



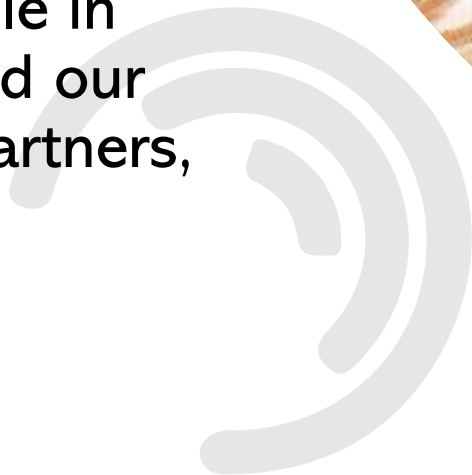
WARD 12 RURAL TOWN HALL

COPETOWN COMMUNITY CENTRE
JANUARY 11, 2023 – 6:30PM

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that the City of Hamilton is situated upon the traditional territories of the Erie, Neutral, Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee, and Mississaugas.

As we work to plan for the future of Ward 12, we do so with the wisdom and guidance of the Indigenous people in mind so we can better understand our roles as residents, neighbours, partners, and caretakers.



AGENDA

- Introductions and roles
- Farm 911 Implementation
- Hamilton Police Services (Sgt Dave Allchin)
 - Crime Report
 - Road Safety
- Stormwater Funding Structure
- Q&A

GROUND RULES

- We will pause for questions after each section and at the conclusion. Please raise your hand to speak
- Respectful communication at all times
- We will end the formal meeting at 8:00pm but can remain behind for individual questions

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Craig Cassar
Ward 12 Councillor

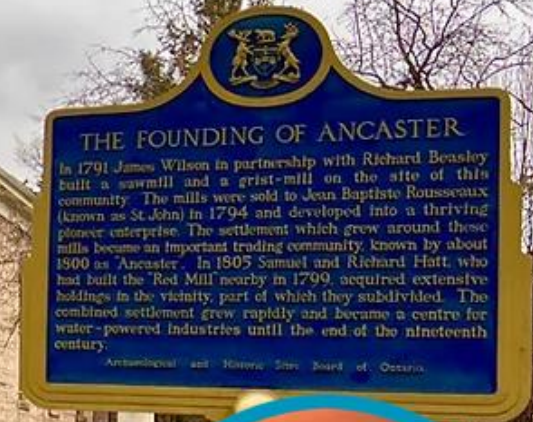


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FARM 911

EMERGENCY ACCESS POINT (EAP) PROGRAM

Keeping Farms in Hamilton Safe



- The Farm 911 - EAP program improves emergency response to vacant farmland that does not have a municipal address.
- A unique Farm 911 - EAP number will be assigned to vacant parcels of farmland that do not have a municipal address, helping emergency responders identify these properties more quickly, improving response times during critical situations.
- Those who enroll will receive a red and white address sign installed prominently at the existing field access point.
- One Farm 911 - EAP number will be assigned per existing access point. (i.e., large properties with multiple access points)

To learn more about the program and to enroll, visit
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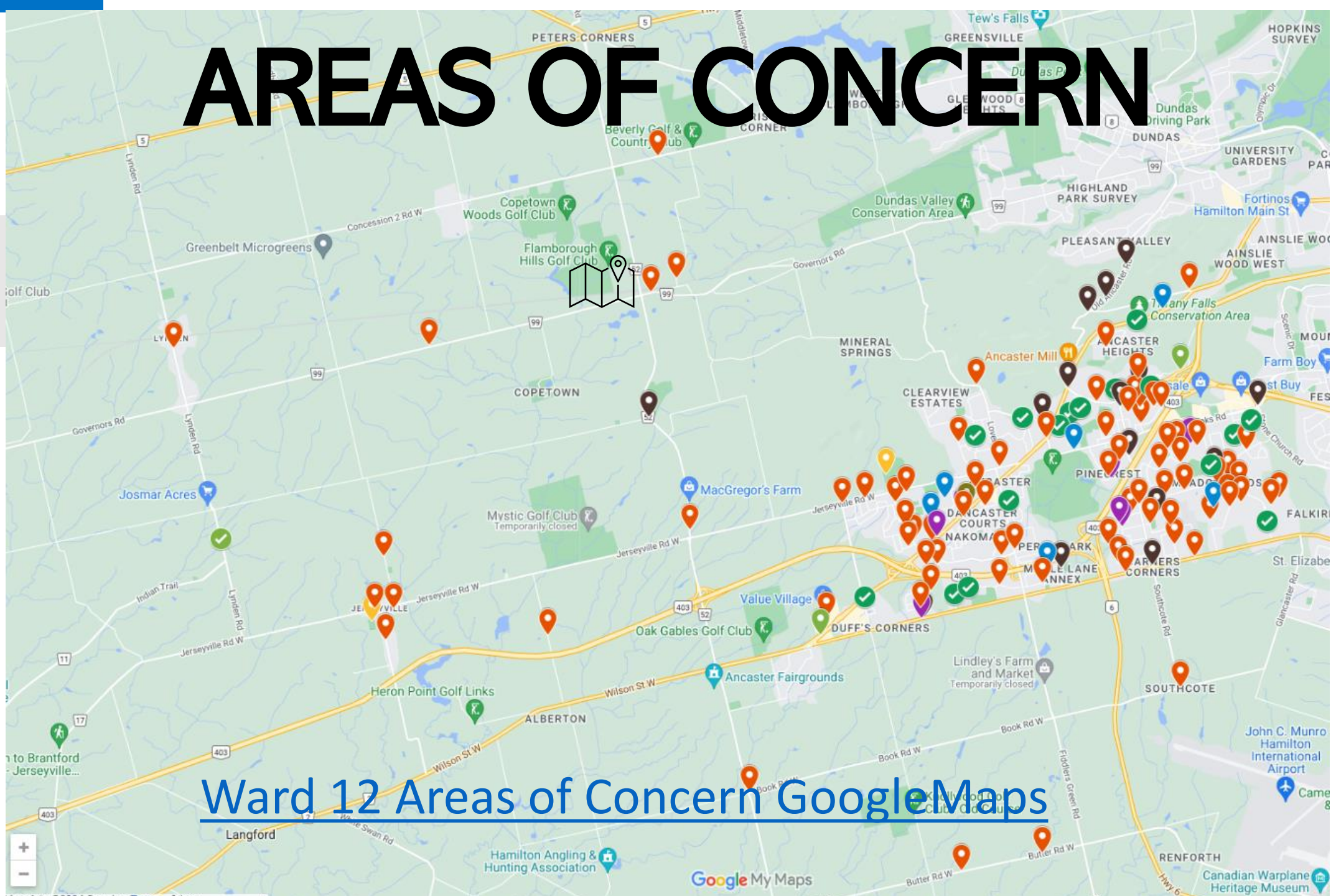


