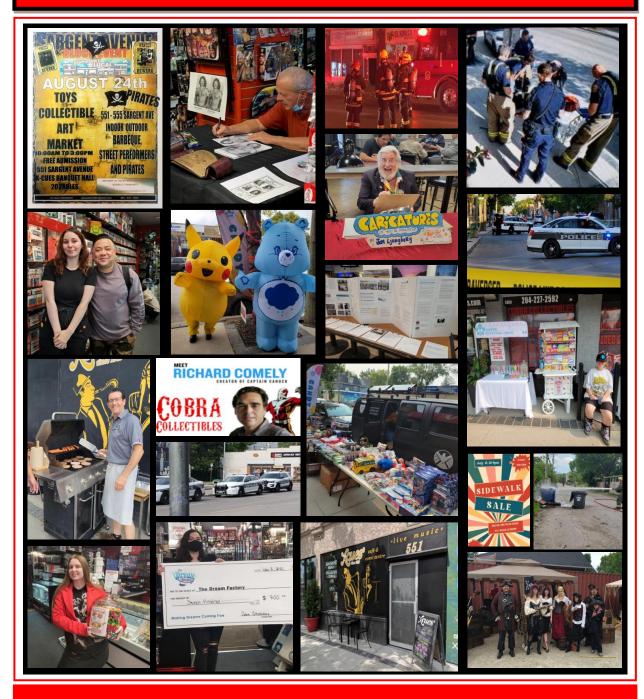
The Sargent Avenue Business Community

Crime and Information Guide



Supporting our community

The Sargent Avenue offers our customers a great variety of businesses, dining, events, and festivals.

 $Email: \ \underline{sargentbusiness community@gmail.com} \ \ Website: \ \underline{www.sargentbusiness community.org}$

Sargent Avenue business community AKA SABC

What is the Sargent Avenue Business Community? It is business owners working together to create a safer neighborhood for the businesses and their staff, customers, and patrons.

The SABC meet once a month sharing information on safety events and support for small businesses.

Working with the city and government officials in our area as well as law enforcement outreach and local community groups to create a safer Sargent Avenue for our customers and staff.

We all know what we have to go through as business owners. It is hard enough to worry about everything it takes to run a business, but it is even harder when we have to deal with theft, robbery, vandalism, and violence in our business.

The SABC is a free service offered from business owners to other business owners. We all know what we have to face each day, and working together is the solution to make a better Sargent for us all.

Only by working together will we be able to create a community where our customers feel safe to shop, eat, and enjoy everything Sargent Avenue has to offer.

We have amazing businesses, great restaurants, one of a kind shops and so much to offer our customers, and working together we will create a safer neighborhood for all.

Working together is the first step. We all have to do our part as business owners to make our area safer.

Step 1

The community is our best support. Get to know our neighbors and talk to the other business owners around you. Working together is the first step.

Step 2

If you have a problem with an individual, vandalism, graffiti, theft, etc you must report it to the police. You do not need to call 911 unless it's an emergency, but you can report it to the non-emergency line or online.

Every time you make a report, it shows statistics that we have a problem. It helps us get the support we need for the area. Every business must help to make this possible.

The SABC is there to help you. If you don't know how to make a report, you can message us via our email and we will send you the link.

If you have a problem and you need information and advice on safety, please check our website. It has most of the information you would need. If you still need help, please feel free to reach out to us and we will see what we can do.

Step 3

Do not use violence to confront an issue. Violence will only elevate the problem. Try to be kind to an individual if they are causing problems in your location. Sometimes kindness lowers the Threat Level.

Do not engage in violence. We need to keep ourselves safe as well as our staff and customers. Assess the threat, and if you feel you are in danger call 911 immediately.

Step 4

Don't support crime. You might not realize it, but if you're allowing someone to sell possibly stolen goods in your facility or if you purchase items you are not sure are stolen or legal you are supporting the problem.

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We have amazing businesses, great restaurants, one of a kind shops and so much to offer our customers, and working together we will create a safer neighborhood for all.

We blame the police for not cleaning up our street. We blame the justice system for letting criminals go. We blame society for the violence in our neighbourhood.

But unfortunately, some of the blame has to fall on us.
We see crime happen, we don't report it.
We see violence, then we turn the other way.

We say we don't want to get involved, or it's not our problem, but the truth is it is just as much our responsibility and duty to our community and to our neighbours to speak up.

Our voices can get heard. We can make a difference, but we need to step up. Speak out when we see something, and work together.

We can take back our streets. We can clean up our neighbourhoods. We need to take responsibility for our actions, and get our voices heard.

We need to make our streets safe again, and make our community strong.

