

February 2019 High Level RCMP Crime Reduction Unit Highlights

- High Level CRU is continuing to conduct ongoing curfew and condition checks on habitual, prolific offenders and persons known to be involved in street crime. This is continuing to prove to be a successful tool in hindering the growth of criminal activity in High Level and the surrounding area. Information has been received from street level informants that the group responsible for the drug trade in the High Level area has been having a hard time getting people to sell dope for them and that the Crime Reduction Unit has been making a dent in their operations.
- The fallout from Project KWICKHIT was noticeable this month as the round up of drug traffickers continued and several more arrests and charges resulted from this project which made for a very busy month for the Crime Reduction Unit.
- On February 4th, High Level CRU located a male driving around High Level as a courier transporting drug traffickers around town to make their deals. During Project KWICKHIT, the male drove two separate dealers to arranged deals with an undercover officer. The male and a female were arrested on a traffic stop and further investigation lead to the seizure of more cocaine. Both were held for bail hearings and released by the Justice of the Peace.
- On February 7th, High Level CRU, located a male and arrested him for trafficking as he sold to an undercover officer twice during Operation KWICKHIT. The male was held for a bail hearing and released by a Justice of the Peace. The male has ties to the Jamestown Crips of Toronto, a dangerous street gang that operates in the Jamestown neighbourhood. He has since fled back to Toronto as he missed his last court date and now is wanted here in Alberta.
- On February 9th, High Level CRU were conducting a drug trafficking investigation and located a male who was believed to be selling cocaine. He was found also to be breaching his release conditions and when police attempted to arrest him, he fled on foot through the Flamingo Hotel and out into the street where he was caught. He was held for a bail hearing and remanded into custody where he currently still is.
- On February 17th, a female was located and arrested for her outstanding warrants. She was also found to be in possession of Crystal methamphetamine and breaching her conditions. She was held for a bail hearing and subsequently released by a JP to appear in court.
- On February 19th, two males were located behind the Cedar Arms apartment. Both males were wanted by Police. One of the males was arrested on his outstanding warrants and one of the males fled into the apartment building. The male was located hiding in the one of the apartments and jumped from the second floor balcony and a foot chase ensued. The male was caught and arrested for trafficking drugs. He also faced numerous fail to comply charges. He was held for a bail hearing and held in custody. The other male was released by a JP for a court appearance.

- On February 19th, High Level CRU located and arrested a male wanted on warrants. He lied about his name and was also failing to comply with his release conditions. He was charged with obstruction, and fail to comply. He was released for first appearance.
- On February 21st, High Level CRU members found a male who had sold to undercover officers and was also found to be breaching numerous release conditions. He was arrested and held for a bail hearing and released by a JP.
- On February 21st, High Level CRU members located a male believed to be trafficking cocaine. The male was arrested and charged with numerous offences related to the sale of cocaine. He was held for a bail hearing and released by a JP.
- On February 21st, High Level CRU members located a different male believed to be trafficking cocaine shortly after the previous arrest. The male was arrested and charged with numerous offences related to the sale of cocaine included possession of property obtained by crime, and numerous fail to comply charges. He was held for a bail hearing and released by a JP.
- On February 22nd, High Level CRU members found a male walking on 100 Avenue wanted on warrants for his arrest. Subsequent to his arrest, numerous indicators were found that suggested he was selling cocaine. The male received several phone calls where orders of cocaine were placed by a number of people. The male was charged with trafficking and held for a JP hearing. Following his arrest, the investigation lead to the arrest of two more drug traffickers and a search warrant was executed at their apartment. Numerous cell phones, pills, and drug paraphernalia was located in the apartment. Both of the male arrested have ties to the Jamestown Crips and work with the male previously mentioned in this report. One of the males was charged with failing to comply with his release conditions and released with a court appearance.
- On February 22nd, a female wanted to numerous warrants from High Level and Peace River was located and arrested. She was held for a bail hearing and held in custody.
- These are some of the highlights in which High Level CRU members also assisted the general duty investigators with multiple complaints of intoxicated individuals and other such complaints. The Ivan ELL shooting file also has further investigation being done on it by the CRU members and continue to work on it as it is a major undertaking to investigate a file of this magnitude.

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