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AREAS OF CONCERN



Ward 12 Areas of Concern Google Maps



Sergeant Dave Allchin
Sergeant Dwayne Barnes
Inspector Paul Evans

- Crime report
- Road safety



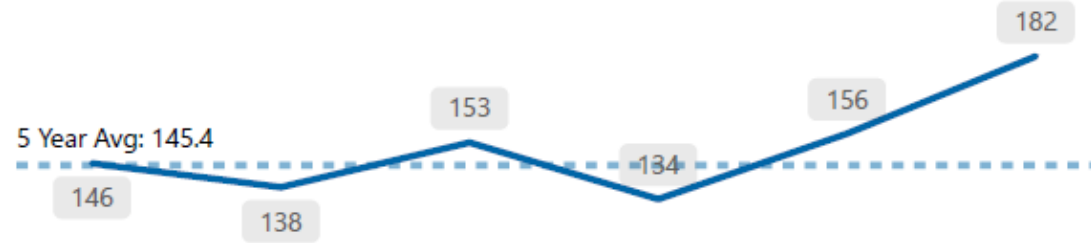
5 Year Trends

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Violent Crime



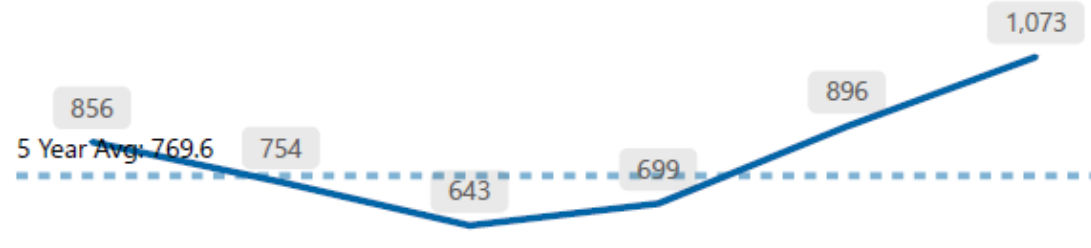
Total **182**
*Ward 12



Property Crime



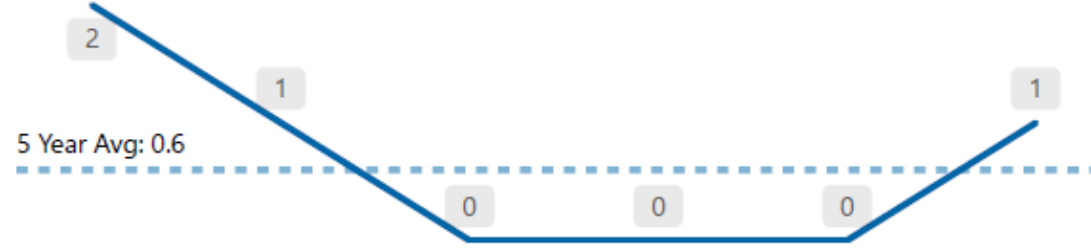
Total **1,073**
*Ward 12



Shootings



Total **1**
*Ward 12



- Above 5 Year Average
- Below 5 Year Average
- Equivalent with 5 Year Average



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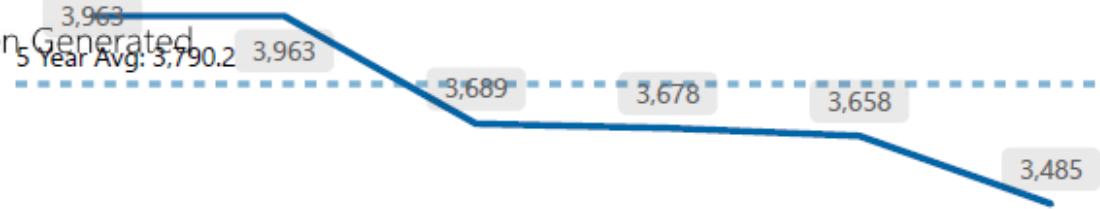
Calls for Service



Total
3,485

*Ward 12

*Citizen Generated

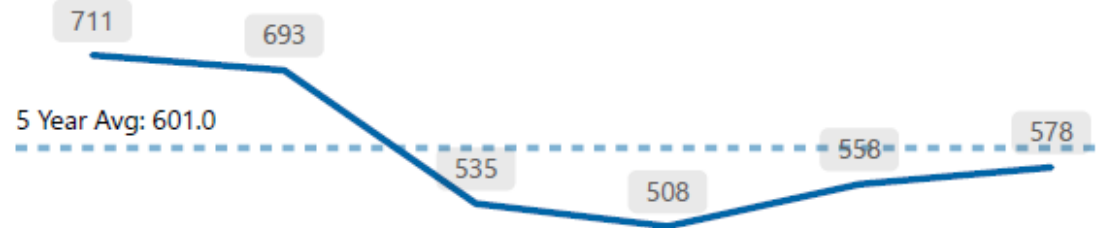


