

### DRIVE<sup>2</sup> Strategy 2023-2025 Diversity, Respect, Inclusion, Values, Equity and Engagement

A roadmap to continue our journey of transformative change

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#### Message from the Chief

I'm pleased to present the Ottawa Police Service's new DRIVE<sup>2</sup> Strategy – our roadmap for transformative change towards a more Diverse, Respectful, Inclusive, Values-based, Equitable, and Engaging police service.

In 2020, the Service launched the initial threeyear Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Action Plan. It was a groundbreaking plan that included 10 action items to improve areas within the Service and for the community. Many positive results have been achieved but there is much more we have to do to continue the momentum of the initial action plan.

The population of Ottawa has exceeded 1,000,000 and it is a city rich in diversity and multiculturalism. As a public service organization, we recognize the important benefits of not only reflecting the diversity of the population but also providing services and supporting environments that value and respond to the unique characteristics of the many communities within the National Capital Region. As well, the Ottawa Police Service is committed to upholding human rights and the principles of equity, diversity, and inclusion. The Service is on a journey of organizational change, seeking to improve service response and internal culture through multiple approaches. The new three-year DRIVE<sup>2</sup> Strategy has been developed in collaboration with the Community Equity Council. The Strategy embeds EDI as a shared responsibility across the Service and sets the organization in the direction of continued teamwork, growth, and progress.

The DRIVE<sup>2</sup> Strategy will be our roadmap to continue the journey of transformative change our members and the communities we serve both want and deserve.

Success of this new strategy will rely on the commitment of all police members to embrace the plan and find where they can each contribute to positively influence the work environment and our service to communities. We need our members and partners in the community to contribute to the success of this next three-year plan.

Together we will continue this journey and drive action.

Eric Stubbs Chief of Police

### Introduction

The Ottawa Police Service (OPS) **DRIVE<sup>2</sup> Strategy** was developed in collaboration with the Community Equity Council (CEC) and is reflective of numerous inputs from both community and OPS members, as well as multiple stakeholder engagements and third-party reviews and audits that identified needed changes to improve culture and service delivery. The Strategy is a comprehensive human rights organizational change strategy with shared responsibility across OPS.

The DRIVE<sup>2</sup> Strategy builds on the foundational work of its predecessor, the 2020-2022 Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Action Plan (See Appendix A: EDI Action Plan 2020-2022 Accomplishments). Four **key focus areas** to guide our work the next three years.

- 1. Community Service Delivery
- 2. Members Work Environment
- 3. Leadership & Accountability
- 4. Connecting & Learning

Each focus area supports the achievement of the Strategy's overall goals and includes specific 2023 action items that are assigned to leads within the organization to drive proactive change. External stakeholder supports, methods of measurement, and expected outcomes are also included. Action items for the next two years (2024 and 2025) will be aligned with the annual budget process and identified based on police and community member inputs, assessments, and environmental scans.



2023-2025 DRIVE<sup>2</sup> Strategy – Focus Areas

### Current Environment and Calls for Change

As the nation's capital police service, the Ottawa Police Service must be acutely aware of the national and international news and events that impact our city – including but not limited to COVID-19, Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls, unmarked grave site findings at former residential schools, the opioid crisis, Police Reform demonstrations, Black Lives Matter movements, police defunding efforts, rising violence against women and hate crimes against various communities. These areas of concern are also opportunities to build understanding and relationships, and to enhance public safety and trust. By acknowledging community concerns and the disproportionate impact on specific communities, we can more effectively work together for positive change.

As a police service, the OPS is also operating in a constantly changing environment with legislative policing requirements, rulings, and decisions. Faced with budget and staffing pressures, the Service needs to be flexible and transparent with an aim to meet and exceed these changing requirements at the federal, provincial, and municipal levels.

Ottawa is a diverse city that continues to grow. The OPS must continue to evolve in turn, adjusting to meet the changing needs of a dynamic and growing population. It is imperative that the Service listens to community needs and builds relationships to effectively address concerns and improve the safety and well-being of all residents, visitors and newcomers (new immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers).

We know from listening to both police and community members that we need to improve overall service delivery as well as our internal culture, policies, and practices.

The DRIVE<sup>2</sup> Strategy is the roadmap to support continued transformative change. In collaboration with stakeholder partners and communities, we will be better positioned to navigate through the complex and challenging environments to affect positive change.



