# UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO POLICE AT SCARBOROUGH



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#### **UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AT SCARBOROUGH**

The University of Toronto at Scarborough is one of the University's two suburban campuses, and one of its nine colleges. UofT Scarborough provides its students with the amenities of an internationally renowned university in a small, friendly academic community. Established in 1964, the campus is located on the east end of the City of Toronto.

UofT Scarborough's interconnected buildings house modern laboratories, lecture halls, seminar rooms, a computer centre linked to the University's downtown computing facilities, a multimedia language resource centre, a greenhouse, an astronomy observatory, and much more. Originally an integrated part of the University's Faculty of Arts and Science, in 1972 the University of Toronto at Scarborough became a separate arts and science division of the University of Toronto which allowed it more independence in curriculum development. Located on 300 acres of parkland, UofT Scarborough is one of Canada's most beautiful and picturesque campuses.

With a population of approximately 6762 full and part-time undergraduate students and 480 staff and faculty, Scarborough has its own distinctive character. UofT Scarborough residences are divided into three phases consisting of 114 townhouses accommodating approximately 536 students and visitors year-round.

#### UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO POLICE AT SCARBOROUGH

The University of Toronto at Scarborough (UTSC) Police has, as its primary responsibility, the safety and security of the University community.

The UTSC Police Service consists of the Manager, three Corporals, and six Constables. All officers act under the authority of the Ontario Police Services Act to enforce federal and provincial statutes and municipal by-laws on University of Toronto property. Officers also enforce certain University and parking regulations.

UTSC Police are on duty 24 hours a day, seven days a week and patrol the campus property by foot, bicycle and car. The purpose of these patrols is to enhance personal safety, to prevent property crime, and to monitor for fire and other hazardous conditions on campus. The UTSC Police office is located at the main entrance of the S-Wing.

UTSC Police coordinate community relations programs, provide speakers, answer inquiries on matters of law enforcement, advise on personal safety and security and other related topics. UTSC Police also coordinate the Walksafer Student Patrol and Escort Service, which operates from September to April. This service is available to all students, staff, faculty and visitors and is a safer alternative to walking alone at night.

### **PURPOSE/MANDATE**

#### **PURPOSE**

The University of Toronto Police at Scarborough are dedicated to creating a safe and secure working and living environment for students, staff, faculty, and visitors as they go about their academic work and extracurricular activities.

#### **MANDATE**

In fulfilling this purpose, UTSC Police work with the community in a police-community partnership developing programs and conducting activities which contribute to safety and security on campus and delivering police services, as follows:

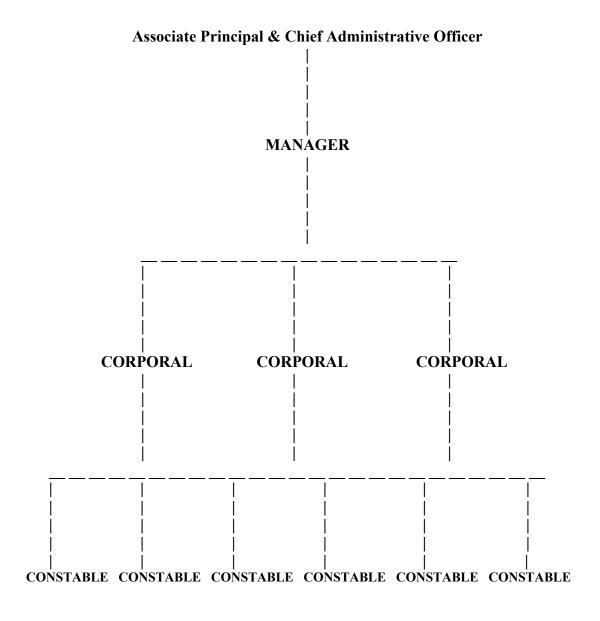
- personal safety
- protection of property
- conflict resolution
- maintenance of public order
- community service and referral
- emergency response assistance
- crime prevention and detection
- enforcement of the criminal code and selected provincial and municipal statutes and University policies and regulations, as appropriate