Collisions



Total
578

*Ward 12

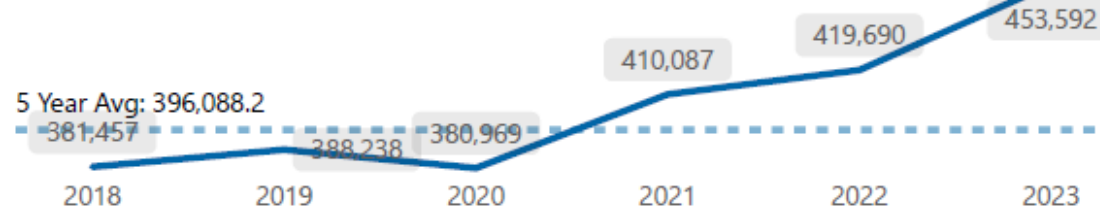


911 Calls



Total
453,592

*Service-Wide



- Above 5 Year Average
- Below 5 Year Average
- Equivalent with 5 Year Average



Monthly Crime Trends

Ward 12 - December 2023

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Crime Indicators

Total This Year **506**

Total This Month **49**



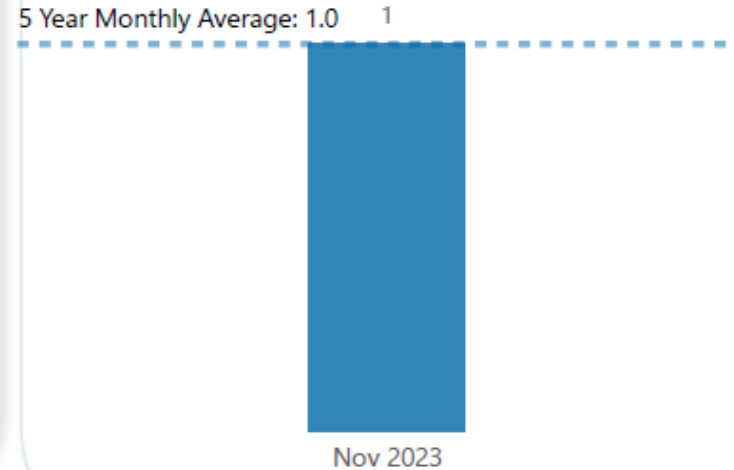
Shootings

Total This Year **1**

Total This Month

Crime Indicator	Total This Year	Total This Month
Assault	109	13
Auto Theft	123	13
Theft From Auto	127	12
Break And Enter	102	7
Theft Over	21	3
Sexual Violation	20	1
Robbery	4	

12 Month Shooting Trend



Above 5 Year Monthly Average
 Below 5 Year Monthly Average
 Equivalent with 5 Year Monthly Average

