

## INTRODUCTION

In 1993, the Toronto Police Service, Hate Crime Unit (HCU) of Intelligence Services began publishing statistics on hate crimes based upon reported offences. The hate crime definition used by the Service is, "a criminal offence committed against a person or property that is based upon the victim's race, national or ethnic origin, language, colour, religion, sex, age, mental or physical disability, sexual orientation, or any other similar factor." The bias category codes used throughout the tables and charts of this report are reflected in the legend footer below.

The HCU is responsible for reviewing all hate motivated occurrences to ensure a proper investigation is conducted. All relevant information is captured, recorded and analyzed to help determine overall trends and patterns.

It must be emphasized that while the HCU analyzes this information to determine the status of hate motivated crimes, we believe the collected data does not accurately represent the prevalence of hate bias crime. Historically, there has been a reluctance by some members of the public to report their victimization to police. Community groups play an important role by intervening and referring reluctant victims to the police. In addition, The Toronto Police Service Hate Crime Directive outlines several criteria for field officers to properly identify hate crimes. Further, the HCU continues to instruct all officers to err on the side of caution and forward all suspected hate motivated occurrences to the Hate Crime Unit for review.

The HCU continues to work closely with various community groups and front line officers to provide them with training and education. In addition, the unit provides investigative support and expert witnesses for court when required. Our main focus is the commitment and dedication to prevention, pro-active education and investigation of hate motivated offences.



# **METHODOLOGY of CATEGORIES**

The Service's Hate Crime Directive (05-16) requires all suspected hate motivated occurrences to be reviewed by the HCU to ensure proper identification. In addition, the unit gathers criminal intelligence on hate groups and/or individual hate mongers, including their criminal activities.

Each occurrence is classified using the categories within the Hate Crime definition (see legend below). Comments and/or actions of the suspect during the incident are significant in helping to determine the suspect's motive and the type of bias. However, it is sometimes difficult to categorize these occurrences. At this point we rely on several factors including the victim's perception of the incident and a self-account of the identifiable group they belong to.

In cases where visible minorities are victims, the suspects are often unaware of the victim's actual background, and the victim is then "lumped" into a category by the suspect based on their preconceived bias. The victim is targeted because of an obvious visible difference. For example, a person of East Indian decent from Guyana, when confronted with hate bias may be called a racial slur associated a person originating from Pakistan. In these cases the incident is classified as RACE (RA).

Occurrences which target more than one group are categorized as Multi-Bias (MU). This occurs when a suspect's comments and/or actions are directed towards several victim groups.

When a hate motivated occurrence is coded as Ethnic (ET) the suspect and victim are from the same country but different ethnic backgrounds, or the suspect is able to distinguish the different ethnic groups from a specific country.

The Nationality (NA) category is used when a victim is targeted specifically because of their Nationality and not their country of origin or physical features.



# Methodology con't

Sexual Orientation offences include crimes against gay males, lesbians, trans-sexual, and trans-gender persons.

The categories of Age, Language, Disability, and Religion are usually specific and clear as to why the victims have been targeted and therefore, can be easily catorgized.

Similar Factor criminal occurrences can reflects hate towards any recognizable group other than those previously discussed. This may include a particular profession or the immutable physical characteristic of a person.

## HATE GROUPS

Hate groups and individual hate mongers were mainly responsible for the distribution of hate flyers, posters, voice messages, e-mails, letters and faxes. Individuals identifying themselves as members of the Ku Klux Klan, Original Canadian White Bloor Boys, The Union Committee, The Movement to Restore Decencies, and the Coalition for a Humanistic British Canada committed 29 Wilful Promotion of Hatred offences. Aryan Nations members were responsible for a Threatening and Mischief occurrence. A Nationalist Party of Canada member was arrested for a Mischief offence. Skinheads were responsible in three (3) separate assault occurrences. Investigations are continuing on these matters.