Here are some steps we can all take to do so.

1. Report crime as soon as possible. Whether the issue is graffiti, petty vandalism, or something much more serious, police cannot act without first hearing about the problem from you. Calling won't guarantee that police can fix the problem, but failing to call can guarantee that they won't. Don't assume someone else has already called, make the call yourself. For Emergencies call 911, for non-emergencies 204-986-6222.

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Report nuisances and other non-criminal problems promptly. Examples of these items are junked cars on lawns and in the street, old mattresses left to rot in the backyard, broken furniture on porches, garbage piling up, etc. When you find yourself thinking, "Someone should do something about that"-do something. Call 311, landlords, residents, local business owners, or any other person or agency that may have influence on the issue. Then call your neighbours and ask those who are also concerned to report the issue as well. To report crime; online go to: windows-ninegaca/police/services/report-crime.

- 3. Take away the opportunity for crime. Think about your home, your car and even your lifestyle and ask what you could change to take away the opportunity for crime. Lock your car and never leave valuables, even for a few minutes in the car. Trim bushes or trees on your property that offer too-convenient hiding places. Also, trim where trees and bushes block clear view of your front door, or make it difficult for a person to see out the windows of your home. Make your front porch visible and make sure your home looks like it has eyes on the neighbourhood.
- 4. Introduce yourself to your neighbours. Make a list of names and phone numbers of every neighbour on your block. Set a goal of at least 10 neighbour contacts. Each citizen is responsible for their own neighbourhood. Any citizen who has turned around a problem block is a citizen who really knows the people who live there. Did you grow up in a neighbourhood where everyone knew each other? That is rare today. Neighbourhoods have changed, but realise that you can fix it. It makes a huge difference to know your neighbours and be able to talk to them.
- Reporting vacant lots and buildings

If you notice a building in your area that's dilapidated or is being used for a drug house, or vacant lot that is being left unmanaged, or buildings that have been burned or torn down and not cleaned up, we need to report these. This brings criminal aspects to our neighbourhood. The more we report, the higher the chance that something will get done.

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Make a list of landlords in your area. As owners of property in the community, landlords are responsible to the neighbourhood and should be concerned with the health of that neighbourhood. You can easily find out the name and address of the owner of the property by contacting your City assessor's office, using the online property search tool.

7. Walk around the block. It sounds simple, but it is a great way to meet neighbours, and get to know your neighbourhood while getting a little exercise. Walk at night if you are comfortable doing so, and if not, your neighbourhood needs more involvement. Chat with neighbours and kids while walking, they will get to know you too.

8. Pick up litter near your home, even if you didn't put it there. Most people are less likely to litter where they don't see litter already. You can help stop littering in your neighbourhood by taking away the litter that attracts it. Pet owners should make sure they pick up after their pets.

Don't buy stolen merchandise

You might think you're getting a good deal on that bike, lawn mower, or even that brand new power tool for a cheap price, but you are supporting crime. You might think it's a good deal, but the more they steal, the more retail prices go up. Buying stolen merchandise is just as bad as stealing it yourself.

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Leaving lights on at night or installing a security camera in the front and backyard of your home, or even in your apartment asking your landlord for better lighting or cameras not only helps you, but also helps with law enforcement if something does happen.

The most important one.

Be the kind of neighbour you would want to have. Be the neighbour that if they see something happen, they don't shut their curtains but they report it. Ask your neighbour if they need help if you see them outside working hard.

Let's take our neighbourhood back.

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The West End is a neighbourhood that's well-connected to Winnipeg's major thoroughfares and offers affordable lease rates. Encompassing the diverse neighbourhoods of Central Park, Spence, Daniel McIntyre, St. Matthews, Sargent Park and Minto, the nearly 1,000+ businesses and 36,000 residents are proud to call the West End home.



VIEW MAP

Member Information



PATROL PROGRAM

The community safety patrol acts as additional "eyes and ears" for the Winnipeg Police Service. They are paid team of staff members dedicated to assisting the West End's business and residential



GRANTS & REBATES

Offering grants for business improvement projects undertaken by our members is one of our most important programs. We offer grants up to 50% of a project with a maximum grant of \$1000.



GRAFFITI REMOVAL

We offer a free year-round graffiti removal service. West End businesses and residents must first sign a waiver which gives the BIZ permission to remove the graffiti tags from their property.