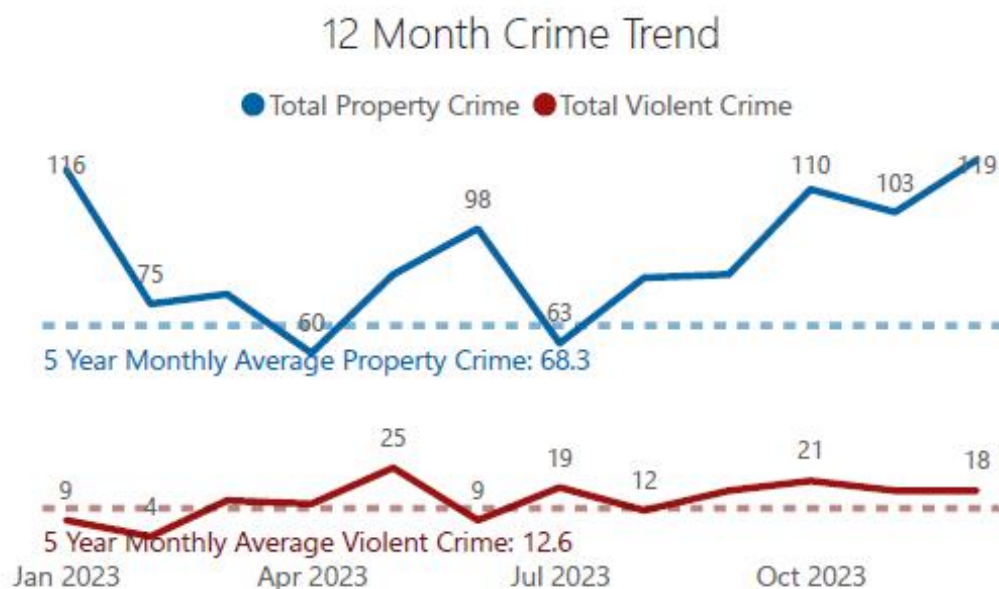


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Violent Crime & Property Crime

Total Property Crime This Year	1,073
Total Property Crime This Month	▲ 119
Total Violent Crime This Year	182
Total Violent Crime This Month	▲ 18



▲ Above 5 Year Monthly Average
▼ Below 5 Year Monthly Average
■ Equivalent with 5 Year Monthly Average



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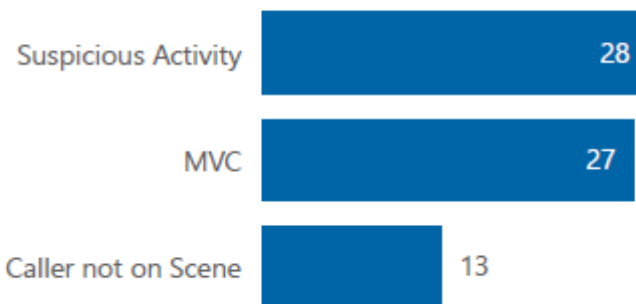
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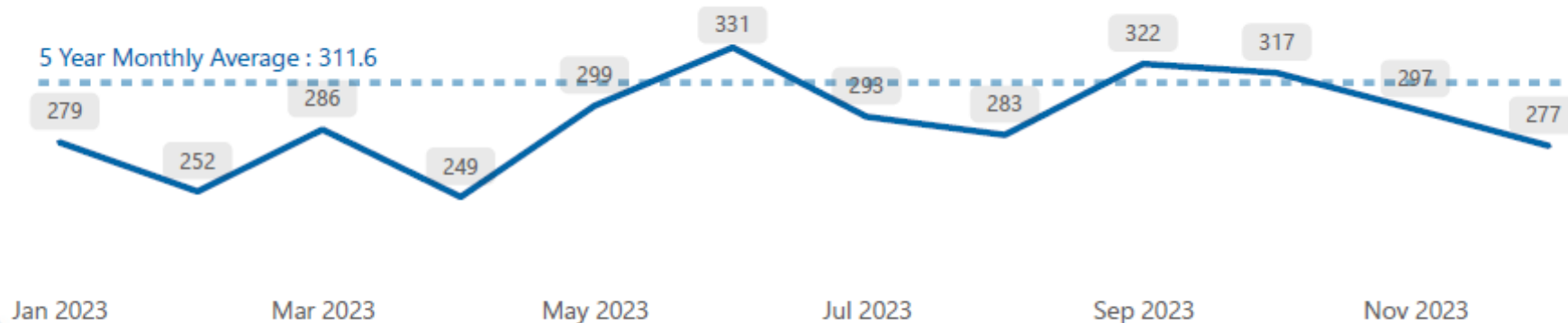
Total This Year **3,485**

Total This Month **277**

Top 3 Monthly Event Types



12 Month CFS Trend



- Above 5 Year Monthly Average
- Below 5 Year Monthly Average
- Equivalent with 5 Year Monthly Average



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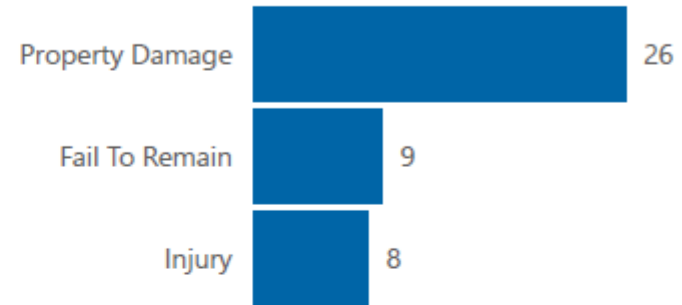


