

New Police Division

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EDMONTON/630 CHED - Calling the city's four geographic police divisions outdated, Chief Mike Boyd says things are going to change. On April 29th there will be one more division, splitting the south into southeast and southwest.

Mike Boyd says this won't solve all of the service's problems, nor will it guarantee their goal of seven-minute response times to the highest priority of calls.

Right now police respond in about 13 minutes to nearly all of the priority-one calls to 9-1-1.

Boyd thinks redeploying officers to areas where they are most needed is the foundation to building community links and preventing crimes before they happen.

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