HELPFUL RESOURCES

Not sure who to call? Check out our helpful phone numbers document that will show you who to call for graffiti removal, damaged planters, broken street lights and much more

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GRAFFITI REMOVAL SERVICE RELEASE & INDEMNITY

The undersigned, being the owner or authorized agent of the property at in the City of Winnipeg, Manitoba, in consideration of The City of Winnipeg agreeing to remove or conceal, at no charge, any graffiti which is or may become present on property within one year understands and agrees:

- · The City of Winnipeg/authorized agents will work on the area of my property that is affected by graffiti,
- The work done will be at the discretion of the City, including but not limited to the decision to remove graffiti or cover over it, the type and colour of material used, and the method of application of any material:

The undersigned further agrees to release and indemnify and keep indemnified The City of Winnipeg and its servants, agents, employees, and contractors from and against all claims, actions, or proceedings for loss, injury, damages, or compensation by any person, firm, or corporation, whether to real or personal property, wheresoever situated, or by any person whomsoever (including the undersigned or any member, employee, agent, licensee, invitee, or third party whether claiming through or under the undersigned or otherwise) howsoever caused, including by reason of, resulting from, or in any way incidental to the removal or concealment of graffiti on my property, notwithstanding that same may have been contributed to or occasioned by the negligence of The City of Winnipeg or its servants, agents, employees, and contractors, or

in any way connected therewith. Please sign your initials in the box to choose the graffiti removal option you would prefer: One year of free graffiti removal services valid from the date of signing.

Unlimited free graffiti removal services until otherwise cancelled in writing. By selecting this option the owner or authorized agent hereby agrees to allow <u>unlimited free graffiti removal</u> without the renewal of the waiver form on a yearly basis. The owner agrees to cancel this agreement in writing (e-mail or fax acceptable) and to advise the Property of the

obtained.	advise the biz	wnen a prop	erty has changed	ownership so a	new waiver
I have read the above and	agree:				
Print Name			Signature		
Date			Dayt	ime Phone Nu	mber
Business Name (if applicable)	:				
Please fill out the following	ng information	if you alread	dy have graffiti or	your property	<u>r:</u>
Building type: □ Business	□ Apartment	□ Resid	lence Othe	г	
Location of Graffiti:			Approximate S	Size:m	2
Type of Surface: □ Brick	□ Stucco	□ Wood	□ Siding	□ Stone	□ Fence
Is the original surface painted?			If yes, what colour?		

West End BIZ: 621 Erin St, Winnipeg MB R3G 2W1 ph. 204-954-7900 e-mail. graffiti@westendbiz

Did you know that the West End Biz has a graffiti removal service?

Here is the form.

Why Remove Graffiti?

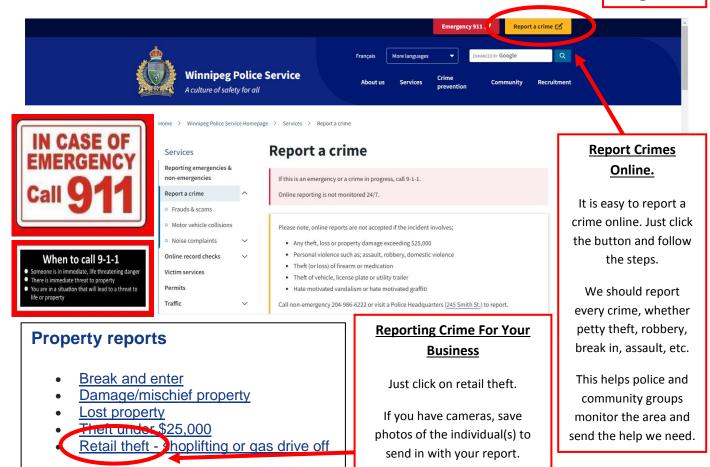
Graffiti on businesses, whether as small as a tag or as large as a full spread, looks bad on the business as well as the community. Customers feel unsafe and don't like coming to areas full of graffiti.

Why Have Graffiti Removed As Soon As Possible?

The faster graffiti is removed, the less chance your business will be tagged again.

Additionally, some tags could be offensive to individuals, or gang related. Keeping them off your business keeps customers happy and you, safe.

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Report a crime

If this is an emergency or a crime in progress, call 9-1-1.

Online reporting is not monitored 24/7.

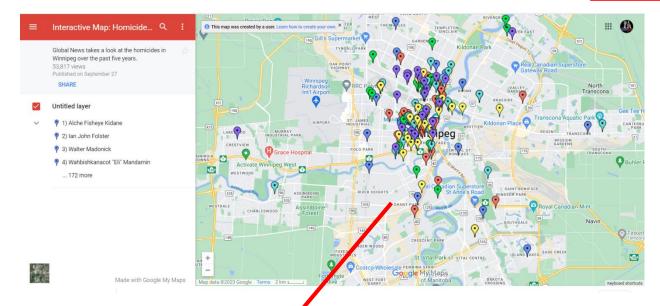
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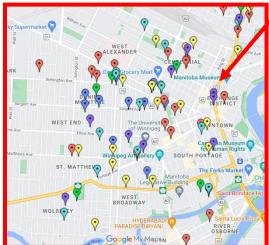
- Any theft, loss or property damage exceeding \$25,000
- Personal violence such as; assault, robbery, domestic violence
- Theft (or loss) of firearm or medication
- Theft of vehicle, license plate or utility trailer
- Hate motivated vandalism or hate motivated graffiti

Call non-emergenc 204-986-6222 or visit a Police Headquarters (245 Smith St.) to report.

