

**REPORT OF BROCK UNIVERSITY CAMPUS SAFETY SERVICES**

**TO**

**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA POLICE SERVICE BOARD**

**Date of Report:** July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
**Date of Board Meeting:** July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
**Report To:** Chair Pat Chiocchio and Members of the  
Regional Municipality of Niagara Police Service  
Board

**Reference:** Brock University Campus Safety Services Annual  
Report 2024

**Recommendation:** Receive for Information

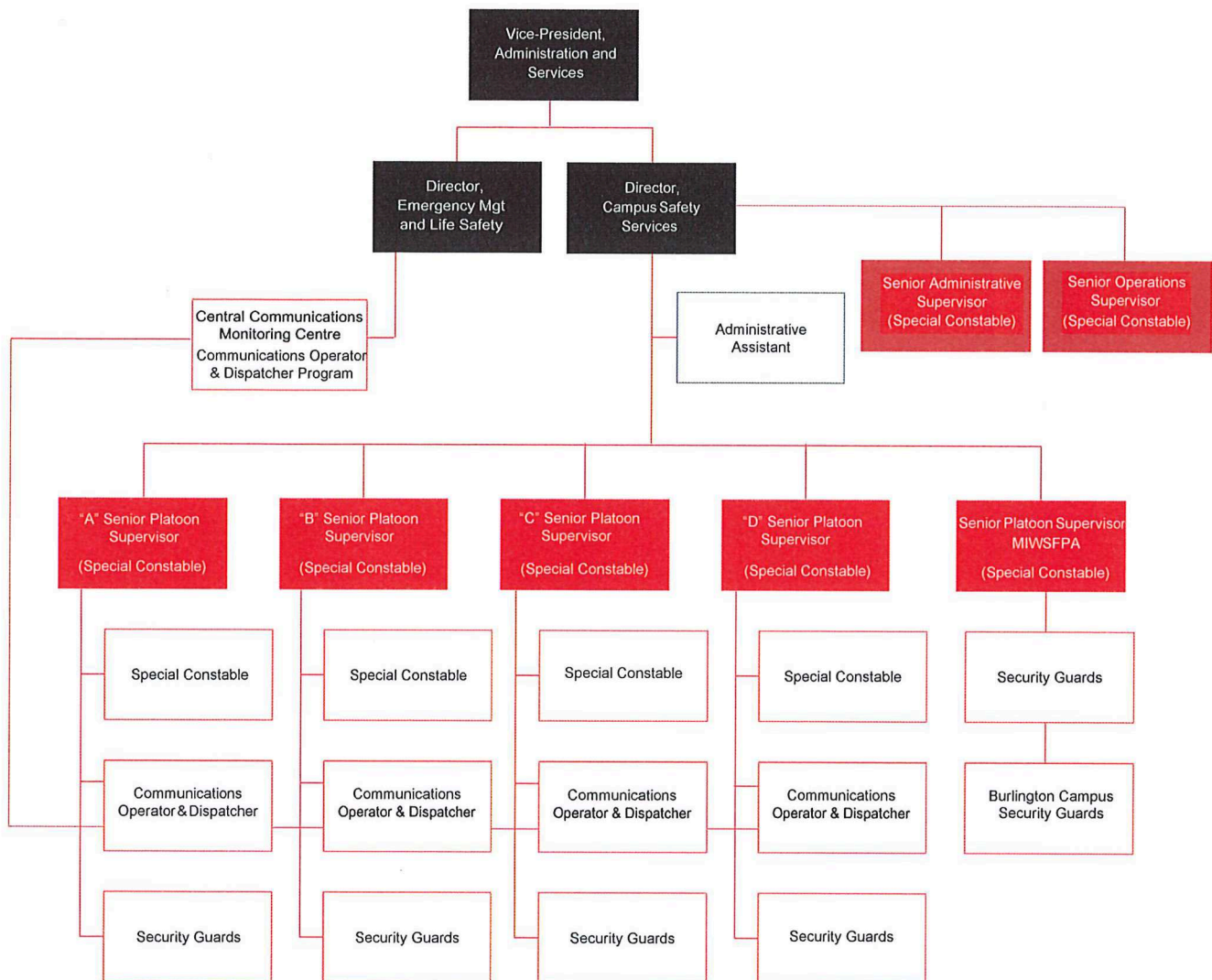
**Background:**

Brock University Campus Safety Services (CSS) takes pride in our dedicated team of experienced professionals who provide a safe, welcoming environment for students, faculty, staff and visitors. The safety of our Brock community is our number one priority along with promoting community-oriented services to all who live, work and learn at Brock University. In 2024, Brock University had a student population of just over 19,000 students, along with 6,000 full and part-time staff. This was also our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary year (1964-2024), which brought many of our 120,000 alumni back to celebrate.

**Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 (CSPA):**

The CSPA came into force on April 1, 2024. This legislation created a new process and oversight for Ontario's policing sector. Under the new framework, our authorities as Special Constables are now approved through the Regional Municipality of Niagara Police Service Board (NPSB). As such, a new Memorandum of Understanding between CSS and the NPSB was established. The legislation sets out new responsibilities for Special Constables expanding