



**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LASALLE
POLICE SERVICES BOARD**

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a) **Community Safety and Well-Being:**

The Ministry of the Solicitor General has been working with multi-sectoral government partners and local community and policing partners to develop the Provincial Approach to Community Safety and Well-Being.

This work began in 2009 with a partnership between the Ministry and the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP) – together, these two groups initiated the development of a provincial response to crime and victimization.

A new legislative requirement came into force on January 1, 2019 and municipalities had until January 1, 2021 to prepare and adopt a plan. The current *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 (CSPA)* mandates every municipal council to prepare and adopt a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan (CSWBP). Under the legislation [s. 248(1)], the responsibility to prepare and adopt a CSWBP applies to:

- I. Single-tier municipalities;
- II. Lower-tier municipalities in the County of Oxford and in counties; and
- III. regional municipalities, other than the County of Oxford.

Municipalities have the discretion and flexibility to develop joint plans with surrounding municipalities or First Nation communities [s. 248(2)], although First Nation band councils are not required to engage in Community Safety and Well-Being Planning by legislation.

The City of Windsor and municipalities of the County of Essex, in partnership with agencies and organization from many sectors, have developed a plan to support the safety and well-being of communities within Windsor and Essex County. The goal of this plan is to create a community where everyone feels safe, has a sense of belonging, has access to services and opportunities, and can have their needs met across Windsor and the County of Essex.

The Community Safety and Well-Being Planning Framework consists of the following four areas of intervention:

- I. Social Development: Promoting and maintaining community safety and well-being;
- II. Prevention: Proactively reducing identified risks;
- III. Risk Intervention: Mitigating situations of elevated risks; and
- IV. Incident Response: Critical and non-critical incident response.

While community safety and well-being planning needs to occur in all four areas of the framework, the majority of investments, time and resources should be spent on developing and/or enhancing social development, prevention and risk intervention strategies to reduce the number of individuals, families and communities that reach the point of requiring an incident response.

Developing strategies that are preventative as opposed to reactive will ensure efficiency, effectiveness and sustainability of safety and well-being service delivery across Ontario. It is also important to explore more efficient and effective ways of delivering services, including frontline incident response, to ensure those in crisis are receiving the proper supports from the most appropriate service provider.

It is the policy of the LaSalle Police Services Board (the Board) with respect to Community Safety and Well-Being that:

- I. As a legislative requirement, a member of the Board will participate as an Advisory Committee member to undertake the Community Safety and Well-Being planning and the subsequent implementation of a Community Safety and Well-Being plan; and
- II. As a legislative requirement, the Chief of Police or designate will participate as an Advisory Committee member to undertake the Community Safety and Well-Being planning and the subsequent implementation of a Community Safety and Well-Being plan.



Chair

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