If you do not know how to use the website, you can call the non-emergency line.

Make sure you have a description of the individual, the time, the date, and as much information as possible to give to them.





If you speak to any of the businesses in this area you will find that they are owned and run by kind individuals.

They deserve to feel safe in their workplace without the constant fear of being mugged, robbed, or harassed.

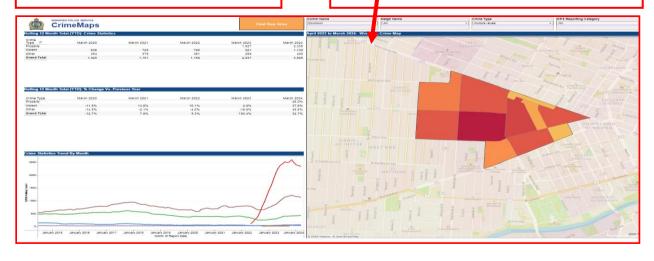
As we see, the West End is a key violent crime location, with the most homicides in the city. Many of these are drug or gang related.

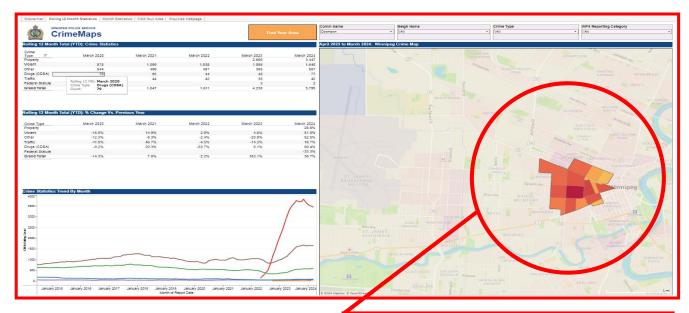
As a business owner, this affects us because the news portrays the West End like a violent area. This is why we must work together to show our customers, as well as our employees, that it is safe to come to the West End.

Out of the people that live in the West End, 90% of them are good people. These are our customers, as well as some employees. The 10% is the problem.

These are gang members, thugs, and plain out thieves. They have no respect for our property, our customers, or our businesses.

We need to work with the government, as well as law enforcement, to make our streets safe again.







Work with local groups to help support and protect the safety of our customers and staff. The West End Biz, Safe Neighborhoods and Citizens On Patrol, are all great groups to get in contact with to start achieving this.



The latest crime severity index paints a grim portrait of the situation in West End Winnipeg.

The data released by Statistics Canada, which measures crime per 100,000 people, shows the Winnipeg West End saw the largest jump in crime severity – 25 per cent – of any other Canadian city from 2020 to 2024.

There are over 60 gangs in the city of Winnipeg, with numbers exceeding 1,500 gang members. This shows us it is only a small percentage of the people in the area who cause us problems. Car break-ins to our customers, harassment or assaults to our patrons, these are all serious to our businesses. One negative experience can cause the most damage.

If one customer that could have attended your business for many years and hundreds of times has one violent experience, you've lost that customer. They may also voice their experience to others in person or online, losing more potential sales and customers.

Retail Theft Initiative

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Since the start of November, the Winnipeg Police Service has been conducting the Retail Theft Initiative. The goal of this effort is to combat the serious issue of shoplifting. This proactive initiative is a partnership with the Retail Council of Canada and the business community in Winnipeg.

The Property Crimes Unit and Community Support Units in the 4 districts of the city, have so far made 151 arrests in connection with this initiative.

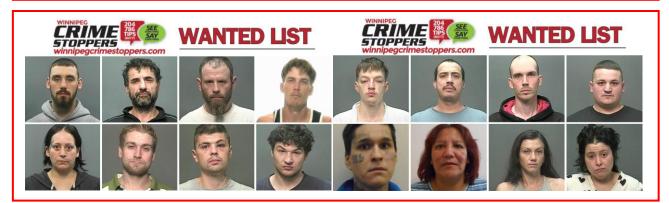
From January to August there have been 3745 incidents of Shoplifting Under \$5000, a 44% increase over the same time period in 2022. While we have seen a significant year-over-year increase, we are still below pre-pandemic levels, however the circumstances around these incidents have changed considerably, moving from liquor stores to retail outlets.

