180 in the Municipality of Grey Highlands.

On February 8th, 2024, at 8:26 a.m., the victim contacted police to report a stolen enclosed trailer from a business on Road 180 in the Municipality of Grey Highlands. The trailer's GPS tracker was located in the ditch on the 4th Line in Melancthon Township on February 8, 2024 at 1:35 a.m.

Video surveillance shows at 1:25 a.m., a vehicle of interest, a black Chevrolet Z71 crew cab pick-up truck with 5 spoke aluminum rims attended the property and hooked up to the stolen trailer. No licence plate was observed.

The trailer is described as, 2023 dark grey Discovery DMA enclosed trailer bearing Ontario marker **#X1397D**, with red and white "Glenvalley Construction" logo's on both sides and the rear of the trailer. The trailer contained approximately \$30,000 worth of tools.

Police are asking anyone with video surveillance in the area between Road 180 in the Municipality of Grey Highlands and the 4th Line in Melancthon Township to review their footage on February 8, 2024, between 1:25 a.m. - 1:35 a.m.



## Become a Sleuth

Check the serial numbers of any stolen property by going to [CSTIP.CA](http://CSTIP.CA) and click on the "Plunder Check" Button.



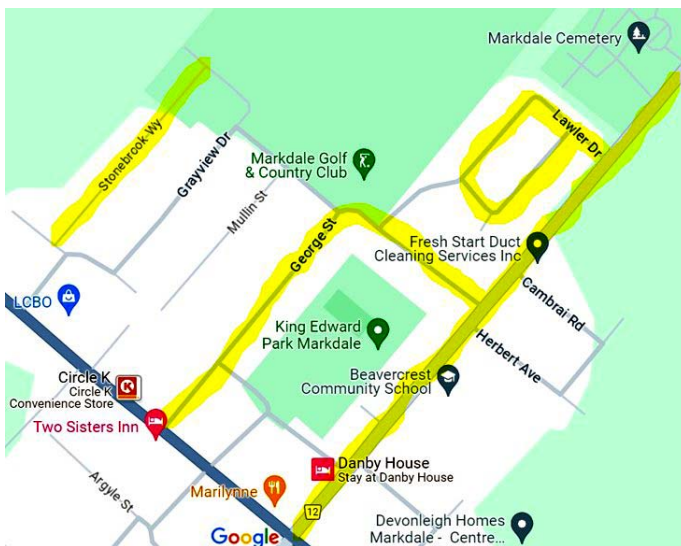
# CRIME STOPPERS WATCH BOARD

## COINS AND MEDALS STOLEN FROM A CHATSWORTH RESIDENCE



(CHATSWORTH, ON) - On March 3, 2024 police received a report of a residential break and enter in the Township of Chatsworth. Stolen items include jewelry, silver coins, unique coins, bank bundles of one-dollar and two-dollar bills, and a significant quantity of cash in twenty, fifty, and one-hundred-dollar denominations. The victims' military medals were also stolen.

## SPRAY PAINT VANDALISM



(GREY HIGHLANDS, ON) - The Grey Bruce Ontario Provincial Police are seeking the public's assistance in locating video surveillance of a series of mischiefs that occurred in the town of Markdale.

On March 27, 2024, at 6:52 a.m., police in the Markdale community responded to a series of mischiefs. Sometime between March 26, 2024, at 10:00 p.m., and March 27, 2024, at 6:52 a.m., unknown individual(s) attended ten residences in the Town of Markdale and spray-painted vehicles, garage doors and residences. The residences were on Lawler Drive, Edith Avenue, Main Street East, Stonebrook Way and George Street, Markdale.

Police are looking for anyone who has information or video surveillance in the affected areas to contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122.

## DODGE VAN STOLEN



(SOUTHGATE, ON) - On January 28, 2024, the Grey Bruce OPP received a report of a stolen vehicle from a property on Eco Park Way in Southgate. The vehicle is described as a 2017 black Dodge Grand Caravan with Nova Scotia plate HFV079. The vehicle was stolen between January 26, 2024, to January 28, 2024.