## **OVERVIEW**

A total of 292 hate bias criminal offences were reported to Toronto Police Service Hate Crime Unit in 1999. This reflects a 28% increase from the 1998 figure of 228. The offences of Wilful Promotion of Hatred and Mischief show significant increases. There was also a marked increase in reporting from Toronto Transit Commission, from 15 occurrences in 1998 to 36 reported in 1999. The majority of these occurrences were Mischief to Property (i.e. Graffiti).

The HCU, believes this increase is directly attributed to increased awareness of hate crimes by the police and community. The Hate Crime Unit continues it's focus on training uniform officers to recognize hate crimes and educating the public to encourage reporting. The dedication of community organizations with outreach hotlines has also assisted the public in reporting incidents that they would otherwise not report.

## 1999 OFFENCE BREAKDOWN BY CATEGORY

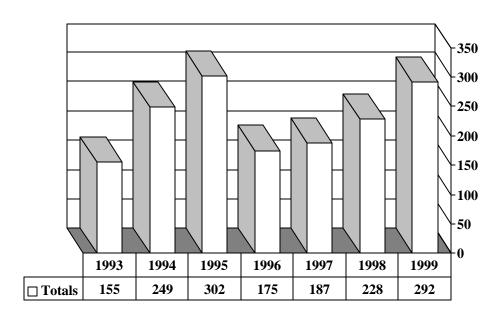
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OFFENCE	AG	DI	ET	GE	LN	MU	NA	RA	RE	SF	SO	ΠL
Advocate Genocide			1						1			2
Assault		1	1			5	10	35	2	2	19	75
Bomb Threat								1				1
Break & Enter								1				1
Cause Disturbance						1						1
Criminal				2		4	2	7	4	2	3	24
Harassment												
Harassing Phone			1					2				3
Call												
Mischief						21	4	28	16		7	76
Robbery								2			3	5
Sexual Assault								1				1
Theft											1	1
Threat			2			4	5	19	7	1	11	49
W/Promotion Hatred						28		17	8			53
TOTAL	0	1	5	2	0	63	21	113	38	5	44	292

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# Reported Hate Crime Occurrences 1993 - 1999 Comparisions



YEAR	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Percentage Increase/Decrease	61%+	21%+	42%-	7%+	22%+	28%+

#### **TOTAL HATE CRIMES**

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YEAR	AG	DI	ET	GE	LN	MU	NA	RA	RE	SF	SO	TOTAL
1993			8					77	54		16	155
1994		2	6				17	155	58		11	249
1995			10	1		32	23	164	50		22	302
1996			9			8	7	101	32		18	175
1997			5		1	18	16	97	34		16	187
1998		1	3	2		33	34	92	32		31	228
1999		1	5	2		63	21	113	38	5	44	292
TOTAL		4	46	5	1	154	118	799	298	5	158	1,588

In 1993 Nationality and Ethnicity was combined under Ethnicity In 1993 & 1994 Race and Multi-Bias was combined under Race

Bias Category Legend



AG-Not reported to date



## PATTERNS OF HATE MOTIVATED OFFENCES

In 1999, the most frequent hate bias occurrences were Mischief (76), Assaults (75), Wilful Promotion of Hatred (53), Threats (49) and Criminal Harassment (24). As in previous reports, most offences occurred in public locations and were committed by suspects unknown to the victim.

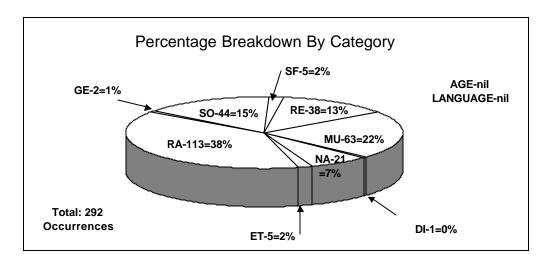
Mischief offences consisted mainly of graffiti and flyers posted and/or distributed in public locations. Common targets included Toronto Transit Commission property, schools, education offices and apartment buildings, with a large number occurring in public locations i.e. utility poles etc.

