



Controlled Substances

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Deeds Speak





Presentation Overview

- Organized Crime
- National Perspective
- Illicit Drug Market
- York Region Perspective
- Partnerships
- Harm Reduction





What is Organized Crime?

- Three or more persons
- Serious crimes/offences
- Direct/indirect benefit





National Intelligence Picture

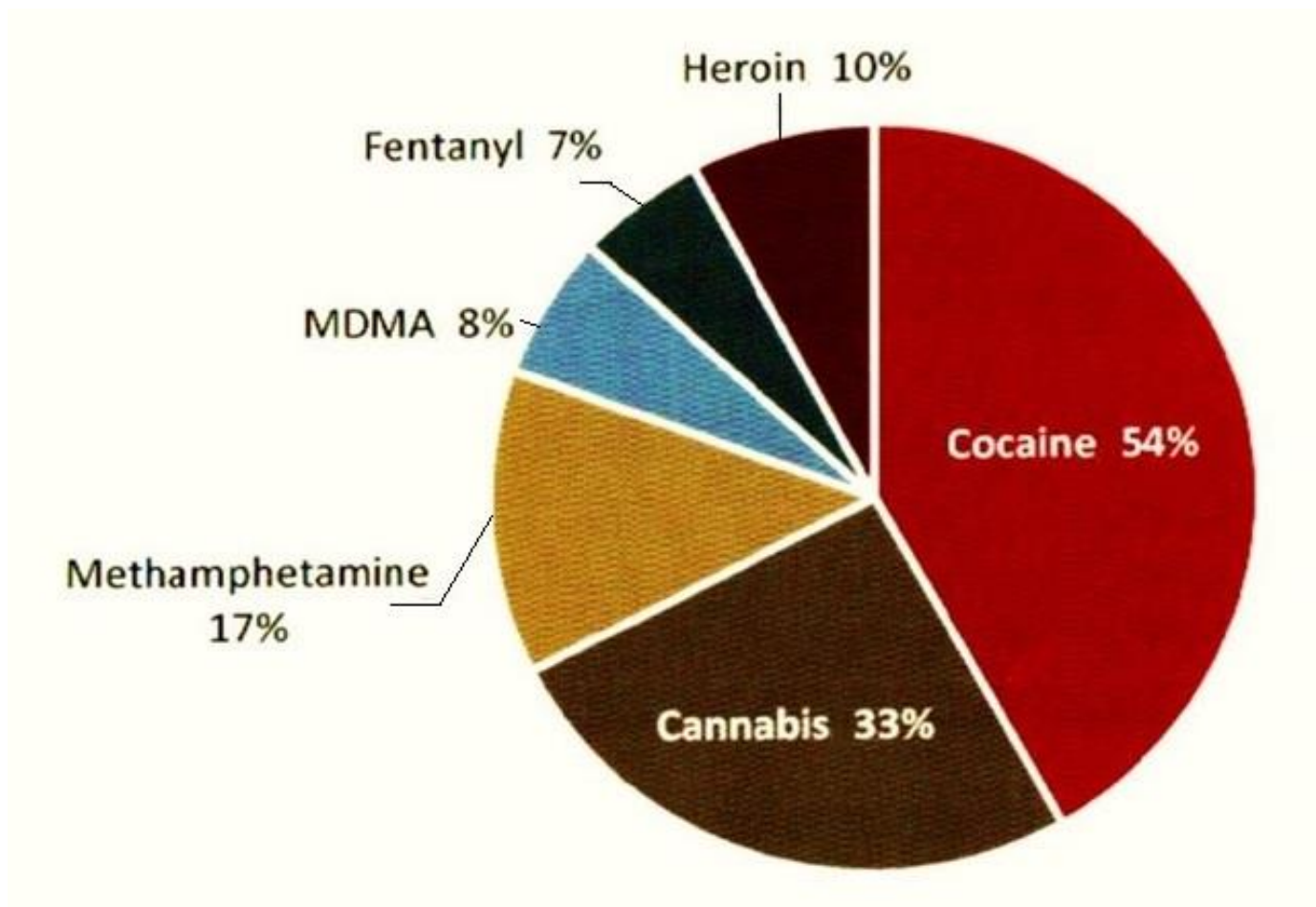
- Organized crime costs Canadians more than \$800 million annually
- Illicit drugs are the primary source of income for organized crime
- Canada identified as a transshipment point for online fentanyl sales
- Fentanyl crisis will continue to move eastward
- Shifting of illicit cannabis market is increasing the risk of organized crime involvement and sale to youth of edibles and other illicit drugs