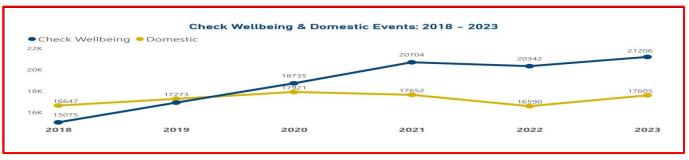
Shoplifting is not a victimless crime. In some cases, there have been violent consequences as retail staff and members of the public have been injured.

The Winnipeg Police Service recognizes that the issues surrounding retail theft are complex and we remain committed to working with our community partners and social safety net providers to ensure supports are provided to individuals facing food insecurity, poverty, or addictions challenges.

The Winnipeg Police Service is using data collected through crime analysis to determine where to focus our deterrence efforts. To date officers have been targeting downtown, Kildonan Crossing, and Polo Park retail areas. Officers will also target other areas as this initiative will become an ongoing focus of the Property Crimes Unit.

https://www.winnipeg.ca/news/2023-12-04-retail-theft-initiative





A war that we are losing.

Every day I wake up and I think, what is going to happen today? What problems will I have to deal with? It's hard when the first thing you have to do in the morning is get prepared for a bad day.

Each day I work to take care of my family, take care of my staff, take care of my customers, but that isn't where it ends.

Trying to help the people in my community but it seems like it's a war that we're losing; it's a fight every day it would be nice to win a battle once in a while but the war against drugs is a war we are losing

With crime stats rising and youth crime going up by 20% a year dealing with violence on the street every day feels like we are losing this battle

The drugs and violence are taking down our communities, apartments full of gangs, prostitution, and drugs.

The fight to have something done about them is at a stalemate. The houses that they're running drugstores out of are still standing.

We stand up for our rights and try to protect our neighborhood, and our children, so they don't follow down the path of drugs and violence, thus putting a target on us. The sex traffickers and dealers come after the individuals with a voice.

Where is our justice system? Why are these people destroying our communities? Dragging our kids and youth into violence? Why aren't they behind bars?

I remember years ago when I woke up in the morning and I felt sunshine and happiness, not worrying if I was going to be pepper sprayed or stabbed. We need to do something to take our streets back. We need to do something to make our communities safe again for our children and youth.

We need to start worrying about the victims of crime, not the criminals that cause it. A criminal walks into a business and threatens everyone and robs them; they get arrested and they get mental health treatment.

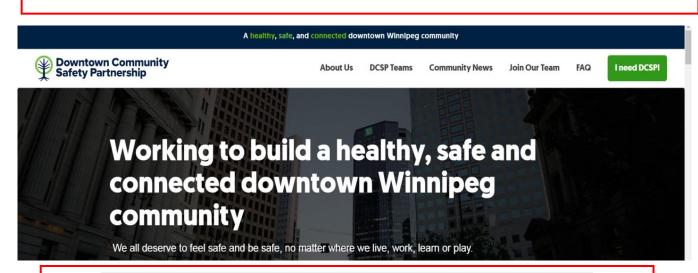
Who's there for the staff, the patrons of the business, the owners that have been assaulted, spit on and threatened? Who's there for them? It seems that only the criminals get support and the victims have to fend for themselves.

When you fight a war, even the smallest victory feels great. However, in the last year or two there have been no victories, only more violence.

We are tired and fed up. Someone needs to stand up, someone needs to start protecting our community, clean up our neighborhoods, and make it safe for our youth again.

There is no Fame or Fortune, you will not go down in the history books as a hero. They will not sing songs or write stories about you, but you are the voice of the community. You are the one that stands up for what's right no matter the cost or consequence.

You are the Good Samaritan that goes unseen. You are part of the community, and only working together can our voices be heard.



Security Rebate Program

The Public Safety Division of Manitoba Justice has launched the Security Rebate Program (the program). The program offers a rebate of up to \$300 to eligible homeowners, tenants, and small businesses to recover the cost of purchasing security equipment that improves the physical security of the premises of an eligible homeowner, tenant, or small business, Funding is retroactive to any purchases made after September 1, 2023.

A slap to the face to small businesses, we are dealing with violent crime, theft, robbery and assaults to our staff. And the government's solution is to throw \$300 at a small business to deal with crime. A camera system that is decent starts off at \$1500 but cameras won't fix the problem. This might be good for home owners or tenants I suppose, but not for businesses. SABC.

