



Welcomes All Municipal Police Governing Authorities

The Canadian Association of Police Boards (CAPB) is a national non-profit association formed in 1989 in response to a recognized need for information exchange, education and advocacy for members of Canadian municipal police governing bodies, including First Nations police governing authorities. The Association provides a vehicle for the collection and sharing of information, and a forum for the discussion of matters relevant to policing in Canada today. As the voice of police boards and commissions across the country, the CAPB also represents its members' views to the federal government.

Police Boards in Canada can be traced back to various provincial legislative acts that predate Confederation. The civilian governance of police in Canada has a rich and deep history in this country.

CAPB represents the more than 75% of municipal police services in Canada. We have a demonstrated record, in partnership with federal and provincial authorities, as well as other police organizations, of pursuing initiatives to assist our members in discharging their responsibilities in a professional manner. We constantly work to reflect the most modern governance principles from both the private and public sector, while adhering to our respective statutory responsibilities. Given our history, our record and our practical experience, we are best suited to provide expert training in areas of police governance, oversight and accountability to the community and our own members.

As a member of the CAPB, your police governing authority will receive the following services:

- Access to the "Members Only" section of the CAPB's website, which offers orientation training for new board members, a database of commonly used board policies, a catalogue of resource material that can be ordered free of charge, a Members' Directory, and more.
- Newsletters to keep you up-to-date on CAPB activities and news stories from across the country affecting policing.
- Bulletins on important breaking news, such as new federal legislation in the area of public safety and law enforcement.
- Annual reports summarizing the proceedings of the CAPB Annual Meeting and Conference, including resolutions that form the basis of the Association's advocacy efforts.
- Position papers responding to federal legislation on behalf of police governing authorities, and
- Discounted conference rates.

The CAPB holds an Annual Conference each year, which is one of the best educational and learning opportunities members of police governing bodies have to enhance their effectiveness and that of the police service they govern. The 2011 Conference will be in Regina, Saskatchewan from August 17 to August 20, 2011. The theme of the Conference is "The Future of Policing?"

Visit the CAPB's website (www.capb.ca) for more information on how to become a member, or contact the CAPB office: tel: (613) 235-2272, fax: (613) 235-2275 or email: jlanzon@capb.ca.