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# Progress Update: Barrie Community Safety and Well-Being Plan

November 26, 2020

## Overview

- With oversight from the Barrie Police Service, MASS LBP is in the process of finalizing the CSWB Plan, for this committee's review and approval.
- The Plan is based on Actions originally proposed by the Barrie Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Working Group in early 2020. That phase was informed by a community survey and additional community consultations.
- On July 6, these Actions were reviewed and given provisional endorsement by this committee. At that point, we did not yet have committed leads for each of the Actions.
- Since July, we have:
  - worked to identify leads and partners for each Action.
  - Modified Actions, based on conversations with those who have stepped up to act as leads and partners
  - written up 2-3 pages of explanatory text for each Action, which, when compiled, will form the majority of the CSWB Plan
  - Adjusted Themes for Risk Factors and Actions
  - Prepared additional materials to be included in the CSWB Plan (process overview, risk factors, etc.)

# Background

## ***Legislative Requirements***

The Province has legislated municipalities under the *Police Services Act* to develop and adopt Community Safety and Well-Being Plans.

Community Safety and Well-Being (CSWB) Plans shall:

- identify risk factors that contribute to crime, victimization, addiction, drug overdose and suicide;
- identify which risk factors the municipality will treat as a priority to reduce;
- identify actions to reduce the prioritized risk factors; and
- set out measurable outcomes that the actions are intended to produce.

## ***Accelerating Collaboration***

- CSWB Plans are about finding new ways for municipal and community partners to work together to achieve shared goals that reflect community priorities.
- CSWB Plans build off existing efforts and encourage new collaborations, as a way to achieve more, given the limits of available resources.
- Once the Plan receives Council's endorsement, Plan partners will begin working to implement identified Actions, with the support of the City.

# RECALL: JULY 6 DRAFT ACTIONS

## Mental health and substance abuse

1) Work together to increase investments in harm reduction and treatment, including overdose prevention services

2) Work together to see that training and support on trauma-informed practices is offered to a wider range of community and public service providers

3) Work together to expand the use of intensive, flexible, community-based care teams that serve residents facing serious and intersecting challenges, such as Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) Teams

## Service gaps

4) Launch an annual event to strengthen relationships among service providers and community leaders working to improve community safety and well-being in Barrie

5) Expand the use and membership of tables like Collaborate Barrie to better facilitate how service providers work together to respond to situations where an individual is at risk of significant harm

## 13) PANDEMIC PREPAREDNESS

Work with Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit to identify Barrie's key pandemic preparedness gaps and developing measures to address them

## Affordable housing, homelessness, and basic needs

6) Establish a quarterly City of Barrie Roundtable on Affordable Housing Solutions that builds alignment, shared commitment, and a strong united voice across sectors and communities in Barrie

7) Collaborate to expand the impact of low-cost initiatives that improve access to housing for the vulnerable, such as the RentSmart Program and the Housing First Landlord Forum

## Crime

8) Develop a proposal and build community support for a community justice centre in Barrie

9) Work together to help at-risk residents learn how to better protect themselves from scams and other internet and phone threats

## Community resilience

10) Work together to renew and expand the ranks of Barrie's volunteers after COVID-19, creating and filling 1,500 new volunteer positions across community organizations

11) Work together to accelerate the development of places and facilities that strengthen community bonds

12) Launch a collaborative multi-year 'Campaign for Inclusion' that encourages all Barrie residents play a positive role making Barrie a safe and welcoming place for all

# RISK FACTORS: REORGANIZED

Themes have been updated and modestly reorganized

SERVICES UNDER STRESS	HOLDING TOGETHER	FRAGILE CONDITIONS	EMERGING THREATS
Fragmented services	Social isolation	Opioid use and other addictions	Human trafficking, gang activity, & organized crime
Funding issues	Weak community bonds	Homelessness	Vulnerability to online threats
Caregiver and service provider burnout	Discrimination	Lived experience of trauma	Youth vaping
Working in silos	Limited mobility and public transit	Mental illness	
		Lack of appropriate affordable housing	
		Low paid and precarious employment	
		Poverty and food insecurity	

## NEW ACTION THEMES

**A SAFER BARRIE BY  
WORKING TOGETHER**

**CONNECTED  
COMMUNITIES ARE SAFE  
COMMUNITIES**

**SAFETY IS FOR EVERYONE**

**PREPARED AND  
PROTECTED**

# UPDATED ACTIONS

## A SAFER BARRIE BY WORKING TOGETHER

	Priority Risk Factors	Lead(s)	Partner(s)	Status
The City of Barrie and partners will launch an Annual Community Safety and Well-Being Forum to review our progress and strengthen working relationships	Fragmented Services, Working in Silos	City of Barrie	Downtown Barrie Business Association, Barrie Police Service, Barrie Native Friendship Centre	Green
The signatories of the new Barrie Health Accord will undertake a community-wide planning process that will lead to coordinated and sustainable investments in the determinant of health	Funding Issues, Working in Silos	City of Barrie, BPS, RVH, County of Simcoe, SMDHU		Green
The Barrie Police Service and partners will strengthen the 'Collaborate Barrie' Situation Table as a way to improve responses to situations where an individual is at significant risk of harm	Fragmented Services, Working in Silos	Barrie Police Service	Barrie Probation and Parole Office; Salvation Army Barrie Bayside Mission Centre	Green
Barrie Police Service will work with partners to develop a proposal and build community support for a community justice centre in Barrie	Fragmented Services, Working in Silos	Barrie Police Service	Barrie Probation and Parole Office; Salvation Army Barrie Bayside Mission Centre; Downtown Barrie Business Association	Green
The Barrie Police Service and partners will work towards creating a community facility where individuals can access a range of health and social services from multiple providers in a coordinated fashion.	Fragmented Services, Social Isolation	Barrie Police Service		Green
The Barrie Police Service and CMHA Simcoe County will work together to identify and implement actions that increase access to the mental health services that have the greatest impact on community safety	Mental Illness, Funding Issues	Barrie Police Service, CMHA Simcoe County		Yellow