### Setting Goals and Measuring Impact

Together we will drive action in the **DRIVE<sup>2</sup> Strategy**'s four focus areas to ensure we make meaningful progress over the next three years by focusing on achieving the following key goals:

- 1. **Excellence in Service Delivery.** The OPS recognizes that to best serve the needs of Ottawa's communities, the organization must fully engage with the public leveraging a diverse array of interpersonal skills to gain understanding, mutual respect, and trust.
- 2. A Diverse, Equitable, and Inclusive Internal Culture. To support excellence in service delivery, the OPS must foster an internal culture with an intersectional approach that values diversity and the unique skills, experiences, and contributions of every Service member.
- 3. **Continuous Exemplary Leadership.** OPS leaders at all levels must model the way for members, demonstrating respectful interactions and ensuring every member is treated equitably and has equal opportunity to contribute to the organization throughout their respective careers.
- 4. **Continuous Engagement.** Achievement of the above three goals must be supported through continuous connecting and learning. The OPS is committed to change and will engage in meaningful interactions with community as well as with each other for transparency, continuous professional development, measurement, and progress.

We are committed to measuring and tracking our progress over time against available benchmarks and metrics to determine if we are reaching our target outcomes in the short (annual) and long-term (2025). We will also conduct assessments and track key performance indicators for each focus area.

Additionally, we will provide regular updates on our progress to the community, the Board and OPS members.

Focus Area	Methods of Measurement							
<ul> <li>* Baselined</li> <li>⊙ Strong correlation</li> <li>⊙ Some correlation</li> </ul>	Public Opinion Survey*	Member Engagement*	Demographics*	Complaint type/Frequency	Race-Based Data (Use of Force & traffic-stops)*	Learning Evaluation	Crime Statistics*	Global Diversity Equity and Inclusion Benchmarks
Community - Service Delivery	۲			0	۲		۲	۲
Members – Work Environment		۲	۲	0				۲
Leadership & Accountability		۲						۲
Connecting & Learning		۲		0		۲		۲

### **Community – Service Delivery**

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We will collaborate with communities to ensure equitable policing services that build trust by:

- Engaging and building relationships with the many diverse communities we serve;
- Addressing and preventing systemic discrimination in programs, projects, operations, and decisions; and,
- Reducing violence and victimization, and confronting hate against marginalized groups.

2023 Action Items	Leads	Outcomes
<b>1.1. Use of Force Community Review Panel</b> Respond to 2020 Use of Force race-based data report	Human Resources (PDC)	<ul> <li>community</li> <li>participation results</li> <li>in improved</li> </ul>
recommendation to create a community review panel to improve use of force procedures and training.	Respect Values & Inclusion (EDI)	procedures, training and race-based data reports
	CEC	
1.2. Hate Crime Response	Serious & Organized	- coordination and
<ul> <li>Additional officer for Hate and Bias Crime Unit.</li> <li>Work with partner coalitions to improve reporting, awareness, and coordination.</li> </ul>	Crime Directorate (HBC) & RVI (SPE)	partnerships lead to improved public awareness, citizen
awareness, and coordination.	United for All Coalition	empowerment, and reporting for victims
1.3. Race and Equity Data Strategy	Strategy &	- more rapid
Develop a Race Data Strategy, as well as policies and procedures, to identify racial disproportionalities and systemic racism in police encounters, specifically Use of Force and traffic stops.	Communications Directorate (BPU)	identification of systemic barriers and collective
	Respect Values & Inclusion (EDI)	problem-solving that improves disproportionalities
	CEC – EDI Committee	
1.4. Neighbourhood Policing Review	Neighbourhood	- improved
<ul> <li>Review the Neighbourhood Policing Strategy and NRT model with the Community Equity Council to strengthen</li> </ul>	Policing Directorate	community policing/CSWB
protocols and deployment.	CEC	approach across OPS
- Begin third party outcome evaluation with assessment and logic models.		
-Embed community policing/CSWB approach across OPS.		

