Community Safety and Well-Being Plan

On December 21, 2021 Council for the Township of Huron-Kinloss approved the Community Safety and Well-being Plan for the Township of Huron-Kinloss

About the Project

The Township of Huron-Kinloss, in collaboration with many partners, developed a plan to improve the safety and well-being of the community.

The Community Safety and Well-Being Plan supports safe and healthy communities through a community-based approach to address root causes of social issues.

The goal of the plan is to create a community where everyone:

- Is safe
- Has a sense of belonging
- Has access to services
- Is able to meet their needs (either individually or as a family) for education, health care, food, housing, income and social and cultural expression

Benefits

The Community Safety and Well-Being Plan has a range of benefits for local agencies, organizations, frontline service providers and residents, including:

- Enhanced communication and collaboration among agencies and organizations
- Increased understanding of local risks and vulnerable groups
- Ensuring services are provided to individuals with complex needs
- Increased awareness, coordination and access to services for community members and vulnerable groups

Making our Communities Safer

On January. 1, 2019, the province introduced and amendment to the <u>Police Services</u> <u>Act</u> requiring municipalities to develop and adopt community safety and well-being plans working in partnership with a multi-sectoral advisory committee. The committee had to include representation from the police service board and other local service providers (health, education, social services, children's services).

Phase I

The Township of Huron-Kinloss joined the lower tier municipalities in both the County of Bruce and County of Grey to form and Advisory Committee to use the existing resources to enhance collaboration and information sharing from the agencies including: Grey-Bruce Health Unit, Bruce Grey Child and Family Services, United Way Grey-Bruce, Victim Services Bruce Grey Perth, Canadian Mental Health & Addiction Services Grey Bruce and Grey Bruce Integrated Health Coalition.

Phase II

Phase II of CSWBP will focus on Action Table identification and community engagement to clarify specific actions that can be taken in each of the Priority Areas of Risk.

The Advisory Committee will review each priority risk area to identify an action table; form an action table or plan for a future action table. The planning phase included the development of a logic model to begin to formulate an evaluation framework to understand both process and impact indicators of the work over time.

This work will commence in 2021.

<u>Community Safety and Well-Being Planning Framework: A Shared Commitment in</u> <u>Ontario, from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, Ministry of</u> the Attorney General.