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Economics of Policing and Community Safety

INNOVATION IN REMOTE, NORTHERN AND ABORIGINAL POLICING

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First Nations in Quebec

Common Goal

- We have one common goal?
- No matter what language we talk?
- No matter the color of our skin?
- No matter what region, we are from; east, west, north or south?
- It's ***Public Safety!***

What is Public Safety?

- The primary goal of protecting the public and keeping them safe in their communities.
- How do we implement this process?
  - Crime prevention
  - Best practices
  - Enforcing the law(s)

The challenges:

- Extreme cold weather
- Being isolated
- Language barrier
- Higher crime rate compared to the south
- More violence acts
- Higher addictions (alcohol, drugs and solvent)
- Social problems
- High unemployment

WORKING IN THE NORTH

Respect:

- Traditions within that community/and nation
- Customs within that community/and nation
- Roles of elders and youth
- Family/clans
- History

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Trust:

- Talking to the elders and youth
- Talking to the challenged (offender)
- Sharing their beliefs and wisdom
- Working with resources (breaking the silos)
- Working with the community
- Most importantly, be part of the solution

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Partnerships:

- Establishing partnership with Chief and Council
- Establishing partnership with the elders
- Establishing partnership with community resources
- Most importantly, partnership with the community
- Facts (F) + Solutions (S) = Implement (I)

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Respect, Trust and Partnerships:

- Once achieved
- Role of police officer changes
- Such as: minister, mortician, counselor, legal advisor, firefighter, you name it, we do it!
- Even this guy

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Question Period