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Dear Randy Goulden and Bill Huber:

**RE: Police Cost Re-distribution Formula**

This letter is to advise you of the annual per capita levy that will be invoiced to municipalities in the coming weeks for the 2025 calendar year.

*The Police Act* section 23.1(2)(b) provides the ministry with the authority to distribute costs to municipalities and the formula to calculate a rate payable by municipalities for police services is in section 7.02(1) of *The Police Regulations*. In summary, the percentage increase in the per capita rates is equal to the percentage increase of budget provided to RCMP to fund the Provincial Police Service Agreement (PPSA). In 2025-26, the increase to the RCMP PPSA budget is 2.54%.

The Ministry of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety uses two rates as prescribed in *The Police Regulations* to calculate the levy: 1) the rate invoiced to communities with a detachment, and 2) the rate invoiced to communities without a detachment.

The per capita rates invoiced to municipalities for 2025-26 will be as follows:

	2024-25 rate	2025-26 rate	Increase (2.54%)
With a Detachment	\$96.08	\$98.52	\$2.44
Without a Detachment	\$59.44	\$60.95	\$1.51

The formula used to calculate the annual levy does not contemplate the number of RCMP members deployed to a community, support provided by provincial units such as Major Crimes, Emergency and Serious Event Response Teams, Police Dog Services, Search and Rescue, etc.; nor does it contemplate central support and clerical support services.

Over the years, the ministry has received requests from members of your organizations to consider alternate redistribution options. At the SUMA 2018 Spring Convention, Honourable Christine Tell, Minister of Corrections, Policing and Public Safety made a commitment to consider any revenue neutral proposal from the task force relative to distribution of police costs.

On January 14, 2020, the meeting of the task force followed up with a letter dated March 25, 2020, clear messaging was provided relative to the ministry's unwillingness to proceed to change the formula at the request of one member of the task force. We continue to encourage SUMA and SARM to work together to bring forward a proposal to the ministry for consideration. As no joint proposal has been received by our office, the ministry will proceed to invoice municipalities using the formula found in legislation.

We restarted the task force in October 2023, renamed as the Policing and Justice Administration Committee, and updated membership and terms of reference. Ministry officials are determining when the committee will reconvene to ensure the right groups are at the table and to foster timely and positive engagement amongst members.

Also, at a March 2024 meeting with the Minister, SUMA officials requested further information on where policing dollars go under the PPSA. Please see appendix to this letter with an infographic showing where \$1 of policing goes to under the PPSA.

Per capita data will be sourced from the Stats Canada 2021 census.

Please share this information with your municipalities.

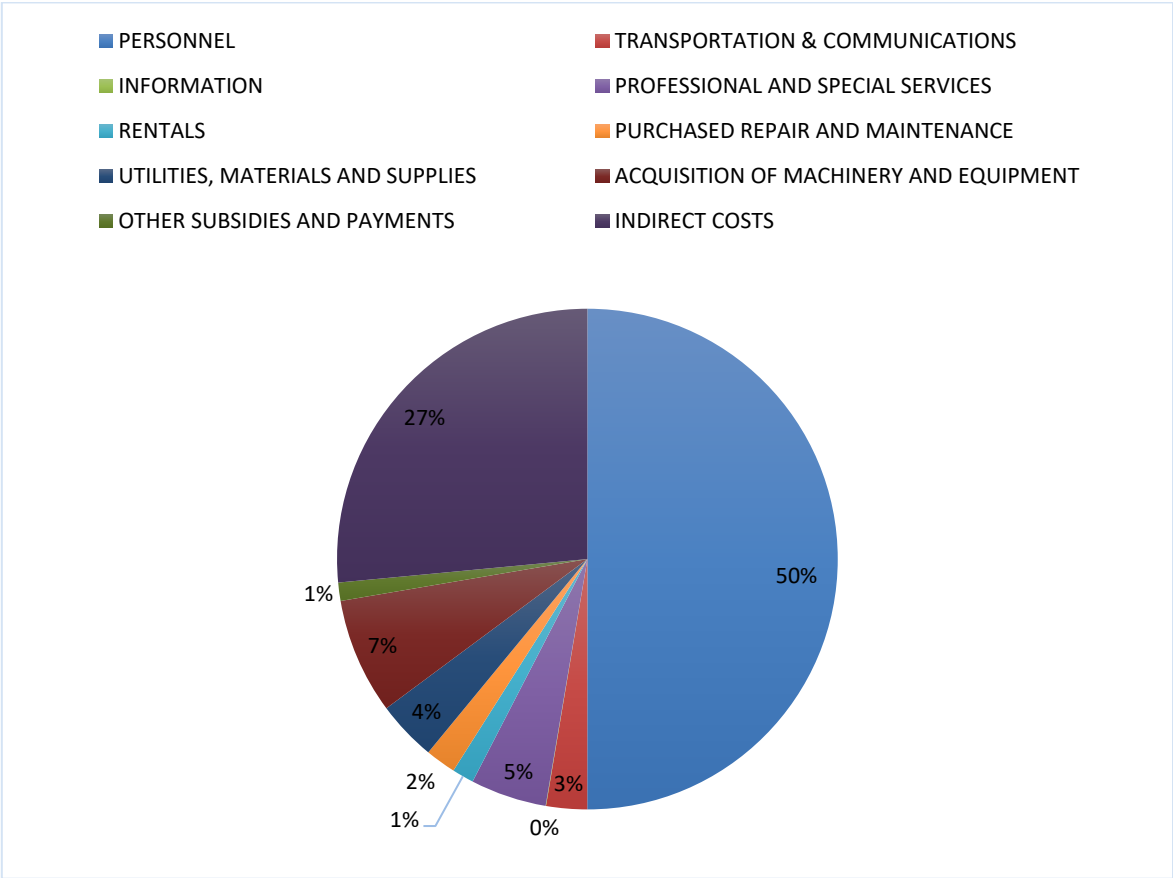
Please contact me at 306-787-3572 or email [Curtis.kosolofski@gov.sk.ca](mailto:Curtis.kosolofski@gov.sk.ca) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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