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## PERSONS OF INTEREST IN THEFT OF LIQUOR



(SOUTHGATE, ON) - On February 16, 2024, at approximately 5:40 p.m., police were dispatched to a shoplifting occurrence that took place at a business on Highway 10 in Dundalk.

Three individuals were in the store inquiring about the cost of a bottle of wine. All three males left the

store and the employee noticed that four bottles of Caymus Cabernet Sauvignon valued at \$ 109.95 a bottle were missing. The individuals departed Northbound on Highway 10 in a black Dodge Ram with Ontario licence plate ending in 514. If anyone can identify the individuals in the photos please contact the OPP.

## BREAK AND ENTER TO BUSINESS

(MEAFORD, ON) - Ontario Provincial Police are seeking the public's assistance in locating video surveillance of a break and enter.

On March 23, 2024, at 2:23 p.m., police responded to a break and enter from a business on Susan Street in the Municipality of Meaford. Sometime between March 18, 2024, and March 23, 2024, unknown individual(s) broke into a business and removed a Tohatsu MFS 9.8 boat motor valued at around \$3,000.



## THEFT OF TOOLS

(CHESLEY, ON) - On February 20, 2024, at 10:54 a.m., the South Bruce Ontario Provincial Police received a theft report from a property along Riverside Drive in Chesley. Sometime between 5:00 p.m. on February 17, 2024, and 8:00 a.m. on February 20, 2024, a vehicle on the property was forcibly entered.

The list of stolen items includes:

- Milwaukee battery charging station
- Milwaukee batteries (6)
- Milwaukee multi-tool
- Milwaukee hole saw with case
- Milwaukee copper cutters (3)

The value of the stolen items is estimated to be \$1,230.



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# Identifying well-being priorities in Grey and Bruce



 The *Community Safety and Well-Being Planning's* (CSWBP) crime prevention action Table has hit the ground running since forming in December 2023. The action table is comprised of West Grey Police, Hanover Police, Owen Sound Police, Saugeen Shores Police, Neyaashiinigmiing Police, South Bruce O.P.P, Grey Bruce O.P.P, Crime Stoppers Grey Bruce, and Victim Services Bruce Grey Perth.

The action table developed four priority areas to address crime across Grey and Bruce using community feedback, local data and stakeholder engagement. The four priority areas are: Human Trafficking, Drug Trafficking, Intimate Partner and Gender-Based Violence, and Road Safety. The action table in collaboration with key community partners have begun to deliver initiatives to Grey and Bruce communities.

The community can look forward to seeing the work of the action table in various ways such as community education, resource development, trainings, and collaboration with citizens. They, along with the other action Tables of CSWBP, is designed to not only identify and work on issues we are experiencing as a community but to look forward to how we can prevent these concerns from occurring in the future.

"This Table is a clear testament to the strong collaboration we have across Grey and Bruce and the dedication of our services and organizations to creating a safer and inclusive community for Grey and Bruce residents and visitors," says Chief Robert Martin of West Grey Police and the chair of the Crime Prevention Action Table.

Make sure to keep your eye out for education events in the community, social media campaigns and trainings which have begun to roll-out and will continue throughout 2024.

## What is the CSWBP?

*Community Safety and Well Being Planning* helps organizations improve the things that keep us healthy, happy, and safe. Together, we use research to create solutions focused on education, health care, food, housing, income, crime, and belonging. It is important that we create a welcoming community where

problems are solved before they happen and where different professionals and community members come together to help people now and in the future.

The ongoing work of CSWBP is supported by an advisory committee representing over 74 partners from across Bruce and Grey who are working together to address crime prevention by investing in social development, prevention, and risk interventions. This upstream preventative model focuses on creating protective factors that make individuals less vulnerable to crime and victimization.