2023 Action Items	Leads	Outcomes
<ul> <li>1.5. Call Referral Model</li> <li>Support the community-based Guiding Council for Mental Health &amp; Addictions in its research and efforts to develop an alternative response for low risk calls for service.</li> <li>Assign an officer and business analyst to the project team to support identification of call types that can be diverted, identify partnerships, and design the referral model by Q4.</li> </ul>	Ottawa Guiding Council for Mental Health & Addictions	<ul> <li>new referral model for low-risk calls meets expectations and improves services</li> </ul>
1.6. Indigenous Relations Journey	Neighbourhood	- partnership work
In partnership with the Ottawa Aboriginal Coalition	Policing Directorate	leads to improved
(OAC), improve service delivery to unique needs of	Investigations	relationships with and service delivery
<ul> <li>Indigenous communities by creating:</li> <li>OPS education sessions by Indigenous community members.</li> </ul>	Directorate	to Indigenous communities
- Relationship building and problem-solving	Ottawa Aboriginal	
enhancements via OAC Indigenous Women's Safety Table.	Coalition (OAC)	
- OPS Indigenous Liaison position.	CEC Indigenous	
- Indigenous Awareness resources.	Relations Committee	
1.7. VAW/Femicide, Intimate Partner Violence	Investigations	- partnership activitie
Continue to work with frontline agencies, Indigenous organizations, and Violence Against Women (VAW)	Directorate	with partners and service providers
partners and stakeholders to develop sensitive and		leads to improved
appropriate response to victims of violence and abuse:		support and services to victims
- Support community partners and ensure adequate and		to victims
timely support for victims referred from OPS to community partners.	Multiple	
- Assist in funding a grant writer to support community		
social service agencies applying for funding.		
- Ensure all sworn members receive Intimate Partner		
Violence Investigator course and trauma informed training		
and that every section has an identified VAW liaison.		
1.8. 2SLGBTQQIA+/OPS Collaboration	Respect, Values &	- relationship work
Engage with 2SLGBTQQIA+ communities to identify safety	Inclusion (SPE)	leads to improved
needs and improve service response.	2SLGBTQQIA+	service responses increasing safety
	Community	increasing survey
	Stakeholders	

1.9. Partnership in Action – Community Engagement	Respect, Values &	- enhanced	
Enhance consultation and engagement practices and proactively expand reach to ensure a wider range of people can contribute their diverse insights and ideas in addressing safety priorities.	Inclusion (SPE)	community engagement with diverse communitie helps set priorities and increase safety	
<ul> <li>1.10. Guns and Gangs Approach</li> <li>Continue to work with Crime Prevention Ottawa on the four-pillar strategy approach to gang and street violence.</li> <li>Participate in provincial guns, gangs and violence reduction strategy.</li> <li>Increase crime analysis capabilities, dashboard, and partnerships to increase solvency rate for shootings.</li> </ul>	Serious & Organized Crime Directorate Crime Prevention Ottawa	<ul> <li>decrease in shootings and related crimes</li> </ul>	
<b>1.11. Conflict Resolution and Peacebuilding</b> Build on partnership with the Canadian Institute for Conflict Resolution to expand the conflict resolution and peacebuilding program into communities most impacted by violence and systemic discrimination.	Respect, Values & Inclusion (SPE) Canadian Institute for Conflict Resolution	<ul> <li>builds trust and empowers communities to partner for change</li> </ul>	
<b>1.12. Annual Human Rights Learning Forum</b> Work with community partners to plan 8th annual forum (December 2023).	Respect, Values & Inclusion (SPE) Neighbourhood Policing Directorate (DRR)	<ul> <li>learning forum leads to new relationships and action to improve human rights</li> </ul>	
<b>1.13. Annual Diversity Celebration</b> Work with community partners to create annual Diversity Celebration (June 2023).	Neighbourhood Policing Directorate (DRR)	<ul> <li>increased</li> <li>intercultural</li> <li>awareness,</li> <li>engagement, and</li> <li>partnerships</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>1.14. Community Celebration/Recognition Events</li> <li>Participate in community celebration/recognition events with partners. Examples include: <ul> <li>International Women's Day</li> <li>Special Olympics</li> <li>Pride Week</li> <li>Epilepsy Awareness</li> </ul> </li> <li>Black History Month <ul> <li>Flotilla for Friendship</li> <li>International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination</li> <li>National Indigenous Peoples Day</li> <li>International Human Rights Day</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Neighbourhood Policing Directorate (DRR) Multiple	<ul> <li>increased</li> <li>intercultural</li> <li>awareness,</li> <li>engagement, and</li> <li>partnerships</li> </ul>	
<b>1.15. Multi-Language Translation Services</b> Implement virtual multi-language services application to enhance police-community interactions.	Respect, Values & Inclusion (EDI)	<ul> <li>enhanced</li> <li>communications</li> <li>improve service</li> <li>delivery</li> </ul>	

