

October 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.

High Level has been seeing a reduction in calls for service and violence within the community and it is a direct result of the proactive work that the High Level CRU has been able to do. This forces the criminals involved in the drug trade further underground. If a proactive unit is taken away from High Level, there is not as much attention placed on the drug traffickers and they are able to roam without much thought of being caught.

The month of October was busy for the Crime Reduction Unit, amassing 18 arrests, 38 charges, and numerous recovered stolen items.

- On October 1st, 2019, High Level RCMP CRU along with general duty members, responded to a call of a male with a gun at the school in Meander River. A male was located wanted on warrants and in possession of a prohibited firearm. High Level CRU arrested the male and he was held for a bail hearing.
- On October 3rd, a female was located and found to be on warrants for her arrest. The female was arrested and released the following day to appear in court.
- On October 3rd, just after locating the female above, another female was located walking and screaming in High Level. She was determined to have warrants for her arrest also and was held in custody to appear in court.
- On October 4th, a male was located in a stolen truck with another female. Both were arrested and investigation determined that the male had just completed 4+ break and enters, stolen the truck and stolen numerous other property of the victims. None of the break ins had been reported as they had just occurred. Through the investigation, other property was recovered also, including a laptop computer, numerous expensive watches, and jewelry. The male was also driving the stolen vehicle while impaired by alcohol and charged accordingly. The male is still in custody awaiting trial.
- On October 9th, a traffic stop was conducted with a truck pulling a trailer and the driver was found to be on warrants. The driver was arrested and given a new date to appear in court.
- On October 10th, a local drug trafficker was found walking on the street and had a warrant for his arrest. The male was arrested and held in custody to be released by the judge.
- On October 10th, a female was operating her vehicle while prohibited from doing so because of a previous impaired driving conviction. The vehicle was towed and the female arrested for driving prohibited and charged accordingly.

- On October 12th, a male was located with warrants for his arrest. He was arrested and released to appear in court.
- On October 13th, a vehicle was observed being operated by a male who appeared intoxicated and failed an approved Screening device test. He was arrested for operating a motor vehicle while impaired and charged with impaired driving.
- On October 19th, a male was located on warrant and arrested for his outstanding warrants for a variety of charges from September 2018. He was released to appear in court.
- On October 19th, another male was located driving and stopped by CRU. He was found to have a warrant for his arrest and held in custody to serve out his sentence.
- On October 20th, a male was located in a vehicle leaving a known drug house and found to be breaching numerous conditions of his release from a previous drug trafficking file. The male was held in custody.
- On October 29th, a female was located as a passenger of a vehicle leaving a known drug location and arrested for having a warrant for her arrest. She was held in custody to serve out her sentence.
- On October 30th, a female was arrested after general duty members were having trouble locating her from a domestic violence incident. CRU assisted and located the female and released her to appear in court.
- On October 30th, Parkland RCMP det requested assistance in locating a wanted witness for a very serious robbery with a firearm. CRU located the witness and held in custody for her to appear in court which led to a conviction of the offence in Edmonton. Parkland Serious Crime's Unit was very appreciative and it help keep an very dangerous individual off of Alberta streets.
- On October 30th, CRU conducted a traffic stop with an individual who appeared intoxicated. The driver, refused to comply with police commands, fought with police assaulting them in the process and was arrested and charged with impaired operation, refusing a lawful demand, resisting arrest, assaulting a police officer. The two passengers were also arrested for fail to comply with release conditions as there was alcohol in the vehicle.
- These are the highlights of the High level Crime Reduction Unit's activity for the month of October. The High Level Crime Reduction Unit has also been involved in numerous other investigations, including drugs, Criminal Code offences and offering assistance to general duty investigations.

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