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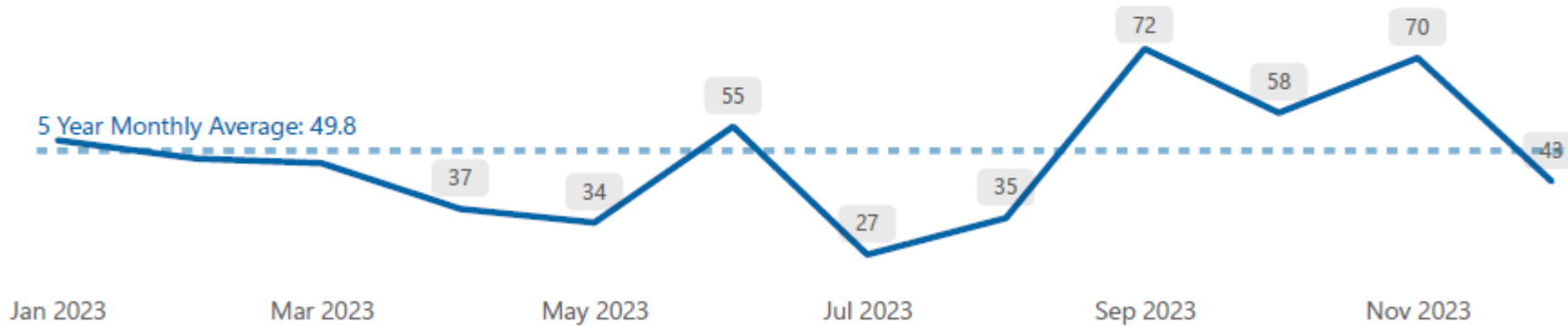
Total This Year **578**

Total This Month **43**

Monthly Collision Types



12 Month Collisions Trend



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- Equivalent with 5 Year Monthly Average

FIREARMS SEIZED WARD 12

Type	Hamilton 2023	Ward 2023
Semi-automatic	112	5
Bolt action	42	2
Revolver	26	0
Handgun	23	0
Pump action	23	0
Single shot	18	1
Other	10	0
Lever action	7	2
Sawed-off shotgun	7	0
Assault rifle	4	1
Multi-barrel	3	0
Long gun	2	0
Breech/muzzle loader	2	0
Sawed-off rifle	2	0
Short-barrelled handgun	1	0

DRUGS SEIZED WARD 12

Type	Hamilton 2023	Ward 2023
Fentanyl	962	4
Cocaine	624	12
Methamphetamine	558	5
Other	494	10
Crack cocaine	292	3
Oxycodone (Percodan)	157	6
Psilocybin (mushrooms)	114	1
Other / Unspecified	83	1
Hydromorphone	78	1
Heroin	43	0
Codeine	41	3
GHB/Rohypnol	28	0
MDMA (Ecstasy)	25	0
Dilaudid	24	0
Clonazepam	16	0

EVENT CODE	EVENT NAME	EVENT DESCRIPTION	HPS 2023	WARD 2022	WARD 2023	% CHANGE 2022-23
MVC	MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION	Used for a motor vehicle collision who there is damage to property, a vehicle leaves scene without giving any information or there is one or more injuries or fatalities on scene.	5,083	301	361	19.9%
SUSP-PER	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	Used for person(s) who appear to be acting in an unusual or suspicious manner (non sexual).	6,520	166	193	16.3%
DOM	DOMESTIC	Used for any conflict imposed in an intimate relationship, which may involve opposite-sex or same-sex partners and will include current or former dating.	6,277	165	189	14.5%
TRAFFIC	TRAFFIC CONTROL	Event type used to restrict or redirect vehicle or pedestrian traffic for safety. (ie: traffic signal malfunction, disabled auto, hazardous conditions)	2,703	196	155	-20.9%
THEFT	THEFT	Event type used for the dishonest appropriation of someone else's property	3,302	239	152	-36.4%
DRIVECOM	DRIVING COMPLAINT	Event type used for an eye witness account of a vehicle driving erratically.	2,085	127	133	4.7%
SUSP-VEH	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	Event type used for any unfamiliar vehicle with an occupant parked or frequenting an area.	1,938	115	125	8.7%
AMB-A	AMBULANCE ASSIST	Used when ambulance is the primary agency and the chief complaint is medical and a police dispatch is required (patient who is not breathing, vital signs absent, minimal health details or result of a police matter).	5,546	131	121	-7.6%
FAM	FAMILY TROUBLE	Used when family members in dispute, that may or may not involve violence.	3,183	122	117	-4.1%
BE	BREAK AND ENTER	Event type used for unlawful entry made to any premise.	2,667	135	114	-15.6%