### **Members – Work Environment**

We will continue to build a diverse, equitable, and inclusive workplace where all members are valued for their unique skills, abilities, and experience by:

- Removing barriers to improve employment opportunities and benefits in all areas, including but not limited to recruitment, selection, hiring, promotion, retention, professional development, transfers, training.
- Identifying targets and tools to improve equity and representation; and,
- Promoting member inclusion, safety, and wellness programs and other initiatives.

2023 Action Items	Leads	Outcomes
2.1. Employment Systems Review (ESR)	Human Resources	- identifying and
Implementation of an ESR across Human Resources to identify and address systemic barriers to improve equity for all members	Respect, Values & Inclusion (EDI)	addressing barriers improves equity for all members
2.2. Self-Identification Data Collection	Human Resources	- new self-identification
Implementation of a method for regular collection and reporting of member self-identification information	Respect, Values & Inclusion (EDI)	platform results in more regular data collection and analysis
2.3. Safe Workplace Program (SWP)		- results in
Continued implementation of five pillars (prevention, understand, support, respond, restore) to address	Human Resources	improvements to morale, safety and
organizational change that correspond to Rubin Thomlinson report. - Mediator Position.	Respect, Values & Inclusion (REV)	well-being, engagement
<ul> <li>Rollout Case Management System.</li> <li>Conduct prevention awareness campaign.</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Senior Manager Position to oversee SWP.</li> <li>Implement Integrated Conflict Management System.</li> </ul>		
- Strengthen SWP related policies, procedures, tools, and training to create safe spaces, address workplace conflict issues, and reduce fear of reprisal.		
- Implementation of a Code of Ethics.		
<ul> <li>Creation of Champions of Professional Practice of members to act as ambassadors and force multipliers related to sexual violence and harassment in the workplace.</li> </ul>		
- Implement monitoring and evaluation.		
- Creation of new policy approach to align related human rights and EDI policies together within a unified framework.	Respect, Values & Inclusion (EDI)	

2023 Action Items	Leads	Outcomes
<ul> <li>2.4. Member Wellness Program Enhancements</li> <li>The Wellness team will continue to focus on program enhancements to increase member resiliency and morale</li> <li>Implement recommendations from the 2021/22 <ul> <li>Abilities Management internal audit and WSIB audit</li> <li>Initiate a shift schedule review with the Ottawa Police</li> <li>Association.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Improve collection and analysis of health and wellness program performance data to better align those members returning to work with modified duties.</li> <li>Improve management of injury and illness severity to reduce costs, including an abilities management process review.</li> </ul>	Human Resources (WSB)	- member wellness statistics and survey results show improvements
<ul> <li>2.5. Employee Resource Groups (ERGs)</li> <li>Formalized budgeting for ERGs.</li> <li>Expansion of ERGs.</li> <li>ERG events and activities to support international/ national recognition events and other member inclusion activities.</li> </ul>	Respect, Values & Inclusion (SPE) ERGs	<ul> <li>workplace support, empowerment, and inclusion for members is enhanced</li> </ul>
2.6. Interfaith Prayer Spaces	Respect, Values &	- 3 prayer spaces are
Creation of interfaith prayer spaces in the workplace for members.	Inclusion (EDI) Facilities	created to support member religious and spiritual needs
<b>2.7. Chaplain Program Re-Launch</b> Re-launch Chaplain Program to support religious and spiritual needs of members.	Human Resources (WSB)	<ul> <li>member religious and spiritual needs are enhanced</li> </ul>

### Leadership & Accountability

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We will equip OPS leaders at multiple levels with the resources needed to promote DRIVE2 Strategy objectives by taking actions to foster a diverse, equitable, and inclusive workplace as well as to model respectful and culturally informed interpersonal relationships by:

- Using an intersectional lens and anti-racism approaches in our programs, policies, and decision-making;
- Supporting leadership development and coaching in human rights, EDI, and cultural awareness; and,
- Focusing on governance and accountability.

