



Cobourg Police Service

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Cobourg Police Service Bi-Weekly Update

COBOURG (May 12, 2023) – The Cobourg Police Service (CPS) bi-weekly update provides an overview of break and enters, theft from motor vehicles, mischief, and other crime trends in the Town of Cobourg over two weeks. **In addition, CPS has added warrant arrests for the report.**

In addition to the bi-weekly update, an operational report is provided to the Cobourg Police Services Board (CPSB) every month. The operational report offers a breakdown of calls for service, year to year comparable on crime trends, and highlights calls of interest. CPS operational reports can be found in the CPSB meeting minutes online through [eScribe](#), the Town of Cobourg public meeting website.

Community members can access information about police activity in Cobourg through the crime mapping tool available at cobourgpolicesservice.com.

From April 24 to May 7, 2023, CPS responded to 528 calls for service.

- Break and enter: 0
- Theft from vehicles : Five (5)
 - Sutherland Crescent and Ontario Street
 - University Street and Walton (2) – person arrested
 - James Street and College Street (2)
- Distraction theft: none during this time frame
- Mischief: Two (2) – Chapel Street and Division Street (vehicle damaged), Carlisle Street and Curtis Crescent
- Fraud: Seven 7 frauds including counterfeit cash, phone scam, Puppy ad scam, paving scam, and online purchase

Four warrant arrests were made including fail to appear, theft (2), and harassment.

CPS offers free Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) audits to residents and business owners in the Town of Cobourg. If you are interested in booking an audit, please email info@cobourgpolicesservice.com. For tips on how to protect your home, visit cobourgpolicesservice.com/home-safety-tips.

Crime Prevention - Lock It or Lose

Cobourg Police Service's Lock It or Lose It campaign encourages drivers to take precautions to protect their vehicles and its contents from theft. Whether it is parking at work, at the store, or at home, leaving valuables in plain sight or the vehicle unlocked makes an easy target for thieves.

With this initiative, CPS auxiliary members go into the community to educate the public on crime prevention. Auxiliary officers examine parked vehicles to confirm they are locked and no valuables have been left in view. They place a small notice on vehicles that have been checked to indicate what safety precautions were



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neglected and to offer simple crime-prevention tips. Drivers who have secured their vehicles will receive notices congratulating them for their actions.

The *Lock It or Lose It* campaign runs all year with a particular emphasis during key seasons or when there is an increase in reports received by police.

Here are some tips to protect your vehicle and its contents:

- Ensure doors are always locked.
- Park in well-lit areas.
- Never leave money, cell phones, valuables, or personal property in plain sight.
- Always roll up your car windows.
- Put shopping bags and other parcels in the trunk.
- Don't leave your car running unattended.
- If parking in the same lot often, park in different spots each day

Report non-emergency crimes such as theft, traffic complaints, damage to property, damage to vehicle and lost property online. Learn more or file a report at cobourgpolicesservice.com/online-reporting.

If you are in an emergency or witness a crime in progress, please call 9-1-1 immediately.

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About Cobourg Police Service

The Cobourg Police Service is a trusted community partner committed to quality policing that protects the safety, security and in turn, enhances the quality of life in the Town of Cobourg. The service is directed by Chief Paul VandeGraaf, supported by a robust team of senior administrators, uniformed and civilian members.

As its most valuable resource, the Cobourg Police Service takes pride in its members who each day strive to keep our community a safe place to live, work and play.

A Police Services Board, made up of five local members, provides civilian governance and policy direction. The Board operates under legislation and directives outlined by the Ministry of the Solicitor General. The Board ensures Cobourg Police has met all the Police Adequacy Standards and is a professional and complete police service meeting the needs of the community.

For more information, visit cobourgpolicesservice.com and follow us on social media [@cobourgpolicesservice](https://www.facebook.com/cobourgpolicesservice).