Assaults and threats were usually unprovoked attacks. They typically occurred in the victim's environment: their neighbourhood, school, transit route and occasionally, their place of employment.

Hate groups and individual hate mongers were responsible for the majority of Wilful Promotion of Hatred offences.

Most Criminal Harassment offences were committed by voice-mail, e-mail, or fax messages.

#### PATTERNS OF VICTIM GROUPS





## Patterns of Hate Motivated Offences con't.

Consistent with previous reports, the group most targeted remains the Race category at 38% (113 occurrences), followed by Multi-Bias at 22% (63 occurrences), Sexual Orientation at 15% (44 occurrences) and Religion with 13% (38 occurrences) offences.

As in previous years, hate motivated crimes against visible minorities accounted for the highest number of occurrences. Some of the contributing factors for these unprovoked offences include the offender's perception of the victim as a threat to their way of life, their community or their employment opportunities. In the majority of cases, there were no precipitating events to initiate the attack. The motivation is often the suspect's personal bias, which contributed to criminal action. Often the suspects have no prior history of criminal behaviour.

In the Race category, members of the Black community (73) were the main target group, followed by Multi-Bias (63), anti-Pakistani (18) and anti-White (17).

The Multi-Bias category had 63 occurrences substantiating the fact that prime victims of hate motivated crimes are visible minorities. The majority of occurrences consisted of graffiti and flyers posted and/or distributed in public locations.

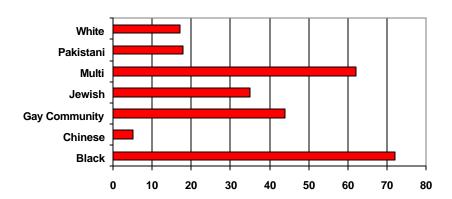
Almost all religious offences were anti–Semitic. This has been consistent since 1993.

Offences against gay males were the highest in the Sexual Orientation category. The majority of these were assaults and threats. Almost all occurred in public locations.

While physical and verbal abuse were prevalent in most occurrences, weapons were used in 23 incidents. The types of weapons included the use of baseball bats, broken beer bottles, knives, a metal crow bar, a stick, and a screwdriver. Almost all these weapons offences were assaults.



## **VICTIMIZED GROUPS IN 1999**



Other victim groups who reported less than 5 occurrences are listed below.

Aboriginal	1	Abortion Issues	2	Albanian	1	Black	73
Visually Impaired	1	Bombay	1	Canadian	1	Chinese	5
Christian	3	East Indian	1	Female	2	Gay Community	3
Gay Males	32	Lesbian	7	Greek	1	Hispanic	1
Iranian	1	Iraq	1	Irish	1	Japanese	2
Jewish	35	German	1	Multi-Bias	63	Newfoundland	1
Pakistani	18	Police	3	Polish	3	Punjabi	1
Serbian	2	Somalian	2	Transgender	2	Trinidad	1
Turkish	1	Ukrainian	2	White	17	TOTAL	292

## **ACCUSED/SUSPECT IDENTIFICATION**

(Provided by Victims - Approximate Age Group)

Age	Range 1	1-17	Age	Range 18	3-25	Age	Range 26	6-40		Over 40	
M	F	Group	М	F	Group	M	F	Group	M	F	Group
8	1	3	11	2	14	37	6	9	30	3	2

Male - Unk/Age	Female – Unk/Age	Group Attacks – Unk/Age
19	16	9

According to victim's description, males in the age range 26-40 committed the majority of offences. These offences were mainly assaults and threats. This differs from 1998, where

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18-25 year old males were prime suspects. Frequently, in occurrences where young offenders were involved, their motivation was based on ethnic polarization, territorial issues and peer pressure.