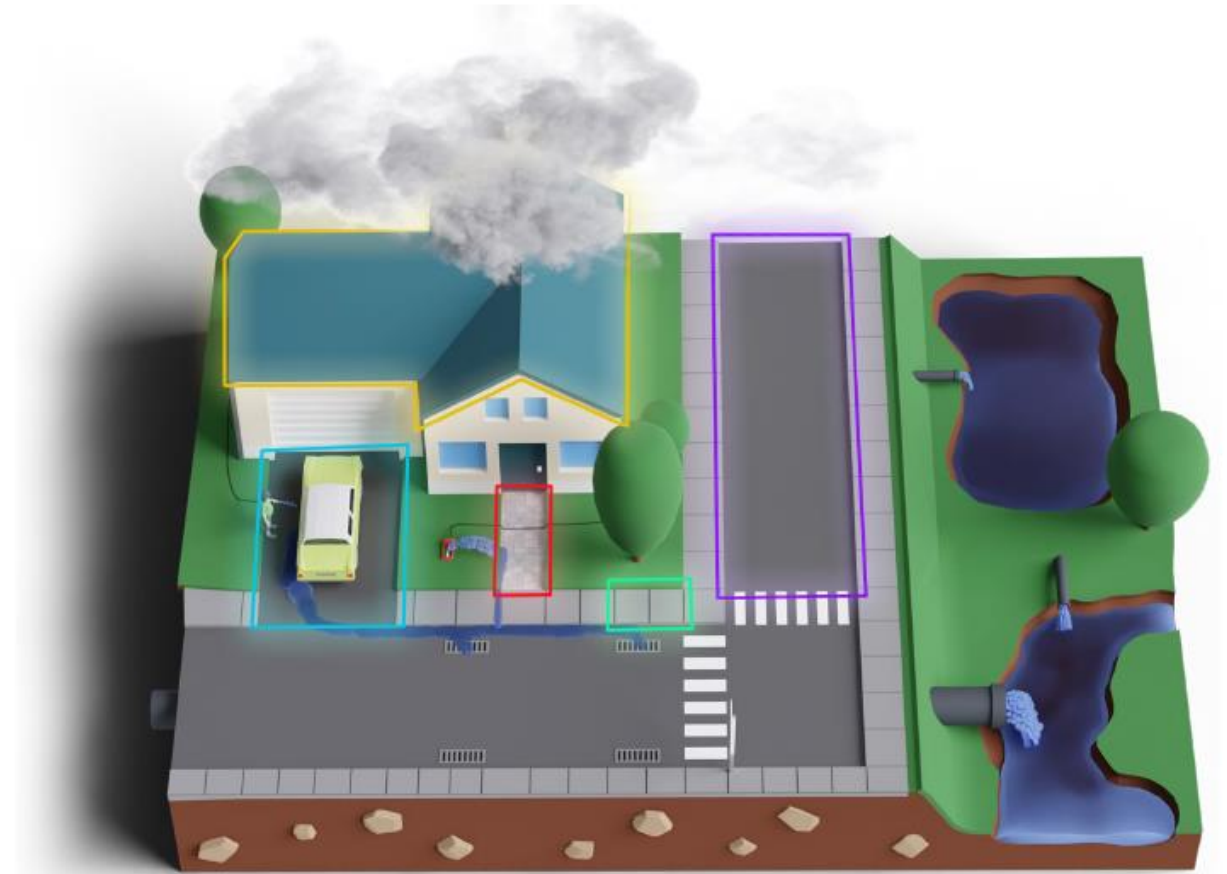
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LOOKOUTN	POSSIBLE IMPAIRED NOT FOLLOWING	Event type used when driving behavior is observed that may indicate impairment however caller is not following.	1,291	93	111	19.4%
OS	OPEN SIGNAL	Event type used when an audible or silent alarm is triggered.	1,336	115	110	-4.3%
LOOKOUT	POSSIBLE IMPAIRED	Event type used when driving behavior is observed that may indicate impairment.	1,541	124	107	-13.7%
PIC	PERSON IN CRISIS	Used for person(s) whose apparent behavior suggests they are suffering from a mental health issue. If the Person In Crisis is threatening suicide, use alternate event type of 'SUICIDE'.	3,329	92	89	-3.3%
SA	STOLEN AUTO	Event type used to report a stolen auto.	902	44	89	102.3%
RES-COMP	RESIDENCE CHECK	Used when police are required to attend an address for a wellbeing check of party, to assist another Police Service or to relay urgent information where phone is not available.	2,694	59	86	45.8%
MISCH	MISCHIEF	Event type used when property is damaged by vandalism and includes graffiti.	2,096	91	80	-12.1%
TRESS	TRESSPASSING	Used for non-forcible entry to private property or restricted public areas without permission or right.	7,233	59	78	32.2%
UK-911	UNKNOWN 911	Event type used when a 911 call is received where the Call Taker decides based on the circumstances a mobile response is required to check on the situation.	1,370	53	75	41.5%
SUICIDE	SUICIDE or ATTEMPT	Event type used when an individual intends to take their own life by any means and includes threatened as well as actual.	2,274	58	62	6.9%
ALL CFS EVENTS			94,880	3,594	3,451	-4.0%



STORMWATER FUNDING STRUCTURE

What is Stormwater?

