



June 13, 2013

TO: Rod R. Knecht
Chief of Police

FROM: Inspector Denis Jubinville
Professional Standards Branch

RE: MONTHLY REPORT – May 2013

This report has been prepared for the June 20, 2013, Edmonton Police Commission meeting.

During the month of May 2013, Professional Standards Branch opened 97 new files:

- 9 Public complaints as defined by Part 5 of the *Police Act*;
- 4 Internal complaint as defined by Part 5 of the *Police Act*;
- 10 EPS Matters; and
- 74 Citizen Contacts.

Additionally, 1 file was directed for criminal investigation (Statutory Complaint).

Concluded 80 files:

- 3 Public Statutory Complaints;
- 1 Internal Statutory Complaint;
- 16 Public complaints as defined by Part 5 of the *Police Act*, including 2 complaints regarding policies or services provided by the EPS;
- 11 Internal complaints as defined by Part 5 of the *Police Act*;
- 12 EPS Matters; and
- 37 Citizen Contacts.

The Edmonton Police Service received 46,861 calls in Communications Section, dispatched 14,890 of those calls and recorded opening 30 compliments.

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cc: Shami Sandhu, Chair, Edmonton Police Commission



**May 2013 REPORT TO THE
EDMONTON POLICE COMMISSION**



The following report is submitted for:

- Approval**
- Ratification**
- Information**

**PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BRANCH
June 20, 2013, *OPEN MEETING***

Approved by:

**Rod R. Knecht
Chief of Police**

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Inspector Denis Jubinville



**Professional Standards Branch
May 2013
Edmonton Police Service**

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY

May Update

1. RECEIVED FILES

The following figure shows the number and type of files received during the month of May. Blue colours represent informal files and red colours represent formal investigations. Lighter shades indicate internally generated files and darker shades indicate externally generated files. As can be seen below, during the month of May, PSB received 84 informal files and 13 formal complaints.

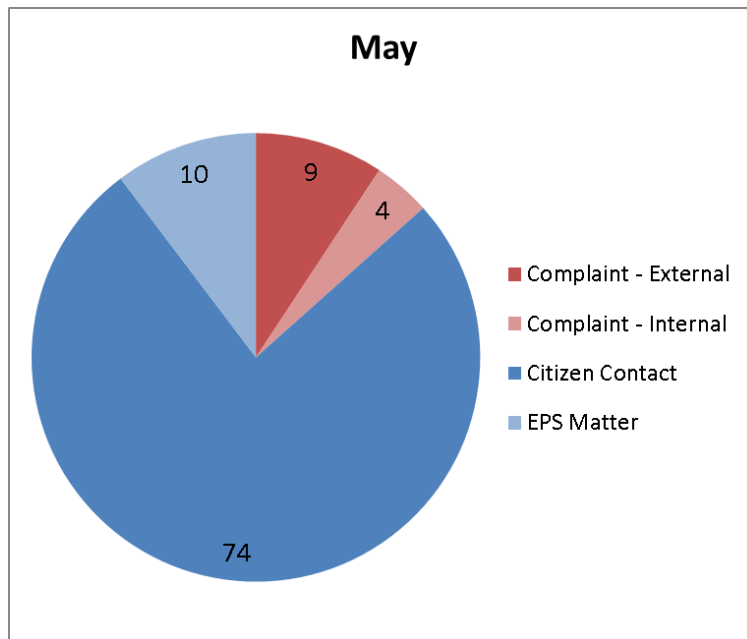


Figure 1-1. Type of Files Received During May

The following figure shows the year-to-date percentage increase or decrease in formal complaints and total files compared to 2012 values. The difference in formal complaints represents a decrease of four investigations, and the difference in total files received represents an increase of six files.