# UPDATED ACTIONS

## CONNECTED COMMUNITIES ARE SAFE COMMUNITIES

	Priority Risk Factors	Lead(s)	Partner(s)	Status
Barrie Public Library and partners will strengthen community by spearheading a coordinated effort to increase the number of active volunteers in Barrie	Social Isolation, Weak Community Bonds	Barrie Public Library	Georgian College; Salvation Army Barrie Bayside Mission Centre	Green
Georgian College and partners will launch a Barrie Inclusion Campaign Team that coordinates efforts to involve every resident in creating a safe and welcoming Barrie	Discrimination, Social Isolation	Georgian College	Barrie Native Friendship Centre; City of Barrie Accessibility and Diversity Advisor, SCATEH	Green



# UPDATED ACTIONS

## SAFETY IS FOR EVERYONE

	Priority Risk Factors	Lead(s)	Partner(s)	Status
The Barrie Mayor's Office and the Barrie Police Service will convene the Barrie Anti-Racism Taskforce, which will help guide anti-racism action throughout Barrie	Discrimination	Barrie Mayor's Office, Barrie Police Service	Members of the Barrie Anti-Racism Taskforce	Green
Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit will work with partners in Barrie to reduce harms from drug use by increasing access to naloxone, advancing plans for other harm reduction services, and creating an updated Simcoe Muskoka Drug Strategy	Opioid use and other addictions	Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit	CMHA Simcoe County	Green
The Women and Children's Shelter of Barrie, Barrie Public Library, and partners will expand training about how to provide trauma-informed services	Lived experience of trauma	BPL & Women and Children's Shelter of Barrie	Barrie Police Service, City of Barrie	Green
The City of Barrie will consult CSWB Plan partners on how to best improve community safety when the City updates the 10-year Affordable Housing Strategy	Homelessness, lack of appropriate affordable housing	City of Barrie	CSWB Plan Partners	Green
The County of Simcoe will establish a Homelessness Response Coordination and Accountability Table that convenes representatives from the homelessness, mental health, addictions, municipal, and policing sectors in order to identify and address coordination gaps that hamper our collective response to homelessness in Barrie and throughout the County	Homelessness, lack of appropriate affordable housing	County of Simcoe*	City of Barrie*, Members of the Table	Yellow

# UPDATED ACTIONS

## PREPARED AND PROTECTED

	Priority Risk Factors	Lead(s)	Partner(s)	Status
Barrie Police Service and partners will work to help protect at risk-residents from online risks and phone scams	Vulnerability to online risks and financial scams	Barrie Police Service	Georgian College	Green
The City of Barrie and partners will work to develop an updated pandemic plan	Pandemics	City of Barrie	Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit	Green

# UPDATED ACTIONS: TOGETHER, WE WILL

Launch an Annual Community Safety and Well-Being Forum

Implement the new Barrie Health Accord

Strengthen the 'Collaborate Barrie' Situation Table

Develop a Community Justice Centre Proposal

Work towards creating a community facility where individuals can access a range of health and social services

Work together to increase access to mental health services that improve community safety

**A SAFER BARRIE BY WORKING TOGETHER**

Grow the number of volunteers in Barrie

Launch a Barrie Inclusion Campaign Team

**CONNECTED COMMUNITIES ARE SAFE COMMUNITIES**

Convene the Barrie Anti-Racism Taskforce

Work to reduce harms from drug use

Expand training about how to provide trauma-informed services

Consider community safety when updating the City's 10-year Affordable Housing Strategy

Establish a Homelessness Response Coordination and Accountability Table

**SAFETY IS FOR EVERYONE**

Protect at-risk residents from online risks and phone scams

Develop an updated City of Barrie Pandemic Plan

**PREPARED AND PROTECTED**

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- Understanding CSWB
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## Barrie Today

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## 15 Actions to Address Risks and Improve Safety and Well-Being

*Organized by theme. Each includes:*

- *Action*
- *Priority Risk Factors & Additional Risks Addressed*
- *Rationale*
- *Lead(s)*
- *Partner(s)*
- *Anticipated Steps*
- *Anticipated Role of the City of Barrie*
- *Anticipated Outcomes*

## CSWB PLAN: NEXT STEPS

1. Confirm committee support for Actions as listed (Today)
2. Confirm committee is prepared to proceed with Plan in the event that the leads are not found for the two 'yellow' action items (Today)
3. Complete final draft of CSWB Plan (December)
4. Share final draft Plan with Community Safety and Well-Being Committee (January)
5. Committee reviews and approves Plan for presentation to Council (January)
6. Council approval (Q1 2021)
7. City publishes and supports partners to implement Barrie's first CSWB Plan (2021-2025)