Rain, melting snow, and ice that washes off driveways, parking lots, roads, yards, rooftops, and other surfaces.¹

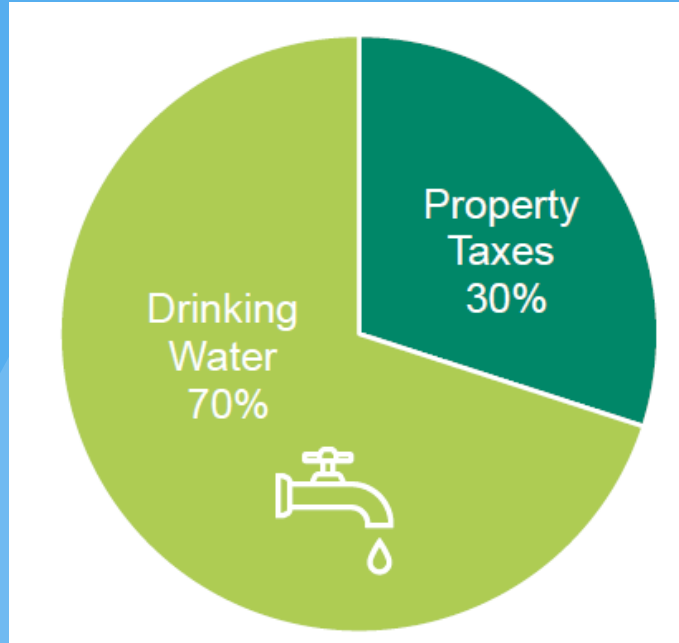


WHY A CHANGE IN STORMWATER FUNDING MODEL?

- New stormwater funding model in September 2025 **Financially Sustainable**
- Shifting to fee based on the amount of hard/impermeable surface on property **Equitable**
- With rainfall projected to increase in the coming years, the City is aiming to do maintain stormwater infrastructure and manage the impacts of increasing stormwater due to climate change. **Climate Resilient**
- The City cannot ignore the impacts of increasing stormwater projected in the coming years. A failure to act could lead to increased impacts on residents, such as an increase in basement flooding. **Justifiable**
- The fees paid through the program will also support projects that are part of Hamilton's Watershed Action Plan which aims to enhance watersheds and Hamilton Harbour conditions. **Environmentally Sustainable**

STORMWATER FUNDING

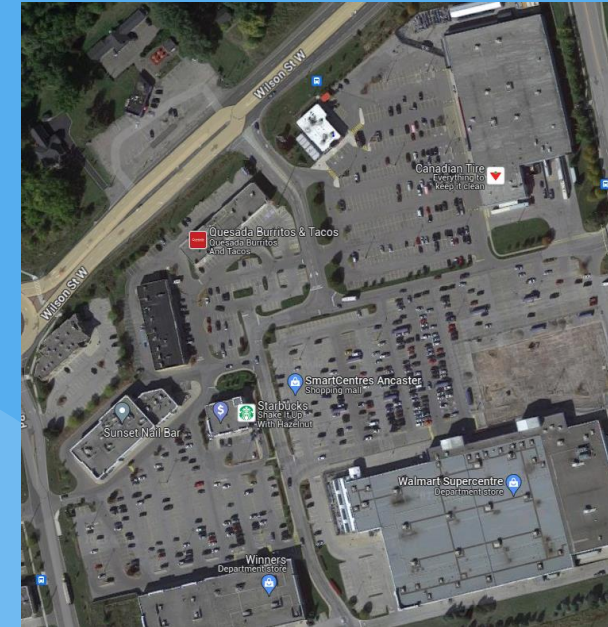
TODAY



WATER CONSUMPTION & ASSESSED VALUE

More municipal water use = more stormwater funding

SEPT 2025



IMPERMEABLE SURFACES via STORMWATER FEE

Contributors to incremental stormwater pay a fair share

RURAL STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

- Inspect, repair and replace culverts
- Rural stormwater ponds (inspection, maintenance and sediment removal)
- Invasive species control (e.g. Phragmites)
- Watercourses on City property (inspection, maintenance, rehabilitation)
- Roadside ditches maintenance for safe transportation in rural communities
- Early stages of surface water quality program to identify excess nutrients and improve health of our watershed

STORMWATER FUNDING / RURAL EXPENDITURES

- To operate and maintain ageing infrastructure
 - \$43 Million (*Total City of Hamilton 2023*)
 - \$54 Million (*Projected in 2025*)

2023

- \$2.6M in rural drainage projects
 - \$1.4M watercourse and drainage channel maintenance
 - \$3.9M road related drainage / ditching (*Rural & Urban*)
 - \$8.7M Conservation Authority Funding (*City Wide*)
-
- Rural Hamilton properties contributed ~\$1.5 million via \$60 per home from property taxes

What is Stormwater Management?

