

Community Support Program

What is the Community Support Program?

In July 2012, the City of Saskatoon established a Community Support Program (CSP) aimed at addressing street activity in the Broadway, Downtown and the Riversdale Business Improvement Districts (BID). This program includes and engages:

- **The Public** through a highly visible presence that reassures and responds to the public in the Downtown, Broadway and Riversdale BID.
- **Vulnerable Persons** by connecting community members in need to the appropriate service providers or other supports.
- **Business Owners** through foot patrols that liaise with local businesses to identify issues and collaborate to generate solutions.



ATTACHMENT 3

Crime Prevention and Reduction Continuum

Before it ever happens:

Programs such as early childhood development, Education, Employment, Support, Health Care, Crime Prevention through Social Development (CPSD)

Goal: Stable, healthy, individuals, families, and communities.

Community Support Program (CSP)
Outreach and Bylaw Hybrid
Public/Business/Vulnerable People
Geographic Focus

Before it becomes a problem:

Safe Growth & CPTED, Community outreach, Crime Free Multi- Housing Youth Programs, Health Services, Mental Health, Employment, Education, Attainable Housing

> Goal: High level of community and individual/family assets

When it has become a problem:

Safe Growth,
Crime Prevention
through
Environmental
Design (CPTED),
Housing, Mental
Health/Health
Services

Goal: Connections to Community Services

Police Patrol & Response:

Protecting
victims and the
community once
a problem has
occurred.
Stabilization
Beds, Detox,
Mental Health
Orders, Custody.

Goal: Connect to community services

Arrest &Detain:

Removing
an unsafe
person from
the
community,
Jail, Detox,
Health /
Mental
Health
Services,

Goal:

Emergency Services

People <

Thriving

Stable

Vulnerable

In Crisis

Prevention

Suppo

Intervention

Protection

Reduction/Control



Street Activity Baseline Study Update 2018

The purpose of this research is to evaluate the status of street activity, perceptions of safety in Saskatoon and gather feedback on the Community Support Program





Community Support Program Interaction



Community Support

Officers

410/0
of Businesses surveyed
have interacted with
Community Support
Officers

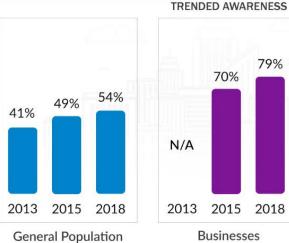
83% of Service Providers surveyed have interacted with Community Support Officers

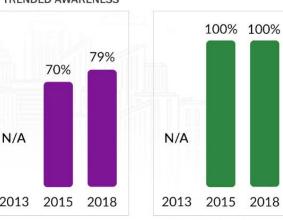
If feel comfortable talking to them [CSP].

I was panhandling when I first came back to the city, and they came up to me and asked me my name, if I needed anything. II

[I] see them around, but am not sure what they do.

Awareness of Community Support Program Continues to Increase

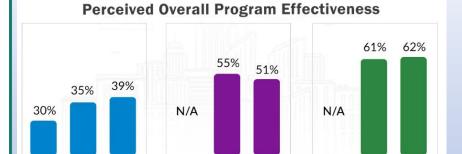




Service Providers



Community Support Program Impact



2015 2018

Businesses

2013

2013

2015 2018

General Population



CSP has Improved Public Safety Perceptions

2015 2018

Service Providers

2013

General Public % who feel safer or much safer due to presence of CSP





