



**“Stand Up, Stand Together” January is Crime Stoppers Awareness Month.**

Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce joins hands with our partners globally to celebrate the community collaboration between the Public, Media, and the Police. The Crime Stoppers program provides concerned citizens with an anonymous channel to report criminal activity. Remember: community safety is a shared responsibility.

Crime Stopper’s success is reflected in the numbers. In Grey and Bruce Counties police were supplied with approximately 600 tips from Crime Stoppers in the last year. These tips resulted in the recovery of over \$150,000 of stolen property; the seizure of over \$500,000 worth of drugs and proceeds; the arrests of more than 30 people and a total of 145 charges laid. Since our inception in 1987 Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce’s tips have led to the seizure or recovery of almost 55 MILLION DOLLARS in drugs, cash, and property!

**What is Crime Stoppers?**

Crime Stoppers is a community-based program that allows residents to provide anonymous information about criminal activity. Crime Stoppers is overseen by a volunteer Board that is passionate about making a difference in their community. As a registered charity Crime Stoppers relies on the generosity of community donors to fund our program.

Tips are received anonymously from “Tipsters” contacting Crime Stoppers. All tips are shared with police and other investigative agencies to be followed up on. Crime Stoppers works diligently to shield the identity of the Tipsters. If tip information is accurate and leads to an arrest or the recovery of drugs or stolen property, the Tipster may be eligible for a cash reward up to \$2,000.

Crime Stoppers is best used for community members who do not wish to be identified, or to appear in court. “Tipsters” may have information about crime, and Crime Stoppers offers them an alternate resource to contacting police.

Crime Stoppers is not for emergency response. We encourage the community to call 911 to report crimes, suspicious persons, or activities in progress.

You can report tips to Crime Stoppers by: Calling 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS); Downloading the free P3 Tips mobile app; or making an online “Web-Tip” at [www.cstip.ca](http://www.cstip.ca).

**Make a Difference in your Community:**

“Stand Up, Stand Together” is our theme for Crime Stoppers Month this year. Often people are hesitant to come forward because of many reasons. By providing anonymity and removing the burden of testifying in court, Crime Stoppers makes it easier and safer to help the police make a difference in your community. By standing up and standing together, taking the time to report information we can be part of the solution.

Crime Stoppers is looking for self-motivated, committed members to represent the communities of Grey and Bruce Counties on the Board of Directors or as volunteers for fundraising events and community awareness initiatives.