From problems...



Bank Erosion



Debris



Spills



Water Quality



Road Flooding



System Surcharge



Asset Failure

To Solutions....

Stormwater Management

Planning, design, and implementation of systems that mitigate and control the impacts of human-made changes to runoff and other components of the hydrologic cycle.¹



1. CSA W211:21 – Management standard of stormwater systems



BACKGROUND ON STORMWATER FUNDING FRAMEWORK

A BRIEF HISTORY

- **June 2023** – Council approved a framework (based on Single Family Units) for transitioning to a stormwater fee, directing staff to engage public for consultation, including agricultural community
- **Q4 2023** – Consultant shares a proposal for **agricultural properties** to be subject to Industrial/Commercial/Institutional rates with a 50% discount.
 - Fees could be tens-of-thousands of dollars for large operations

Unacceptable Solution

- **Nov/Dec 2023** – Rural Councillors collaborate on a motion to direct staff to review new options consistent with **fair, equitable and justifiable** principles. Moved by Councillor Cassar, motion passes unanimously.
 - Agricultural survey initiated and response deadline extended to early January

MOTION - STORMWATER FUNDING REVIEW

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR C. CASSAR.....

WHEREAS, City staff have undertaken consultations with the community regarding the implementation of a Stormwater Incentives Program; and

WHEREAS, the rural community has expressed significant concern regarding the application of the Stormwater Rate Structure to agricultural properties;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff, in the report back regarding the implementation of a Stormwater Incentives Program, include specific recommendations regarding a stormwater rate structure and incentives program that **recognizes rural agricultural properties as different from Industrial, Commercial, Institutional and Multi-Residential properties**; and,
- (b) That staff **clearly explain the financial impacts of the stormwater rate structure and incentives program for rural agricultural properties**, including alignment to the Council approved guiding principles: Fair and equitable, Climate resilient and environmentally sustainable, Affordable and financially sustainable, Justifiable, and Simple.

Guiding Principles to Evaluate Stormwater Funding Options

1. Fair & equitable (“user-pay”)
2. Climate resilient & environmentally sustainable
3. Affordable & financially sustainable
4. Justifiable
5. Simple to understand & manage

Funding Option Evaluation

Hamilton's current model →

Stormwater Funding Model	Used By	Stormwater Rate Based On	Guiding Principles						
			Fair & Equitable	Climate Resilient & Environmentally Sustainable		Affordable & Financially Sustainable		Justifiable	Simple to Understand & Manage
				Climate Resilient	Environmentally Sustainable	Affordable	Financially Sustainable		
1. General Tax Levy	Brantford	Assessed value	✗	✗	✗	⦿	✗	✗	✓
2. Dedicated Tax Levy	Markham	Assessed value	✗	✗	✗	⦿	⦿	✗	✓
3. Water/Wastewater Rate	Hamilton Toronto	Water consumption	✗	⦿	✗	⦿	⦿	✗	✓
4. Stormwater Rate – Tiered Flat Fee	Ottawa Vaughan London	Property type, size	✗	⦿	⦿	⦿	✓	⦿	⦿
5. Stormwater Rate – ERU	Guelph	Impervious area (but all residential types pay the same)	⦿	✓	✓	⦿	✓	✓	⦿
6. Stormwater Rate – SFU	Windsor	Impervious area (but all single family dwellings pay the same)	✓	✓	✓	⦿	✓	✓	⦿
7. Stormwater Rate – Tiered SFU	Mississauga Kitchener	Impervious area	✓	✓	✓	⦿	✓	✓	✗

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IMPERMEABLE UNITS – Average Residential Impervious Area

- **291 M²** (Urban) = 1 Unit
- **596 M²** (Rural) = 2 Units but will be assigned factor of 1 unit
- Large residential and non-residential to be assessed individually

1 unit = \$170 Stormwater fee



Example of initial agricultural proposal from Consultant deemed unacceptable

Property Info

- House plus outbuildings
- 48 ac
- Billing Units: 1 + 13.2
- Impervious areas discharged to green space

Annual Stormwater Fee

- Estimated base charge: \$2,584
- Potential credit: (\$1,292)
- Total \$1,292



Example of initial agricultural proposal from Consultant deemed unacceptable

Property Info

- Houses plus outbuildings
- 135 ac
- Billing Units: $3 \times 1 + 40.6 + 86.3$
- Impervious areas discharged to green space

Annual Stormwater Fee

- Estimated base charge: \$22,083
- Potential credit: (\$11,042)
- Total \$11,041



NEXT STEPS

- **Spring 2024** – Staff will report back with updated recommendations for agricultural properties
 - Public delegation opportunity when the report is presented to General Issues Committee
 - Final policy to be approved by Council
- **September 1, 2025** – New Stormwater Funding structure is implemented

QUESTIONS

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