



PARA Marine Search & Rescue

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2019 Annual Operational Report

1. Operational Metrics:
 - a. 2019 Taskings: 15 (2018 – 27 Taskings, 2017 - 14 Taskings)
 - b. Membership: a max of 50
2. Key Performance Indicators:
 - a. Fundraising: approximately \$18,400 (2018 - \$51,500, 2017 - \$53,000) funds in the past 12 months through donations and grants to support capital equipment purchases.
 - b. Safety: 1 medically treated injury.
 - c. Vessel availability 93.75%. (2018 – 95.75%, 2017 - 96.66%). Decrease due to mechanical problems with port engine and a failed outdrive that required replacement following a log strike.
 - d. Community Service Level: Provided over 8,200 (2018 - 7,705 hours, 2017 hours – 8,300) to the community in 2019.
 - i. SAR Missions (15 taskings over 20 hours) and patrols 3,407 hours
 - ii. Maintenance 316 hours
 - iii. Training 2,109 hours
 - iv. Administration 1,130 hours
 - v. Community Development 1,032 hours
 - vi. Estimated savings to the community: based on the annual regional budget of ~\$53K equates to \$1.9M (NOTE: based on a \$1:37 ratio based on Canadian Coast Guard study on the return on volunteer organizations)
3. General Comments:
 - a. In Service from early April through early November.
 - i. Training conducted from April through to October.
 - ii. Patrols from Victoria Day weekend to Thanksgiving weekend. On call April to November
 - b. Rebranding the unit to a new name of “PARA Marine Search and Rescue” to be more inclusive of the 3 primary communities of Ajax, Pickering and Whitby
 - c. The vessel PARU underwent maintenance and improvements over the winter funded by the both the annual maintenance budget and additional fundraising.
 - i. Winter 2019: New mast extension for radio direction finder (RDF)
 - ii. Upcoming work in 2020: rebranding of vessel and unit materials, new windows, new electronic suite
4. Supported the following events in the communities:
 - a. Pickering: Canada day, OPG Community events, Easter Egg Hunt, Pickering Dragon Boat Festival, Pickering Village Museum Mine-craft, hosted the 3rd annual PARA Waterfront Festival in Pickering, Remembrance Day presence, Santa Claus Parade
 - b. Ajax: Canada Day, Remembrance Day presence, Santa Claus Parade
 - c. Whitby: Harbour and Canada Day, Remembrance Day presence, Santa Claus Parade
 - d. Other: Canadian Power and Sail Squadron events, Sea Cadet and Navy League Presentations, Toronto Region Conservation Association events at Paddle the Don and Humber River, Toronto International Airshow