

Where The Rivers Meet Community News Letter

Provided by Tk'emlúps Indigenous Policing Services



Servicing the Indigenous communities of
Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc, Skeetchestn Indian Band and
Whispering Pines Clinton Indian Band

February 2023

What's New?

Please come and join us for “**Coffee With A Cop**” that we host in each community. Events scheduled as follows:

TteS: 1st Wednesday of each month at MSG at 10 am

WPCIB: 3rd Wednesday of each month at band office annex building at 10 am

Skeetchestn: last Wednesday of each month at Band office gymnasium at 10 am

Please come out and visit with us, ask questions, share stories while we share some refreshments!

Your Indigenous Policing Unit

The unit is comprised of four members:

Constable David Bigcharles, Constable Mark Janus, Constable David Dixon and Corporal Jim Toye.

Of note, right now it is just Cpl. Toye and Cst. Bigcharles operational.

Please remember to invite us to your community events where we can attend.

Tk'emlúps RCMP Mission Statement: The Tk'emlúps detachment members are dedicated to providing a culturally sensitive policing services in a timely manner to all residents and businesses within the Tk'emlúps Detachment area.

Role of Indigenous Policing Unit:

The IPS members mandate is to provide service programs for your communities.

Cst. Bigcharles continues to work with the Indigenous Snowboard Team at Sun Peaks each Saturday. A great opportunity for him to have positive interactions with the youth.

Policing Stats:

For the month of December 2022 the breakdown is as follows:

Tk'emlúps te Secwepmc - 163 calls for service.

Skeetchestn Indian Band – 10 calls for service.

Whispering Pines Clinton Indian Band – No calls for service.

Upcoming Events:

Please come out for Coffee With A Cop in your respective community. Check above for the scheduled date and time.

February 10th – Elders's Lunch at TteS

February 14th – Elders's Lunch at Skeetchestn

February 15th – Coffee With A Cop at Whispering Pines at 10 am

February 15th – TteS open house at MSG – RCMP will have a recruiting booth

February 16th – Drug presentation at TteS at the Chief Louis Centre

February 17th – Elders's Walk at Skeetchestn Community School at 2 pm

February 22 – Pink Shirt Day!

February 22nd – Coffee With a Cop at Skeetchestn

Please remembers to reach out to our office should you have a need with your community / group / class to have a presentation.

Support Services

- [Kids Help Phone](#) – 1-800-668-6868 or Text - 686868
 - [Indigenous Help Line](#) Call or Text – 1-855-554-4325
- [Black Youth Helpline](#) – 1-833-294-8650
- [Hope for Wellness Helpline](#)– 1-855-242-3310 or use their chat function
- [Indian Residential Schools Resolution Health Support Program](#) – 1-866-925-4419
- [Trans Life Line](#) – 1-877-330-6366
- [Sexual Abuse Crisis Text Line](#) – Text HOME to 741741
- [Canadian Human Trafficking Hotline](#) - 1-833-900-1010

How to Call The Police:

The Tk'emlúps office has office staff Monday to Friday from 7 am to 4 pm. Please call the 250-314-1800 number during these times.

In an emergency call 911.

After hours, please still utilize 250-314-1800, however it is very important that you listen to the prompts. If you require police assistance please ensure you **DON'T LEAVE A MESSAGE ON THIS NUMBER** as it won't be checked until the next morning or until after the weekend. Again, if it is an emergency, please call 911.