CTVNews.ca

'It's non-stop': Province putting up new money to help curb crime

The province is putting up new money to help families and businesses curb crime.

But advocates and business owners are questioning if it's enough to make a real difference.

"It's non-stop," said Ravi Ramberran, owner of Four Crowns Bar and Grill on McPhillips.

Just last week, Ramberran and his staff stopped two people trying to break in.

He said that's a common occurrence.

"The truth is, it's the businesses that are getting attacked so much these days, where things are getting stolen, people are getting attacked, people are getting stabbed. People are getting pepper sprayed, robbed... So we want to protect these places as well," said Ramberran.

These concerns have reached the ears at the Manitoba Legislature.

Manitoba's 2024 budget makes good on an NDP campaign promise to create a new \$300 rebate for those purchasing, or upgrading their home or business security system.

"This \$300 credit is, basically, you save the receipt for the home security device, you send it to us, we send you a \$300 check," said Manitoba Premier Wah Kinew

"it's definitely not enough to cover all the costs that a lot of the Manitoba small businesses are seeing related to crime," said Seorhin Yoo, a policy analyst at the Canadian Federation of Independent Businesses (CFIB).

The rebate is something the CFIB has been advocating for, but Yoo said \$300 just doesn't go far enough.

"B.C. has a similar program like this, it's a lot bigger. So they provide preventative and reparative rebates for small businesses up to \$1,000 to \$2,000. So this is something that we would like to see the Manitoba government replicate as well," said Yoo.

It's a drop in the bucket for the security upgrades Ramberran has had to make.

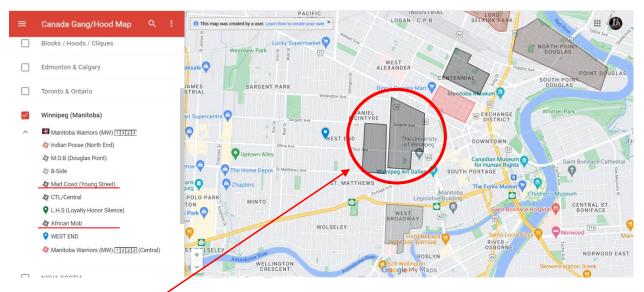
"We just upgraded our camera system here and it was close to about \$10,000 to \$15,000. So for this as a business, it wouldn't go very far."

Meantime, Kinew said, "A provincial government can't do everything. So we're making some important decisions, we're gonna give you \$300 to help with the home security camera."

While it may not offset the cost of security for his restaurant, Ramberran said at least it's something.

"I think now, the government's realizing what's happening, and they're trying to put something out there to help and I appreciate that."





The gang tags on buildings have greatly affected the income of the businesses in this area. Even if the graffiti is removed, the fact that it was there makes the potential customers afraid to shop. This is also why removing it as soon as possible is crucial, as it cleans up the area for customers.



"They are intoxicated."

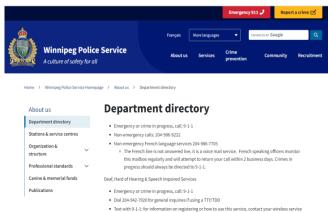
According to data obtained by CTV News, as of May – the most recent data available – there were 577 crimes involving youth between the ages of 12 and 17 in Winnipeg.

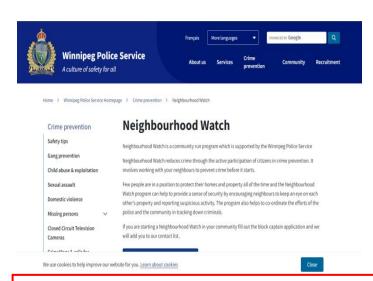
Of these crimes, 301 resulted in charges. Police said 182 of those were related to violent crimes, with the highest number of charges related to assault with a weapon or causing bodily harm.

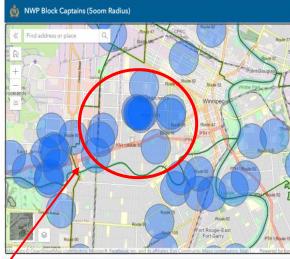


Our youth have no reason to have access to drugs, alcohol, or weapons. Improving the safety of this area includes keeping them safe from these things. The youth should be free to enjoy their childhood and feel safe in the community. We should have more programs in the area for volunteer opportunities and resources for youth.

Let's keep our kids out of gangs and away from crime.







Neighbourhood Watch is a community run program which is supported by the Winnipeg Police Service. Neighbourhood Watch reduces crime through the active participation of citizens in crime prevention. It involves working with your neighbours to prevent crime before it starts.

