

Resolution 2010-07

Crime Prevention

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WHEREAS crime prevention covers all measures that are intended to reduce or otherwise contribute to reducing crime and citizens' feelings of insecurity, quantitatively and qualitatively, either through directly deterring criminal activities or through policies and interventions designed to reduce the potential for crime and the causes of crime, and

WHEREAS society as a whole should be involved in the development of a partnership between provincial and local authorities, non-governmental organizations, the private sector, and citizens, and

WHEREAS the Police Services Act mandates all Chiefs of Police ensure crime prevention remains a core function of all police services, and

WHEREAS the responsibility of police services to provide adequate services comes with a cost, police resources are stretched, and there are limited funds to provide the adequate attention to carry out crime prevention strategies, and

WHEREAS police services are left with the challenge of securing sufficient funding to ensure community policing standards are delivered and crime prevention levels are monitored and evaluated,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police calls upon the Government of Ontario to establish and implement a general Crime Prevention Fund to provide continual support to police services within Ontario to maintain and deliver crime prevention initiatives and programs.