training, educational requirements and examinations through or approved by the Ontario Police College. Further, it includes a code of conduct, a complaints process, a process for appointments, requirements for authorization to become a Special Constable employer. After a lengthy application process, Brock University's application to become a Special Constable employer was approved by the Ministry of the Solicitor General on March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

## Campus Safety Services - Organizational Chart:



CSS reports directly to the Vice-President of Administration and Services. Presently, we have an authorized strength of 16 Special Constables which are complimented by 18 security guards from GardaWorld Security. We have a fully functional Central Communications Monitoring Centre located in our building, staffed with four full-time civilian communicators/dispatchers. This team is responsible for the 900 plus cameras, 280 panic buttons and 200 emergency phones across all campuses. This technology compliments our emergency responses campus-wide under our Emergency Management and Life Safety branch.



## **Statistical Information 2023-2024:**

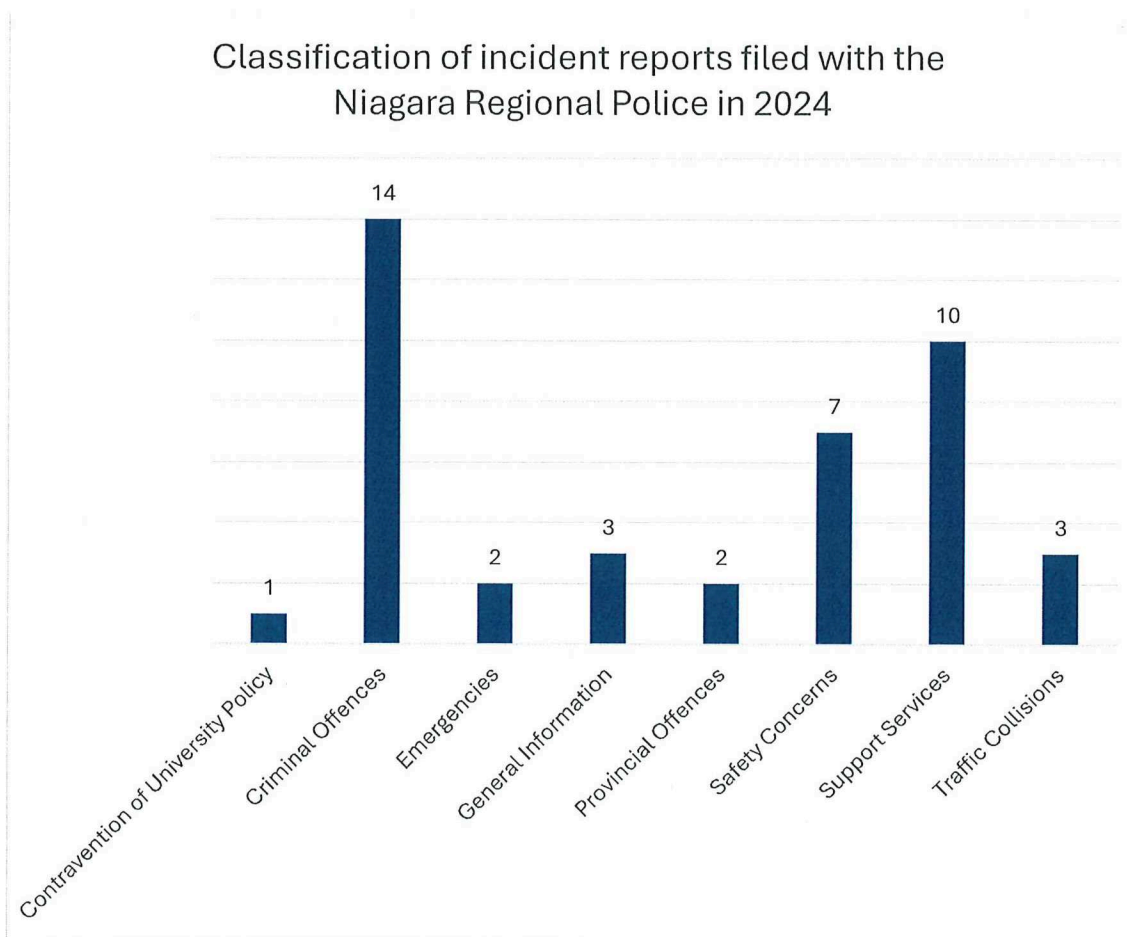
As required by the current M.O.U. The University shall provide the Board with an annual report with statistical and evaluative information including but not limited to enforcement activities, training and supervision of its Special Constables. Further categories of information may be requested by the Board from time to time. This information may include but not limited to information regarding enforcement activities (including the type of incidents responded to and investigations undertaken). See the following tables 1,2, 3 below