#### **VALUES**

In meeting this mandate, the actions of the UTSC Police will be guided by the following principals and values:

- respect for the dignity, worth, and diversity of all persons
- fair and impartial treatment of all individuals
- an approach to policing that welcomes and encourages community involvement
- a departmental philosophy that promotes safety and security as a responsibility of all members of the community
- reliability
- competence
- accountability
- teamwork and open communication

## **DEPARTMENT RANK STRUCTURE**



#### COMMUNITY BASED POLICING AT SCARBOROUGH

The community based policing philosophy at Scarborough was adopted to establish a working relationship with all segments of the campus community and to enhance the department's ability to serve the community. This philosophy encourages the UTSC Police officers to get to know their community and to act as community problem solvers.

The following campus safety programs are operated or organized by the UTSC Police Service:

- **RideSafer Service** operating year-round, the service transports community members by shuttle bus to and from the outer parking lots in the evenings during the academic year.
- WALKsafer Service operated during the academic year since 1991, the service uses student patrollers working in coed pairs to escort community members to or from any campus location or nearby public transit stop during the evenings. Patrollers also report circumstances such as lighting defects found on campus to Facilities Services for repair. (This service is offered by UTSC Police after WALKsafer hours.)
- Lone Worker Program initiated during the 1998 academic year, the program allows staff & faculty on campus to "check in" with the Police Service while working after hours.
- **Emergency Locating Service** operating since 1996, the service allows community members to register their schedule with UTSC Police to assist in locating the registered person in the event of an unforeseen emergency.
- **Residence Watch** like Neighbourhood Watch, this program involves the community in crime prevention and the reporting of suspicious persons or circumstances and raises awareness of such issues.
- Safety Audits performed upon request and in response to renovations or as new situations arise, audits are done and recommendations are made with respect to the safety of people and property. This year, safety audits were conducted on campus emergency phones, traffic safety, the summer science outreach camp and the 4<sup>th</sup> level of the Science Building.
- Car-Booster Battery UTSC Police maintain a number of battery packs for sign-out to assist persons with dead car batteries.

- **Fire Safety Training** Fire Safety Training is done twice yearly by the Facilities Services Fire Safety Consultant. The training includes theory and also allows participants to use fire extinguishers on live fires in a controlled setting.
- **Anti-Graffiti Program** Initiated in 1998 in response to a growing concern about the damage caused by graffiti, the program raises awareness on campus among community members through advertising and enforcement.
- **Student Orientation Events** UTSC Police provide an officer to sit on the planning committee to assist in ensuring that safety considerations are adequate during the Orientation week.
- Residence Advisor Training UTSC Police participate in the annual Residence Advisor training providing resource material and an introduction into services available. Emphasis is made on sexual assault response and to Rohypnol (the "Date Rape Drug") and alcohol abuse issues.
- Attend Residence Advisor Meetings Officers meet with Residence Advisors regularly and discuss safety related issues.
- **Fire Safety Committee** Members participate in the quarterly Fire Safety Meeting with other Facilities Services personnel and with the Fire Safety Consultant to discuss matters relating to Fire Safety. In addition, UTSC Police prepare a Fire Safety Report for the consultant detailing events of interest to ensure that appropriate attention and follow-up.
- Emergency Telephone Monitoring and Response UTSC Police monitor and respond to calls placed from the 23 emergency telephones on campus. In addition, UTSC Police print and distribute emergency telephone number stickers to all internal telephones on campus and maintain a telephone number location directory to assist in responding to emergency calls.
- Alarm Monitoring and Response Several intrusion and panic alarms are monitored internally by UTSC Police. These alarms and others (monitored by contract companies) are all responded to by UTSC Police when activated.
- Information Bulletins, etc. UTSC Police keep the community informed about campus incidents and news using various methods. Safety Maps are printed as needed for distribution (ongoing), a web site is maintained, and a Weekly Summary of Incidents is created. The summary is posted at 4 campus locations, is available on the web site, and is sent out via e-mail to interested parties.
- "Call Police" Highway Signs signs are distributed each September to promote safety while traveling and to assist in the introduction of community members to UTSC Police personnel (by attracting visitors to displays, the Police Office, etc.).

