

Media Release

Provincial Constable Brian McLaughlin of the Ontario Provincial Police Awarded the OACP's Lifetime Achievement in Traffic Safety Award

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(Toronto, ON) – Provincial Constable Brian McLaughlin of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) has been awarded the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police's (OACP) Lifetime Achievement in Traffic Safety Award, sponsored by the Canadian Automobile Association South Central Ontario. PC McLaughlin was honoured for his dedication in promoting traffic safety in Ontario over his long and distinguished law enforcement career.



Over the course of PC McLaughlin's 29-year career with the OPP, he has spent the past 23 years as a dedicated member of the Highway Safety Division. Currently, he is the Lead Collision Reconstructionist in Central Region, the Provincial Lead for Forensic Mechanics and a Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) Inspector. PC McLaughlin has an extensive background in CMV collision investigations and has dedicated his career to collision investigations.

In 2018 PC McLaughlin was officially recognized as a qualified officer in Forensic Mechanics. With his excellence in collision investigations, he has developed training for OPP mechanics and other police mechanics with the goal that they become Forensic Mechanics. No such training exists anywhere, which makes the OPP a leader in this area.

PC McLaughlin has been involved in developing training for using analysis of CMV engine modules as an investigative tool. This information is not standard from vehicle-to-vehicle, and expertise must be developed over a wide range of vehicle systems. PC McLaughlin worked with three other experts in CMV engine module analysis and developed a four-day training course on extracting pre-collision data from those modules. The OPP is now a leader in this type of analysis and they are hosting American law enforcement agencies that require this training.

Since 2000, PC McLaughlin has assisted in training Technical Collision Investigators (TCI), specifically lecturing on CMV and mechanical inspections. He regularly lectures on the Ontario Police College's Collision Reconstruction Course and is a long-time mentor for new TCIs and Reconstructionist.

"On behalf of the OACP and its Traffic Committee, I am delighted to congratulate PC McLaughlin on receiving this award. Dedicated officers like Brian play an important role in making Ontario roadways safe." - Chief Superintendent Rohan Thompson, Co-Chair of the OACP Traffic Committee.



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