

## PROCLAMATION

Crime Stoppers is a citizen, media and police co-operative program designed to involve the public in the fight against crime. Crime Stoppers provides citizens with a vehicle to anonymously supply the police with information about a crime or potential crime. A reward is offered to anyone providing anonymous tips, which leads to an arrest, the recovery of stolen property or the seizure of drugs. Calgary Crime Stoppers helps identify, prevent, solve and reduce crime.

Whereas: Since 1982, Calgary Crime Stoppers has helped recover over \$14 million dollars in stolen property, assisted in the seizure of more than \$250 million in illegal drugs and has cleared over 11 thousand cases with over 5,500 arrests;

Whereas: Crime Stoppers is an invaluable community service that enables anyone with details of criminal activity to pass them on anonymously, without fear of exposure or retribution;

Whereas: The Calgary Crime Stoppers Association is a registered not-for-profit organization and is responsible for raising funds, public awareness and the disbursements of rewards.

On behalf of City Council and the citizens of Calgary, I hereby proclaim the month of January 2012 as:

**“CRIME STOPPERS AWARENESS MONTH”**



**NAHEED K. NENSHI**  
**MAYOR**





**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**January 11, 2012**

**January "proclaimed" Crime Stoppers Awareness Month**

To launch 2012 and celebrate 30 years of Crime Stoppers in Calgary, we are delighted with the enthusiasm shared by Mayor Naheed Nenshi (Calgary) and Prime Minister Stephen Harper (Canada) in proclaiming January as "Crime Stoppers Awareness" month.

Since 1982, Calgary Crime Stoppers has empowered citizens in the community to remain anonymous when reporting a crime, criminals or the potential for criminal activity. Cash awards continue to be paid for any information leading to an arrest, without identifying tipsters or making them appear in court.

"As media features increase in popularity and reporting anonymous tips continue being invaluable, we have seen a tremendous rise in our stats along with more frequent visits to our sites, Roger Monette, president of Calgary Crime Stoppers said. "Citizens should applaud their efforts in assisting police in laying 2.2 charges every day of 2011 and removing \$50,000 in drugs, off our streets daily."

To commemorate Calgary's inception as the first Crime Stoppers program in Canada with ongoing successes, international achievements, future initiatives and program launches. Featured celebrations will be highlighted throughout the year.

Crime Stoppers' success has always been a collaborative effort of private businesses, media, citizens, police and volunteer board members ensuring safer communities. As a charitable organization, it hosts events to raise funds in support of the program which also finances much needed dollars to pay anonymous tipsters for information.

"To instill confidence - is for citizens to know they remain anonymous, while criminal don't!" says Monette. "Our goal will be realized when we achieve reaching out through one of Crime Stoppers many social media application (Facebook/Twitter/YouTube) to disseminate information that is vital to enriching the community while promoting our endeavors to solve, prevent or reduce crime."

A copy of the City of Calgary proclamation is attached.

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"Crime Stoppers is a registered charity and relies on the support of people like you!"

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PRIME MINISTER · PREMIER MINISTRE

*I am pleased to extend my warmest greetings to everyone marking Crime Stoppers Month.*

*Citizens who are alert and involved are key to ensuring that their neighbourhoods remain safe, friendly places in which to live and work. Crime Stoppers is a special partnership between these concerned individuals, the local media, and police that endeavours to solve and prevent crime in our communities.*

*Crime Stoppers Month is an opportunity to raise awareness of this successful international effort, which has developed a respected and strong presence in Canada with more than one hundred community-based programs and over two hundred thousand cases cleared. I would like to commend the many staff members and volunteers associated with Crime Stoppers for their valuable role in assisting our dedicated police forces in the fight against crime. You may take great pride in your efforts to safeguard our communities.*

*On behalf of the Government of Canada, I offer my best wishes for every success in the years to come.*

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stephen Harper".

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