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As you know, on January 1, 2019, new legislative amendments to the *Police Services Act, 1990,* came into force which mandate municipalities to prepare and adopt a community safety and well-being (CSWB) plan, in collaboration with their multi-sectoral partners, including police services and boards. As part of the planning process, municipalities and their local partners must utilize data from multiple sources and conduct consultations with their community to identify and address local priority risks to safety and well-being.

As a reminder, the deadline to prepare and adopt a CSWB plan is July 1, 2021. This new deadline provides a six month extension from the original deadline to help ensure that municipalities and their community partners can continue to dedicate the necessary capacity and resources to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, while also providing adequate time to meet the legislative requirements to develop meaningful and effective CSWB plans.

The Ministry of the Solicitor General (ministry) has received feedback from local communities that there is a need to better understand the various provincial strategies/frameworks across ministries that align with CSWB planning. In response to this feedback, the ministry has developed a resource document which outlines broad, overarching provincial strategies/frameworks that align with CSWB planning and can support local CSWB efforts.

This resource document was developed in collaboration with the ministry's Inter-Ministerial Community Safety and Well-Being Working Group, which consists of representatives from nine Ontario ministries and the Federal government. Specifically, the document highlights collaborative, preventative and/or holistic approaches that aim to address local risks that lead to crime, victimization, addiction, drug overdose and/or suicide; that create protective factors in the community; and/or support vulnerable populations.

We know that communities are already doing a lot of great work to enhance the safety and well-being of Ontarians, and this resource document is meant to further support our local partners as they continue to develop and implement local CSWB plans.

I encourage you to share this resource document with your staff as well as with your municipal and community partners. As we move forward with CSWB planning in Ontario, the ministry is continuing to explore ways to support communities as they undertake the planning process and implement programs and strategies identified in their local plans.

If you have any questions regarding CSWB planning, please contact Tiana Biordi, Community Safety Analyst at <u>Tiana.Biordi@ontario.ca</u> or Shamitha Devakandan, Community Safety Analyst at <u>Shamitha.Devakandan@ontario.ca</u>.

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