**Table 1**

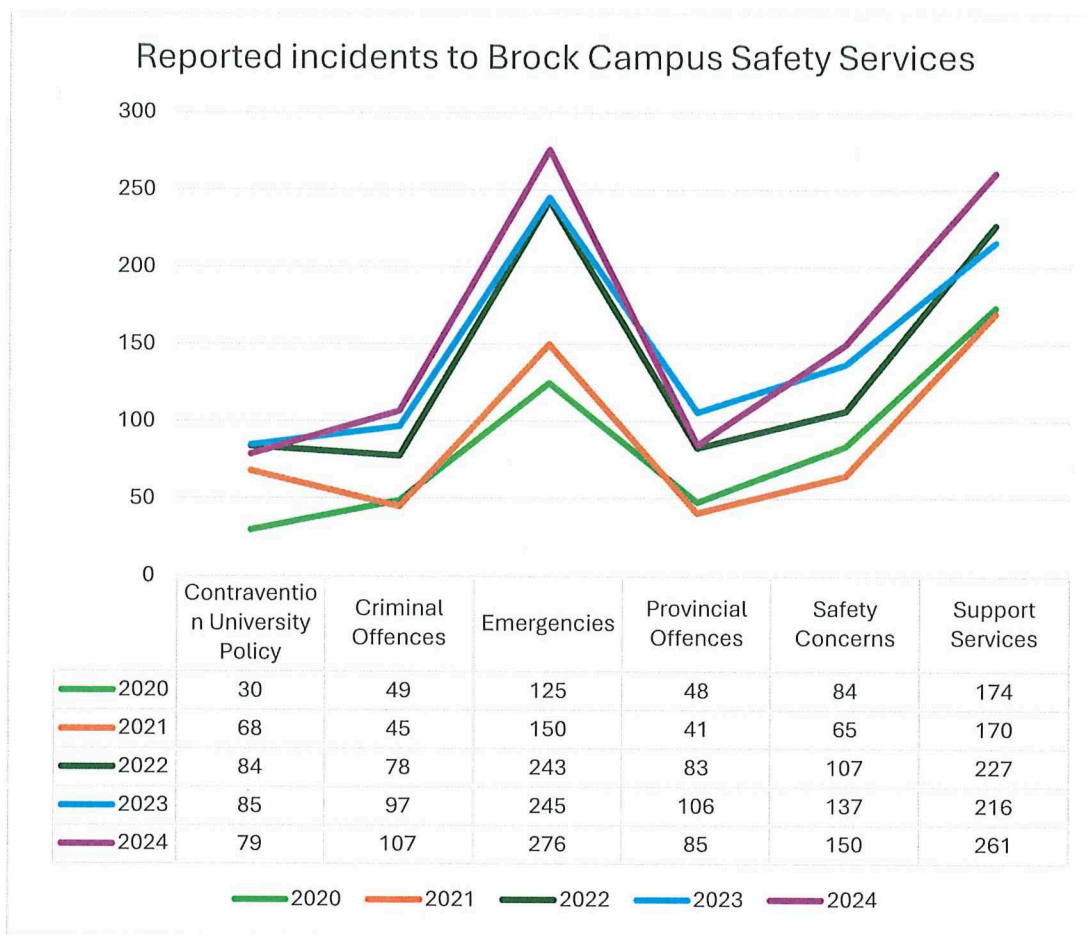
| <b>Reporting Requirements</b>                                  | <b>2023</b> | <b>2024</b> |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Contravention of University Policy</b>                      |             |             |
| Contravention of University Policy                             | 85          | 79          |
| <b>Criminal Offences</b>                                       |             |             |
| Assaults (Common, Bodily Harm)                                 | 3           | 5           |
| Breaking and Entering  | 1           | 1           |
| Criminal Harassment  | 2           | 1           |
| Disorderly Conduct   | 0           | 1           |
| Fail to Stop at an Accident                                    | 1           | 1           |
| Fraud/Attempted  | 6           | 8           |
| Forgery  | 2           | 0           |
| Harassment by Telephone  | 1           | 4           |
| Hate Propaganda  | 1           | 4           |
| Impaired Operation of a Vehicle                                | 0           | 1           |
| Mischief (over \$5000/under \$5000, University Property/Other) | 11          | 7           |
| Other Criminal Codes   | 1           | 0           |
| Other Sexual Offences  | 1           | 0           |
| Pointing a Firearm   | 1           | 0           |
| Possession of a Controlled Substance                           | 2           | 1           |
| Possession of a Prohibited Weapon                              | 0           | 1           |
| Sexual Assault/Harassment                                      | 2           | 4           |
| Theft/Attempted  | 55          | 60          |
| Uttering a Forged Document                                     | 2           | 2           |