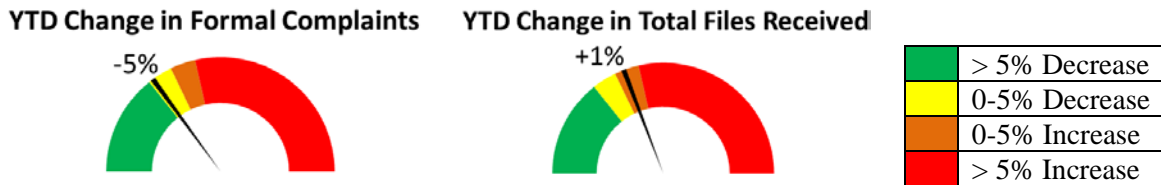


Figure 1-2. Year-to-Date Changes in Number of Files Received

2. CURRENT WORKLOAD

The following figure displays the status of all open PSB files. As of May 31, 2013, PSB had 337 open investigations; 225 of those files are *Police Act* or statutory investigations. The remaining files are informal concerns received internally or from the public. An investigation is listed as “Suspended” when it is not currently being advanced. Reasons for suspending a file may include executive review of the investigation, disciplinary hearings, criminal investigation, or court proceedings. An investigation is listed as “Forwarded” when it is ongoing but not under the control of PSB. Reasons for forwarding a file may include supervisory reviews, obtaining legal opinions, or investigation by outside investigators.

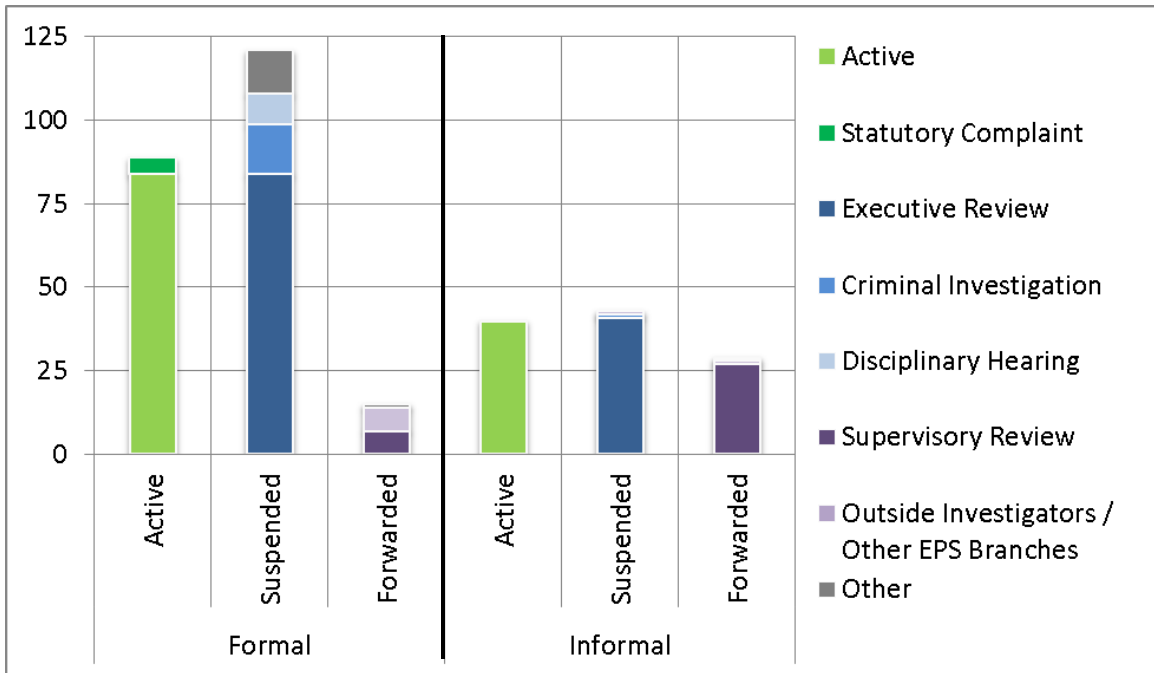


Figure 2-1. Status of All Open Investigations and Reasons for Suspension or Forward

The following figure shows the age and status of all open PSB investigations. Each individual marker (i.e., diamond, circle or triangle) represents one investigation; thus the number of open investigations from a given time period is indicated by the density of the markers.