Source - CISC (Canadian Intelligence Service of Canada)



Organized Crime - Illicit Drug Market



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Illicit Drug Trade Components

Importation

Brought into the country via plane, boat, vehicle, person, mail, Internet



Production

Synthetic drugs, and cannabis - produced locally



Trafficking

An individual, network of distributors, or Internet



Import/Export

Import

- Cocaine
- Heroin/opium
- Synthetics - meth, ecstasy, fentanyl
- Precursors

Export

- Cannabis
- Synthetics – meth, ecstasy, fentanyl





Production

- **Chemical Synthesis**
 - ketamine, methamphetamine, ecstasy
- **Cultivation**
 - cannabis
- **Tableting**
 - ecstasy, fentanyl





Trafficking

Traditional methods

- Hand to hand
- Prescription fraud

Developing/New trends

- Online
- Dark web
- Apps
- Crypto-currency





York Region Large Seizure Examples

Year	Drug	Source Country	Quantity Seized York Region	Value at Source	Price York Region	Value
2017	Cocaine	Columbia/ Peru	7.3 kg	\$2,200/kg US dollars	\$40,000- \$50,000	\$328,500
2016	Opium	Afghanistan Middle East	12.5 kg	\$200/kg US dollars	\$22,000- \$25,000	\$300,000
2015	Ketamine	Canada	87 kg (clan lab in York Region)	\$48,000 - \$53,000/kg	Unknown destination	\$4,350,000



Cocaine



Opium



Ketamine



2017 Prevalent Drugs Seized in York Region

Drugs	Quantity	Total Value
Opium	12,000g	\$720,000
Ketamine	750g	\$75,000
Fentanyl Patch	200	\$40,000
Fentanyl Powder	2001g	\$600,300
Cocaine	7300g	\$657,000
Ecstasy pill	252 tabs	\$7,380
Heroin	560g	\$112,000
Cannabis	110,455g	\$1,104,550





What is
FENTANYL?



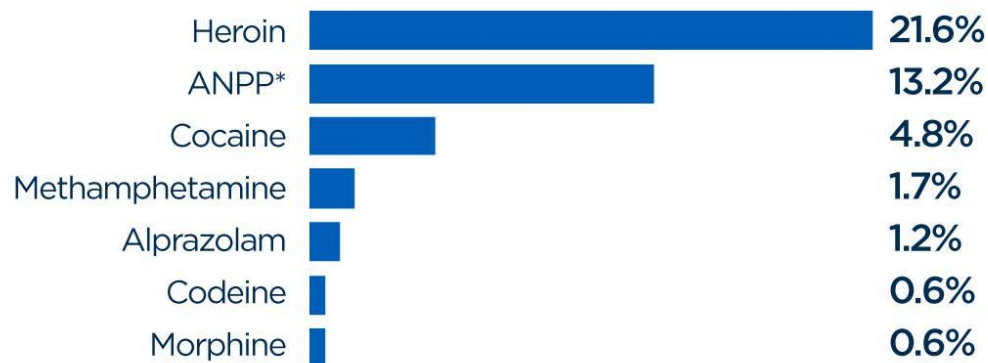
Health Canada Stats

Number of Drug Samples
Containing Fentanyl Identified
by Health Canada's Drug
Analysis Service