- **Interim Room** UTSC Police assist victims as needed in finding safe emergency shelter, including an Interim Room at UofT.
- General Police Patrol UTSC Police maintain a high visibility status on campus through the use of uniformed mobile, foot and bicycle patrols.
   Officers routinely report lighting and grounds defects, enforce fire route and smoking by-laws and investigate safety complaints in addition to their other duties.
- Advisory Board on Campus Safety and Security meets at least 4 times yearly since 1992 to discuss Policing and related security issues on campus. Committee involvement from faculty, administration, student groups and staff members ensure that there is representation from all segments of the community.
- **Student Leaders Orientation Training** Organizers attend a seminar about "non-offensive" scavenger hunts and events and receive information about safety during Orientation.
- Underground Newspaper Safety Articles Officers prepare safety related articles which are printed in the Underground student newspaper. The articles relate to safety issues, matters of law enforcement and crime prevention techniques.
- Orientation Presentations UTSC Police provide officers to speak with Orientation leaders. Officers answer safety related questions and advise leaders on safety related issues.
- Fatal Vision Goggles Alcohol awareness seminars are conducted by UTSC Police using Fatal Vision Goggles to simulate alcohol impairment. Students perform various functions while wearing goggles that impair their sense of perception, similar to alcohol.
- **Student Crimestoppers** UTSC Police work in partnership with the University community and encourage students to come forward with information regarding criminal activity. This program is designed to bring students, the community and police together to create a harmonious and safe learning environment.
- Crisis Response Team includes the Manager of Police Services for UTSC. Police personnel notify the team as required in response to serious emergencies.

#### **COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION**

**Traffic Safety Program -** Traffic Safety Program to increase the safety of the campus for all users. UTSC Police increased mobile patrols and investigated motorists for various traffic safety related occurrences on campus.

**Mall Displays –** UTSC Police staff displays at various malls promoting personal safety, community relations, drinking and driving programs and property protection. The officers answer a variety of questions relating to law, university policies and services provided by the UTSC Police.

**Cops For Cancer Head Shaving Event** – UTSC Police officers participated in the Cops For Cancer Head Shaving Event in March. This was the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual head shave event on campus held in the Meeting Place at the University of Toronto at Scarborough. The event was attended by students, staff, faculty and visitors and all funds raised were donated to the Canadian Cancer Society.

**Law Enforcement Torch Run** – UTSC Police participated in the Law Enforcement Torch Run held in Toronto. Officers participate annually in this event. Money raised by officers was donated to the Special Olympics Fund.

**Community Safety Booths** – UTSC Police officers participated in many Community Safety Booths on and off campus, providing crime prevention and personal safety awareness tips to members of the University of Toronto and Scarborough community.

**Day Care Centre Safety Talks** – UTSC Police attend the Day Care on a monthly basis to read stories and have safety discussions with the children at the Centre.

**Child Safety Seat Coalition** – UTSC Police have one officer trained as a child safety seat inspector. A Child Safety Seat Clinic was held on campus in April, as well as UTSC Police participating in various clinics in the GTA.

**Tim Horton's Kid's Camp Day –** UTSC Police officers volunteered their services providing general security and crowd control at a local Tim Horton's during an annual Kid's Camp Day.