Few people are in a position to protect their homes and property all of the time and the Neighbourhood Watch program can help to provide a sense of security by encouraging neighbours to keep an eye on each other's property and reporting suspicious activity. The program also helps to coordinate the efforts of the police and the community in tracking down criminals.

The phone numbers below are for general inquiries or information requests only.

Units & divisions	Phone & email	
General enquiries	204-986-6313	
	Monday - Friday 8am - 4pm	
	(excluding holidays)	
Alarm permits	311	
Chief of Police	204-986-6037	
	Monday - Friday 8am - 4pm	
	(excluding holidays)	
Community Relations	204-986-6322	
Complaints and compliments about members	204-986-7242	
Crime Stoppers Tips	204-786-8477	
Financial crimes	204-986-6231	
Fingerprints - identification	204-986-6218	
section		
Firearms control	204-986-6345	
Homicide	204-986-6508	
Human resources	204-986-6239	
Indigenous partnerships section	204-986-6322	
Major crimes	204-986-6219	
Online reporting help line	204-986-6313	
	Monday - Friday 8am - 4pm	
	(excluding statutory holidays)	
Pawn	204-986-6530	
Property crimes	204-986-2426	
Records (criminal record	204-986-6074	
checks, etc.)		
Vulnerable persons coordinator	204-986-6287	
Youth services coordinator	204-986-6378	



204-783-5000 liaison@spenceneighbourhood.o



Akin's Business Centre

Unit 106 -819 Sargent Room - 202 -206 (431) 441-7372 info@akinsbiz.ca



summer@spenceneighbourhood.org

WE24 Outreach Office: 204-783-5000 ext. 111 WE24 Outreach Cellphone: 204-333-9681

Keeping our businesses clean and respecting our business storefront is important when looking at customer feedback. Not just graffiti deters customers. Garbage, cigarette butts, and trash are all deterrents as well. If your business looks derelict or has boards over broken windows this doesn't just look bad for your business, it looks bad for the community. There is funding and grants available for cleaning up your storefront. Sometimes a simple can of paint can make a difference.

We should look into working together to put up a list of surveillance cameras that are available in our businesses to protect our streets.

Bringing more events and festivals to the area will increase business and traffic. This will be done by working with local groups and organizations such as Akins Business Centre, West End Biz, Spence Neighborhood etc.



Hits just keep coming' for Manitoba small businesses, CFIB survey shows :

Winnipeg Sun Published Oct 01, 2023

Brianna Solberg, Director of Provincial Affairs at CFIB. PHOTO BY GLEN DAWKINS /Winnipeg Sun

Borrowing costs are a major problem for Manitoba small businesses, according to the latest Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB) Business Barometer.

Some 39% of Manitoba small businesses reported borrowing costs as becoming a major input cost constraint. In a press release Friday, CFIB said this indicator has surpassed its historical average of 22% and is at its highest point since CFIB began tracking it in 2009. Following a sharp increase in two months, a record share of businesses (39%) also cited a shortage of working capital as one of their biggest limitations on growth.

Many businesses were having difficulties with other costs in September: 69% of businesses reported that wage costs were causing difficulties, 67% kept struggling with fuel and energy costs and 66% flagged tax and regulatory costs.

"The hits just keep coming for small businesses," said Brianna Solberg, Director of Provincial Affairs at CFIB. "Firstly, they were misled by the federal government's announcement on the Canada Emergency Business Account (CEBA) loan repayment deadline. The 18-day extension of the forgivable deadline feels like an insult for many still trying to make a dent in their debt. Secondly, there was the recent surprise Employment Insurance (EI) rate increase, not to mention the Bank of Canada rate hikes in June and July. A large and growing number of businesses are dealing with significant financing challenges on top of an already very difficult business environment.

"With the holiday season approaching, this is another reminder to support local businesses whenever possible."

Overall, Manitoba small business confidence over the next 12 months posted a slight drop in optimism. Among the sectors, agriculture (38.0), retail (42.3) and wholesale (47.4) had the lowest levels of confidence, while businesses in service sectors, such as information and recreation (63.2) and health and education (65.7), topped the rankings.

"Many of the Business Barometer indicators this month continue to point to a tough business environment and sluggish recovery," concluded Simon Gaudreault, CFIB's chief economist and vice-president of research. "Small businesses weren't overly optimistic and had challenges accessing financing even before the recent CEBA and EI announcements. One can only presume that things will get worse for them if there's never any relief in sight."

Project Surge – Update

Released: June 7, 2024 at 10:27 a.m.

Information contained in our media releases may relate to issues of violence or trauma, which could be distressing for some individuals. Be mindful of your well-being and consider whether or not engaging with this content is appropriate for you.