	2015	2016
AB	597	529
BC	604	1,194
MB	20	26
NB	1	8
NL	1	4
NS	2	0
NT	4	10
ON	450	609
PEI	0	0
QC	53	104
SK	17	19
YK	0	0
Total	1,749	2,503

*as of October 20, 2016

Illegal Drugs Containing Fentanyl Identified by Health Canada's Drug Analysis Service

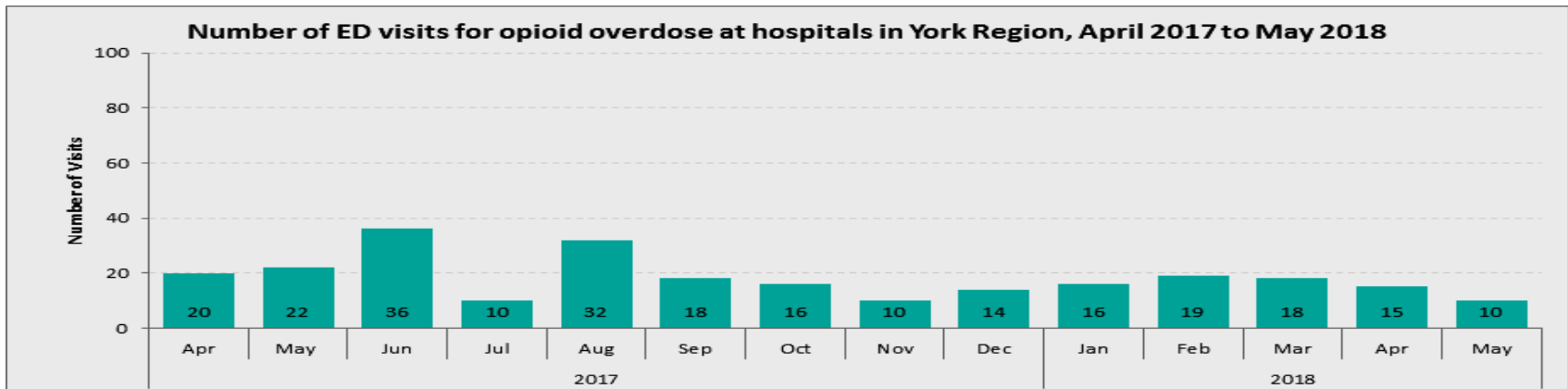
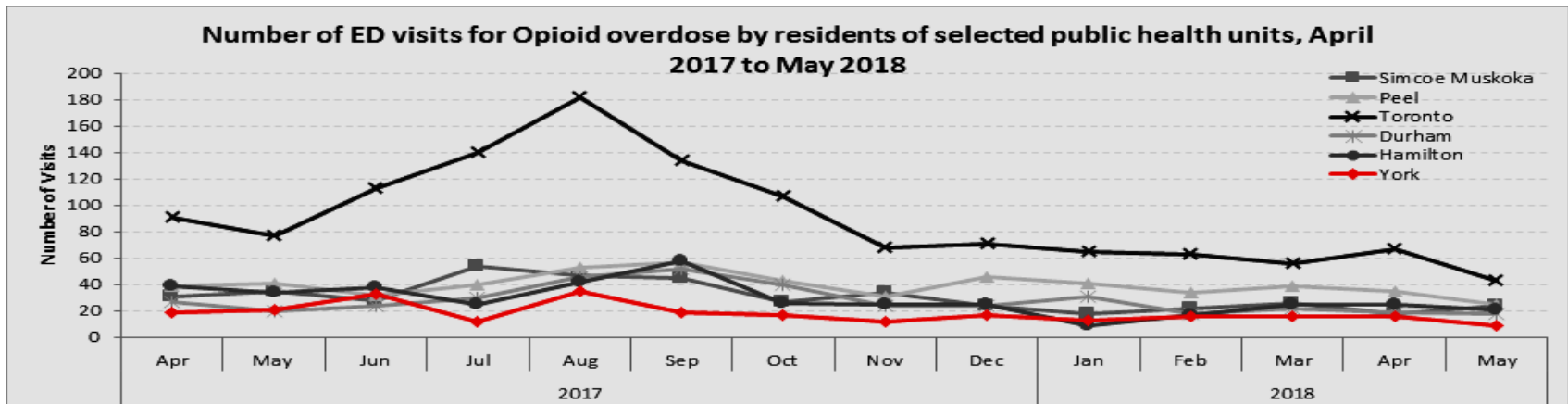


