



Report-a-Drug-House initiative

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The Edmonton Police Service has launched a new initiative targeting drug houses in Edmonton. The Report-a-Drug-House initiative is designed to allow community members to take an active role in addressing problem properties. As a pilot project, Report-a-Drug-House successfully shut down 88 confirmed drug houses between September 2005 and June 2006 and identified many more.

Edmontonians are encouraged to report suspected drug houses in their neighbourhood by calling the Report-a-Drug-House hotline at 426-8229, by e-mail to reportadrughouse@police.edmonton.ab.ca, or in person by visiting any Police or Community Station.

A Report-a-Drug-House form is available online under the "In Your Community" tab.

Some indicators of a possible drug house are:

- high volume of foot and vehicle traffic making short visits (often at odd hours);
- packages/cash being exchanged at the door or through windows;
- drug paraphernalia being discarded in area;
- unusual amounts of garbage;
- homes with blacked-out windows;
- unusually strong odours.