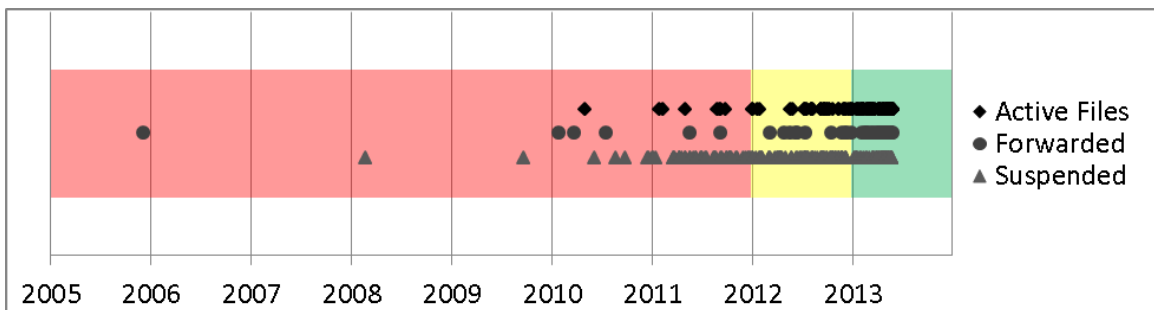


Figure 2-2. Age and Status of All Open Investigations

The following figure shows the stage of investigation for formal complaints by month. The stages of investigation include Clarification (interviewing the complainant to determine the specific details of the complaint), Collection (collection of evidence and witness interviews), Subject Officer Interviews (explanatory reports and/or interview of the subject officer), Report (compiling the final report) and Executive Review. Investigations may also be pending other processes (e.g., dispute resolution, legal review, hearing, etc.) or may be undetermined (e.g., for complaints that are not proceeding to formal investigation).

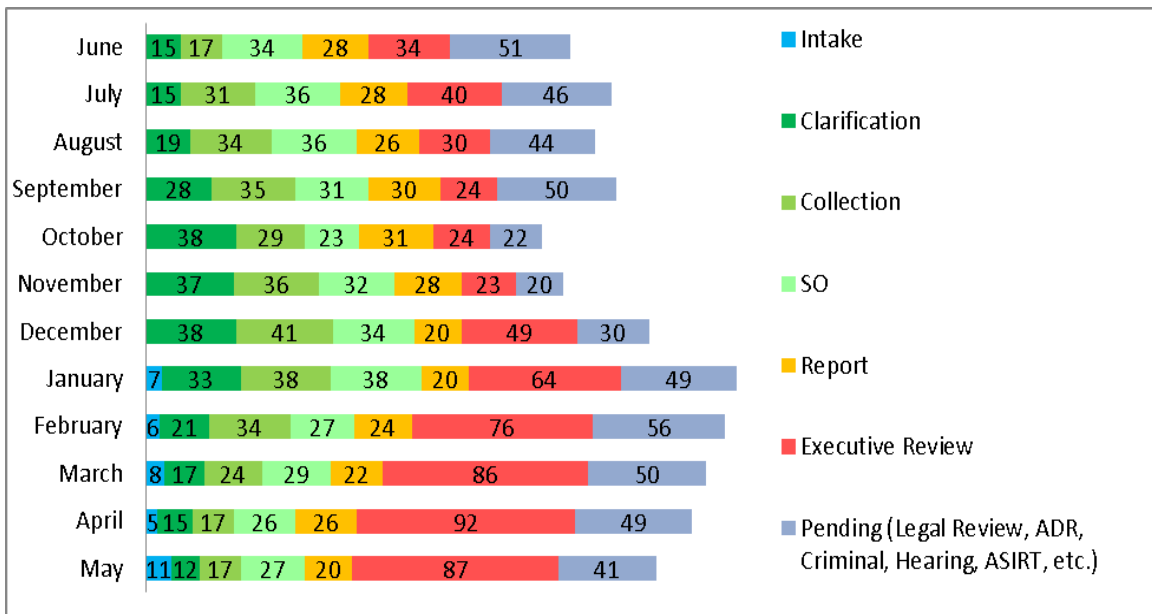


Figure 2-3. Monthly Comparison of Complaint Stages

The following figure breaks down the 87 files marked above as being in the Executive Review stage. As seen below, 15 of the files are less than 6 months old, 41 files are currently being reviewed by an investigative manager and 40 are being reviewed by the Inspector. The remaining 6 files (“Other” category) may already be concluded or are awaiting review outside of PSB (e.g., by the Commission or the Chief).