## HATE BIAS CRIME OCCURRENCES BY DAY/MONTH

			DAYS OF	THE WEEK			
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	OTHER
34	51	31	35	36	49	48	8

The occurrence breakdown by day did not reflect any particular pattern except Monday, Friday and Saturday being higher. There was no evidence of any pattern or trend.

					MONTH	S OF THE	YEAR					
JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	OTH
18	23	26	28	16	26	20	30	29	29	27	12	8

The monthly breakdowns are comparable except for January, May, and December. Comparing the monthly data did not provide any evidence to prove the reduction during the lower months was directly attributed to any religious holiday or significant date.

The category of "Other" signifies incidents occurring over a period of time. These were usually Criminal Harassment offences.

## ARREST/SENTENCING

In 1999, 49 reported hate motivated occurrences concluded with charges. Of these, 30 occurrences had multiple charges and six (6) had multiple accused. There were 20 concluded cases and 29 remain before the courts. Sentencing in the concluded cases included time served, custodial time, conditional discharges, suspended sentences, probation, and peace bonds.

CHARGES		COURT CASES				
OFFENCE	QTY	DISPOSITIONS	Y.O.	ADULTS		
Assault	32	Currently before the Courts		29		
Threat	12	Guilty		17		
Criminal Harassment	2	Withdrawn (Peace Bond)		2		
Mischief	2	Diversion (Y.O.)	1			
Cause Disturbance	1					
TOTAL	49	TOTAL	1	48		

Bias Category Legend



Mischief, Criminal Harassment and Wilful Promotion of Hatred represent a large majority of hate motivated crimes. It is difficult to identify suspects for these offences and therefore to obtain an arrest.

# **BREAKDOWN BY VICTIM GROUP AND OFFENCE**

		NUMBER & TYPE			NUMBER & TYPE
BIAS	VICTIM	OF OFFENCES	BIAS	VICTIM	OF OFFENCES
DI	Visually Impaired	1 Assault	ET	Albanian	1 Advocate Genocide
1			5	Serbian X 2	1 Assault, 1 Har/Phone Call
				Sicilian	1Threat (Death)
				Somalia	1 Threat
GE	Female X 2	2 Criminal Harassment	MU	Multi -Bias	5 Assault, 4 Threat
2			63		1 Cause Disturbance
					4 Criminal Harassment
					21 Mischief,
					28 Wilful Promotion Hate
NA	Bombay	1 Threat	RA	Aboriginal	1 Mischief
21	Canadian	1 Mischief	113	Black X 72	28 Assaults, 8 Mischief
	Chinese X 2	2 Assault,			6 Criminal Harassment
	East Indian	1 Threat			1 Harassing Phone Call
	German	1 Assault			15 Threats,
	Greek	1 Threat			14 Wilful Promotion Hate
	Iranian	1 Assault		Chinese X 3	1 Break & Enter
	Irish	1 Threat			1 Mischief, 1 Threat
	Japanese X 2	1 Assault, 1 Mischief,		Hispanic	1 Wilful Promotion Hate
	Newfoundland	1 Assault		Iraq	1 Assault
	Pakistani	1 Assault		Pakistani X 17	4 Assault ,1 Bomb Threat
	Polish X 3	1 Assault, 1 Threat			1 Harassing Phone Call
		1 Criminal Harassment			6 Mischief, 1 Robbery
	Punjabi	1 Assault			1 Sexual Assault, 2 Threat
	Somalian	1 Mischief			1 Wilful Promotion Hate
	Turkish	1 Assault		Trinidad	1 Assault
	Ukrainian X 2	1 Criminal Harassment		White X 17	1 Assault, 12 Mischief
		1 Mischief			1 Criminal Harassment, 1 Threat
					1 Robbery, 1 Wilful
					Promotion of Hate