*4-anilino-n-phenethylpiperidine - an intermediate drug in the synthesis of fentanyl

Source: <http://globalnews.ca/news/3016218/experts-sound-alarm-after-43-increase-of-fentanyl-laced-street-drugs-tested-in-canada/>



Opioid Impact on York Region



- In 2015 and 2016 there were 30 and 29 opioid-related deaths in York Region, respectively.
- In the first 7 months of 2017 there were 19 opioid-related deaths in York Region, which is on par with the same time period during 2016.



Fentanyl - Manslaughter Charges

- Georgina Occurrence
- In November 2016, the accused provided fentanyl to his brother who overdosed and died as a result.
- Charged with manslaughter, convicted, received 1 year jail

- East Gwillimbury Occurrence
- In December 2017 the accused, an Oakville resident trafficked fentanyl to the victim resulting in death by overdose

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CHARGES LAID AFTER DEATH CAUSED BY FENTANYL



Money is the Motive

- Kilogram (kg) of powdered fentanyl from China equals \$6000 to \$15,000
- One kg Fentanyl is capable of making 1,000,000 doses (tablets, fake oxycontin)
- 1,000,000 x \$20 equals potential profit of \$19,985,000





York Region Opioid Education and Response Group

- Partnership with York Region Public Health
- York Region Paramedic Service
- York Fire Chiefs
- Addiction Services of York Region
- York Region District School Board
- York Catholic District School Board
- Krasman Centre
- LOFT Street Outreach



Alzheimer Society
YORK REGION



Krasmancentre





Cannabis Marihuana

36% of OCG in Canada involved in Cannabis market

- Production, distribution, importation/exportation
- Distribution via mail, air & ground
- Ontario, followed by BC, Alberta & Quebec
- Embedded in the Medical Framework
- Shootings & homicides across Canada





Criminal Market

- \$7 billion Illicit Market
 - Most popular illicit drug in Canada
 - Almost half of Canadians have tried it at least once
 - Canada is second largest exporter in the world
 - Estimated 183 million annual users worldwide*
 - \$7.29 (Ontario) & \$7.43 (Canada) per gram**



*United Nations World Drug Report 2017; and, **Statistics Canada, February 2018



2015 Major Drug Projects

Ice Castle

SUMMARY	COST: \$85,000
A clandestine drug lab hidden in a wealthy area of Markham became the site of the largest ketamine bust in Canadian history. More than 150 officers were involved in the dismantling of a highly-organized crime group.	

THE RUNDOWN ↻	77.5 KG of KETAMINE + 6,100 ^L of various KETAMINE precursor liquids	SEIZED
	\$320,000—\$330,000 ↘ in CANADIAN DOLLARS	
	2 MOTOR VEHICLES	A TOTAL OF MORE THAN \$3 MILLION ↘ IN ASSETS SEIZED

Monto

SUMMARY	COST: \$0
An international gun and drug smuggling ring was crippled by a joint-forces operation in which YRP investigators played a key role. The investigation led to 12 arrests across the Greater Toronto Area.	

THE RUNDOWN ↻	123 KG of COCAINE	WORTH \$12.2 MILLION ON THE STREET
	22 HANDGUNS	



2016 Major Drug Projects

THE SYNOPSIS

Police organizations from across Ontario pooled resources with the Canada Border Services Agency and New York Police Department to cripple an organized crime ring.