In 2023, the Winnipeg Police Service responded to an escalation of incidents which involved random acts of violence perpetuated by youths.

Many of these events were tied to retail thefts or robberies of persons. Analysis of these events began in uniform operations, looking for commonalities between the people involved, both accused and victims.

It became apparent that numerous youths previously identified and arrested were repeatedly involved in many of these criminal acts. It also became evident that many of these youths were immersed in high-risk lifestyles, including previous traumatic backgrounds and real-time social and familial constraints requiring social supports that go beyond the justice system.

Project Surge was created as a person-focused investigation. The goal is to identify those who have demonstrated an elevated or high risk of committing violent acts and collaborate with agencies that can address some of the behavioural root causes and offer intensive services and support to these individuals.

In other words, Surge was not just about arresting people but how the police can follow up with partners including the Crown's Office, Child and Family Services, cultural supports, gang turn-around programming, and retail establishments.

- 117 youths have been identified in Project Surge
- Responsible for 1795 police incidents, both as accused or victims since 2023 (these include Missing Persons reports, serious assaults, weapons offences and homicides)- 519 since March

Part of the Surge initiative includes continuous police compliance checks for curfews, addresses and no contact conditions that are in place for offenders who are subject to court orders.

- 98 wanted person checks since March
- 106 compliance checks since March
- 435 arrests of these identified youths dating back to Jan 2023 since project focus, we have arrested these youths 150 times

In these early stages, Project Surge is a step in the right direction for identifying and monitoring repeat offenders and ensuring the public's safety. There are plans for continuous engagement with government and social partnerships to work with these high-risk youths.

The Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods Act



https://www.gov.mb.ca/justice/commsafe/scna.html

Most property crimes, such as thefts from vehicles, are crimes of opportunity. Taking steps to discourage crooks from targeting your car can be simple as ensuring any valuables in your vehicle are removed from plain sight and displaying one of our All Valuables Removed signs in your window.

Display an All Valuables Removed window card to discourage would-be thieves

- The All Valuables Removed program is intended to help you protect your belongings from theft and vandalism.
- Displaying the bright yellow theft prevention card can be a deterrent to thieves saving you reporting, insurance costs, missed work and towing charges.
- It also acts as a reminder to other drivers to protect their valuables.



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Print a copy of this window card.

All Valuables Removed cards are just one of the tools to help you prevent theft from your vehicle.

To effectively reduce thefts from vehicles across the city, it must be used with other tools such as enforcement, community awareness and prevention.

Thefts from vehicles are more likely to occur in areas with many vehicles and minimal pedestrian traffic. Regardless of location, the risk is increased in any place where a vehicle is left running, unattended, unlocked, or with valuables in plain view.

Thefts from vehicles are a crime of opportunity. Give would-be thieves a reason to by-pass your vehicle as a potential target:

- Remove valuables and shopping bags from view.
 This includes loose change and electronic devices.
- Don't leave personal identification, vehicle registration, insurance documents or credit cards in your vehicle.
- Never leave your vehicle running and unattended.
- Always close windows and lock doors.
- Never leave your car, house keys or garage opener in your vehicle.
- Park in well-lit areas with pedestrian traffic.





The Dufferin Industrial crime map provides a detailed overview of all crimes in Dufferin Industrial as reported by the local law enforcement agency. Based on the color coded legend above, the crime map outlines the areas with lower crime compared to the areas with higher crime. The Dufferin Industrial crime heat map offers insight into the total crimes on a block group level.

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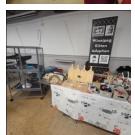












Sargent Avenue Business
Community working together to
make our community better.

We partnered with local businesses for our June, July and August Block Events, bringing marketplaces, sidewalk sales, a pirate festival and community attractions to the area.

If you would like to be involved in our future events, please contact us.

Email: sargentbusinesscommunity@gmail.com







JOIN US FOR OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS









The Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods Act

Manitoba has a new law to make communities and neighbourhoods safer.

The Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods Act is the first of its kind in Canada.

It works by holding property owners accountable for threatening or disturbing activities that regularly take place on their property related to:

Unlawful drug use, dealing, production or cultivation

Prostitution and related activities

Unlawful sale of liquor

Unlawful use or sale of intoxicating substances - non-potable and solvent-based products

Sexual abuse or exploitation of a child or related activities

Possession or storage of an unlawful firearm, weapon or explosive

Participation in a Criminal Organization offence

The act refers to activities that are ongoing, not those happening occasionally.

For more information, contact: Manitoba Justice Public Safety Investigations Phone (Winnipeg) (204) 945-3475 (Toll Free outside Winnipeg) 1-800-954-9361



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