

## Neighbourhood Watch Bulletin – November 27, 2017

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The Ottawa Police Service Traffic Unit issued 39 infraction notices for distracted driving during the evening of November 23rd.

Five officers from the unit did a blitz in the area of Isabella Street and Bank Street. They were there from 5pm to 7pm. During those two hours, 39 drivers were caught using their cell phones. Many more were seen, but officers were too busy with offenders to stop them.

"We were in full uniform, stood beside the road in full view of drivers, and we were still getting violators", said Sgt. Robert Cairns of the Traffic Unit. "This proves what a distraction the cell phone is."

The Ottawa Police Service would like to remind the public that the fine is \$490 and three points on their driving licence.

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Durant la soirée du 23 novembre, l'Unité de la circulation du Service de police d'Ottawa a délivré 39 avis d'infraction pour conduite inattentive.

Hier soir, cinq agents de l'unité menèrent une campagne-éclair près de la croisée des rues Isabella et Bank. Ils furent sur place entre 17 et 19 h. Au cours de ces deux heures 39 conducteurs se firent prendre à utiliser leur téléphone cellulaire au volant. Bien d'autres cas furent observés, mais les agents étaient déjà trop occupés auprès de contrevenants pour intervenir.

« Nous étions en uniforme complet, debout en bord de route à la vue des automobilistes, et on n'était jamais à court de contrevenants, » dit le sergent Robert Cairns, de l'Unité de la circulation. « Cela démontre vraiment à quel point le cellulaire est une distraction. »

Le Service de police d'Ottawa tient à rappeler aux gens qu'une telle infraction entraîne une amende se chiffrant à 490\$ et trois points d'inaptitude inscrits au dossier du conducteur.

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**Key Ottawa Police Service numbers:**

- \* Life threatening emergency assistance or to report a crime in progress .. **911**
- \* Non-emergencies and general inquiries ..... **613-236-1222**
- \* To make a police report online ..... [www.ottawapolice.ca](http://www.ottawapolice.ca)

OPS and By-Law services base their work on call statistics. The more calls that you make, the more neighbourhood services we receive.

**Importance of Reporting Prostitution and Problem Addresses**

Neighbourhood Watch members can support the police by writing down and phoning in important information such as: vehicle descriptions and license plate numbers (specify Ontario or Quebec) of anyone soliciting prostitutes, descriptions of drug dealers and addresses of crack houses.

**Graffiti**

If you spot graffiti, call 3-1-1. Graffiti kits are available from your city councillor.