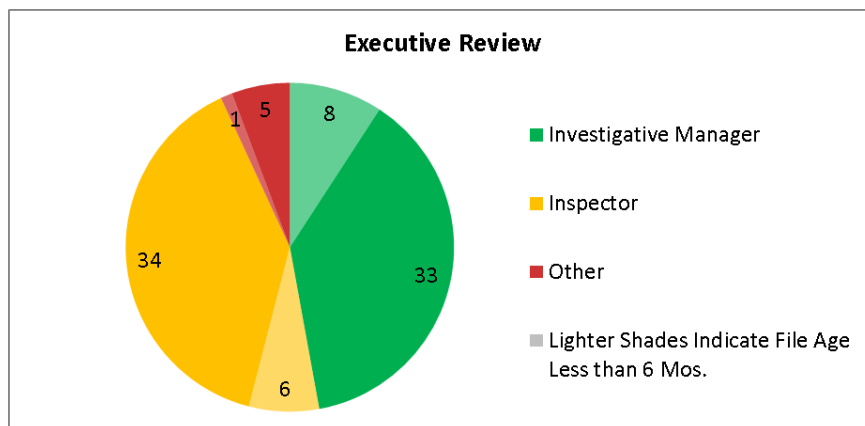


Figure 2-4. Assignment of Files in Executive Review Stage

3. CONCLUDED FILES

The following figure shows the disposition of all files concluded during the month of May, including 4 statutory complaints, 27 formal complaints, 37 Citizen Contact files and 12 EPS Matters.

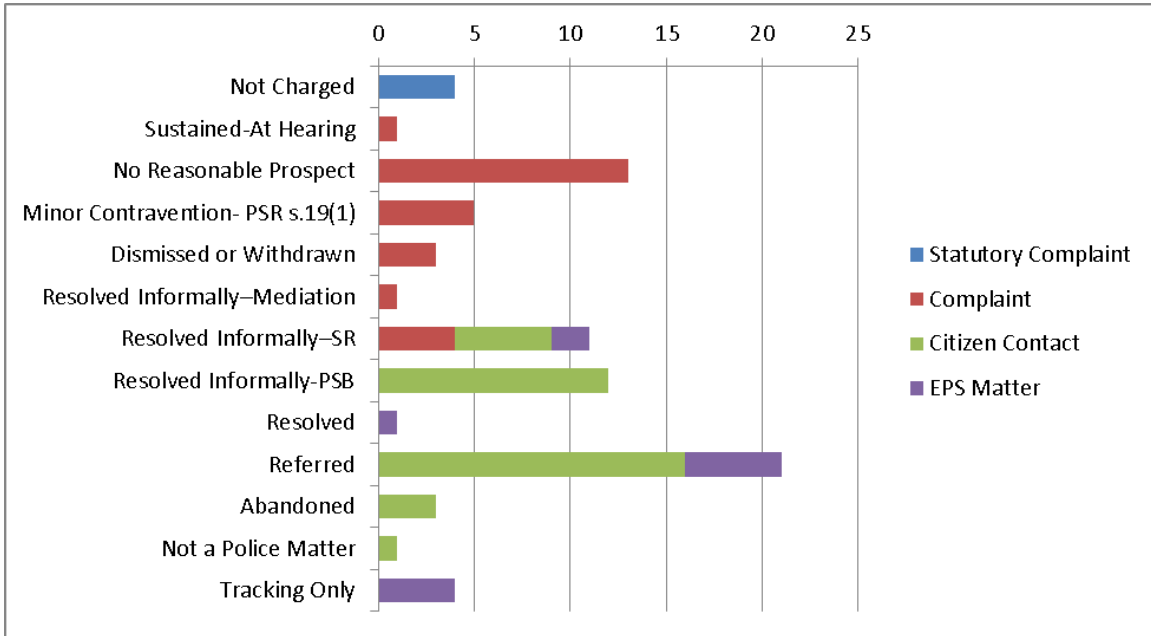


Figure 3-1. Dispositions of Concluded Files

	2011		2012		2013	
	May	YTD	May	YTD	May	YTD
Received						
Complaint	12	97	20	87	13	83
Citizen Contact	63	269	55	294	74	308
EPS Matter	4	37	11	47	10	43
Total	79	403	86	428	97	434
Concluded						
Complaint	12	103	18	66	27	125
Citizen Contact	72	271	36	252	37	369
EPS Matter	8	49	4	41	12	65
Total	92	423	58	359	76	559

Figure 3-2. Three-Year File Comparison for the Month of May

DISCIPLINARY ACTION TAKEN AGAINST MEMBERS

1. File Number: IA2008-0475
Complainant: EPS
Date of Complaint: June 10, 2008
Subject Officer: Reg. No. 2308 Cst. F. Quaidoo
- Unlawful or Unnecessary Exercise of Authority x 1
 - Deceit x 2
- Presenting Officer: G. Crowe, Edmonton Police Service
Presiding Officer: Supt. T. Grue, Edmonton Police Service

On May 3, 2013, Cst. Quaidoo was found guilty of two counts of deceit and one count of unlawful or unnecessary exercise of authority. On May 27, 2013, the officer was immediately terminated from the Edmonton Police Service as per Section 17(1)(f) of the *Police Service Regulation*.

