

January 2026 Slave Lake RCMP Release

During the month of December, the Slave Lake Detachment responded to a total of 316 calls for service, which included:

- 911 Act (Static lines, 911 hang-ups) (x15)
- False Alarms (x8)
- Assault (x6)
- Break and Enter (x8)
- Utter Threats (x7)
- Theft (x8)
- Mischief – Damage to Property (x5)
- Causing a Disturbance, Mischief (Nuisance) (x21)
- Mental Health (x2)
- Suspicious Person / Vehicle / Property (x6)
- Wellbeing Checks (x10)

Slave Lake RCMP reminds residents how to contact Crime Stoppers

Slave Lake, Alta. – RCMP is encouraging residents to help keep their neighbourhoods safe by reporting crime or suspicious activity through Crime Stoppers.

Here's how you can do your part:

- **Call anonymously:** Dial **1-800-222-TIPS (8477)** to report information without revealing your identity.
- **Submit tips online:** Visit www.crimestoppers.ab.ca or www.p3tips.com
- **Use the app:** Download the **P3 Tips app** for quick and confidential submissions.

Crime Stoppers works alongside the Alberta RCMP by providing vital information that assists in investigations and helps police apprehend suspects. Crime Stoppers does not record calls or trace IP addresses. Tips that lead to an arrest may qualify for a reward of up to \$2,000.

“Crime Stoppers offers an important bridge between people who want to stay anonymous and the police. We understand the reluctance some members of the public might face when wanting to make a report. Crime Stoppers is there for those people,” says S/Sgt. Casey Bruyns, Slave Lake RCMP Detachment Commander.

Crime Stoppers is not an emergency service. For emergencies, call **911**. For more tips on reporting crime, please follow us on Facebook [@RCMPinAlberta](#), X [@RCMPAlberta](#), and on YouTube [@RCMP-GRC Alberta](#).

Slave Lake RCMP encourage public to adopt new online habits for 2026

Slave Lake, Alta. - As 2026 begins, the Slave Lake RCMP is encouraging Albertans to take a fresh look at their digital habits and online activity. With rapid advances in artificial intelligence, cybercriminals and fraudsters are increasingly using new tools to manipulate photos, clone voices, and exploit personal information shared on social media.

These emerging trends highlight the importance of protecting your online presence and being mindful of what you post, especially when it involves children, family members, or identifiable personal details.

The new year is a great time to reassess your relationship with technology and take simple steps to reduce digital risk. The Slave Lake RCMP encourages residents to consider the following safer online practices:

- Avoid posting personal details such as your home address, workplace, daily routines, travel plans, or financial information. Even small pieces of data can be used to build a profile for fraud or identity theft.
- Think carefully before posting or sharing identifiable photos of minors. Once an image is online, you lose control over how it may be used, saved, or altered. Consider using private sharing platforms or reducing the number of images posted publicly.
- Review social-media privacy settings at least once a year. Ensure only trusted individuals can see your posts, photos, and personal information. Adjust tagging permissions so you can approve what others share about you.
- Short voice clips, video messages, and livestreams can all be used to create AI-generated impersonations. Be cautious about posting audio or video that includes your full voice, your child's voice, or private conversations.
- Protect email, banking, and social-media accounts with long, complex passwords. Enable two-factor authentication whenever possible to prevent unauthorized access.
- If you receive a call claiming to be a family member who needs money urgently, hang up and verify the situation through a trusted number. Do not rely on caller ID or voice recognition alone.
- Young people are often targeted for image manipulation, cyberbullying, and scams. Encourage open conversations about what they post, who they interact with, and how to report anything suspicious.

"Criminals don't need much information to cause harm" says S/Sgt. Casey Bruyns, Slave Lake RCMP Detachment Commander. "Limiting what you share online and monitoring youth online activity are key steps in keeping our community safe in 2026."

For more online safety tips follow us on Facebook @RCMPinAlberta and on X@RCMPAlberta

Coffee with a Cop

The Slave Lake RCMP is dedicated to maintaining direct open lines of communication with the communities we serve. We would like to get to know area residents better, discuss your concerns and ideas about law enforcement and conversely create an opportunity for you to get to know your local police officers to discuss our duties and responsibilities. This month Coffee with a Cop will be held on the second to last Wednesday of the month where you will find a Slave Lake Detachment officer having a Coffee, barring any emergency we are attending. Coffee with a Cop will be held:

- at the FIX, 317 Main St. NW, Slave Lake on January 28th 2026 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Feel free to stop in and have a Coffee (or a Pop) with us.

Email Questions

In order to seek important input from all stakeholders and residents, the Slave Lake RCMP will be completing monthly police briefs (like this one) in order to keep the public aware of our activities in the communities. In addition, we encourage interaction and anyone with any inquiries, questions, or comments can contact us at: KSLAVELAKEDET@rcmp-grc.gc.ca

During each monthly police brief members of the detachment will answer a few of the questions asked or provide education on a topic identified from the community. We look forward to hearing from you.

COFFEE WITH A COP

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Learn more about:

- Crime in your community
 - Current crime reduction initiatives
 - How you can help keep your community safe
 - Where to get more information on local crime
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**January 28th, 2026 at
10:00 a.m.**

**FIX Coffee Bar & Bakery (317
Main St. Slave Lake)**

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