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RE	Christian X 3	1 Threat, 1 Mischief	SF	Abortion X 2	2 Criminal Harassment
38		1 Assault	5		
	Jewish X 35	1 Advocate Genocide		Police X 3	2 Assault, 1 Threat
		15 Mischief, 1 Assault,			
		6 Threat,			
		4 Criminal Harassment			
		8 Wilful Promotion Hate			
SO	Gay Community X	2 Mischief, 1 Threat,	AG	Nil	
44	3	15 Assault, 9 Threat,			
	Gay Male X 32	2 Criminal Harassment,			
		3 Mischief, 3 Robbery,	LN	Nil	
		2 Assault, 2 Mischief			
	Lesbian X 7	1 Criminal Harassment			
		1 Theft, 1 Threat			
		2 Assault			
	Trans-gender X 2				



# **LOCATION OF OFFENCES**

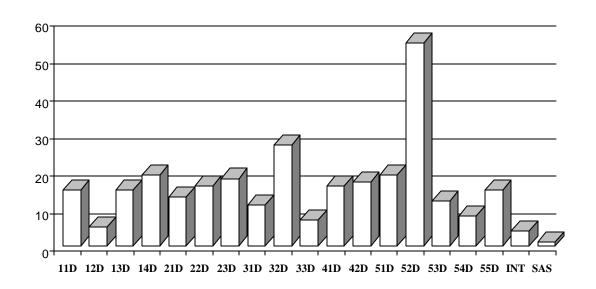
QTY	Type of Location	Types of Crimes – In Sequence of Most Often Committed
45	Apartment Bldg Private residences Lobby	Mainly Mischief, Threats, Wilful Promotion of Hate & Assaults
	<ul> <li>Stairwells</li> </ul>	
13	Business Office <ul><li>Various types</li></ul>	Mainly Mischief, Criminal Harassment
1	Commercial  Video shop	Bomb Threat
1	Community Centre	Assault
29	Education  Board Office  Junior & High  College & University	Mainly Mischief, Wilful Promotion of Hate & Assaults
3	Financial Institutions  Bank Credit Union	All Wilful Promotion of Hate
3	Gas Service Station	Threats, Assault
15	Government	Mainly Wilful Promotion of Hate
1	Hotel	Mischief
53	House/Dwelling Private Houses Student Residence	Wilful Promotion Hate, Threat, Mischief, Criminal Harassment, Assault,
2	Manufacturing Plant	Wilful Promotion Hate & Threat
1	Nursing Home	Criminal Harassment
13	Organisations  Various, including community centres	Mainly Threats, Wilful Promotion Hate, Mischief
8	Parking Lots	Mischief, Assault, Threat
5	Public Parks	2 Assaults, Criminal Harassment, Robbery & Mischief
1	Race Track	Criminal Harassment
10	Restaurants	Assaults
5	Retail	Mischief, Threat
45	Street/Sidewalk	Mainly Assault (28), Mischief, Threats & Wilful Promotion Hate
36	<ul> <li>Toronto Transit Commission</li> <li>Bus Shelters</li> <li>Street Cars</li> <li>Subway Stations &amp; Trains</li> </ul>	Mainly Mischief to Property (22) and Assaults, Wilful Promotion Hate

Bias Category Legend



2	Worship	Mischief
	<ul><li>Church</li></ul>	
	<ul> <li>Cemetery</li> </ul>	

# 1999 HATE BIAS OCCURRENCES BY DIVISION



# **BY DIVISION**

<u>11 Divisio</u>	on - 15 Occurrences
Abortion Issues	Criminal Harassment

Black	Mischief		
Black	Threat		
Black	Wilful Prom/Hate	12 <u>Div</u>	vision - 5 Occurrences
Chinese	Assault	Black	2 x Wilful Prom/Hate
Female	Criminal Harassment	Police	Assault
Gay Male	Threat	Turkish	Assault
Iraq	Assault	Visually	Assault
Jewish	Mischief		
Multi	Mischief	<u>13 Div</u>	ision - 15 Occurrences
Pakistani	Mischief	Black	Assault
Pakistani	Assault	Black	3 x Wilful Prom/Hate
Police	Assault	Black	Harassing Phone Call
Ukrainian	Criminal Harassment	Black	Threat
White	Robbery	Black	Criminal Harassment
	,	Black	Assault