#### STATISTICAL OVERVIEW

UTSC Police investigated and submitted 790 General Occurrence Reports on or in relation to the campus in the year 2002, a significant increase from the year 2001 where 625 Occurrence Reports were submitted. Of these reports, 435 were classified as crime reports and 355 were non-crime related occurrences. Of the 355 non-crime related occurrences submitted, UTSC Police investigated 203 intrusion alarms and 27 fire alarms at various locations on campus. There were 1586 municipal parking infraction notices issued at the University of Toronto at Scarborough, as well as 19 vehicles towed for multiple offences. The following is a noteworthy comparison between similar reports in 2001 and 2002:

- a slight increase in thefts of personal property. The majority of thefts on campus occur when community members leave property unattended in common or study areas
- an increase in Break and Enter reports from 2 in 2001 to 18 in 2002. The increase can be attributed to a number of break-ins into uninhabited houses owned by UofT. The houses were eventually demolished to make room for new parking lots.
- a decrease of Liquor License Act violations from 15 in 2001 to 2 in 2002. The decrease is due in part to a requirement at UTSC that all licensed student event staff be Server Trained. Under this program, all staff must be annually re-certified.
- an increase in intrusion alarm responses from 73 in 2001 to 203 in 2002. This increase is a result of technical difficulties associated with the installation of a new campus wide security system.
- a substantial decrease in the monetary value of stolen personal property from \$137 717 in the year 2001 to \$55 041 in 2002. This is a result of fewer vehicle thefts from campus parking lots.
- a considerable decrease in the monetary value of stolen UofT property from \$32 368 in the year 2001 to \$4 380 in 2002. The decrease is due to improved awareness of property protection among staff and faculty.
- out of the 6 Assault reports filed with the UTSC Police, 1 involved a UTSC Police officer as a victim

## **TRAINING**

Please see the Core Training Program on page 12.

## **COMPLAINTS**

There were no formal complaints received by UTSC Police in the year 2002.

## **STATISTICS - A FIVE YEAR COMPARISON**

#### **CRIME AND OCCURRENCE REPORTS**

REPORTS	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998
CRIME OCCURRENCES					
Assaults (all except Sexual)	6	8	2	4	11
Sexual Assaults	0	1	0	1	0
• Threats/Harassment	17	11	21	9	19
Theft - UofT Property	11	14	15	9	16
• Theft - Personal Property (Except Bikes)	73	61	33	40	43
• Theft - Bikes/Bike parts	0	0	1	1	2
Break, Enter and Theft	18	2	6	6	10
• Mischief (Damage) – UofT	34	44	19	15	56
• Mischief (Damage) – Personal	11	7	10	14	10
• Trespass (Cautioned)	145	151	37	11	21
• Trespass (Charged)	38	32	5	6	2
• LLA	2	15	19	16	27
Municipal (By-Law)	29	9	8	33	37
Miscellaneous	51	54	98	50	50
TOTAL:	435	409	274	215	304
NON-CRIME OCCURRENCES					
Personal Injury/Sickness	44	39	38	32	33
Property Related	311	177	154	151	164
TOTAL:	355	216	192	183	197

#### **MONETARY VALUES**

CATEGORY	2002	2001			
THEFT:					
- UofT (including losses due to Break and Enters)	\$4 380	\$32 368			
- Personal Property	\$55 041	\$137 717			
MISCHIEF:					
- UofT	\$15 680	\$8 310			
- Personal Property	\$21 675	\$13 650			
RECOVERY:					
- UofT	<b>\$0</b>	\$1 500			
- Personal Property	\$2000	\$5 000			

## **UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO POLICE SERVICE**

#### **CORE TRAINING PROGRAM**

Course/Topic	Duration
Basic Recruit Training	6 weeks
MLEO Certification Training	8 hours
MLEO Re-certification Training	4 hours
SCBA Training	4 hours
Standard First Aid	2 days
Basic Rescuer CPR	4 hours
Toronto Police Live Link Video Training	Varied
WHIMS Training	1.5 hours
Fall Protection Training	4 hours
Police Leadership Forum	16 hours
Emergency Preparedness	16 hours
Dream Weaver and Basic Web Site Design	8 hours
Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (C.P.T.E.D.)	1 week
Sexual Diversity Training	4 hours

## **PARKING ENFORCEMENT 2001**

PARKING ENFORCEMENT	CHARGED/WARNED
PARKING TICKETS ISSUED AT	1586
UTSC	
VEHICLES TOWED	19
TOTAL	1605