THE RUNDOWN

TOTAL GENERAL PROCEEDS SEIZED

\$3,939,800

CASH PROCEEDS SEIZED

\$2,364,925

8 FIREARMS **418** ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION

5 PROHIBITED DEVICES SEIZED

80.8 kg OF COCAINE
65 kg OF MARIHUANA
3.3 kg OF CRYSTAL METH
8 kg OF OPIUM
24 kg OF MDMA
1.1 kg OF PSILOCYBIN
79 g OF FENTANYL
20.5 kg OF METHAMPHETAMINE

*ADDITIONAL PROJECT COST:

\$97,790

Beyond

THE SYNOPSIS

As the threat of illicit opioid use grew nationwide, officers working on Project Imerovik set out to shut down a fentanyl trafficking ring based in York Region. Their efforts resulted in five arrests, 11 charges and a cache of dangerous narcotics off the streets.

THE RUNDOWN

Imerovik

APPROXIMATE CANADIAN CURRENCY SEIZED **\$36,000**

\$30,000 APPROXIMATE BULK CURRENCY SEIZED

6 OXYCODONE PILLS SEIZED

DEBT LIST FOUND **6** CELL PHONES

88 100 mg FENTANYL PATCHES

180—200 PATCHES TO BE VERIFIED

*ADDITIONAL PROJECT COST:

\$4,000



2017 Major Drug Projects

Apollo

PROJECT SUMMARY:

↳ Over the span of four months, officers working in the Guns, Gangs and Drug Enforcement Unit worked with the Toronto Police Service to identify three clandestine laboratories across the Greater Toronto Area.

\$20,000 IN LAB EQUIPMENT RECOVERED		8 WARRANTS
37 kg OF KETAMINE	\$74,300 CAD \$17,200 USD	10 PERSONS ARRESTED & CHARGED
1 kg OF POWDERED COCAINE		
200 g OF MDMA	2009 HONDA CIVIC 2002 TOYOTA CAMRY 2003 SUBARU IMPREZA	
15 g OF METHAMPHETAMINE		
11 g OF HEROIN		
638 g OF MARIHUANA		

↳ ADDITIONAL PROJECT COST: \$0

Cartella

PROJECT SUMMARY:

↳ In the spring of 2017, members of the Guns, Gangs and Drug Enforcement Unit assisted Peel Regional Police in identifying a prolific drug dealer and performing a series of search warrants, crippling his operation.

7 SEARCH WARRANTS EXECUTED ON JULY 18, 2017	
3.5 kg OF COCAINE	PRIMARY TARGET WAS PURCHASING COCAINE AT THE MULTI-KILO LEVEL.
8.5 kg OF MARIHUANA	
1 kg OF HASH	
15 g OF FENTANYL	

↳ ADDITIONAL PROJECT COST: \$11,200



2017-18 Major Drug Projects

Kronic North
2017

PROJECT SUMMARY:

↳ In April 2017, York Regional Police joined a two-month long investigation that dismantled a fentanyl and cocaine-trafficking network operating between York Region and Sudbury.

27 SEARCH WARRANTS EXECUTED THROUGHOUT ONTARIO

THE PROJECTS TARGETED THE DRIFTWOOD CRIPS, THEIR ASSOCIATES AND OTHER CRIMINAL PARTICIPANTS.

PROJECT KRONIC AND PROJECT KRONIC NORTH INVESTIGATED:
HOMICIDES, SHOOTINGS, KIDNAPPINGS, FIREARMS AND DRUG TRAFFICKING.

56 SUSPECTS
ARRESTED

265 CHARGES
LAID

↳ ADDITIONAL PROJECT COST: \$64,800.00*

Project Patton
2018

PROJECT SUMMARY:

↳ YRP members were among 800 police officers across Southern Ontario involved in the execution of Project Patton, crippling a local criminal organization known as the 5 Point Generals.