| Uttering Threats   | 4           | 2           |
| <b>Emergency</b>   |             |             |
| Buildings (Elevator Entrapments, Fire Panels, Floods)          | 15          | 15          |
| Fire Alarms  | 70          | 80          |
| Medical Calls  | 151         | 178         |
| <b>Municipal Offences</b>                                      |             |             |
| Mark or Apply Graffiti   | 1           | 1           |
| Public Nuisance By-law   | 0           | 1           |
| <b>Property</b>  |             |             |
| Property Damage  | 46          | 49          |
| Recovered Stolen Property                                      | 4           | 2           |
| <b>Protests/Occupation</b>                                     |             |             |
| Occupation/Demonstrations                                      | 3           | 8           |
| <b>Provincial Offences</b>                                     |             |             |

|                               |     |     |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|
| Cannabis Act                  | 3   | 5   |
| Highway Traffic Act           | 3   | 3   |
| Liquor Licence & Control Act  | 11  | 12  |
| Mental Health Act             | 17  | 30  |
| Safe Streets Act              | 0   | 0   |
| Trespass to Property Act      | 72  | 35  |
| <b>Safety Concern</b>         |     |     |
| Missing Person                | 1   | 1   |
| Personal Safety Concerns      | 36  | 60  |
| Safety Hazard                 | 5   | 5   |
| Suspicious Person or Vehicle  | 55  | 57  |
| <b>Support Services</b>       |     |     |
| Assistance                    | 213 | 254 |
| Escorts (Person/Currency)     | 3   | 7   |
| <b>Traffic Accident</b>       |     |     |
| Traffic Collision Parking lot | 13  | 23  |
| Traffic Collision Roadway     | 10  | 6   |

