



## **RESOLUTION 2018-03**

### **Development of the Sexual Violence Response Model**

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**WHEREAS** it is estimated that sexual violence occurs more than 600,000 times per year in our Canadian Communities and remains one of the most underreported crimes in Canada impacting victim psychological dysfunction, post-traumatic stress and suicidality; and

**WHEREAS** sexual violence can be more effectively and efficiently addressed through the fundamental principles of contemporary community policing; and collaboration among police and non-police sectors, (education, prevention, intervention, response, support, evaluation); and

**WHEREAS** the Sexual Violence Response Working Group is comprised of leaders from police services and community organizations across the province who possess expertise in the area; and

**WHEREAS** the Sexual Violence Response Model is a collaborative advocate review program committed to providing a victim-centered response to crimes of sexual violence. The model endorses best practices, evidence-based, trauma-informed investigations.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police recognizes and endorses the development of a Sexual Violence Response Model; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police calls on the Government of Ontario to endorse and support the development of a Sexual Violence Response Model.