2023 Action Items	Leads	Outcome
<ul> <li>3.1. EDI Strategy 2023-2025</li> <li>Implementation and monitoring plan.</li> <li>Governance and accountability framework that includes EDI Sponsor, CEC-EDI Committee, PSB Committee and reporting cycles.</li> </ul>	Respect, Values & Inclusion (EDI) CEC-EDI Committee	<ul> <li>increased accountability for EDI with regular monitoring and status reporting increases engagement and trust</li> </ul>
<b>3.2. EDI &amp; Engagement Lens</b> Ensure full integration and consistent implementation for employment and service delivery projects, policies, and processes.	Respect, Values & Inclusion (EDI & SPE)	<ul> <li>barriers are identified an addressed sooner, or prevented, to improve equity and inclusion</li> </ul>
<b>3.3. Leadership Development and Coaching</b> Intercultural Development Inventory (IDI) assessments, developmental plans, and coaching.	Respect, Values & Inclusion (EDI)	- completed IDI assessments and developmental plans lead to enhanced cultural competency with colleagues and community members
<b>3.4. Annual Reports to the Board</b> Annual reports to the Board from across the OPS, including: Accessibility, Engagement/Public Consultation, Human Rights and Racial Profiling, Use of Force, Regulated Interactions, Equitable Work Environment, Positive Workplace, and Drive <sup>2</sup> updates.	Various	- Board reports demonstrate compliance and progress across the organization, resulting in increased engagement and trust.

### **Connecting & Learning**

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We will be committed to our EDI learning journey and to continuous improvement by focusing on:

- Meaningful engagement and transparent communications, both internally and externally;
- Professional development and training; and
- Measuring progress.

2023 Action Items	Leads	Outcomes
<b>4.1. Engagement &amp; Communications Plans</b> Create engagement and communications plans to support change management and build capacity for EDI throughout the organization that also helps build trust with stakeholders and communities.	Respect, Values & Inclusion (EDI and SPE)	<ul> <li>increased awareness and engagement for EDI creates momentum for change and builds trust</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>4.2. Learning and Development</li> <li>Ensure a culture of learning with a human rights and EDI learning plan that supports organizational values and includes community participation in the design delivery, and evaluation of training, including: <ul> <li>Anti-Black Racism.</li> <li>Indigenous Cultural Awareness.</li> <li>Active Bystandership Training.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Human Resources Respect, Values & Inclusion (REV, EDI) CEC Anti-Racism Committee Various partners	<ul> <li>builds understanding and skills that positively impacts internal and external relationships and service delivery</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>4.3. Data Collection, Measurements, and KPIs</li> <li>Improve data collection for employment and service delivery.</li> <li>Development of realistic KPIs and measurement tools for EDI activities.</li> </ul>	Respect, Values & Inclusion (EDI)	<ul> <li>results in improved ability to measure EDI work</li> </ul>

#### Acknowledgements



The Community Equity Council (CEC), working within an intersectional framework, collaborates with the Ottawa Police Service to work more effectively with Indigenous, racialized, and faith-based communities in Ottawa.

The CEC Committees, which include but are not limited to the Anti-Racism Committee, an Indigenous Relations Committee, the Communications Committee, and the EDI Committee, are co-led by a community and a police member of the CEC.

The CEC and its related Committees were instrumental in advising on the priority action items included in the 2020-2023 EDI Action Plan, assisting in identifying target outcomes and success indicators, and conducting important relationship building activities including listening circles in the community. The Ottawa Police Service is grateful for this important relationship with the CEC and thanks the dedicated members for their guidance in working together to drive change for this new strategy.

The OPS also acknowledges and thanks the many other individuals who contributed to the development of the **2023-2025 DRIVE<sup>2</sup> Strategy**, as well as the many who will support its implementation in the months ahead.

The OPS would also like to acknowledge the Centre for Global Inclusion and the Global Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Benchmarks for providing a framework to develop the strategy and measure progress.



### Appendix A: EDI Action Plan 2020-2022 Accomplishments

The Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Action Plan 2020-2022 was a major deliverable of the Ottawa Police Services Board's (Board) Strategic Plan in the priority area of making "Meaningful Progress on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion."

Leading up to the development of the Action Plan, there were several independent reports and recommendations as well as significant input from police and community members that were calling for systemic and cultural change in policing.

