



SAFE RICHMOND

Richmond is a safe place to live, work, recreate and do business.

This city attracts and welcomes residents and visitors from all over the world because we are seen as a safe, stable, secure and inclusive community.

Keeping our community and all its residents safe is the foremost priority of Bill McNulty.

Community safety means preventing crime – but it means a great deal more. Bill McNulty takes the broadest view possible of safety, recognizing that best practices involve:

- Strengthening youth to become the best citizens they can be
- Encouraging all residents to actively engage in household, neighbourhood and community safety
- Enhancing collaborations between police, schools, community agencies and the public to engage everyone in maintaining a safe city
- Providing accessible, top-quality resources to empower every household to maximize safety in the event of crime, natural disaster or other emergency

Frontline Responders

Bill McNulty takes a holistic, practical and effective approach to community safety. This includes strong support for our frontline public safety partners:

- Police
- Fire-Rescue
- Emergency Preparedness
- Community Bylaws

As well as external partners, including:

- BC Ambulance Service
- Canadian Coast Guard Pacific Region
- Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue
- Richmond Health Services
- Vancouver Coastal Health Authority
- HealthLink BC
- Technical Safety BC

In recent years, with the leadership of Bill McNulty, Richmond has:

- Added 51 new RCMP officers and 36 fire-rescue personnel
- Upgraded existing fire halls and constructed new ones, ensuring seismic standards at all such facilities
- Created a police bike squad
- Advanced the replacement of Richmond Hospital's north tower
- Installed a network of 176 closed circuit intersection cameras to improve safety and expedite investigations
- Seen a significant reduction in residential break-ins and thefts from autos
- Restricted the growth and retail sale of cannabis within the city
- Adopted a Cultural Harmony Plan to "recognize and respect diversity in the community and enable each individual's contributions in all aspects of community life"

Building a Safe City Includes All of Us

Bill McNulty understands that community safety is a responsibility of all citizens. Engaged, observant residents are an irreplaceable part of a safe city.

Richmond is a leader in proactive, preventative approaches to community safety. The commitment of all residents to our collective well-being is the key to success. With the strong support of Bill McNulty, a range of innovative and collaborative initiatives are making our city safer, including:

- Auxiliary Constables, which enhance community and police partnerships, reducing crime and empowering individual residents.
- [Block Watch](#), a neighbourhood-based crime prevention approach that strengthens communities and builds connections while addressing crime and disorder.
- Business Link, which empowers retailers and other businesses to reduce crime through preventative measures.

- Crime Free Multi-Housing, which to help residential owners, managers, residents, police and other agencies address illegal and nuisance activity in rental properties.
- The Richmond RCMP Victim/Witness Services, which delivers timely, professional assistance to victims of crime, witnesses and their families.

The [City of Richmond has a number of superb resources](#) for keeping homes, businesses and communities safe and welcoming. Access them here:

- [Crime Prevention Guide](#)
- [Home Security](#)
- [Business Security](#)
- [Community Policing & Block Watch](#)

Enhancing Safe Communities through Empowering the Next Generation

We recognize that community safety is a process and depends on nurturing young citizens who respect our collective well-being and appreciate their role in building an inclusive, safe society. Among the programs strengthening young people and creating an ever-safer community are:

- DARE, which is a prevention education partnership between the community, schools and police to address substance abuse.
- Restorative Justice, a constructive process coordinated by Touchstone Family Association to assist victims and create accountability among young people who commit crimes.
- Multiple collaborations between Richmond RCMP and the community, including: School Liaison, which helps build better relationships between police and young people; The Richmond RCMP Youth Section, which emphasizes a balance of education and enforcement to keep young people safe and out of trouble; and Youth Intervention, which provides assessment, counselling and referral services to youth who have been identified by RCMP as being in conflict with the law or at risk of such.

Public Awareness and Transparency

Knowledge and awareness are key to preventing crime, accessing justice and reducing unwarranted fear. We have a transparent public reporting system on incidents of crime in Richmond that anyone can access through this [interactive map](#).

Emergency Preparedness

Keeping our city and its residents safe is not only a matter of addressing crime. Our comprehensive approach to a safe Richmond involves multifaceted approaches. The City of Richmond has developed resources to guide residents, responders and officials to confront and contain any eventuality, including air crashes, earthquakes, flooding, hazardous materials skills and more.

Some of the resources every resident should review include:

- [Preparing for an emergency](#)
- [Climate and weather-related emergencies and prevention strategies](#)

If you would like to speak with Bill on an issue of community safety – or any other topic – contact him at _____.