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Jewish Lesbian	2 x Criminal Harassment	Chinese	Assault
	Mischief	Chinese	Threat
Multi	Willful Prom/Hate	Female	Criminal Harassment
Multi	2 x Mischief	Gay Community	
Trinidad	Assault	Gay Male	Assault
		Jewish	Mischief
		Lesbian	Mischief
		Multi	Mischief
<u>14</u>	Division - 19 Occurences		! Division con't
Black	Criminal Harassment	Polish	Threat
Black	Assault	Polish	Criminal Harassment
Black	2 x Threat	Somalian	Mischief
Black	Wilful Prom/Hate		
Christian	Mischief		
Gay Male	Mischief	<u>23 Divis</u>	sion - 18 Occurrences
Gay Male	Assault	Black	3 x Mischief
Gay Male	Threat	Black	2 x Wilful Prom/Hate
German	Assault	Black	Assault
Japanese	Mischief	Black	Threat
Jewish	Mischief	Gay Male	Assault
Lesbian	Assault	Jewish	Wilful Prom/Hate
Multi	Wilful Prom/Hate		
Multi	Threat	Multi	Assault
Pakistani	Wilful Prom/Hate	Multi	Assault
Pakistani	Assault	Multi	Criminal Harassment
Pakistani	Robbery	Multi	2 x Wilful Prom/Hate
Ukrainian	Mischief	Multi	Mischief
		Pakistani	Assault
<u>21</u>	Division - 13 Occurrences	Multi	Assault
Black	4 x Assault	White	Assault
Black	Threat	VVIIIC	Assault
Gay Male	Robbery		
Jewish Pakistani	Mischief Bomb Threat		
Pakistani	Mischief		sion - 11 Occurrences
Pakistani	Threat	Black	Mischief
Polish	Assault	Black	Threat
White	Assault	Bombay	Threat
White	Mischief	Gay Male	Criminal Harassment
		Jewish	Threat
		Multi	Threat
22	Division - 16 Occurrences	Multi	Wilful Prom/Hate
Albanian	Advocate Genocide	Multi	Mischief
Black	2 x Assault	Pakistani	Mischief
Black	2 x Threat	Punjabi	Assault
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Sicilian	Threat (Death)	32 Division – 27 Occurrences
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Black 2 x Wilful Prom/Hate

Black 2 x Threat
Black Assault
Gay Male Robbery
Jewish 5 x Mischief

Jewish Criminal Harassment
Jewish 3 x Wilful Prom/Hate

Jewish 4 x Threat

Multi Criminal Harassment

Multi Wilful Prom/Hate

Multi Mischief
Pakistani Assault
White 4 x Mischief

#### 33 Division - 7 Occurrences

Black Assault
Chinese Break & Enter
Jewish 2 x Mischief

Jewish Advocate Genocide

Multi Threat Multi Mischief

#### 41 Division - 16 Occurrences

Black Mischief
Black 2 xThreat
Black Assault
Chinese Mischief
Gay Male Assault

Multi Cause Disturbance

Multi 6 x Mischief
Pakistani Threat
Pakistani Mischief
Pakistani Assault

#### 42 Division - 17 Occurrences

Black 3 x Assault

Black Criminal Harassment

Black Mischief
Gay Male Assault
Gay Male Threat

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Jewish	Assault	Lesbian	Threat
	42 Division con't	Lesbian	Assault
Jewish	Wilful Prom/Hate		52 Division con't

Jewish Mischief Multi Assault

MultiWilful Prom/HateMultiCriminal HarassmentMultiCriminal HarassmentMulti15 x Willful Prom/Hate

