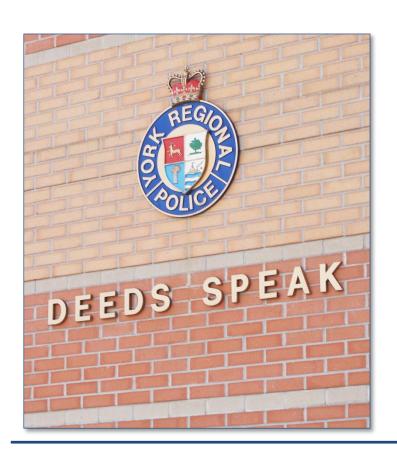


# **Ethics and Values**



Inspector

Ed Villamere #1090

Detective Sergeant

David MacDonald #1189





# **Presentation Overview**

- Code of Ethics review
- Introduction of new Code of Ethics
- Review of our Values
- Introduction of new Values





# **Code of Ethics review**

Why did we update the Code of Ethics?

Create alignment with our Values

Drive behavior





### CODE OF PROFESSIONAL ETHICS

### IN THE CONDUCT OF THEIR SERVICES, ALL MEMBERS OF YORK REGIONAL POLICE:

Understand their primary responsibility is to share with the community the responsibility for improving quality of life by safeguarding lives and property, preventing and investigating offences and preserving peace and order.

Are guided by the values of the service which include our people, community, integrity, leadership, accountability, competence and teamwork.

Appreciate the importance and responsibility of their positions as a symbol of public faith, adhering to the same standards of conduct that they are bound by duty to enforce.

Preserve the rights and freedoms of all individuals in accordance with Canadian Charter of Rights and Ontario Human Rights Code.

Faithfully administer the law in a just, impartial and reasonable manner to all individuals, regardless of race, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, gender, age, mental or physical disability, or sexual orientation.

Understand and encourage continuing awareness of the culturally-diverse nature of York Region, remain responsive to community issues and concerns and are committed to developing and enhancing community partnerships.

Never permit personal feelings, animosities or friendships to influence professional decisions and actions and refrain from accepting gratuities or favours that may compromise them as individuals or members of York Regional Police.

Perform their duties within the limits of authority and recognize the importance of consistently enhancing their level of knowledge and competence.

Ensure good faith in all their actions and respect the confidentiality of any information obtained in the course of duty.

Remain faithful in their allegiance to Canada and strive to attain excellence in the performance of their duties.









# Code of Ethics review Steps in Institutionalizing of Ethics

- Police Services Act (Core duties of police officers)
- Incorporated Dr. Maguire's recommendations
- Defined what comprised an ethical police officer
- Held focus groups
- Sent a Survey to all ranks within YRP
- Determined Need to Update our code of Ethics



# Data from consultations

## Three Innovation labs

- Recruits
- Civilian
- Uniform (all ranks)

# Survey

- Senior officers
- Integrated Strategic Community Advisory Council
- Total participants 175+ members



Conducted Environmental Scan – Best Practices



### **CODE OF ETHICS**

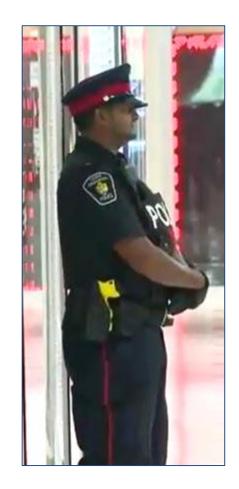
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# Vision Inspired Mission Focused Values Driven

**Deeds Speak** 

# **OUR VISION** To make a difference in our community MISSION STATEMENT We will ensure our citizens feel safe and secure through excellence in policing **SHARED VALUES** OUR PEOPLE community INTEGRIT' leadership **ACCOUNTABILITY** competence **TEAMWORK**



# **Current Statement of Values**

### Our people

We foster a work environment of respect, open communication, empowerment and inclusivity

### Community

We engage our citizens and are dedicated to providing quality service

### Integrity

We are ethical and respectful in all we say and do

### Leadership

We are leaders in policing and all lead by example

### **Accountability**

We accept responsibility for our actions

### Competence

We are committed to excellence, professionalism, learning and innovation

### **Teamwork**

We succeed by working together and in partnership with our community



# The Road





# Methodology used for new Values

- Clear and Concise
- Eliminated duplication
- Integrated member and community feedback
- Incorporated Dr. Maguire's recommendations
- Aligned with our Code of Ethics





**OUR VALUES** 

# PROFESSIONALISM COMPASSION FAIRNESS COURAGE RESPECT





# **Professionalism**

 We conduct ourselves with honesty and integrity, and we are accountable for our actions







# Courage

 We have the moral strength to stand up and to do what is right







# Respect

We value and treat all people with dignity





# **Fairness**

We are just and impartial in everything we

say and do





# Compassion

 We care about the wellbeing of our members and the community











# Thank you

Questions?