TOTAL STREET VALUE OF SEIZED DRUGS: APPROXIMATELY \$1.3 MILLION

4.6 kg OF COCAINE
670.9 g OF FENTANYL
1.5 kg OF MDMA
7.9 kg OF MARIHUANA

78 FIREARMS SEIZED INCLUDING
2 RIFLES AND A SHOTGUN

53 WARRANTS ACROSS THE GTA

4 STUN GUNS AND BODY
ARMOUR SEIZED IN WARRANTS

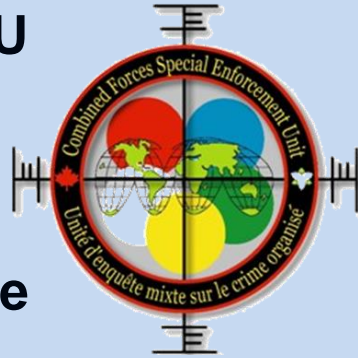
96 ACCUSED & MORE THAN
1,000 CHARGED LAID

↳ ADDITIONAL PROJECT COST: \$0



Multi-year Major Drug Projects

**RCMP GTA CFSEU
and its policing
partners land a
tremendous blow
to organized crime
in Canada**



- Project OTremens
- 9 people charged
- 75 offences
- Trafficking fentanyl and carfentanil, heroin

**Police arrest mob bosses, seize
firearms and drugs in dawn raids
targeting Canadian Mafia cells**

- Project OPhoenix
- 8.5 Kg of cocaine,
- 7 Kg of Marihuana
- 19 arrests





Challenging Times

- Legalization of cannabis
- Increase of opiates and fentanyl-laced drugs
- Nearly 4,000 deaths from opiate overdose in 2017
- Recreational drug users are in jeopardy of overdose or death on their first, or any use of traditional drugs





Addressing the Times

New Laws

Patch 4 Patch program (Bill 33, Oct 2016)

Good Samaritan Act (Bill C-224, May 2017)

Equipment

Ion Scanner, Narcan

Partnerships

CAS, Judiciary, Ontario Fire Marshall, Ontario

Police College, Fire Chiefs,

Crime Stoppers

Community Services

VIP drug education lesson plan for all schools

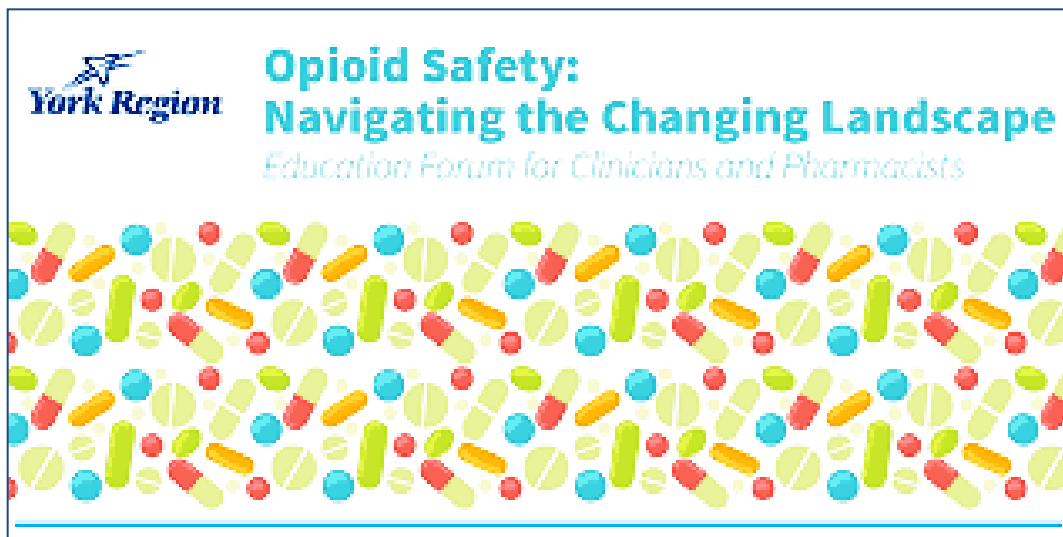
School Resource Officer presentation on drugs