**Table 2**



**Table 3**



### **Training and Supervision**

Each new Special Constable is required to successfully complete a five-week prescribed training course. Presently T.N.T Justice Consultants delivers that Training to Brock University and several other universities in the province. TNT Justice Consultants is a service provider that offers specialized training for organizations including multiple Universities within the Province. Training regulations are set out by the Police Services Act, Section 53, 1990 and the new Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019, S.O 2019, c. 1, Sched 1. According to these legislations, the Ministry requires that all training requirements are fulfilled. This training includes Use of Force, First Aid and CPR training, Provincial and Federal Legislation, Police Powers (special Constable). In addition, the new Community Safety and Policing Act requires four more requirements during the initial training.

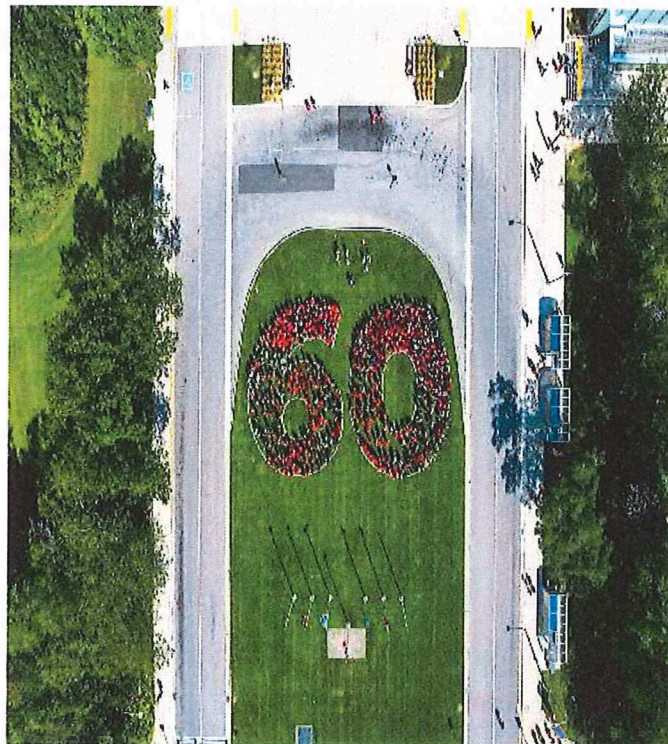
1. Techniques to de-escalate conflict situations.
2. Respect to human rights and systemic racism
3. The diverse, multiracial and multicultural character of Ontario society
4. The rights and cultures of First Nation, Inuit, and Métis peoples

Once all training is successfully complete the Special Constables then participate in an online examination conducted by the Ontario Police College.



## Campus Safety Services, Niagara Regional Police Service, and Communities:

Brock University Campus Safety Services works closely with many of our community partners both on and off our campuses, including the Niagara Regional Police Service (NRPS), Regional Emergency Management Coordinators, Emergency Medical Services (EMS), Fire Services, and the local municipalities of St. Catharines and Thorold. During Fall and Winter terms, particularly on busier nights, Brock University hires special duty NRPS officers and CSS will accompany officers into these neighborhoods with city By-Law officers. This targeted approach increases neighborhoods patrols; parking enforcement and noise complaints are dealt with swiftly. Over the past two years, this program has been very successful in reducing neighborhood complaints earning gratitude from both the community and local officials.



About 200 people gathered in front of the Maj.-Gen. Sir Isaac Brock statue on Wednesday, Sept 4th to take an aerial photo in celebration of Brock University's 60th anniversary. (Photo by Matt Milliere)

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