

# THE WATCH

January 2024 Newsletter

## Mission:

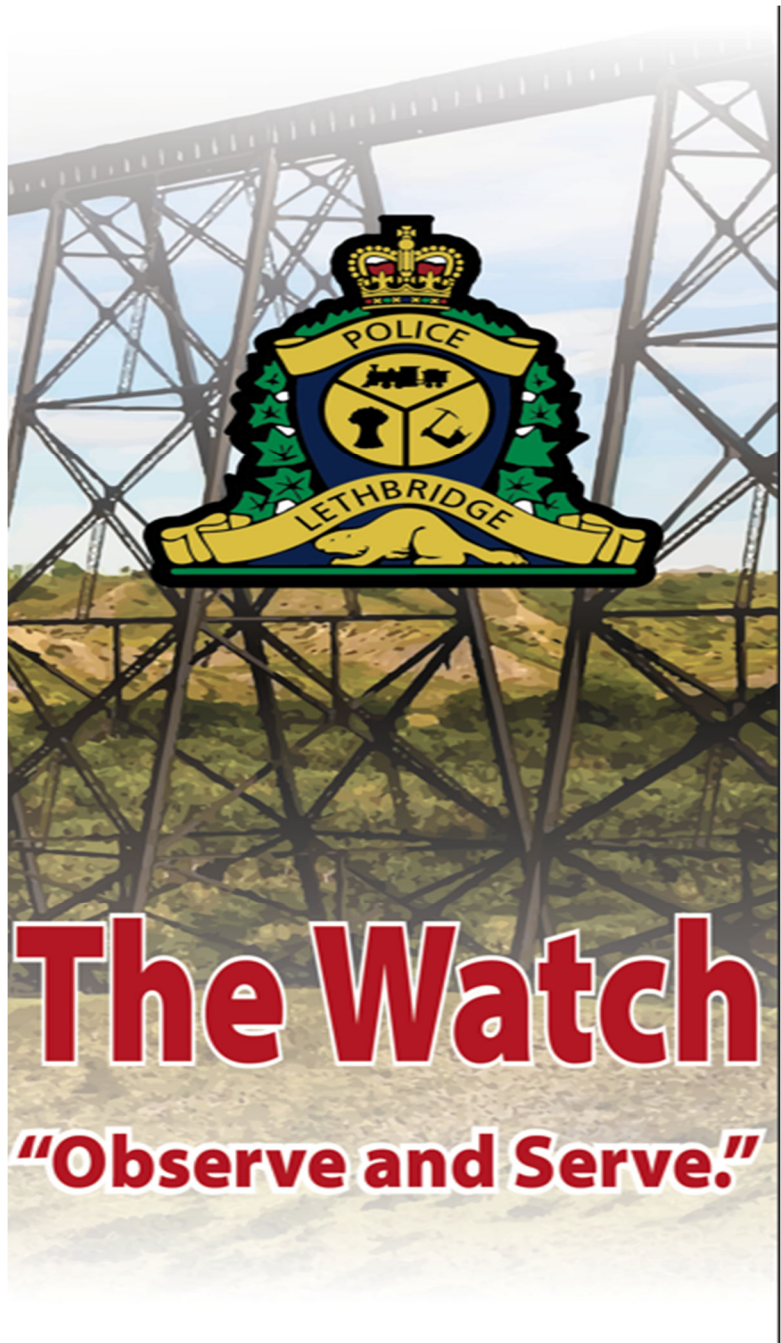
The Watch Program is a volunteer-based initiative with the objective of enhancing the community as a safe and friendly place for everyone through social outreach, connection, and intervention.

## Vision:

Act as additional eyes and ears of social and community services agencies, and our emergency service providers to connect people with public and private social support agencies and organizations, provide highly visible deterrence to negative behaviours, and increase the overall perception of downtown safety for all people.

## Goals and Objectives

1. Promote and enhance the perceptions of safety for everyone in our downtown community
2. Connect people with what ever service they may require and is available.
3. Provide a highly visible presence and deterrence to negative behaviours and crime downtown.
4. Manage events and incidents that historically involved police intervention, but do not actually require their involvement.
5. In a timely fashion, alert emergency and social services to the needs for their resources



## Leaving The Watch

The Watch is saying goodbye to full time lead Steele Stef and two volunteers, Jaspreet (Jazzy) Singh and Eva Klassen.

All three Watch members have been hired by The Lethbridge Police Service and begin training in February. We wish them all the best and look forward to working with them in the future.

Steele Stef was hired as a volunteer in 2023 and transitioned into role of Team lead.

Eva Klassen was hired as a volunteer in 2020 and transitioned into Team Lead role in June of same year. Eva left to pursue other jobs and returned to volunteer in fall of 2023.

Jazzy Singh was hired as a volunteer in March of 2023.

All three along with former Team Lead Lane Wilson will make up 4 of the 8 police recruits starting in February.

Good Luck and thank you for your time with The Watch .



## Monthly Highlights.

- While out patrolling The Watch attended 3 emergency medical events this month. None of these events involved any overdoses.
- While out patrolling The Watch was involved in 1 police event.
- Watch members attended Gurudwara Khalsa Darbar Sahib Lethbridge Sikh Temple.



# Monthly Stats

Total Volunteer Hours	152
Number of Volunteers	21
<b>Watch Events</b>	
Police Events	1
Emergency Medical Events	3
Fire Events	3
Safe Walks	17
Public Service Events Total	
Public Service Event - Location Check*	506
Public Service Event - Assist to Business*	14
Public Service Event - Wellness Check*	14
Found ID*	0
Motor Vehicle Assistance*	0
Non-CAD Other Public Service*	79
Giving Directions	2
Minor First Aid	0
Parking Meter Assistance	1
Social Service Agency Ref	0
Detox / Treatment Intake	0
VODP Intake	0
Telephone Assistance	10
Other Public Service	66
Calls for Transportation	15
Found Needle Pick Up Calls	41
Events Where Nasal Narcan Administered	0
PSCC Dispatched Street Behaviour Calls	1