At our fifth Annual Human Rights Learning Forum on December 4th, 2019, OPS made a commitment to community and police members to continue our leadership and partnership work on EDI and release an action plan in January 2020. OPS delivered on that commitment by tabling the EDI Action Plan 2020-2022 at the January 27, 2020 Board meeting.

The concise and user-friendly action plan with ten priority items was developed with input from a variety of sources including previously released related reports and significant inputs from both police and community members. OPS also worked closely with the Community Equity Council (CEC) and its working committees to design the plan, set the priorities, and implement the plan.



The following table provides a summary of completed work – much of it built in collaboration with community stakeholders, and partners such as the CEC. Further details are available in the EDI Action Plan: 2020–2022 Closeout Report, presented to the Board in March 2023.

The OPS is proud of the important foundational work completed to date and its progress on the journey to becoming more equitable, inclusive, and diverse police service. While we have outlined the many accomplishments towards this goal in the EDI Action Plan: 2020 – 2022 Closeout Report, there is much more work to do. The DRIVE<sup>2</sup> Strategy 2023-2025 builds on those accomplishments. It's critical to maintain the momentum on creating a Service that police and community members want and deserve.

Build EDI Office	Leadership & Coaching	EDI Lens Toolkit	Expand Community Policing - NRTS	Recruitment & Background Process
<ul> <li>Build &amp; Leverage SME: capacity, coordination, comms</li> <li>RVI Directorate Build – REV, SPE, EDI</li> <li>Move DRR to leverage and build capacity at neighbourhood level</li> <li>Safer Workplace Office created</li> <li>Lean staffing model based on decentralized EDI work across OPS</li> <li>Design measurement frameworks &amp; logic models</li> <li>CEC EDI Committee for governance and accountability</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Develop Leadership Commitment &amp; Competency</li> <li>Human Rights &amp; EDI leadership session on: Anti-Black Racism, Trauma Informed Training, Intercultural development</li> <li>Intercultural Development assessments &amp; plans (IDI)</li> <li>Executive Sponsorship for EDI, Safe Workplace Program</li> <li>Senior Leadership on CEC and CEC committees</li> <li>Executive Sponsors for ERGs are senior leaders who guide/support</li> <li>Business owners and sponsors for VAW, Indigenous Women's Safety Table</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Tool to identify EDI gaps, barriers, &amp; opportunities to improve employment and service delivery</li> <li>EDI and Engagement Lens developed for internal/employment &amp; service delivery – application to projects, programs, policies, and programs</li> <li>EDI review and participation on transfer review process, new competency framework, leadership development program, performance management system.</li> <li>Inclusive Language guides developed</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Expand proactive community engagement for improved trust and relationship building</li> <li>Expansion of NRTs</li> <li>Participation on City Community Safety &amp; Well-Being Planning Table</li> <li>Indigenous Women's Safety Table</li> <li>OPS Business Owner for Violence Against Women partnership work</li> <li>Committee participation with Stakeholders- Youth Advisory Committee (YAC), CDF Steering Table, Equity Ottawa, Aboriginal Working Committee</li> <li>Partnerships to address gun violence - healing circles and peacebuilding</li> <li>Recognition of national/international events/days of remembrance for women, 2SLGBTQQIA+, Indigenous, Black, and racialized</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Address barriers/ inequities and enhance inclusion to be competitive in employment and better reflect our community</li> <li>Continued improvements and enhancements to recruitment and background process.</li> <li>Identified next steps include further application of EDI lens and detailed employment systems review as well as setting hiring targets</li> </ul>
Enhance Member Wellness	Mental Health Response	Improve Member Complaint Process	Hate Crimes Section	Systemic Discrimination
<ul> <li>Improve member wellness &amp; inclusion</li> <li>Expanded Wellness Unit and programming, including resources</li> <li>Creation and support of Employee Resource Groups (ERGs)</li> <li>Wellness Unit support to Pandemic Team for member supports and accommodations</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Create strategy to improve mental health response(s) and outcomes</li> <li>Creation of Guiding Council of stakeholders and development of community- led mental health strategy connected to City of Ottawa Community Safety and Well- Being Plan and the Ottawa Local Immigrant Partnership Network</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Improve Member Complaint Process, including creation of a special joint project with the Board to address sexual violence and harassment in the workplace.</li> <li>Special project led to third party reporting period with recommendations.</li> <li>Creation of a Safe Workplace Program</li> <li>Creation of independent Safe Workplace Office and resources to improve complaint and investigation process with central triaging and reporting.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Improve OPS response to increasing Hate Crimes</li> <li>Hate Crime Section created and resourced</li> <li>Partnerships with stakeholders including, United for All Against Hate and Community Equity Council.</li> <li>Human Rights Learning Forum – Understanding Trauma of Hate and Bias (December 2022).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Continue leadership work to address systemic discrimination and racial profiling concerns with partners and members</li> <li>Develop human rights &amp; EDI Learning strategy</li> <li>Introduce new learning opportunities: Trauma informed session, Indigenous Cultural Awareness E- learning modules, EDI and Intercultural learning modules, Racial profiling case review, Call it Out – Understanding Systemic Racism, and Active Bystander training program.</li> <li>Use of Force data collection report and recommendations to create a UofF Citizens Review Panel and create an OPS Race and Equity Data Strategy</li> <li>New position - Senior Data Analyst in Equity/Social Identity (Nov.22)</li> </ul>

