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**ANONYMOUS TIPS TO CRIME STOPPERS IN 2023 LED TO ARRESTS,
AND THE RECOVERY OF ILLEGAL WEAPONS, DRUGS AND STOLEN PROPERTY**

*Metro Vancouver Crime Stoppers says the credit goes to those who provide
ANONYMOUS tips about crime each and every year*

Vancouver, B.C. (February 8, 2024): The longevity and ongoing success of Metro Vancouver Crime Stoppers are once again reflected in this year's annual Impact Report containing statistics of Crime Stoppers' tip line activity for 2023.

The more than 4,100 ANONYMOUS tips received in 2023 represents a slight increase over the previous year. More than 300 of those tips were about gang crime activities.

Since the inception of Metro Vancouver Crime Stoppers 40 years ago, 8,473 arrests have been made, and half-a-billion dollars in property and drugs have been recovered.

"23 arrests were made last year that likely wouldn't have happened without the anonymous tips received by Crime Stoppers," said Linda Annis, Executive Director of Metro Vancouver Crime Stoppers. "With the ongoing concerns over safety in our communities from gang activity and other crimes, we urge anyone with information on any crime, or any most-wanted criminals on the loose, to call us at Crime Stoppers. We accept ANONYMOUS tips 24/7 and in 115 languages. We don't want to know your identity or where you're from, we just want information that can help police solve crimes. It really works."

Anyone with information can contact Crime Stoppers ANONYMOUSLY at 1-800-222-TIPS, through the "P3" Crime Stoppers app, online at solvecrime.ca or through Metro Vancouver Crime Stoppers' [Facebook page](#).

Statistics for 2023 - published by Metro Vancouver Crime Stoppers in its annual *Impact Report*

Information from tips received last year resulted in:

- TOTAL NUMBER OF ANONYMOUS TIPS IN 2022 - ALL CRIMES: 4147
- ARRESTS MADE BASED ON INFORMATION FROM TIPS: 23
- TOTAL TIPS ABOUT GANG ACTIVITY: 335
- TOTAL GANG AND GUN ARRESTS FROM TIPS: 16
- NUMBER OF ILLEGAL WEAPONS SEIZED: 9

(EDS: please see attached Metro Vancouver Crime Stoppers annual Impact Report for 2023)

About Metro Vancouver Crime Stoppers

First established in the Lower Mainland 40 years ago, Metro Vancouver Crime Stoppers is a non-profit society and registered charity that receives anonymous tip information about criminal activity and provides it to investigators.

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Anonymous tips may be provided through Crime Stoppers' downloadable "**P3**" app for **Apple and Android phones**, calling Crime Stoppers at **1-800-222-8477**, online at solvecrime.ca, or by following the link on the Metro Vancouver Crime Stoppers [Facebook page](#).

Metro Vancouver Crime Stoppers accepts tips in 115 different languages and will pay a reward of up to \$5,000 for information leading to an arrest, a charge, recovery of stolen property, seizure of illegal drugs or guns, or denial of a fraudulent insurance claim. Find MVCS on X (Twitter): [@solvecrime](#), Instagram: [metrovanancouvercrimestoppers](#) and You Tube: [@metrovanancouvercrimestoppers](#).

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