2. File Number: IA2011-0929
Complainant: EPS
Date of Complaint: December 9, 2011
Subject Officer: Reg. No. 1677 Cst. F. Goss
- Discreditable Conduct x 1
 - Insubordination x 1
- Presenting Officer: M. Sallaberry, Edmonton Police Service
Presiding Officer: Supt. T. Grue, Edmonton Police Service

On May 7, 2013, Cst. Goss was found guilty of one count of discreditable conduct and one count of insubordination. She was given a global penalty of a 12-hour suspension without pay.

PENDING DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS

1. File Number: IA2012-0029
Date of Complaint: January 17, 2012
Subject Officers: Constable A.B.
 - Discreditable Conduct x 1
 - Unlawful or Unnecessary Exercise of Authority x 1Constable C.D.
 - Discreditable Conduct x 1
 - Neglect of Duty x 1
 - Deceit x 1Presenting Officer: S. Johnson, Bennett Jones LLP
Presiding Officer: Supt. M. Logar, Edmonton Police Service

Open disciplinary hearing is scheduled for June 18, 2013.

2. File Number: IA2008-0843
Date of Complaint: October 20, 2008
Subject Officer: Constable A.B.
 - Neglect of Duty x 1Presenting Officer: M. Sallaberry, Edmonton Police Service
Presiding Officer: Supt. T. Grue, Edmonton Police Service

Open disciplinary hearing is scheduled for July 3–4, 2013.

3. File Number: IA2010-0707
Date of Complaint: August 24, 2010
Subject Officers: Constable A.B.
 - Unlawful or Unnecessary Exercise of Authority x 1
 - Insubordination x 1Constable C.D.
 - Unlawful or Unnecessary Exercise of Authority x 1
 - Deceit x 1Presenting Officer: M. Sallaberry, Edmonton Police Service
Presiding Officer: Supt. T. Grue, Edmonton Police Service

Open disciplinary hearing is scheduled for July 26, 29, 30 and 31, 2013.

4. File Number: IA2007-1031
Date of Complaint: February 22, 2008
Subject Officer: Constable A.B.
 - Unlawful or Unnecessary Exercise of Authority x 2Presenting Officer: M. Sallaberry, Edmonton Police Service
Presiding Officer: Supt. T. Grue, Edmonton Police Service

Open disciplinary hearing is scheduled for August 6, 2013.

5. File Number: IA2011-0823 & IA2012-0472
Date of Complaint: October 22, 2011
Subject Officer: Constable A.B.
 - Corrupt Practice x 1
 - Discreditable Conduct x 1
 - Insubordination x 1
 - Deceit x 1Presenting Officer: D. Cranna, Field Law
Presiding Officer: Supt. T. Grue, Edmonton Police Service

New matter—not yet scheduled.

6. File Number: IA2011-0012
Date of Complaint: January 19, 2011
Subject Officer: Constable A.B.
 - Unlawful or Unnecessary Exercise of Authority x 1Presenting Officer: B. Hill
Presiding Officer: Supt. M. Logar, Edmonton Police Service

New matter—not yet scheduled.

7. File Number: IA2011-0674
Date of Complaint: August 24, 2011
Subject Officer: Constable A.B.
 - Discreditable Conduct x 1Presenting Officer: Insp. M. Neufeld, ASIRT
Presiding Officer: Supt. M. Logar, Edmonton Police Service

New matter—not yet scheduled.

DELAYED OFFICER NOTIFICATIONS

Professional Standards Branch is not currently delaying the notification of the subject officer in any investigation.

COMPLETED COMPLAINTS OF SERVICE
(Section 44 *Police Act*)

During May 2013, two Complaints of Service under Section 44 of the *Police Act* were resolved or concluded.

1. Concluded by the Chief of Police
File Number: IA2010-0499
Date of Complaint: June 10, 2010
Investigator: Det. C. Pennie

2. Resolved through Professional Standards Branch
File Number: PSB2013-0062
Date of Complaint: January 22, 2013
Investigator: Intake Section

COMPLIMENTS

During the month of May, thirty (30) letters of appreciation were entered by the Edmonton Police Service. Professional Standards Branch would like to present two (2) of these letters.