Serbian

Multi Wilful Prom/Hate Multi 3 x Mischief

Serbian Assault Trans-Gender 2 x Assault
Somalian Threat White 6 x Mischief

White Wilful Prom/Hate

Mischief

Pakistani

#### 53 Division - 12 Occurrences

Harassing Phone Call

51 Division – 19 Occurrences		Abortion	Criminal Harassment
Aboriginal	Mischief	B lack	2 x Criminal Harassment
Black	Wilful Prom/Hate	Black	Wilful Prom/Hate
Black	Assault	Black	Threat
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Christian Assault Jewish Mischief

Gay Male 6 x Assault Jewish Wilful Prom/Hate
Gay Male Mischief Multi 4 x Wilful Prom/Hate

Gay Male Criminal Harassment Multi Mischief

Gay Male Threat

Jewish Criminal Harassment

Jewish Mischief 54 Division - 8 Occurrences Threat Jewish Black 2 x Assault Lesbian Theft East Indian Threat Multi Threat Threat Gay Male Police Threat Gay Male Mischief

Lesbian Criminal Harassment

Pakistani Mischief White Threat

52 Division - 54 Occurrences

6 x Assault

Black Wilful Prom/Hate

Black

Black Criminal Harassment

55 Division – 15 Occurrences Mischief Canada Black 3 x Assault Black Threat Gay Community Mischief Black Mischief Gay Community Threat Christian Threat Gay Male 4 x Threat Gay Male 3 x Assault Gay Male Assault

Wilful Prom/Hate Jewish Gay Male Robbery Jewish Mischief Greek Threat Assault Multi 3 x Mischief Iranian Newfoundland Irish Threat Assault

Japanese Assault Pakistani Harassing Phone Call

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White Mischief

Intelligence Services, Sexual Assault Squad Hispanic Wilful Prom/Hate Pakistani Sexual Assault

## **Detective Support Command**

**Special Investigations** 

Intelligence Services, White Crim/Harassmen
Intelligence Services, Multi Wilful Prom/Hate
Intelligence Services, Jewish Wilful Prom/Hate



# HATE CRIME UNIT EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH INITIATIVES

In 1999 the Hate Crime Unit continued to focus its efforts in prevention, pro-active education, and criminal investigations of hate motivated crimes in Toronto.

# **Investigative Support Role and Intelligence Gathering**

- The Hate Crime Unit continued to network with Toronto Police Service Divisions, as well as Provincial, National and International Police Services.
- The Unit assisted Police Divisions with investigative support case tracking and relevant intelligence exchange.

# **Hate-Bias Training for Police Officers**

- The Hate Crime Unit continued to provide assistance to uniform officers in the areas of training on the identification of hate bias crimes, and by providing intelligence on organized hate groups.
- Training was conducted at Police Divisions and at the C.O. Bick College.
- The Unit conducted hate-bias quarterly meetings with each Divisional Hate Crime Investigation Co-ordinator.

# Hate-Bias Training For Recruit Classes At Ontario Police College

• The Hate Crime Unit continued to provide information sessions for the police recruit classes at the Ontario Police College.

# Toronto Police Service-Civilian Diversity Classes at C.O. Bick College

• The Hate Crime Unit delivered hate bias crime training for civilian members of the Toronto Police Service throughout 1999.

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# **Hate on the Internet Training**

• Members of the Toronto Police Service received training on investigations concerning "Hate on the Internet", from the Simon Wiesenthal Centre of Toronto.

# **The Respect Certificate Program**

- The Hate Crime Unit, in conjunction with the Community Policing Support Unit, completed the implementation of the Respect Certificate Program with Community Response Managers at each Toronto Police Division.
- The Respect Program seeks to publicly recognize Youth & Community members, for promoting positive deeds in the community.

