

## **January 2010. Police Update:**

Staff Sergeant Graham Queen introduced himself as the new Staff Sergeant in charge of the Community Response Unit. S/Sgt. Queen has been an officer for 21 years and was assigned to the C.R.U. January, 2010.

Last year the division was looked at as a whole and Project T.A.C.T.I.C. was created targeting areas identified by officers:

Panhandling/Swarming/Gang/Robberies/Drugs Prostitution

– Front Street and Waterfront

– Regent Park/St. Jamestown/George Street/Dundas & Sherbourne et al

Last year your top three issues were used.

Now for 2010 Project N.I.C.E. is being implemented.

N – Neighbourhoods

I – Influencing

C – Community

E – Enhancement

At this time, S/Sgt. Queen asked us the membership to provide their input to define area(s) they would like us to work on. "Looking for anything different."

E.G.: Intelligence says heroin hitting the streets in 51 Division

B & E / Thefts from vehicles etc. to supplement incomes

Mental illness another issue – officers trained.

Advised membership that community input is a valuable and welcomed resource regarding Drugs/Poverty/Mental Illness.

Staff Queen also updated the membership of the final update of the 2009 holiday R.I.D.E. program:

- Vehicles stopped: 99,850
- Drivers tested: 1,715
- Charged Over 80 (includes all Over 80 charges): 60
- Charged refuse (includes all fail/refuse charges): 16
- Charged impaired: 23
- Issued warn range suspension: 190
- Issued G1/G2 suspension: 3
- Issued 90–day suspension: 76
- Total suspensions issued: 269
- Vehicles impounded: 136
- Total people charged: 76
- Total drinking and driving charges laid: 99