1.

Please extend my gratitude and compliments to Constable Dan Stewart!

I am the Mother of a 16 year old boy whom is experiencing some major issues attending grade 10. He has fallen in with some relatively rough kids and myself and family have tirelessly tried to pull him away from negative influences. I had to ask for police assistance on the day of May 10, 2013 as I was going to have my Son removed from my residence for refusing to attend school and several other rebellious acts.

Please be advised that Constable Stewart was truly wonderful! He spoke to each party separately then brought us together for a discussion regarding my Son's behavior! I truly feel that he "got through" to my Son this time and know in my heart that Dan Stewart was genuine, caring and very real with my Son - Thank you!

I know that Constable Stewart is an excellent Officer of the law and feel that he has a lot to offer his colleagues and our great City.

Again, please extend my gratitude and advise him that yes [deleted] went back to school in an attempt to save his grade 10 year.

Thank you,

2.

Dear Chief Knecht:

On May 16, 2013, our garage door was inadvertently left open. Unknown persons entered the garage and went through my car and my wife's car. Unfortunately, my wife had left her wallet in her car. The thieves attempted to obtain the pins for the stolen credit cards by phoning our home and stating they were CIBC fraud and would I give them details of the accounts and our pin numbers. I refused to do so and called CIBC. I immediately called EPS and the dispatcher stated they would send a member out sometime in the morning.

The attending constable arrived and worked with us and obtained all available information.

Constable Darryl McDonald (Badge 2493) was the investigating officer. I am compelled to write this letter of thanks and commendation about Constable McDonald. He was courteous, helpful, and thorough in the service he provided. He has since been able to obtain security videos of the perpetrators and is attempting to identify them. He called and left a voicemail to update us about the investigation.

Constable McDonald is a consummate professional police officer. Both my wife and I were very impressed with the service provided by him.

Once again, a big thank you to Constable McDonald and the Edmonton Police Service.

If you require any additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Yours truly,

AWARDS and RECOGNITION

Throughout the year, Divisional Commanders have opportunities to reward EPS members, both sworn and non-sworn, for significant performance, including acts of heroism, the conduct of significant investigations, the use of sound officer safety techniques, quality customer service, and generally work that is particularly well-done.

Rewards and recognition are intended to reinforce appropriate behaviour, acknowledge employee commitment and stimulate creative thinking and virtuous actions by all members of EPS.

Professional Standards Branch would like to highlight two of the recognitions bestowed upon members of the EPS over the last few months.

1.

The Superintendent in charge of Southeast Division awarded a Favorable Notice to Reg. No. 2626 Constable Diane Auger and Reg. No. 3361 Constable Travis Cruise of Southeast Division.

In June of 2012, Constable Auger and Constable Cruise responded to a call of a Check on the Welfare. On arrival they could hear what sounded like engines running in the locked garage. Constable Cruise pried open the man door to the garage and both constables entered blindly into the thick fumes. They found a vehicle and lawn mower engine running and an unconscious person lying by the exhaust pipe of the vehicle. Both constables dragged the person outside through the overhead door. In the fresh air, the person gasped, but remained unconscious awaiting EMS. The person was close to death from the carbon monoxide.

Both constables suffered minor effects from the carbon monoxide, risking their own safety to rescue him.

It was the bravery, quick actions and teamwork of Constable Auger and Constable Cruise that saved the person's life.

2.

The Superintendent in charge of North Division awarded Favorable Notices to Reg. No. 2883 A/Det. Weaver, Reg. No. 3443 Cst. Olsson, Reg. No. 2487 Cst. Trachuk, Reg. No. 3141 Cst. Elbreidi and Reg. No. 3290 Cst. Conrad-Kindiak.

In January 2013, the Edmonton Police Service received reports of three separate robberies, all occurring in the same geographical area just minutes apart.

Constables Olsson, Trachuk, Elbreidi, and Conrad-Kindiak were dispatched to investigate the robberies. Gathering eyewitness accounts and based on the results of a canine track, they determined that these events were related.

As a result of their investigative skills, including complainant and witness interviews, two suspects were located and arrested at a nearby residence and all the stolen property was recovered. A thorough post-arrest interview conducted by A/Detective Weaver led to a full confession by one of the suspects.

As a result of the officers' strong investigative abilities and tenacity, two suspects on a violent crime spree were arrested and charged with multiple crimes ranging from breach of recognizance to robbery.

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