



2011 Traffic Fine Revenue Grants Awarded

In February of 2011, Sechelt Council allocated over \$88,935 of 2011 Provincial Traffic Fine Revenue funding to Coast-based programs aimed at reducing crime and mitigating impacts of crime.

The Sunshine Coast RCMP detachment received \$30,000 to fund a variety of specialized programs. These include foot and bicycle patrols, the DARE program for local schools, an auxiliary program and for specialized training and equipment.

Each of the Sunshine Coast Community Justice Program and RCMP Based Victim Services were granted \$10,000. The Community Justice Program works with the 'restorative justice' model, where offenders repay victims or make other community restitution as an alternative to Court sentencing. This group also provides conflict resolution services and training to other organizations. Victim Services provides crisis intervention at police incident scenes and assists victims and witnesses of crime with information, emotional support and practical assistance with the Court process.

Maintenance of Sechelt's Skateboard Park will be funded with a grant of \$15,000. An allocation of \$20,285 has been set aside for the coast-wide Community Youth Worker Program. Smaller grants were also approved for the Community Resource Centre's "Home Alone" Workshops and the local Crime Stoppers program.