Q: Will I be required to deal with anyone acting suspicious on the street while conducting the patrol?
A: NO. C.O.P.P. volunteers are only to report suspicious or criminal activity. At no time are they to confront any individual they encounter on a one on one basis. In fact, during patrols, C.O.P.P. volunteers are to remain in their vehicles.

Q: Will I get paid for my time and expenses?
A: Citizens on Patrol is a non-profit group of people consisting of dedicated, community minded volunteers. There is no reimbursement for time or expenses. The true reward comes from the knowledge that as a citizen in the community, you are making a difference.

**How To Get Involved**
- Patroller
- Financial Supporter
- Emergency Search & Rescue

C.O.P.P. is strictly a volunteer organization. If you are 18 years of age and older, possess a valid Saskatchewan drivers licence, have legal access to a registered motor vehicle, are free of any criminal convictions during the five years proceeding application, are free of any close association with any criminal element and willing to go through an R.C.M.P. clearance, please apply.

If you wish to become involved with our organization, to promote and support our community as a safe and accommodating environment for both residents and visitors, application forms may be obtained at the local R.C.M.P. Detachment Office at the address below:

Kindersley R.C.M.P.
#300 - 8th Ave. W., Kindersley, SK, S0L 1S0
Phone: 306-463-4642
Kindersley C.O.P.P.

Kindersley C.O.P.P. - who are we?
The Kindersley “Citizens on Patrol Program”
has been actively patrolling the town of
Kindersley since Jan. 24, 2001. The group is run
strictly as a volunteer program. Funds raised are
used for covering expenses such as fuel vouchers,
training, education and equipment.

This crime prevention group of concerned
volunteers, acting as extra eyes and ears for the
local R.C.M.P. Detachment, and the town of
Kindersley, takes an active role in reporting any
and all suspicious activities, or potentially unsafe
conditions to the local R.C.M.P., who, in turn
act on the information received.

Through this type of activity, C.O.P.P. endeavours to reduce the number of vandalism complaints, minor thefts, and other occurrences that disrupt the inherent environment of both residents and visitors, within our community.

Citizens on Patrol is a community policing
program of the R.C.M.P. - we are NOT
R.C.M.P. Each volunteer member of C.O.P.P. is
given the appropriate training to enable them to
carry out their patrol duty in a safe and caring
manner. Our success with this program remains
directly proportional to the support from our
town, businesses and C.O.P.P. members. Help
make a difference in our community.

Objectives

- To act only as extra eyes and ears for the
  local R.C.M.P. and the Town of
  Kindersley, whilst appreciating the
  primary, ultimate role and authority of
  the R.C.M.P. in any all law enforce-
  ment activity.

- To promote and encourage the reduction of
  “Crimes of Opportunity” within the
  town of Kindersley, as these crimes are
  classified as “acts of boredom” and can be
deterred by groups such as C.O.P.P.

- To monitor and report any and all
  suspicious situations, activities or
  circumstances within a specified
  surveillance area.

- To promote, encourage and stimulate
  the social welfare of the town of
  Kindersley, by recruiting volunteer
  members of the community who are
  concerned enough to devote their time
  and energy to the program and are
  mature adults, with a high standard of
  integrity.

Here are some of the commonly asked questions
regarding this very effective program:

Q: Will I be issued any weapons for self
   defense?
A: NO. C.O.P.P. volunteers are not
   permitted to carry weapons of any type
   on their person or in their patrol vehicle.

Q: Do I have the same authority to arrest a
   person that the police have?
A: Citizens on Patrol volunteers do not have
   any additional powers of arrest than the
   average Canadian Citizen. They are
   regulated by Section 494 of the Criminal
   code of Canada. C.O.P.P. volunteers will
   not become involved with arrests except
   in rare and exceptional circumstances in
   which a uniformed police officer requests
   and directs their assistance.

Q: Will I be patrolling by myself?
A: NO. All C.O.P.P. volunteers must travel
   in pairs while on patrol.

Q: As a C.O.P.P. volunteer, if I see someone
   breaking the law while driving, can I
   exceed the speed limit and drive through
   red lights to try and follow them?
A: NO. Citizens on Patrol must obey all the
   laws (i.e. Criminal Code, Highway
   Traffic Act, etc.).

Q: If I see something interesting while on
   patrol, would it be okay to tell all my
   friends and neighbours about it?
A: One of the requirements in becoming a
   C.O.P.P. volunteer is the signing of a
   Waiver regarding confidentiality. Failure
to comply with the confidentiality
   requirements will result in expulsion
   from the program.