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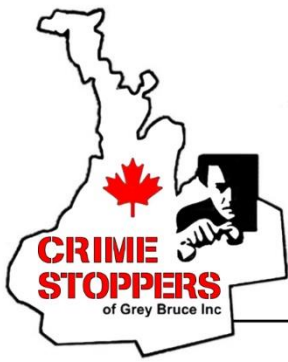
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## Program Report

**JANUARY 1 TO MARCH 31, 2024**

### TIP STATISTICS FOR JANUARY 1 TO MARCH 31, 2024

- Total Tips (Phone, Web, and Mobile, including follow ups): 752
- New Tips (Phone, Web, and Mobile): 152

<b>Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Statistics Since Inception May 1987</b>	
<b>Tip Reports</b>	<b>18,789</b>
<b>Arrests</b>	<b>1,789</b>
<b>Charges</b>	<b>2,557</b>
<b>Cases Cleared</b>	<b>2,753</b>
<b>Property Recovered</b>	<b>\$4,838,616</b>
<b>Narcotics Recovered</b>	<b>\$50,616,327</b>
<b>Rewards Approved</b>	<b>\$288,660</b>

### Tip Totals Year to Date

- 152 new tips have been received during the first quarter of 2024, which is behind the first quarter of 2023 by 16 tips.

### MEDIA

- LITE 99.3, Bayshore Broadcasting, Bounce Radio 92.3, Blackburn Radio (Cool 94.5 & 101.7 The One), Shoreline Classics, and Bluewater Radio continue to receive Crime of the Week segments that are sent out from our office on a weekly basis.
- Monthly Crime of the Week columns are forwarded to the Bruce County Marketplace magazine.
- Crimes of the Week are being forwarded to the Owen Sound Hub and the Saugeen Times online news, as well as Eastlink TV.

### FUNDRAISING

- Nevada ticket revenues are declining but continue to assist in funding eligible expenses.
- We applied for funding from the Port Elgin, Hanover, and Owen Sound Walmarts for 2024, and funding has been confirmed by the Owen Sound and Port Elgin Walmarts.
- In the first quarter of 2024 the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie and the Township of Georgian Bluffs donated to our program, and we are very grateful for their support. We continue to reach out to each of the Police Services Boards and Municipalities of Grey and Bruce to request funding commitments for our program.
- We reached out for funding from our local Royal Canadian Legions, with the Meaford Legion Branch #32 donating to our program.
- We launched our Community Donor Membership Program in November 2023, which allows the community to offer support by purchasing a tax-deductible donor membership. Donor membership levels are available at \$50, \$100, \$250, and \$500.



## **EVENTS AND PROMOTIONS**

- The Winter 2024 edition of TIPSTER Magazine was released in January, featuring articles and editorials focusing on regional current crimes and community safety topics, and has been very well received by our partners and the community.
- We continue to participate in the Grey Bruce Crime Prevention Action Table, and in conjunction attended Anti-Human Trafficking awareness events on February 20, 2024 in Kincardine and February 22, 2024 in Owen Sound.

## **CRIME STOPPERS BOARD**

- We currently have six members on our Board of Directors with one new pending applicant. We are continuing to recruit new members to the Board and are seeking specific skill sets, such as a Treasurer and people with fundraising experience.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- We will be participating in the Meaford Volunteer Recruitment Fair on April 18, 2024.
- Our 32<sup>nd</sup> annual golf tournament will be taking place on Thursday June 6, 2024 at Saugeen Golf Club, Port Elgin.
- We have three classic car tours and shows planned for Sunday June 23, 2024; Sunday August 11, 2024; and Sunday September 29, 2024.



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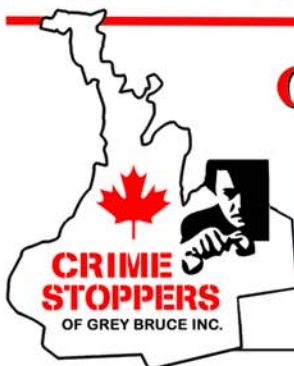
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