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Budget Consultation Survey Now Online

(Ottawa)— The Ottawa Police Services Board (OPSB) and the Ottawa Police Service (OPS) are asking residents to provide their feedback in a public survey being launched today, to help us determine priorities in line with our annual budget.

We encourage everyone who lives in Ottawa to participate in the survey to let us know how we can best invest our resources. Ottawa is a diverse community, and to make sure that everyone has an opportunity to be heard, the survey will be issued in eight different languages: English, French, Arabic, Cantonese (Traditional Chinese), Mandarin (Simplified Chinese), Farsi, Somali and Spanish.

To participate in the survey, please visit **ottawapolice.ca/2022Budget** and click the appropriate language link.

Members of the OPSB and the OPS Executive Team have been meeting in one-on-one sessions with City Councillors and community stakeholders, to listen and learn about what is important to the people who work and live in their Wards and neighbourhoods.

Leading the consultation process, the OPS' Strategic Partnerships and Engagement Unit will work closely with **DiversiPro**, who has been hired to specifically support engagement efforts to address the concerns of marginalized and racialized communities.

Survey results are expected to be presented at the October OPSB meeting. Opportunities to provide feedback on the draft budget will continue into November.

If you have questions about the survey or the 2022 Budget, please email **Budget@ottawapolice.ca**

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