#### Appendix B: Key Definitions

**Anti-racism:** an active and consistent process of change to eliminate individual, institutional, and systemic racism as well as the oppression and injustice racism causes.

**Barrier:** anything that prevents a person from fully taking part in all aspects of society, including physical, architectural, information or communications, attitudinal, economic, and technological barriers, as well as policies or practices.

**Community Engagement:** action that encourages the participation of neighbours and citizens in increasing their own and others' safety, security and well-being. Community Engagement is the process by which citizens are engaged to work and learn together on behalf of their communities to create and realize bold visions for the future.

**Cultural Competence:** an ability to interact effectively with people of different cultures, particularly in human resources, non-profit organizations, and government agencies whose employees work with persons from different cultural/ethnic backgrounds.

**Diversity:** the presence of a wide range of human qualities and attributes within an individual, group, or organization. Diversity includes such factors as age, sex, ethnicity, physical and intellectual ability, religion, sexual orientation, educational background, and expertise.

**Equity:** fairness and impartiality. It is a distinct process of recognizing differences within groups of individuals and using this understanding to achieve substantive equality.

**Human rights:** refers to rights legally enshrined in international human rights conventions and Canada's human rights laws, including the Canadian Human Rights Act, the federal Employment Equity Act, the Charter of Rights and Freedoms, and provincial human rights codes including the Ontario Human Rights Code.

**Inclusion:** appreciating and using our unique differences, strengths, and talents in a way that shows respect for the individual and ultimately creates a dynamic multi-dimensional organization.

Intersectional: The concept of 'intersectionality' has been defined as "intersectional oppression [that] arises out of the combination of various oppressions which, together, produce something unique and distinct from any one form of discrimination standing alone." An intersectional approach takes into account the historical, social and political context and recognizes the unique experience of the individual based on the intersection of all relevant grounds. This approach allows the particular experience of grounds involved, to be acknowledged and remedied.

**Self-identification:** the voluntary, confidential, self-disclosure of one or more personal identity characteristics, typically protected grounds of discrimination under human rights legislation (i.e. gender).

**Systemic racism:** patterns of behaviour, policies or practices that are part of the structures of an organization, and which create or perpetuate disadvantage for racialized persons.

#### Appendix C: Acronyms

**2SLGBTQQIA+**: 2-Spirit, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Transsexual, Queer, Questioning, Intersex, and Asexual. The plus-sign encompasses other identities not listed.

**BPU:** Business Performance Unit **CEC**: Community Equity Council **CICR**: Canadian Institute for Conflict Resolution **CSWB**: Community Safety and Well-being DRIVE<sup>2</sup>: Diversity, Respect, Inclusion, Values, Equity, and Engagement **DRR:** Diversity Relations and Resource EDI: Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion ERG: Employee Resource Group ESR: Employment Systems Review HBC: Hate and Bias Crime HRLF: Human Rights Learning Forum **IDI**: Intercultural Development Inventory **KPI**: Key Performance Indicator **OAC**: Ottawa Aboriginal Coalition **OPS**: Ottawa Police Service PDC: Professional Development Center **PSB:** Police Services Board **REV**: Respect, Ethics and Values SPE: Strategic Partnerships and Engagement SWP: Safe Workplace Program VAW: Violence Against Women

WSB: Wellness and Safety Branch

WSIB: Workplace Safety and Insurance Board