# **Community Outreach**

- The Hate Crime Unit, in conjunction with The North York Committee on Community Race & Ethnic Relations, The Metropolitan Toronto Housing Authority, Community Unity Alliance, The John Freeman Walls Historic Site & Underground Railroad Museum, and The Toronto Transit Commission produced and distributed pamphlets entitled "Working Together To Create Respect and Promote Diversity." The distribution took place at the various subway stations across the city of Toronto.
- The Hate Crime Unit in conjunction with the Community Policing Support Unit developed new Hate Crime handouts and posters to assist the community and schools in the identification and reporting of Hate Crimes.
- Members of the Hate Crime Unit attended the "International Hate on the Internet Conference" organized by the League for Human Rights B'nai Brith, Canada in Toronto and participated in panel discussions.
- The Hate Crime Unit continues to meet and consult with the League for Human Rights-B'nai Brith Canada, the Gay Lesbian Community, The City of Toronto Committee on Anti Racism and Anti Hate and the Canadian Jewish Congress.



Hate Crime Unit has undertaken to improve the method of analyzing the effectiveness
of the Police Service's initiative to reduce hate bias crimes. The method employed by
the Unit in co-operation with the community, is dialogue with Community
representatives. The initial meeting was held at the Toronto Canadian Jewish
Congress offices in June of 1999.

## The following communities were represented:

Ahmadiyya Movement in Islam-Toronto East Branch Armenian Community Centre Toronto Black Business and Professional Association Black Community Police Consultative Committee Canadian Arab Federation Toronto Canadian-Polish Congress National Association of Japanese Canadians Toronto Chapter Chinese Canadian National Council Toronto Chapter City of Toronto Committee on Anti-Racism and Anti-Hate Council of Agencies Serving South Asians Culture and Education Centre Desh Pardesh & SAVAC Jane-Finch Concerned Citizens Organization Canadian Jewish Congress Gay Lesbian Community Toronto Hellenic Canadian Federation of Ontario Jamaican Canadian Association

Jane-Finch Concerned Citizens Organization

Latino-Canadian Community Association of Scarborough League for Human Rights of B'nai Brith Canada National Action Committee on the status of Women. National Congress of Italian Canadians, Toronto Native Canadian Centre of Toronto North York Sikh Temple Ontario Provincial Council. The Korean Canadian Roma Community and Advocacy Centre, Somali Community Information Centre Somali-Canadian Association of Etobicoke South East Asian Services Centre Tamil Resource Centre The Hispanic Development Council, Toronto Police Services French Consultative Committee Ukrainian-Canadian Congress United Ukrainian Canadians Urban Alliance on Dace Polations

Katipunan Ng Bagong Pilipino Community

#### **Media Outreach**

 Hate Crime Unit members provided numerous interviews to local, national and international media on Hate Bias Crime.

# **Community/Youth/and Police Initiatives**

 Chief David Boothby, in conjunction with the Community Policing Support Unit, Hate Crime Unit, North York Committee on Community, Race & Ethnic Relations, Toronto Ambulance Services, and the John Freeman Walls Historic Site and Underground



Railroad Museum accompanied Toronto Youth to visit the Underground Railroad Museum in Puce, Ontario.

- The Hate Crime Unit assisted the Toronto Police Service Board in developing recommendations for a Youth Relations Focus Group to improve police and youth relations in Toronto.
- The Hate Crime Unit, in conjunction with, Significant Music Inc., local School Boards, the City of Toronto Committee on Anti-Racism and Anti-Hate and Students from various high schools organized events for The International Day For The Elimination of Racial Discrimination at Metro Hall Rotunda. The Students showcased "Positive Youth Initiatives", and addressed "Hate activity through Music and Arts".
- The Hate Crime Unit conducted Hate Crime presentations for local Schools, (students and teaching staff), Community Colleges, Student Crime Stoppers and City Council Committee Emergency Protective Services.

The Hate Crime Unit is committed to the Prevention, Education and Investigation of Hate Motivated Crimes. Open consultation and support with the community will help us achieve this goal.