



*Partners for a safe community*

## Burnaby RCMP Crime Prevention Unit

### Digital Tips

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#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**May 12**

**Safe Community Series: Community Emergency Preparedness**  
6:30 – 8 pm  
City Hall Council Chambers  
4949 Canada Way

**May 26**

**Block Watch Captain & Co-Captain Training**  
5:30 – 8 pm  
Stay tuned for more details!

**June 4**

**Hats Off Day @ The Heights**  
[hatsoffday.com](http://hatsoffday.com)  
The Crime Prevention Unit will have a booth at this fun event!

#### SUMMER ROAD SAFETY

As the days get warmer, there will be an increase in foot and vehicle traffic. Follow these preventative safety tips while outside enjoying the sun!

##### I'm a pedestrian!



- Do not assume you have the right of way
- Make eye contact with drivers
- Stay alert – avoid getting distracted by texting or listening to loud music
- Wear bright coloured clothing or reflective material to be seen

##### Possible penalties



- Speed in playground zone: **\$196 - \$253**
- Fail to yield to pedestrian: **\$167**
- Disobey school guard/patrol: **\$167**

##### I'm a driver!



- You must follow all traffic rules and obey construction workers
- Be especially careful in neighbourhood streets and around school zones

#### STAYING SAFE

##### BIKING TO WORK

- **Be Alert** – scan your surroundings
- **Be Seen** – use your horn, hand signals, and reflective gear
- **Be Wary** – use caution when near other vehicles and pedestrians

##### HOW BUSINESSES CAN HELP!

- Provide sufficient lighting where bikes are stored
- Install surveillance camera where bikes are stored

According to Canadian Automobile Association (CAA) most bicycle injuries and crashes occur during the afternoon rush hour.



Follow these tips to ensure you are making safety your first priority!

##### STORING YOUR BIKE

- Keep your bike locked with high quality locks at all times
- Take removable parts with you
- Record: serial numbers, make, model, colour, & identifying parts
- Engrave your Driver's Licence number on your bike
- Report missing bikes promptly to the police

For information on motorcycle safety, check out: [www.icbc.com](http://www.icbc.com)

## WORKING TOGETHER: MULTI-CULTURALISM & COMMUNITY

Burnaby continues to grow with more cultural diversity. We can work together to embrace multi-culturalism. Below are some great resources that aid in crime prevention discussions. Email the Crime Prevention Unit for physical or electronic resources.



### RCMP in Canada: A Newcomer's Guide

- The role of police in Canada and when/how to contact them
- What to expect if approached by police
- The various crime prevention programs that are available and how you can be proactive

**This resource is translated into:**

- English, French and Arabic

Click for the electronic version: [bc.rcmp-grc.gc.ca](http://bc.rcmp-grc.gc.ca)



### E-COMM Reporting to Non-Emergency & 9-1-1

- What is ECOMM and what is the difference between emergency and non-emergency
  - Youth storybook
  - Tips for using 911 brochure
  - Emergency/non-emergency leaflet

**These resources are translated into:**

- English, French, Chinese, Korean, Spanish, Vietnamese, Punjabi

Click for info on E-COMM's interpretation services: [Ecomm911.ca](http://Ecomm911.ca)



### Block Watch Brochures & Manuals

- What is Block Watch
- How to report suspicious activities
- How to improve home security
- Property identification
- Captain and Co-Captain roles and responsibilities

**These resources are translated into:**

- English, Punjabi, Spanish, French, Vietnamese, Korean and Farsi

Click to find out more on Block Watch: [blockwatch.com](http://blockwatch.com)



### Other Resources

- **BC 2-1-1**
  - Community, social or government services information system
- **7-1-1**
  - Telecommunications relay service for hearing or speech disabilities
- **BC 8-1-1**
  - Provincial health information and advice line in BC

## NATIONAL POLICE WEEK MAY 9 – 13

- Find out more info about the core crime prevention programs that the Crime Prevention Unit coordinates
- Check out the Burnaby RCMP website for current news, police services, and the Crime Reduction Strategy [burnaby.rcmp.ca](http://burnaby.rcmp.ca)
- Check out the City of Burnaby website for community safety programs [burnaby.ca](http://burnaby.ca)

- Patrol designated crime hot spot areas for stolen vehicles and suspicious activities
- Observe, record and report

- Online based information available at your finger tips
- Crime maps, workshops, tools and resources to reduce crime



### Citizens Crime Watch



### Business Watch



### Crime Free Multi-Housing



### Block Watch

- Security and safety assessments using Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles
- Residential Tenancy Act and training for applicant screening

- Trained to recognize suspicious activities and report to police
- Promote neighbourhood bonding and communication