

CRIME STOPPERS

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STATISTICS FOR SUDBURY RAINBOW CRIME STOPPERS SINCE INCEPTION

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| Arrests | 2918 |
| Cases Cleared | 3412 |
| No. of Tips Received | 21,997 |
| Recoveries | \$44,921,820 |
| Rewards Approved | \$485,525 |



Elder Abuse is a Crime

It has been estimated that by the year 2020 there will be as many senior citizens in Ontario as there are youth. The dramatic growth of our seniors population is unparalleled at any time in our history.

Sudbury Rainbow Crime Stoppers wants to ensure that all members of our community, young and old, feel safe. We want anyone who experiences or witnesses elder abuse to report

the crime to the Police or Crime Stoppers. No one deserves to be treated with a lack of respect.

Elder abuse is described as any action or inaction by any person who causes harm or threatens to cause harm to an older adult and can occur once or numerous times. It occurs within a relationship where trust is expected and causes harm, distress or humiliation to an older person. Elder abuse is neglecting or withholding food, health services or medication and can include abandonment. It leaves elders isolated and keeps them from socializing with others. It can be physical, emotional and/or financial.

Victims of elder abuse may display signs of:

- Depression, fear, anxiety and passivity
- Unexplained physical injury (such as a cut or a bruise)
- Lack of basic necessities like food, clothing and medicine
- Failure to meet financial obligations
- Unusual banking withdrawals

The partnership between Seniors and Crime Stoppers provides the community with a pro-active program to assist the police in solving these crimes and contributing to an improved quality of life for the seniors of our community.

For more information on elder abuse visit: www.elder-abuse.ca

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Graffiti

Over the past few months, graffiti has appeared in numerous locations throughout the city. To discourage graffiti on your property use a barrier such as a small spindle iron fence which is difficult to deface and/or install bright lights or a motion sensor lighting system. You can also install cameras to cover the area which is most likely to be defaced. As well, people who paint graffiti have respect for art and tend to leave murals painted on walls and fences alone.

If you find graffiti, take a picture and notify the Police Service nearest you. The picture should include the address or location of the graffiti and the date it was noticed. This will help Police with their investigation. After you have photographed the graffiti and notified Police it is recommend that you remove it as soon as possible.

If you have any information about someone who has committed this crime please call your local Police Service or Crime Stoppers and report it.

Together we *can* eliminate the graffiti problem in our community.



Crime Stoppers Making our community safer one tip at a time

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Our Newest Partner

THE GOOD GUYS ARE WINNING THANKS TO YOU!



Crime Stoppers is a non-profit registered charitable organization that relies solely on the generosity of the public for donations and for the support of the community to keep our much needed and exceptionally effective service available to the Sudbury and District area.

A key to the success of our local Crime Stoppers organization is the involvement of local merchants, businesses, organizations and citizens through either the donation of time or a financial commitment.

Please support those who support us.

Sudbury Rainbow Crime Stoppers would like to thank Topper's Pizza as well as our many other sponsors for their continued support.

Do You Know Who Your Child Is Talking To?

With the constant advance of technology, it is important that parents monitor their children while they are on the Internet.

Approximately 94% of Canadian children use the internet regularly. Ontario Provincial Police statistics show that over 70% of 13 and 14 year olds attend chat rooms while believing they are safe. In reality, no one knows who they are speaking to. Over 80% of children do not talk to their parents about the new relationships they make while online. Furthermore, 25% of children using Internet chat rooms are asked to meet face-to-face and 15% agree to meet. The Internet is still new and is ever growing.



Sarah

The following behavioural changes may indicate a concern:

- Long hours on the computer
- Closing windows on the computer when you enter the room
- Secretive about internet activities
- Won't say who they are talking to and/or receives calls from an adult unknown to the family
- Always doing homework on the internet yet always behind in school work
- Unexplained telephone long distance charges
- Unexplained pictures on the computer
- Receives questionable mail, emails, gifts or packages
- Requests photos be taken of themselves or family members
- Other behavioral changes

Ensure your children are safe when they are on the internet. Don't let them fall in harm's way.

- Ensure the computer screen is visible to an adult
- Monitor the websites they visit
- Educate them on the dangers and set rules with them
- Restrict access to dangerous websites
- Be wise with Web cameras
- Have open communication with your children
- Be understanding if your child tells you about an issue they are having

This is the girl Sarah thought she was chatting with...



Submit a Tip on Facebook or on the New Mobile Application

Crime Stoppers is based on the simple principle that for every crime committed, someone other than the criminal has information that would solve the crime. Your tips make it possible for us to help fight crime in our community. We have made submitting a tip easier by providing two more ways to contact us.



We have added a tab on our Facebook account (search: Sudbury Crime Stoppers). Once you click on the tab, another page will come up which allows you to type in your tip while remaining anonymous.

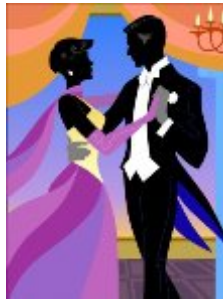


We also have a new free application which can be found on the iPhone. The benefits of this application is that it allows the tipster to submit images and video, the length of message will not be limited and this method allows anonymous two-way dialogue. To add this new application, go to the App store on your iPhone and search for TipSubmit or TipSoft. When you download the application to your iPhone, watch the short educational video on how to use the App. It's easy.

For more information please visit our website at www.sudburycrimestoppers.com.



Tri-Force Regimental Fundraising Ball



Sudbury Rainbow Crime Stoppers wishes to thank everyone who participated in our 12th Annual Tri-Force Regimental Fundraising Ball. This premiere black tie fundraiser was held on Saturday, February 5th, 2011 at the Caruso Club and was a huge success.

A special thank you goes out to Mell Dahl from Q92 and Reverend Jeremy Mahood who took on the rolls of Masters of Ceremony. Guests were treated to a sumptuous five course meal with complementary wine and host bar and danced the night away to the music of Sudbury's own "First Company" and Absolute Entertainment. Local musician Emily Cortolezzis provided dinner music.



Upcoming Fundraisers

Jail and Bail

Greater Sudbury Police Services are hosting a Jail and Bail event on May 4th and 5th, 2011 in support of Special Olympics at the New Sudbury Centre.

Get someone you know "arrested" for \$300 or more. The event will provide a chance to have a boss, spouse, friend or politician "arrested", handcuffed, thrown into a cruiser and tossed into jail. Arrest warrant packages can be downloaded from www.sudburycrimestoppers.com or www.gspcs.ca.

The proceeds from this fundraising event will be donated to the Special Olympics for the 2011 Ontario Provincial Floor Hockey Championships being held on June 9th—11th, at Cambrian College.

Elton John & Billy Joel Tribute

The Benefit Show Fund in partnership with Sudbury Rainbow Crime Stoppers will be presenting "Face2Face" Elton John and Billy Joel Tribute on Saturday, May 7th, 2011 at the Fraser Auditorium.



Tickets can be purchased through the Sudbury Theatre Centre or by going to www.benefitshowfund.com.



Golf Tournament

Sudbury Rainbow Crime Stoppers is hosting their annual "Tee off for Tips" Golf Tournament at Timberwolf Golf Course on June 8th, 2011. Tickets for this event are \$125 a person or \$500 a team. Tee off time is 11:30 a.m.

For more information about all of our upcoming events visit our website at www.sudburycrimestoppers.com.

**Safe communities need teamwork and
we need you on our team**