Drug boards presented on Parent-Teacher nights





Harm-reduction Partnerships

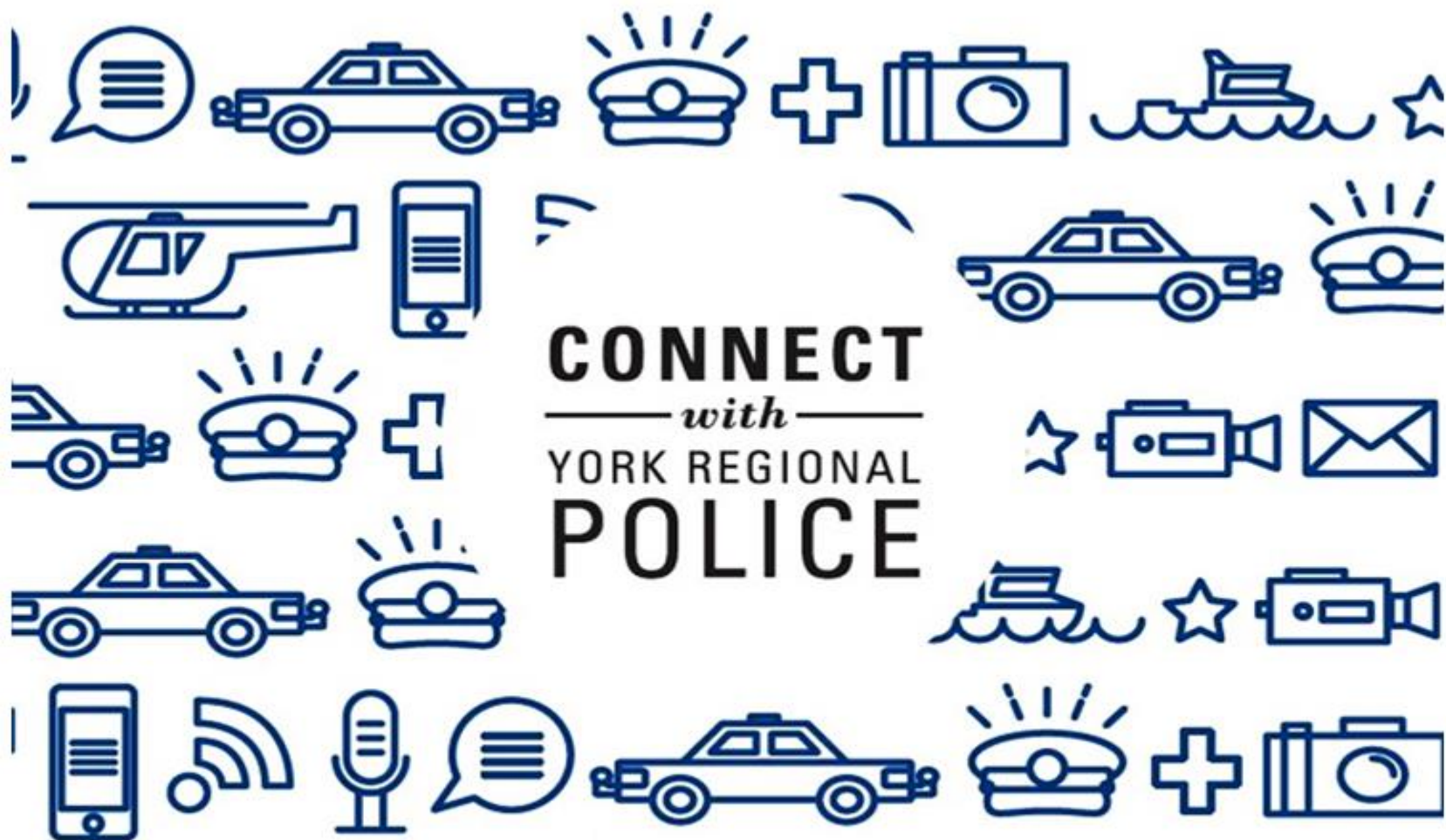




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